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THE ORATORS **GAVE AWAY**

puties Not to Force a Debate

CONFERENCE ON SATURDAY HE IS AN OLD COUNTRY WAIF ROADSQUESTION CONSIDERED TRANSVAAL WILL SETTLE IT

Paris, Feb. 24.—Premier Rouvier made an earnest appeal to the Chamber of Deputies yesterday not to force a debate at this moment, as it might embarrass the interests of the country.

Later, the Premier added, when the
conference at Algeciras terminated or
was suspended he would fully discuss

M. Rouvier's reference to the possible suspension of the conference caused surprise. The orators yielded. Premier Rouvier laid the Moroccan situation fully before the Cabinet yes-

Minister of Marine Thomson announced his intention to ask Parliament to build three battleships, each of 18,000 tons, which will be the largest

French ships yet constructed.

M. Jaures, the Socialist leader, de-M. Jaures, the Socialist leader, de-clared that France demanded to know the real situation, of which the people are ignorant. The conference had at-tained nothing, he continued, excep-the possibilities of a conflict. M. Jaures concluded with saying that it would be piteous were the two great nations to fall on each other over the miserable question of Morocco.

M. Rouvier, after warning M. Jaures

of the effect his utterances would have in Germany, declared that the Government had the entire support of the country. France, he said, was deeply desirous of peace, but of peace on con-dition that her rights and dignity be

More Hopeful Feetling. Algedras, Feb. 24.—The first feeling of depression over Germany's rejection of the French proposals is gradually wearing off, and a slightly more hopeful feeling is observable among the

delegates.

This is due largely to the amicable spirit shown between the French and German delegates during the formal degrades and the formal degrades. bates on the Moroccan Bank question. Strong influences operate to induce the Germans to recognize the syndi-cate of French bankers who furnished the first loan to Morocco, and who seek thereby to obtain a preferred position in the state bank and numerous com-

promises on the details of the bank are being discussed.

The deadlock on the question of policing Morocco is unchanged, but the improved feeling also extends to that

Conference Adjourns. Washington, Feb. 24.—Ambassador White yesterday cabled the State De-

partment from Algeciras that the Mo ccan conference had adjourned until Saturday next, after discussing the question of an international bank.

A very strong spirit of conciliation

ned to prevail. The understanding here is that there is no immediate prospect of hostile issues between France and Germany on this subject.

ENLISTS FOR CHINA; DROWNS. itish Veteran's Untimely End At the Canadian Soo.

Canadian Soo.
Sault Ste. Marle, Feb. 21.—Archer
Devilliers, aged 22 years, a native of
Sutherland, Eng., fell through the ice
in the St. Mary's River yesterday and
was drowned. Thursday he enlisted was growned. Thursday he einsted with a company of American regulars stationed at the Michigan Sault, which is about to be sent to China. While crossing from the American side, a few rods from Canadian soil he fell through the ice. Devilliers served in the British forces at the Boer War, and also served in India. served in India.

AFTER YOUNG MEN

Policemen Will See That There Is No Loitering On King St. in The

The local police authorities have started out on a campaign against the young men who make a practice of loitering around in store doorways and corners on King street.

"This is done in Chatham as it is not done in other cities," said Tom Groves this morning. "Any time you walk down King street after seven o'clock at night you can time you walk down King street after seven o'clock at night you can see many of the doorways crowded with young fellows whose only intentions are to watch the people walking up and down the street. "This is repeatedly remarked upon by strangers who come to our city, and the present condition of affairs is anything but desirable. "From this time forward we will speak to young men once, and if they do not move on we will have to make a move oursetves and see

YOUTH WITH WILL CONFER WITH C. C. I. A RECORD

Premier Rouvier Ask De- Albert Stewart Arrested as County Council Decide To Imperial House Developes **Assailant of James** Morrison

Owen Sound, Feb. 24.—Yesterday morning a youth, Albert Stewart, was lodged in the police cells here on suspicion of being the man who murderously assaulted James Morrison, a farmer living near Leith, Wednesday evening. He was brought up in court in the afternoon and remanded a week. County Constable Foster made the arrest at the house of Mr. Handle, on the 16th concession of Keppel, near Kemble, where he had been tracked.

Kemble, where he had been tracked from where the shooting occurred. Stewart is an old country walf who was raised by a farmer in Sullivan Township. At the death a few years ago of the latter, the young fellow drifted into town, where a friend secured him employment. He had not been long in town before he was given a three months' sentence for stealing a pail of candles from the Grand Trunk freight department. On his release he filled positions around town in intermittent stages, going out to work as a

mittent stages, going out to work as a farm hand with the farmers of the adjacent sections at times.

