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It is said that there are 600,000 opium eaters in the United States. There is room here for temperance workers.

There seems to be a feeling in Guelph that Harvey, the convicted murderer, is more or less to be pitied. An outsider is apt to think that the less the better.

Sir Adolphe Caron will inspect the rifle range on Garrison Common. It is to be hoped he can see his way clear to a removal of the range, which is certainly dangerous as it is.

The Port Hope Times speaks of The Toronto Mail as "the official organ" of the Ontario Government. This sounds like a back-handed slap at the good Deacon and his little organ.

The Brantford Telegram says it knows of a rural school trustee who tried to injure a teacher while wearing a pair of trousers given him by the latter. This is an expensive question, we trow, sirs.

The Baseball Brotherhood have resolved that no gambler shall take stock in any of their clubs. The Brotherhood seem to have laid out a pretty large contract for themselves if they undertake to prevent anything of that kind.

One of the Harvey jury, at Guelph, it seems, is a man who has been accustomed to a few drinks every day, and the duty interferes with his potations. It is depressing to have the regular industries of the country thus interfered with.

No one ever heard of a Liberal journal, even in its wrath, calling Sir John a "downy old Grit."—Toronto Globe.

When did the good Deacon get on to Whitechapel slang? When his tully studies it he may be willing to admit that Sir John is a "downy" chap.

A doctor in London (Ont.) lecturing the other night said he had no fear that anything he would say would hurt either him or any of his brother practitioners one copper. He was satisfied that those present would not attempt to enforce any of the rules he might lay down: even if they could remember them.

This was frank but not a very high tribute to the intelligence of his audience.

A member of the Toronto Young Liberal Club has given notice of a motion: "That the club is of the opinion that Commercial Union with the United States would be equally as beneficial as Unrestricted Reciprocity, and more easily secured." Another way of stating this self-evident proposition is to say that some things can be done as well as some others.

Bury The Pad.

John Hallam's letter on Ras Wiman's fad is a poser for The Globe. Mr. Hallam is one of the honest Reformers who refuses to follow the gyrations of that paper and who decline to be a party to a movement that means the extinction of Canadian nationality. When The Globe succeeds in getting Reformers of the standing of William Christie and John Hallam to subscribe to its annexation doctrines it may look for greater success. As things now are the fad is awaiting decent interment.

The Provincial Elections.

The Mail has announced that the Ontario elections are about to come off. The Mail is not likely to make the statement without having received a pretty straight pointer. The treatment accorded The Mail by the Mowat Government has been of an eminently friendly character of late. It has shared the confidence of Mr. Mowat quite as early as The Globe on several recent dates. For this very reason The Globe has shown much public vindictiveness toward its former rival and present bedfellow. The Globe has not denied The Mail's announcement. The Empire yesterday urged that the elections were at hand. Mr. Meredith does not agree with Mr. Crerar. The Hamilton Times, which has the ear of Hon. Mr. Gibson, says the election will not be held this year, that is within the next fifty days.

The World still holds that the fight is close at hand. A short session may indeed be held but it will be of slight importance. Very little information will be given to the House beyond what is now in possession of the people. The figures as to the cost of the Parliament Buildings will not be forthcoming in their entirety. Every action of the Mowat Government within the past six months has had an election before Christmas in view. Mr. Education Ross, under the personal supervision of the Premier, has been kept especially busy in straightening himself out and getting his department in shape.

The blocks in the way are: (1) that some of the Reform advisers think time is on their side; (2) that the Government is committed to another session; (3) that the Nelson claim for the use of The Globe must be settled before it will be allowed to continue with Mr. Mowat for another election; (4) that Sir John Macdonald is likely to be damaged by the action of the Manitoba Liberals toward Separate Schools and the dual language and that therefore his damage must be Mr. Mowat's gain.

As to what individual ministers may say we attach little weight outside of the declarations of Mr. Mowat and Mr. Hardy, who are at the head of affairs; the others enjoy the confidence of The Pair on a par with the outside advisers of the Ryan-Small stamp. The way The Pair jump on the Little Five is the talk of the party.

The Temperance Colonization Society.

EDITOR WORLD: Your report of a case in Chancery yesterday in which I am interested does me an injustice, I presume unintentionally on your part. Your readers would infer that the Temperance Colonization Society are my creditors, whereas I have a judgment for a large amount in stock and cash against them, rendered by the Divisional Court Dec. 22, 1888, the precise amount of which has since been determined by the official referee, Mr. John Winchester, who gave judgment in my favor April 30, 1889. True, they have appealed again to the Court of Appeal, but the Court of Chancery will not assume without a hearing that the decisions of three courts are wrong, and make the creditors holding their judgments give security to their judgment debtors pending appeals.