Robbed Hogg Postoffice,

Last winter he robbed the Hogg postcoffice and got a six-months sentence.
Up to last week for some time he was employed temporarily at the farm of Albert Lemon, on the east shore near the Morrison farm, and knew the people and the neighborhood. On the night of the attempt on Morrison's life Mrs. Lemon was aroused from her sleep by some one walking in the house. Thinking it was an aged uncle who was residing with the family, she inquired what he wanted. There was no answer,

what he wanted. There was no answer, but a hurried exit by the person.

Tracks in the snow showed that the person who was seen on the road corresponds with Morrison's assailant, and the tracks were identical with those near the Lemon residence. Stewart knew that Lemon had sold a large quantity of seed grain last week, and it is surmised that this visit to Lemon's was with the object of robbery. Stewart admits that he was not at Stewart admits that he was not at Handley's on the night previous, and tells different stories as to the disposi-tion of a revolver he was known to have

A MASS MEETING

Mayor Marshall Has Called a Meeting of The Citizens to Discuss The Bridge Question

next, to discuss the proposal to join the Chatham & Wallaceburg Electric Railway Company in building a new bridge at Third street, to meet the requirements of both corporation of the control of the con the requirements of both corpora-tions. There is a very general feel-tions. There is a very general feel-tions there is a very general feel-tions the proposition and the previous shelk Mahrud Yohia-proposition pointing out the dis-tribes have foliaged to ing amongst the ratepayers that

tions. There is a very general feeling amongst the ratepayers that this should be done, and the question that is agitating those who have already given the matter some consideration, is, to what extent the municipality should go.

It has already been demonstrated beyond all question that the benefits derived from the construction of the road have far exceeded the expectations of the average ratepayer, and that when the line to the south is completed these benefits should be more than doubled, by reason of the fact that this part of the county is more thickly settled.

What the city wants is a bridge having double the capacity of the present structure, that will meet all the requirements of the public and the Electric Road for the next thirty-five or forty years, and the Mayor and the officials of the rail-way want a free and full discussion of the terms of the proposed agreement, which is now being prepared, and which will be submitted to the meeting on Monday night. Every ratepayer should be interested in the discussion and there should be a large representation of the rait-way want a free and full discussion and there should be a large representation of the rait-way want a free and full discussion and there should be a large representation of the rait-way want a free and full discussion and there should be a large representation of the rait-way want a free and full discussion and there should be a large representation of the rait-way want a free and full discussion and there should be a large representation of the rait-way want a free and full discussion of the terms of the proposed agreement with them that county pay \$1,600 for each of the two years, 1904, 1905, and the county pay should represent the deputation to return in that the discussion and there should be a large representation of the rait-way want and the representation of the rait-way want a free and full discussion of the terms of the proposed agreement with the full and the full an

is anything but desirable,
"From this time forward we will speak to young men once, and if they do not move on we will have to make a move ourselves and see that they are taught a lesson. We have received complaints from merchants in this matter and it is time it were stopped."

The police deserve to be commended for taking up this movement and if they can stop the loafing on the street they will perform a great service for the citizens of Chatham.

An electric light on the corner of Park and Adelaide streets, fell to the ground last evening about 7,30. On the authorities being notified the light was immediately replaced in its proper position.

Mrs. R. V. Bray, who for some time has officiated in such an efficient manner as leader of the Holy Trinity church choir was, last evening, presented with a silk umbrella on the eve of her retirement from that position.

There was no address; none was needed. Mrs. Bray has always had her work at heart and the members of the choir all appreciate what she has accomplished. She expressed her thanks in a very fitting manner. To morrow will be Mrs. Bray's last Sunday as leader of the choir. She will be succeeded in that position by Mrs. John Cooper.

Settlement FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Arrange an Amicable

At two o'clock the Council as-embled and went into committee on ne C. C. I. matter. At three o'clock the C. C. I. depu-At three colors the C. C. tepus tation appeared, and were heard in committee for half an hour. The Council then resumed in the hall and the deputation was heard within the bar. W. G. Richards, chairman of the

Finance committee of the Collegiate Board, addressed the Council, saying that he and his colleagues were well pleased with the opinions which had een expressed in committee by several of the councillors.

He asked for an assurance from the Council that they would give ample financial aid to the C. C. I., in pro-viding the requisite extra eccommo-dation for pupils, made necessary by the large increase in the number of dation for pupils, made necessary by
the large increase in the number of
county pupils attending the schools.