The fact is the case was not set down by the plaintiffs. It has been running for over four years, and the plaintiffs have it in their power to keep it on four years more and get the new rules by not setting it down unless we set it down and notify them; when they will push it down to the foot of the list, where it will not be reached. The order of Mr. Justice Ferguson yesterday gave relief in the premises by confirming a previous order of Mr. Justice Robertson allowing us to force a trial of the case at a special hearing. J. A. LIVINGSTON.

Toronto, Nov. 5.

Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cordial is a speedy cure for dysentery, diarrhœa, cholera, summer complaint, sea sickness and complaints incidental to children teething. It gives immediate relief to those suffering from the effects of indiscretion in eating, unripe fruit, cucumbers, etc. It acts with wonderful rapidity and never fails to conquer the disease. No one need fear cholera if they have a bottle of this medicine convenient.

TO APPOINT TWO JUSTICES.

That is the Recommendation That Will be Sent on to the Executive.

At a sub-committee meeting of the Executive yesterday to consider the advisability of appointing a second police magistrate, the present system of dealing with respectably citizens who are unfortunate enough to become intoxicated, however slightly, was severely criticised. The sub-committee was composed of Ald. Dodds, Roaf and Peter Macdonald, the Mayor also being present, and no doubt the decided opinions they expressed will carry considerable weight.

A reference was first made to the system pursued in Boston, where an inebriated man seen to be going home and conducting himself in an orderly manner is not interfered with by the police. If, however, he was inclined to be disorderly or was unable to give his address then an arrest was made, not otherwise. In Toronto, however, the police arrested the most respectable men if they appeared to be at all under the influence of liquor. In this way the court was compelled to attend to a large amount of entirely unnecessary work, and the Magistrate's position was made a very difficult one to fill.

Ald. Dodds expressed the opinion that new courts should be established in the eastern and western parts of the city, and so save the time of witnesses who were summoned to appear in police court cases.

Mayor Clarke believed that justices of the peace could dispose of drunks at the police stations to which they were taken.

Ald. Dodds then drew attention to the manner in which men and women were dragged through the streets to be hooted and gazed at by a crowd of idlers, the patrol wagon parading them before the public. This sort of thing was a disgrace to the city. Men who should never have been arrested were frequently "run in" while slightly intoxicated. Ald. Dodds instanced the case of a prominent wholesale merchant arrested last Christmas. When within 50 yards of his own home, he was arrested by a "fresh policeman" and taken to Headquarters, where among all the riff-raff of the city he was compelled to remain until morning.

His Worship said that the sergeants at the police stations might deal with drunks. Ald. Dodds and Roaf, however, thought that those officials would be very likely to abuse such power.

It was decided to recommend to the Executive that two justices of the peace be appointed, one to act for the east and one for the western part of the city, with power to deal with drunks, disorderlies and those transgressing the city bylaws.

The beautiful new Arlington Hotel at John and King-streets since its opening has been most liberally patronized by the travelling public. The appointments and cuisine of the Arlington are unsurpassed in Canada, and the rates are moderate. Street cars pass the door every minute. The location is central and convenient.

Brave Tales of Early Days.

Latterly increased interest has been manifested in monthly meetings of the York Pioneers. There was a larger attendance yesterday than for many months. Dr. Scadding, the venerable president, was happy in his accustomed post. Three gentlemen were elected members: Thomas M. Charlton, Frank Hall, John Eastwood; Charles Stead, R.-W. Michael Fawcett. Several propositions for membership were made, the voting on which will take place at the December meeting.

Mr. David Read read a paper by the president, entitled "A Notice of the Pioneer Land Surveyor Augustus Jones, and of the First Patentees of Lots 1 to 15 in the 1st Concession of York." Interesting particulars regarding many of the first settlers were recorded, and many more were added by the Pioneers present. A continuation of the paper will be given at the next meeting, and members were asked to contribute their reminiscences of those eventful early days in Toronto's history.

It was once supposed that scrofula could not be eradicated from the system; but the marvelous results produced by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla disprove this theory. The reason is, this medicine is the most powerful blood-purifier ever discovered.

Pretty But Dangerous.

[From The Brantford Expositor.]

Passers-by in the vicinity of the Bank of Montreal on Saturday evening were attracted by a lambent flame which played fitfully in the vicinity of the tree on this corner. It came and went with each little gust of wind; and the fitful gleams of the blue incandescent looked very pretty in apparent mid air as the pedestrian stopped for a moment to inspect it. A closer view, however, disclosed the fact that the approach of a telephone wire to the electric light wire as they swayed to and fro, was the cause of the lightning spark. And more than one citizen wondered whether the pretty flame would not cause some individual on the telephone circuit to receive the full shock of the electric current. The telephone people were informed of the circumstance and sent out some of their staff to remedy the matter, but such little incidents show the danger to which our citizens may at any moment be subjected by the accidental junction of the electric with other wires. The electric wires are strung very low, too low altogether in many places, and no one can tell at what moment a telegraph or telephone wire may sag or become displaced and act as a conductor for the deadly current. Something must be done to protect citizens from this ever present danger which menaces them, or will we have to wait until an accident carries the loaded messenger to some individual unconscious of danger, and utterly unable to tell that the wire he is going to use is charged with the terrible current?

A Court Scene on the Coast.

(From The Victoria Times, Oct 2.)

An amusing incident occurred the other day not many miles from Victoria. The small debts court was in session, the local J.P. being clothed with due legal dignity and solemnly administering justice in an improvised court room opposite an hotel. In the bar-room of the hotel were several young men, one of whom was something of a sprinter. An argument arose between him and another aspirant for racing honors as to who was the faster man. It was determined to settle the matter right there and then, and one challenged the other to run a half mile for $15. The challenged party did not have the cash, but he was well loaded with whisky and also knew the justice of the peace who was holding court. So what does he do but go over to the court room, and sending word to the J.P. that he was wanted on an important matter, soon had that official off the bench, when he asked the judge if he couldn't lend him $15 to put up on the race. His call and enterprise were successful. He got the cash and putting it up won the race, too.

The Great Christmas Souvenir.

Last year's Christmas number of The Montreal Star created a sensation, and was admitted everywhere to be a marvelous production. It is not surprising that hosts of prominent people in the Old Country wrote to their friends here most glowing tributes in acknowledging the receipt of The Star at Christmas time. Amongst the contributors to The Star Christmas number this year, we understand, will be Rev. Baring Gould, author of "Onward Christian Soldiers"; Miss Rose Cleveland, sister of the ex-President of the United States, Professor Roberts and Dr. George W. Beers. Last year the Montreal news dealers bought up a large portion of the entire issue of The Christmas Star and sold them all out at a dollar a copy, and the publishers were powerless to prevent them. This year's number, by reason of the immense amount of work on it, is limited in number, but precautions are being taken to protect the public.

A Happy Transition.

After 5 years' suffering from dyspepsia my wife got cured in one month by the free use of St. Leon water. We prize it highly, the transition it brings from misery to fine health is so grand and permanent. To this hour not a pang. Feels so good and hearty, will take pleasure in answering any enquiries. JOSEPH PRICE, 349 Dovercourt-road, Toronto. 136

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TORONTO CURLING CLUB.

ELECT THEIR OFFICERS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

The Club in a Flourishing Condition—A Junior Football Match—About Professional Footballists—The Franchise of the Rochester Baseball Club Changes Hands—Other Sporting News.

The regular fall meeting of the Toronto Curling Club was held last evening in the parlors of the Victoria Club, there being a representative attendance of members. The report of the secretary-treasurer, Mr. McMurrich, was most satisfactory, showing a good cash surplus.

There will be a membership of over two hundred when the curling season opens. The names of thirty-four curlers were selected, from which will be drawn, early in December, skips in the proportion of one to every seven on the club's list at that date.

The election of officers for the year resulted as follows: President, Com. T. McGaw; vice-president, Thomas McCraken; secretary-treasurer, George McMurrich; representative members, W. A. Shepard, Beverley Jones. It will be noticed that the old officers were all re-elected, a fact which shows how well these gentlemen perform their onerous duties.

PROFESSIONALS IN FOOTBALL.

The American League Will Discuss the Question—In Ontario.

A special meeting of the advisory committee of the American Inter-Collegiate Football League will be held shortly to determine whether E. O. Wagenhurst, a professional baseball player, should have a place on the Princeton team. Protests were entered by Yale and Harvard against this brilliant end rusher, but the Princeton men will make a fight to retain him, claiming that the league has no right to insert a clause stating that a professional in one game should not be eligible as an amateur in another. However, it is a law of every amateur athletic organization that a professional in one game is barred from all amateur contests. This is as it should be.

A professional is not barred from playing in any Ontario Rugby club by any rule in the constitution, the union overlooking the matter, and never having been called upon to deal with an intruder. However, at the next meeting it is likely a professional clause will be introduced.

The Western Football Association, which practically governs the game in Canada, has a pointed clause prohibiting professional athletes of any kind from entering its ranks.

Upper Canada Juniors Victorious.

A match took place yesterday afternoon on the Toronto grounds between the young Canadians and the second U. C. College fifteen, resulting in a well-earned victory for the latter by 21 to 5. The features of the game were the two drop kicks made by Moren and Gilmour. For the Young Canadians, Ireland, Gale and Wadsworth played well, while for the College Cross, Robinson and Fearman played the best game. The teams:

Upper Canada Second—Back, Snetsinger; halves, Kennedy, Moren, Gilmour; quarter, Kingsmill; wings, Cross, Biggar, capt. Fearman, Moss; forwards, Ioach, White, Flintoft, McMurrich, Cassels, Robinson.