Ald. Scullard also spoke, pointing
out in a clear manner the position
of the City Council in the matter.
He referred to the by-law which the
city would have to put to the people
to raise the money for these improvements, and showed that unless
the by-law was a popular one, the
money could not be obtained. "Suppose," he said, "that we were to exclude the county pupils from the Institute, what would be the result?
We would save money, be able to
dispense with a couple of teachers,
and still setain the Government
grant. But we don't want to de
this; we want the Board and the
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this; we want the Board and the Council to come to a business-like decision. If we are to expend money in making room for county pupils, the county should from common fairness help us all they can."

Councillor Ross here referred to the five thousand dollar grant which was made toward the building of the institution by the county. He did not think the county had ever got their money's worth, money's worth, Ald. Scullard said that the num-

Ald. Scuttard said that the number of brilliant county students who had left the Institute to take up good positions in different towns, was ample reward for the county's expenditure. Hear, hear.
Ald. Stone, who followed, spoke along much the same lines as the aldermen preceding him.
Councillor Somers proposed that the county pay one-quarter of all the expenses incurred in enlarging the Institute.

the Institute.

Councillor Grant followed with a Councillor Grant followed with a proposition that the county pay the sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay a hundred per cent. On their maintenance to the Chatham & Wallaceburg Electric Railway Company in building a new bridge at Third street, to meet to the county of the C. C. I. Board to produce a proper statement of their expenditure, and submit it to the County for the Council of the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and that the county pay he sum of \$1,500 for county pupils' maintenance in 1994, and a like sum for 1995, and the sum o

Council.

A little routine business was transacted and the Council adjourned till ten o'clock Saturday morning.

HAVE ARRIVED

Little Johnny Jones Co., with 75 rived in Chatham via G. T. R. at 12.55 to-day. This is the largest and most expensive organization that ever played the Grand.

TALK CHINESE

Some Bitter Discussion

London, Feb. '24.-An' amendment to the address to the throne, in reply to the King's speech at the opening of Parliament, expressing regret at the fact that the Government had brought the reputation of the country into contempt by describing the employment of Chinese in South Africa as slavery, was defeated in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon by 416 to 91 votes.

The debate, which lasted two days, developed considerable bitterness.

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policy is that there shall be no violent
expulsion of the Chinese, but that while
some of the great servile conditions of,
indenture will be eliminated, the ultimate decision of the question is to be left to a responsible Government of the

bers of the Opposition declared the Government had ridden in power on false pretences. Mr. Chamberlain as-serted that he had been informed that the mining magnates had approved the Government's proposals, which could not be carried out for several years.

Says Statement Is False. Premier Campbell-Bannerman here interrupted Mr. Chamberlain, saying the statement was false. Chancellor of the Exchequer Asquith

wet sponge and wipe the hateful ordinance off the statutes.

However no new license for the importation of cooles would be amended, and all cooling designs to leave South

all coolles desiring to leave South
Africa would be repatriated at the cost
of imperial exchequer.

Transvasi to Decide.

When a responsible Government is established in the Transvaal it would

have full power to determine whether to retain the Chinese. But the condi-tions would be subject to the assent of the Imperial Government.

Trading on the Stock Exchange opened much more cheerful yesterday, all departments sharing in the improvement. Kaffirs had an appreciably better tone on the statement of Winston Spencer Churchill, Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, in the House of Commons yesterday outling the Government's policy on the Chinese labor ernment's policy on the Chinese labor question in South Africa.

SULTAN HAS TROUBLES.

Mutinous Turkish Troops Want Their Pay Before Fighting.

the deputa-the encounters with Turkish troops which have taken place at various which have taken place at various points indicate that the situation is *************

Turkey is embarrassed by the objection of the troops to go to Yemen. Fur-ther reinforcements which were on their way there mutinled on board a transport in the Red Sea early this week and refused to do any duty until they received their arrears of pay.

WORK IS SANITARY

Inspector Bryan Says The Plumbing in The Central School is Equal to Anything in Detroit

Michael Bryan, of Windsor, was recently appointed by the Public School Board to inspect the plumbing work in the Central School, visited

work in the Central School, visited the city yesterday and, with a number of the frustees, went over the new work. Those who were with him when he made the inspection were, Contractor Westman, and Trustees Paxton, Robertson, Somerville and Morley.

Mr. Bryan will submit a written report to the Board in a few days, but the whole new department will be put in operation on Monday next.

All of the old fixtures have been sold to Westman Bros., and they will be torn out next week. Arches will be cut in the basement to provide large, airy play-rooms for the childlarge, airy play-rooms for the child ren attending the school. Mr. Bryan made the statement that the sanitary work in the Cen

tral School is now equal to anything in Detroit, and he has seen them all

CEMENT HAS GONE UP

The price of cement has been increased 25 cents a barrel. The cheapest rate now obtainable from the wholesale houses is \$2 per barrel. This will effect the public works this year considerably.

A big landslide occurred along the river bank near the waterworks pumping house last night.

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