Young Canadians—Back, Lang; halves, Ireland, capt., Wallbridge, Gale; quarter, Langley; wings, Lee, Armstrong, Lockhart, Wadsworth; forwards, Cooper, Price, Gauldon, Kennedy, Kingston, Meek. Referee—Mr. E. Bayley.

Where Will the Game be Played?

For the past six years it has been customary for the Varsity to play the Torontos one or more games during the fall, and although they have had some narrow shaves the Varsity have never been defeated by the Queen City boys. The game between these two teams on Thanksgiving day should have the largest attendance of any match yet played this season, as both teams have determined to do or die. The Toronto team will be: Goal, Bickelle; backs, Wood, Gidley, Laidlaw, Bell; halves, Wright and Warbrick; forwards, Charles Brown, Webster, McQueen, Fairchild, Meldrum. The Varsity team is as follows: Goal, Senkler; backs, Breckenridge, Blake; halves, Edgar, Goldie, Lockhart; forwards, Wood, McLay, Thomson, Duncan, Greenlees. There is a slight difference as to where the match will be played. The Varsity men say that the game will be on the lawn, while the Torontos are equally sure that the match will be at Rosedale. However, this point must be settled before to-morrow.

Notes of the Kickers.

The Ottawa College football team have now three hard matches before them, having to meet Queen's College and Toronto for the Ontario championship and Montreal for the Dominion championship.

Pirie's kicking was decidedly the feature. He is a practical Association player, having been on the Canadian team who went abroad last year. His fine and again excited applause by the deft manner in which he punted, drop kicked and also took flying kicks at the swift-descending leather.—Ottawa Cit zen.

The Hamilton team will play Stratford here on Thanksgiving Day. The juniors will play a match in the morning with a picked team from the Toronto colleges—Hamilton Spectator. It is not necessary to pick a team from Toronto colleges to oppose the Hamilton Juniors.

The Wellington Football Club will go to Georgetown on Thanksgiving Day. The team will be picked from the following: Ferguson, Canniff, Thompson, Burns, Pearson, McMurrich, Stammers, Jeffs, Clark, Donelly, McCallum, McKeown, Norman, Crawford, Hodgson and Scanlan. Persons wishing to go with the club can get tickets from any of the members, or at any of the ticket offices. The train leaves at 8 a.m.

The following will represent the Toronto's second fifteen in their match with Port Hope and Trinity College School on Thanksgiving Day at Port Hope: Back, McMillan; halves, McMurrick, Cassels, D. S. Whitehead; quarter, Fenton; wings, Laidlaw, Ritchie, Manning, Thompson; forwards, Mites, C. Pemberton, Temple (capt.), Christie, Buchan, B. Baldwin. The train leaves the Union Station at 6.55 a.m., and every member is requested to be on hand a quarter of an hour before the time.

The secretary of the Ontario Rugby Football Club of Hamilton writes as follows: "I am surprised at your comments of Monday concerning the match to have been played in Toronto with the Young Canadians. The true facts of the case are, that we promised to go to Toronto the two last Saturdays but that each time we received telegrams telling us not to come. True, on Friday we received a telegram telling us to come, but as we had already received a letter informing us that they could not play then we had given up the match and the notice to play was received too late to make any change, so I think you will acknowledge that the fault did not lie with us."

Trotting and Running at Napanee.

NAPANEE, Nov. 5.—The fall races were held here to-day. The track was very heavy and slow. A matched trotting race between Fred Douglass' mare and J. P. Oakes' mare, was won by the latter in three straight heats. There was a matched running race with Dr. Wray's horse, Fred Chinnick's horse and John Doyle's mare, all War Cry colts. The first heat of half a mile was won by Dr. Wray's horse in 57 min. The two following heats were won by Chinnick's horse.

In the free-for-all trot the first money was won in three straight heats by Harry Parker's (Kingston) Little Tommy, Napanee 2, Ormond Belleville 3.

Gossip of the Turf.

Monday's first horses at Nashville were Katie S, Semaphore, Rambler, Bootjack, Col. Hunt and Bessie Briggs.

Puzzle, Tristram, Pearl Set, Quesal and Stuart's boy Forrester, were the winners at Elizabeth on Monday.

Mr. E. Haines of Owen Sound has just imported two brood mares and three yearling thoroughbreds from England.

The winners at Nashville on Monday were: Lizzie Scott, Jim McCormack, Pee Woffington, Maid of Orleans, Mary T. and Speedwell.

The Huns Club met at Newmarket yesterday and had one of the best runs of the season. There were about 40 in the saddle. Some capital jumping was done.

The Executive Committee of the New York Jockey Club has decided that the dates of the spring meeting of 1890 will be from May 30 (Decoration Day) to June 14, both inclusive.

The stockholders of the Jerome Park Villa Site and Improvement Company held their annual meeting Monday and elected William A. Duer as president and F. A. Lovecraft as secretary and treasurer.

Among the judges at the big Chicago horse show are the following Canadian gentlemen: John Hope, Brantford, Ont.; Robert Graham, Claremont, Ont.; Robert Miller, Brougham, Ont.; Richard Gibson, London, Ont.

Mayor Ermatt's two mares, Hattie Hawthorn and Daisy, who have been trained in the States for some time past by J. H. Miller, have returned to Ottawa and will be placed on the farm. Hattie has much improved in speed and won several races during the season from good fields of horses.

The Haywards, father and son, met at Elizabeth on Monday on something like equal mounts. There was a great deal of speculation as to who should be the winner. Many were the congratulations that the youngster received when he landed Stuart's b. c. in first and his father was content with third place. Young Hayward had ridden Tristram a winner in the second race.

The McClelland-Roche String to be Sold.

NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—Following the retirement from the turf of Mr. A. J. Cassatt and the sale of that gentleman's horses comes the announcement that Richard Roche and Byron McClelland have decided to close their partnership. It is said that Mr. Roche has had enough of horse racing, at least for a while, and McClelland will probably train for himself or some prominent owner. The McClelland-Roche string, which includes that game little race horse Badge, Bradford, The Lioness, Heyday, Lord Peyton, Wersach, Frederick I. and five high-class yearlings, will be sold at public auction by Colonel S. D. Bruce at the Elizabeth race track on Thursday, the 14th inst.

Jordan Defeats Malcolm Ford.

BROOKLYN, Nov. 5.—At the Outing Athletic Association games here to-day A. A. Jordan, N. Y. A. C., defeated Malcolm Ford, S. I. A. C., the holder of the A. A. U. championship in the 16-pound hammer throwing competition, and throwing the 56 pound weight. As Jordan won the first two events, putting the 16 pound shot was done away with. Ford threw the 16 pound hammer 91 feet 10½ inches, and 56 pound 103 feet 2 inches. Ford threw the 56 pound weight 20 feet 11 inches, Jordan 21 feet 11 1-2 inches.

ROCHESTER FRANCHISE SOLD.

A Syndicate Pays $5000 and Will Continue as of Yore.

ROCHESTER, Nov. 5.—The franchise of the Rochester Baseball Club was sold yesterday to a syndicate represented by C. W. Zimmer, a former member of the board of directors, for $5000. Everything in connection with the association will go on as before. A board of directors will be elected as soon as the formalities of the transfer have been completed.

"You may say with confidence," said Mr. Zimmer to a reporter, "that the new stockholders and directors will give Rochester good baseball next season; that's what we bought the franchise for. Powers will remain as manager and the reservations of players will be kept.

It is not believed here that the Brotherhood has any connection with the transfer.

Dust from the Diamond.

Not a fine was inflicted on the Boston or Baltimore players this season.

One of the claims of the Brotherhood is that they have $5,000,000 behind them in New York city.

An indoor baseball league has been formed in Chicago, and games will be played throughout the winter.

Pittsburg capitalists have taken steps to organise a colored team in that city. A big pour will be arranged for next season.

Conisker of the St. Louis Browns has denied that he is booked to Captain the Chicago Brotherhood team. He said, however, that the scheme would be a go.

The Brotherhood has passed a resolution that no professional gambler can take stock in one of its clubs, the capital of which is to be $50,000 each, all receipts to be equally divided.

The new New York Brotherhood ball park is to be 500 feet wide and 800 feet long. The grand stand will, when erected, have twice the seating capacity of the stand on the Polo Grounds.

Mike O'Leary sent this telegram to the Brotherhood wheels season at New York on Monday from Des Moines: May heaven's most divine blessing be with the Players' National League.

An Indianapolis trade unionist sawyer says that the players of the Brotherhood are skilled workmen, and should enter the American federation of trade unionists, and thus secure the moral support of a million skilled mechanics.

A mathematically inclined Brotherhood doctor has figured that the new league can clear $240,000 next season above all expenses. He says that New York and Boston will each have $50,000 above board, while Philadelphia will have $30,000.

Slattery must be a mascot. After he joined his team New York won five straight games in the world's series. He did not play in the first four games, of which Boston and Brooklyn captured three. New York's luck turned as soon as Slattery went in to play.—Sporting Life.

The Western New York and Pennsylvania Baseball League was organized at Jamestown last Wednesday by representatives from Dunkirk, Olean and Jamestown, N.Y., and Erie, Meakville and Bradford, Pa. The number of clubs to compose the organization will be limited to eight.

President A. G. Spalding of the Chicago Club stated that he had no doubt about the Brotherhood being a go, and that he did not expect the secessionists to ask any concessions at the League meeting. Further than this he said that he would be agreeably surprised if they should off-r to compromise on terms favorable to the League. In the meantime he would take the necessary steps toward putting a League club in Chicago.

When the American college players were in England last season they handicapped themselves in their games with English nines by three outs to six. In one of the Birmingham games, with three men on bases, Deane caught a shoot his on an over back of second, threw to third, from whence the ball went to second and first in time to catch runners as each of these bases, and thus a quadruple play was accomplished—something few people in America have ever seen.

Spots of Sport.

The Young Men's Gymnastic Club of New Orleans has offered to put up a purse of $1250 that Patsy Kerrigan can whip Jack McAuliffe.

The Deer Park Athletic Association will hold their cross-country race on Thanksgiving day. They will start at 11 a.m. from Bleeker-avenue, Deer Park.

A. B. George stands at the head, with 111 points, for the gold watch offered by Dr. Crawford of the Manhattan Athletic Club, for the athlete winning the greatest number of points this year.

Jim Daly of Philadelphia and Bill Gaby of Pittsburg fought a fierce eleven rounds in Newburg yesterday morning for a purse of $500. Daly had the best of it all through and cleanly knocked his man out in the eleventh.

Should Peter Jackson, the colored champion of Australia, beat Jem Smith, the English champion, in their coming match, Slavin, who is matched against Smith to battle according to London prize rules for £200 in December, will be a heavy favorite.

Mr. Baldwin Starts for Japan.

The students of Wycliffe College turned out en masse last night to see Rev. J. McQueen Baldwin off for Nagoya, Japan. While waiting for the train the boys sang several hymns and when finally the train moved out the air was rent with cheers. Rev. Mr. Baldwin is a graduate of Toronto University and Wycliffe College, and has acted as assistant at the Church of the Ascension during the past year. He will support himself and will work in connection with the Wycliffe College Mission, which has already sent out Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Robinson. Rev. Mr. Baldwin sails from Vancouver per steamer Parthia on the 15th inst.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

Much of Interest in the Amusement World—Theatres and Concerts.

A large number attended the practice of the Toronto Vocal Society last evening and several beautiful pieces were sung for the first time. The first concert of the society will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 17.

The usual weekly rehearsal of the Toronto Choral Society last evening was well attended by members. The works are getting up to a satisfactory condition. The honorary member list is rapidly filling up, and those intending to enroll are requested to send their names to any member of the committee as soon as possible, as the number is to be limited.

It would be difficult to organize a more complete opera company, says The Buffalo Courier, than the Rudolph Aronson Comic Opera Organization, which commences an engagement at the Grand Opera House on the night of Nov. 11. "Nadjy" and "Erminie" are the two works in which it will be seen this season in Toronto. Miss Helen Lamont heads the troupe. She is supported by Emma Hanley, Mamie Cherbi, Genevieve Reynolds, Laura Millard, Belle Worth, Robert E. Graham, Louis De Lange, Rose David, Floyd Wilson, Alexander Clarke, Steve Porter and C. E. Graham. With the company is a special orchestra of fifteen picked musicians. The chorus numbers forty.

At Jacobs and Sparrow's Opera House a notable engagement of a week's duration will begin on Monday next. The star is Corinne and the play a spectacular, musical extravaganza by William Gill, entitled "Arcadia." The play, says The Cleveland Leader, is in two acts divided in nine scenes. It is a burlesque in every sense of the word, dealing with a little of everything. It is replete with puns and funny sayings and serves to keep an audience in good humor all through the play. "Arcadia" has one advantage not possessed by some other burlesques—it improves from scene to scene and there is not a dull moment in it. All sorts of means are resorted to to introduce effects that are novel, even to the extent of a living pig, which in the first act is made the occasion of a lawsuit and of quite a funny court room scene, and incidentally the subject of a satire on the jury system. The bright particular star of the burlesque is Corinne more matured and handsomer than last season. She plays the part of Tom-Tom, the Scotch piper's son, and does it cleverly. She is called upon to do considerable dancing and singing, and all through the burlesque she is the central figure. Among other things she dances a Scotch sword and bill dance to the accompaniment of a genuine Scotch bagpipe, and among her songs are "Lovely Angeline," "Not a Drummer," "Where Art Thou, My Beloved," "It is Awful Nice, but It's Awkward," "A Little Peach in the Orchard Grew," and others.

At the concert to be given on Monday evening at the new Academy of Music the great cornet player, Jules Levy, will appear. Of Miss Rose Linde, the contralto of the company, The Pittsburg Dispatch says: Miss Linde has a glorious voice of phenomenal compass, noble in quality, of unusual strength and of even power throughout.

The programme for the St. George's Society concert to-morrow evening at the Pavilion contains one notable number, the Inflammatus to be sung by Mrs. Agnes Thomson, accompanied by the choir of the Church of the Redeemer, and accompanied on the vocalion and two grand pianos by Messrs. Dinelly, Aldridge and Fairclough. The audience will be invited to join in singing the National Anthem.

The tenor who will sing at the T.P.R.S. concert on the 12th is Mr. Charles Bloomfield, of whom The Cleveland Plain Dealer says: "Mr. Slocum has a pure, clear tenor voice, capable of expressing the richest and tenderest feelings."

The annual Thanksgiving concert of the Elm-street Methodist Church choir has become an old musical event in Toronto. The reputation this choir has already earned for giving a first-class concert in every respect will no doubt be fully sustained this year. To a well balanced chorus and a quartet that is equal to no other else in the city, they have added special attractions of more than ordinary interest. Mrs. E. Humphrey Allen, a soprano of whom the American press are unstinted in their praise, and Mr. George J. Parker, the popular tenor of Boston, have been engaged for the occasion. The popular price at which the admission has been placed ought to insure an immense gathering.

"Evangeline" will be given for the last time at the Grand this evening. There will be a matinee this afternoon.

"The Arabian Nights" will hold the boards all week at Jacobs & Sparrow's, with a special matinee to-morrow afternoon (Thanksgiving Day).

The new Academy of Music will be opened to-night under the most favorable circumstances, with Miss Nora Clench as the bright and particular star.

The Wood-St. John Company, who appear at the new Academy of Music to-morrow night in "David Garrick," are specially composed of selected English artists, says The New York Sun. Mr. George W. Wood was formerly manager of several London theatres, in which he appeared successfully as a star in some of the most difficult roles, and his Garrick Comedy Company for several years was one of the most attractive combinations traveling in Great Britain. By many of the English journals he was spoken of as superior to the late Mr. Sothern in the role of David Garrick. Miss Marguerite St. John has made a no less marked success in such trying roles as Lena Despard in "Ada in a Lodging," and Pauline in "The Lady of Lyons" and is equally at home in comedy. The company has been exceedingly well received in Montreal, Ottawa, and in Chicago and San Francisco. The plan is now open at Nordheimer's.

Manager Sheppard says the last three nights of the week there will be fun at the Grand Opera House, pure, unalloyed fun—fun that will make you forget all your business troubles; fun that will make Mr. French and himself forget that Ald. Fleming is chairman of the Court of Revision.

Personal Mention.

The late King Luis of Portugal smoked twenty-five cigars a day.

Mr. James Sharp, the well-known newsdealer of Owen Sound, is in town.

Ex-Queen Isabella of Spain is said to have made Buffalo Bill an offer of marriage.

Ald Ritchie, who has just recovered from a severe attack of typhoid, was at the Hall yesterday.

Attorney-General Miller is said to have more influence with President Harrison than anybody excepting Baby McKee.

Principal McGregor of McMaster University is still seriously ill with a spinal complaint. Dr. Seguin of New York has been called in for consultation with Dr. A. J. Johnson. The Professor has the sympathy and prayers of a wide circle of friends.

Jottings About Town.

Two large C. P. R. excursion trains left last night for the Northwest.

Edward Griffiths was yesterday committed to prison for two months for theftc of a watch and overcoat.

The arbitration case of Prittie v City of Toronto v West End property will be heard at 10.30 this morning in the Court House.

These estates were proved in the Surrogate Court yesterday: Sarah Newton, who died Nov. 21, $1780; Edward Armstrong, who died more than five years ago, $4150.

A special choral thanksgiving service will be held to-night in the St. Stephen's Church, College-street. Rev. R. A. Bilkey preached in the morning and Rev. R. J. Moore in the evening.

Thanksgiving Day will be observed in the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Manning-avenue, in a special manner owing to the foundation stone of another stage of the church being laid in the afternoon. With the addition there will be accommodation for 500 persons. A social gathering in the evening will commemorate the afternoon's event.

Loyal Canada Lodge No. 114, C.O.O.F., held its regular meeting in Victoria Chambers last evening, when these officers were elected: Bro. H. A. Collins, N G; R Burns, V G; J W Burns, Secretary; Thomas Sargeant, Treasurer; S Harris, Init.-Mus.; W Elliott, Warden; J D Coulter, Conductor; W N Crone, R S N G; James Wilson, L S N G; H McLean, R S V G; James Mannell, I G; H Burns, O G; George H Thorpe, Organist; Auditors, J D Coulter, George H Thorpe, W Elliott. This lodge reports great progress.

At the Hotels.

W. J. Bell, Guelph, is at the Rossin.

F. E. Titus, Brighton, is at the Palmer.

W. R. Stroud, Ottawa, is at the Palmer.

H. S. Brennen, Hamilton, is booked at the Walker.

S. W. Wilmot, Newcastle, is staying at the Queen's.

J. D. G. Shaw, Kingston, is staying at the Queen's.

Mayor Lockorbie, Collingwood, is at the Walker.

W. Scott, Montreal, is staying at the Rossin.

Mr. James Sharp of Owen Sound is at the Walker.

Julian R. F. Boyd, Hamilton, is registered at the Rossin.

Mayor L. J. Breithaupt, Berlin, is registered at the Walker.

W. A. Hungerford, Belleville, is booked at the Pauller.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

The President formally opened the Southern Exposition at Montgomery, Ala., yesterday by touching the key of a telegraph at the White House.

Judge Dunkbart has directed the Grand Jury to inquire into the lynching of John Wing at Columbia, Mo., on Sept. 7, and to indict all concerned in the affair for murder in the first degree.

The Chicago horse show is a great success. The horses on exhibition are valued at $2,500,000. The 1500 include the $105,000 trotter Axtel and the fastest pacer in the world, Johnston. One stable alone, that of the Hamlins of Buffalo, is insured for $400,000.

TOGO ON WITH THE BRIDGE

THE SPAN FROM SHERBOURNE-ST. ACROSS THE RAVINE.

The Board of Works Adopts the Scheme and will Ask the Council to Vote $30,000—What Shall be Done With Dilatory Contractors?—The Toronto Electric Light People on their Mettle.

When the Board of Works met yesterday there were present Chairman Carlyle, Lennox, Bell, Wood, Tait, Small, Geo. Verral, McDougall, Shaw, Baxter and the Mayor.

Ex-Mayor Manning opposed the proposed improvements in Wellington-street from Bay to York. These contemplated improvements consist of the asphalt pavement, a stone sidewalk and a sewer. Mr. Manning said that the petition in their favor was not sufficiently signed. He thought it was a mistake in the first instance to attempt to put down a sewer, an asphalt pavement and a stone sidewalk until that portion of Wellington-street was sufficiently built upon to warrant those improvements. Mr. Barlow Cumberland stated that a petition had been sent in sufficiently signed against these improvements. The chairman stated that the petition was not sufficiently signed, and that the decision of the Court of Revision to construct the sewer and leave the other improvements over for the time would be confirmed.

Mr. J. K. Kerr, Q.C., appeared to urge the paving of Avenue-road. The contract had been let and standing for a long time, the Engineer had been trying to press the work on and the contractor had started and had partly put in the curbing. But the street was now in a terrible condition. He asked that the work be continued to the point where the level is to be raised, against which change Mr. Herbert Kent recently sent in a letter on behalf of the Ontario Loan & Investment Company. It was decided to leave the matter in the hands of Ald. Shaw and the Engineer.

They Want a Fair Field and No Favor.

Manager Wright of the Toronto Electric Light Company asked why the agreement for laying their underground wires had not yet been signed by the Engineer and why the recommendation of the council and the committee were so persistently ignored by the officials of the department. He did not ask any exclusive right, but only desired justice and fair competition with the other companies.

Ald. Shaw supported the claims of the company.

Ald. Baxter said the Engineer was slow but he was sure. He respected his caution and conscientiousness, but there was such a thing as being too cautious.

Ald. Shaw: "I think it would be a proper thing for us to instruct the Engineer to sign the necessary agreement. I see no reason why he should not do so. In the Board of Works everything is open and above board, and I move that the Engineer be so instructed."

Ald. Baxter agreed with this view of the case, but proposed that this clause be added: "provided the Engineer has no tangible ground of objection."

The Chairman: "Had I been in the place of the Engineer I don't think I would have signed the agreement without some amendments."

Ald. Shaw's motion was carried with the addition that the Engineer, the Chairman and the mover look into the matter, and that if they find no objection the agreement be then signed.

What Shall be Done with the Dilatory Contractors?

Ald. Small asked what was going to be done with contractors who had received orders to go on with their work two months or ten weeks ago, and had done nothing yet. William Jones for instance, the contractor for the pavement on Sumach and other streets.

Ald. Baxter: "I suppose they should forfeit their deposit."

The Chairman: "And award it to the next lowest tenderer."

Ald. Shaw, Small and Bell were appointed to look into the matter.

The extract from the Court of Revision report referring back the proposition to lay a granite roadway in West Market-street was sent on to the Property Committee. A communication from J. W. Collins claiming damages through the flooding of his cellar caused by a defective drain was referred to the Engineer to report at the next meeting. A communication from the Local Board of Health re the condition of the Morse-street sewer, in which it is asked that the sewer be extended into deep water, was referred to the Engineer. The letter from William Frobrook, in which he criticises the Board of Works on the condition of Water-street and speaks of "the effete" board, "its inefficiency," etc., "was also referred for the "very serious" consideration of the Engineer.

Ald. Small said the matter would be attended to.

Ald. Baxter: "Do I understand you endorsed the letter?"

Ald. Small: