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ELEVENTH YEAR. THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 24, 1890. ONE CENT.

THIS MAN DIED LIKE A HERO.

FIREMAN EVEREST FIGHTS HIS LAST BATTLE WITH FLAMES.

While Groping Through Suffocating Smoke He Falls Down a Hatchway to Death—His Skull Crushed Like an Eggshell—Five Fatherless Infants—Another Fire at the Same Time.

On a stretcher in the undertaking establishment of B. W. Hemphries, corner Yonge and Gould-streets, lies the dead body of an industrial hero who lost his life at an early hour this morning while in the discharge of his duties as a fireman, endeavoring to save the property of a fellow-citizen from destruction.

About 1 o'clock the alarm was sounded for a blaze in the patent barrel cooperage of William Knowles, No. 2 Maitland-street, northeast corner Yonge. When the brigade arrived the whole top flat was in flames. Several streams were at once turned on, and after playing some time the flames were sufficiently checked to allow of ladders being reared against the building, and several of the fire men entered the building.

The floor was covered with water to the depth of several inches and a hatchway was opened to allow this to run below.

Thomas Everest of 137 Cumberland-street, a member of No. 3 Hook and Ladder Company, Yorkville-avenue, one of those who entered the building, was groping his way through the smoke, and did not perceive the open hatchway and fell through, alighting upon the top of his head on the concrete floor of the cellar below, a distance of nearly 40 feet.

His comrades distinctly heard the sickening crash of his skull upon the floor and hurried down to his assistance, but it was at once seen that his injuries were fatal, the whole top of the skull being smashed as an eggshell might be crushed in the hand.

Tenderly they picked him up and summoned medical assistance, but the unfortunate man only lived about half an hour and never spoke.

Discovering the Fire.

At 10 minutes past one o'clock Policeman Dyres was pacing his beat on Yonge-street, when he noticed flames issuing from the top windows of a store on the northeast corner of Yonge and Maitland-streets. Mr. Dyers immediately gave the alarm and in a few moments the fire brigade was on the spot. It was then found that the fire was located in a room on the top of the building, occupied by Mr. William Knowles as a patent barrel manufactory.

To facilitate matters a hatchway was opened and the men started to sweep the water down through this with brooms. While so engaged the smoke was very thick and several streams of water were turned on the blaze, and in a few minutes the ruddy glare on the windows had departed and the firemen entered the building to make investigations. Making their way to the top flat they proceeded to cut holes in the floor in order to allow the water to escape.

How the Fatality Occurred.

One of the men, Thomas Everest by name, in groping his way along the floor missed his footing and fell through the hatchway to the cellar, a distance of 35 feet, striking his head on the concrete floor, fracturing his skull. His companions on hearing the noise ran down stairs and carried the poor fellow out in the open air. A messenger was then despatched for medical help, and in a few moments Drs. Burns, Ross and Cuthbertson were on the scene.

All their efforts, however, were of no avail and the injured man died in about half an hour. He was unconscious to the last moment.

The ambulance was summoned and the body was conveyed to Humphrey's undertaking establishment on Yonge-street.

Deceased was about 33 years of age and has a wife and five young children, which will shortly be augmented by another little one. He resided at 37 Cumberland-street and had been a member of the Yorkville fire brigade for some years. One of his brothers, Arthur Everest, is a driver in Hose Station No. 1, Lombard-street, another brother, William G., is a butcher at 111 Walton street.

The news of the tragic death of his brother was telephoned to Driver Everest at the Lombard-street hall and the effect upon him was terrible. His grief was shared by his comrades in the hall.

The cause of the fire is unknown. The damage on stock and building is estimated at $1000, by fire and water combined. The building was owned by George Pears.

Another Blaze.

While the firemen were still at the Yonge-street blaze another alarm sounded for a shanty on the esplanade, between Brock-street and the Queen's wharf. The structure was owned by the Northern Railway, and although it was totally destroyed the loss does not exceed $100.

Losses Caused by Flames.

JACKSON, Miss., April 23.—Fire destroyed the entire business portion of Greenwood, Miss., last night. The fire was caused by a negro cook throwing ashes into a pile of straw. Thirty-three houses were destroyed and two lives lost. The victims were John Dorch and an unknown man.

ROCHESTER, N.Y., April 23.—The shoe manufactory of Weaver, Thomas & Kirk was burned this morning. Loss $8000. Loss on building, owned by John G. Wagner, $65,000. The fire extended to the chair factory of Langdon, Fowler & Co. and burned it, entailing a loss of $10,000. The new Osborne House was also damaged to the extent of $3000.

THE BOYS IN GREEN.

Their March Out Last Night—Heigh! Ho! For Peterboro on Queen's Birthday.

Last night the Q.O.R. paraded under the command of Colonel Hamilton, Adjutant Macdonald and the field officers. The regiment turned out 500 strong and marched to Wellington-street, where battalion drill was practised. All the movements were creditably performed, especially the march past. The regiment returned to the armory via Bay and King-streets. They were addressed by Colonel Hamilton, who announced that the regiment would go to Peterboro on the Queen's Birthday.

Next Sunday the regiment will attend divine service at St. Peter's Church, Carlton-street. The men will parade in helmets for the first time this season.

The regimental entertainment which takes place on May 12 will be under the kind patronage of Major-General Sir Frederick and Lady Middleton, Lieut.-Col. Otter, D.A.G., and Mrs. Otter.

Sergeant J. G. McMaster has been appointed to the post of color-sergeant.

All the recruits will participate in the next march out.

Sergeant Dallas and Corporal Fletcher had charge of the ambulance corps last night.

A Warning to Snorers.

CRANSTON, R.I., April 23.—In the old women's ward at the state institution here last night Catherine Hanley beat Mary McCarthy so severely that the latter soon died. The women slept side by side in separate cots and the Hanley woman's rest was broken by the nightmare ravings of the McCarthy woman.

Indians Roasted by Greasers.

CITY OF MEXICO, April 23.—Yesterday the forces under General Hernandez attacked the Yoqui Indians at Los Canones de Tubsibampo and La Conia, and after several hours of fighting routed the Indians. The troops lost one officer and two soldiers killed and five soldiers wounded. The Indian loss is heavy.

KANSAS WOLVES.

Some Have but Two Legs and Are Elected to Office.

ULYSSES, Kan., April 23.—Investigation into the official acts of the commissioners of this county has led to the arrest of County Clerk Earp, County Commissioners Sullivan, Green, Lenhardt, Harbor, Robinson and Dougherty. The clerk and commissioners are charged with the illegal issue of county scrip given as bounty to the last four persons named. The bounty was on the scalps of wolves and the alleged illegal issue of scrip amounted to $16,000. It is alleged that one of the conspirators would present a sack of scalps to the county commissioners, who would authorise the issuance of scrip in payment of bounty. The sack would be placed where another member of the party could conveniently steal it and present it again to the commissioners. In this way the sack was presented over and over again until bounty had been paid to the amount of $16,000 on 250,000 scalps.

NEWS OF THE OLD WORLD.

The Queen at Darmstadt—President Carnot's Tour—Honors Paid to Stanley at Brussels.

BERLIN, April 23.—Queen Victoria arrived at Darmstadt to-day. She was received at the railway station by the municipal authorities and other prominent officials. A guard of honor was also present and saluted Her Majesty.

Carnot's Tour.

PARIS, April 23.—The train on which President Carnot was traveling from Ajaccio, Corsica, was prevented from reaching Bastia on time by the derailment of the train preceding it. At Corte, 31 miles southwest of Bastia, M. Carnot received the municipal authorities. He made an address, in which he congratulated them that the dissensions in Corsica had ended and that only a French party united by patriotism remained. The track was finally cleared, and when the President reached Bastia he was welcomed by an immense crowd. An Italian naval squadron lying in the harbor fired a salute in honor of the president.

Scooped by the Skuptschina.

BELGRADE, April 23.—The Skuptschina has passed a bill introduced by the Government retaining for military purposes one-twentieth of all the moneys received by direct taxation until $300,000 has been accumulated. It has also voted $100,000 for establishing a new powder factory.

Bank Snatchers Punished.

LONDON, April 23.—Three Americans, giving their names as Frank Lackrose, William Smith and Charles Robinson, were today convicted of attempting to rob Bank Clerk Stone of a bag containing £5000 worth of checks, notes and gold, and sentenced to 17 months' imprisonment.

The French Reverse in Dahomey.

PARIS, April 23.—Official despatches confirm the report of a French reverse in Dahomey. One white man was killed and 20 native allies were wounded.

The Antipodean Floods.

SYDNEY, N.S.W., April 23.—The flood caused by the overflow of the Darling River is subsiding. A fund has been opened for the benefit of the sufferers by the flood.

The Miners' Demands.

PARIS, April 23.—The St. Etienne Miners' Congress has resolved to demand a working day of eight hours and uniform wages in all collieries and if these demands were not complied with to strike on May Day.

The Irish Porters' Strike.

CORK, April 23.—The railway porters' strike is spreading to other towns. The situation is serious.

King Leopold's Purpose.

BRUSSELS, April 23.—In the Chamber of Deputies to-day M. Bernaert, President of the Ministerial Council, referring to King Leopold's speech at the fete given by the Society of Engineers yesterday, declared that the King clearly alluded to his plan of endowing Belgium with the Congo Free State. Mr. Bernaert stated that the principal act of his career would be in assisting the King in that purpose. His remarks were greeted with applause by the Right, but the Left were silent.

Cable Flashes.

Prince Henry, Emperor William's brother, has been appointed a rear-admiral.

The Anti-Slavery Society gave a luncheon at Brussels Wednesday in honor of Henry M. Stanley.

Mr. Terrel, the United States Minister to Belgium, gave a banquet in honor of Henry M. Stanley.

The King and Queen of the Belgians and Mr. Stanley attended a ball in aid of the African Red Cross Society.

The Pope is incensed at the Archbishop of Naples and the latter will be suspended by the present nuncio at Munich.

Documents embodying plans for the mobilization of Russian troops on the German and Austrian frontiers in the event of war have been stolen from the War Office at St. Petersburg.

A St. Petersburg despatch denies that Grand Duke Constantine has been arrested. The report was the Grand Duke's arrest had followed the discovery that he was plotting against the Czar.

A military council was held at Vienna to decide upon measures for the suppression of a public outbreak during the labor demonstration on May-day. Emperor Francis Joseph presided.

The French newspaper at Stamboul has been suppressed by the Turkish Government for publishing the report of the arrest of Grand Duke Constantine of Russia, cousin of the Czar, for taking part in a revolutionary plot.

The Hamburger Nachrichten says that in a recent conversation Prince Bismarck spoke with high respect of Chancellor von Caprivi, whose friendship he was desirous of retaining. He also expressed sympathy with the new chancellor in his difficult position.

DIXEY'S GAMBLING DEBT.

A Respite Granted in Actor Harrison's Suit Against Adonis.

CHICAGO, April 23.—Judge Jameson came to Actor Dixey's rescue to-day and granted an injunction restraining the sheriff from proceeding toward the collection of the judgment for $2236 entered in favor of Actor Duncan B. Harrison. Dixey says that he played "hearts" with Harrison in St. Louis in 1886 and lost $1965, giving a verbal promise to pay, but executing no note, as is claimed. Dixey pleads guilty to having commenced the fascinating game for a stake of five cents per "heart," which was afterward increased to $10, and this is how he happened to lose so much.

In February, 1888, while Dixey was in Chicago, the sheriff attached his wardrobe upon a writ sworn out by Harrison. Dixey gave a bond, and when the attachment suit came up he failed to receive proper notification, and judgment was given against him by default.

Harrison has assigned his judgment to his attorney, James Parnell, who is now made a party defendant to a bill praying for the setting aside of the judgment upon the ground that the debt was a gambling one.

See our prices before buying elsewhere. For this week we are sacrificing goods. The Model Clothing Store, 219 and 221 Yonge-street.

New Brunswick's Legislature Prorogued.

FREDERICTON, N.B., April 23.—This afternoon the Legislature of the Province was prorogued after the longest session in the history of the country since confederation.

25 Leader Lane.

Ed Beeton, the high grade watch specialist, has removed to 25 Leader-lane.

MERRIE ENGLAND'S SAINT.

SONS OF ALBION JOLLY AND JUBILANT LAST NIGHT.

Their Annual Banquet at the Walker House—They Sang the Praises of England's Renown—Speech and Song for the Land They Love—Hail Britain and Britain's Queen.

It is the land that freemen till
That sober-suited Freedom chose;
The land where, girt with friends or foes
A man may speak the thing he will;

A land of settled government,
A land of just and old renown,
Where Freedom broadens slowly down
From precedent to precedent.

The true-born Englishman is not offended at being dubbed as an inconsistent creature. At home nothing pleases him better than running down things English and grumbling that they manage this, that and the other much better abroad. Send him abroad and he is never so happy as when exhibiting his native habits for the behoof of benighted foreigners. The very man who in England votes the annual celebration of St. George's Day a bore, and its customs out of date, and partakes of its dinner under protest, when domiciled in Canada taxes his resources and exhausts his wits to arrange a dinner in honor of his patron saint, held in affectionate memory in consequence of the miraculous assistance rendered by him with his sword Askelon to the arms of the Christians under Godfrey de Bouillon during the first crusade.

George, he shaved the dragon's beard,
And Askelon was his razor.

In this spirit did the members of Toronto St. George's Society celebrate the anniversary at the Walker House last evening, when 140 jolly Englishmen assembled in the spacious dining-room, which had been tastefully decorated with Union Jacks in honor of the occasion. As to the provender, it embraced everything that could be desired, including those ever-welcome representations of traditional dishes—joints and barons of roast beef and plum pudding, and sundry adjuncts suitable to the occasion in the way of fish, fowl, game and all the triumphs of the French cuisine. To allay the thirst such substantial fare created, there were beakers of pale ale, while those who felt disposed could drink Victoria's health in some of her own port or sherry, or in sparkling Moselle.

Dinner discussed, singing and speeches filled up the time, and long after the fabled hour when graveyards yawn the sounds of merry rejoicing continued, the enjoyment being kept up with unflagging vigor. Last night, at any rate, the Englishmen in Toronto did not take their pleasures sadly.

Secretary Pell read apologies from the Lieutenant-Governor, Hon. Oliver Mowat (who is suffering from a cold), W. R. Meredith and the president of the Caledonian Society.

Telegrams were also read from the St. George's Societies of Hamilton, Washington, D.C., Buffalo, London, Brantford and Guelph, at dinner assembled, extending fraternal greetings and expressing the hope that the dragon blood was flowing freely.

President D. Plews occupied the chair and proposed in succession "The Queen," "The Governor-General" and "Parliament of Canada." Mr. H. K. Cockin, first vice-president, proposed "The Army, Navy and Auxiliary Forces," and in brilliant word-painting and eloquent rhetoric reviewed the prowess of that empire, the throne of whose Queen is

Broad, based upon her people's will
And guarded by the inviolate sea,

whose sons fill sepulchres of valor wherever the foot of white men had trod, and to whom the dawning of every morn is the anniversary of some glorious day. Commander Law of the Royal Navy replied to the toast.

In proposing "Imperial Federation," Past President J. Herbert Mason expressed the pleasure it afforded him to name that toast for the first time at a St. George's dinner. Mr. E. E. Sheppard in a brilliant vein acknowledged the toast, and in doing so stated that naturally the trade of Canada was with the manufacturer, England, and not with the neighboring republic, and the time had come when the Mother Country should be showed that she must treat her friends a little better than her enemies.

Second Vice-President Charles Spanner proposed and Third Vice-President David T. Symons acknowledged the toast "Our Native Land and the Land we Live in." Mr. Symons pointed out the many advantages possessed by British Canadians. This country had a grand heritage, a historic past and a brilliant future. The President proposed the toast of "The Mayor of the City of Toronto." In responding Mayor Clarke thanked God that he was an Irishman and an ardent advocate of Imperial Federation. His connection with the relief officers of the society had taught him to respect the society and wish them God-speed in the work in which they were engaged. He bore his testimony to the value and effectiveness of the assistance given by the society—without the support of such societies charity would be sadly lacking.

Mr. Spooner proposed and Rev. H. Symonds and Rev. George Sandwell acknowledged "Our Chaplains."

Other toasts were:

"Sister Societies," proposed by H. V. Greene, responded to by President Clark of St. Andrews; Ald. Swaite, Sons of England; Mr. Bailey for the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society and Mr. Cluthe on behalf of the German Society; "President and Past Presidents" proposed by P. H. Drayton, replied to by D. Plewes and J. Herbert Mason. "The Ladies," proposed by the president, was responded to by George W. Beardmore. During the evening Mr. Harry Blight sang "The Young Brigade," "The Longshoreman," etc. Mr. Drayton sang, and Messrs. Allworth and Spanner rendered "Here's a Health to All Good Lasses."

The society is in a prosperous condition. It did remarkably good work in relieving distress during the past winter. Its prospects are hopeful and before another anniversary of England's patron saint will possess a hall worthy of the city of Toronto. Those entrusted with the carrying out of its philanthropic and patriotic objects this year are: D. Plewes, president; H. K. Cockin, 1st vice-president; Charles Spanner, 2nd vice-president; David T. Symons, 3rd vice-president; S. Trees, treasurer; J. E. Pell, secretary.

The Englishman.

There's a land that bears a well-known name,
Though it is but a little spot;
I say 'tis first on the scroll of fame,
And who shall say it is not?
Of the deathless ones that shine and live
In arms, in arts, in song,
The brightest the whole wide world can give
To that little land belong.
'Tis the star of the earth, deny it who can,
The island home of an Englishman.

There's a flag that waves o'er every sea,
No matter when or where:
And to treat that flag as aught but the free
Is more than the strongest dare.
For the lion-spirits that tread the deck
Have carried the palm of the brave,
And that flag may sink with a shot-torn wreck,
But never float over a slave;
Its honor is stainless, deny it who can,
And this is the flag of an Englishman.

There's a heart that leaps with burning glow
The wronged and the weak to defend,
And strikes as soon for a trampled foe
As it does for a soul-bound friend.
It matures a deep and honest love,
It glows with faith and pride,
And yearns with the fondness of a dove
To the light of its own fireside.
'Tis a rich, rough gem, deny it who can,
And this is the heart of an Englishman.

The Briton may traverse the pole or the zone,
And boldly claim his right;
For he calls such a vast domain his own,
That the sun never sets on his might.
Let the haughty stranger seek to know
The place of his home and his birth;
And a flush will pour from cheek to brow
While he tells his native earth.
For a glorious charter, deny it who can,
Is breathed in the words, "I'm an Englishman."

—Eliza Cook.

DANGLING THE BAIT.

How the Mowat Government Propose to Use the Treasury Vacancy.

A member of the late Legislature of Ontario, who possesses the confidence of the Government and who is not likely to seek re-election, said to one of The World's Young Men last night that he thought the succession of the late treasurer lay between Awrey, Dryden and Harcourt, and perhaps the bait would be dangled before all these in such a way as to help them in their respective constituencies. If the electors were given to understand that the member might be a minister, they would be more inclined to support Mowat.

Another idea formulated by the speaker was that McKenzie of Lambton stood a very good chance for the vacancy and that if the Government decided on taking him in they would take a fourth and thereby use the prestige of Mr. McKenzie and his brother Alexander's name in carrying through the Equal Rights scheme.

Mr. G. B. Smith, who hopes to carry East York again for his party, is quite excited over the resignation of Treasurer Ross, and has not the least hesitation in showing by his manner and conversation that he feels competent to take the position of Treasurer and to discharge all the duties with credit to himself, benefit to his party and at the same time throw a halo of glory over himself, his constituency and his Partners.

CENTRE BRUCE CONVENTIONS.

The Conservative Meeting Postponed—The Equal Righters' Choice.

WALKERTON, April 23.—The Conservative convention of Centre Bruce called to meet at Glammis to-day was adjourned for a week by President William Bradley of Greenock in order not to conflict with an Equal Rights convention which was called for the same place to-day.

There was a large turnout of Equal Righters at their convention, over 150 delegates from all over the riding being present. Several strong speeches on the school question were delivered. A committee of ten was appointed to select a candidate, and these after long deliberation finally decided on Mr. Alex. Shaw, Q.C., of Walkerton. Mr. Henry Brown of Elderslie and Mr. Duncan Fisher of Paisley were also nominated, but withdrew in favor of Mr. Shaw. The latter gentleman was not present and a delegation was appointed to tender him the nomination.

AS AN INDEPENDENT.

Sol. White Announces That He Will Contest North Essex.

WINDSOR, April 23.—In an interview today Mayor Sol. White said: "You may announce that, at the urgent solicitation of many of my friends of both parties and of independent electors as well, I am in the field as a candidate for the Provincial Legislature. I am an opponent of the present Government and I am not fully in accord with W. R. Meredith, leader of the Opposition, and I shall ask the suffrages of the people of North Essex as a politician entirely independent of both old parties and whose chief desire and aim is and will be to advance the interests of Essex."

Political Pointers.

The Conservatives of West Hastings will hold a mass meeting on May 1 for the nomination of a candidate for the Legislature.

Welland Conservatives will meet at Wellandport May 1 to select a candidate, and the Equal Righters at the same place on the following day.

Hamilton Times: Hon. A. M. Ross, Treasurer of Ontario, has decided not to run for West Huron again. We are not going to cry ourselves sick over this news. Mr. Ross is a good accountant, and he has managed the finances of the province with skill and honesty, but he was just a trifle antiquated.

The (Orange) Sentinel: When the first test is applied the spuriousness of the metal is discovered, the old political partisanship crops up, and we find such gentlemen as Mr. Charlton ranged alongside their own political friends. But do these gentlemen imagine the people of Canada are fools? Do they think they can turn the movement for Equal Rights, which of itself is sound and good, into a political will-o'-the-wisp, leading first one way and then another to suit the interests of this or that political party? If they do they are mistaken, and when the people of this province have an opportunity they will quickly disabuse their minds of such erroneous ideas, as they will also disabuse the minds of those who, without fixed principles of any kind, desire to use the Equal Rights movement as a lever to secure public office.

700 SQUARE MILES UNDER WATER.

Another Break in Pointe Coupee Levee—Water Pouring Through the Crevasses—Mississippi Floods.

BAYOU SARA, LA., April 23.—Another break occurred last night in Pointe Coupee levee and the indications are that the entire Pointe Coupee front will be submerged. The water now pouring through the crevasses at Morganzea and in the vicinity will overflow the greater portion of the country between the Atchafalaya and Mississippi rivers and extending from the old river above to Bayou la Fourche below, embracing 700 square miles of territory. No news has yet been received from the interior of Pointe Coupee parish but relief boats are taking care of all those who have reached the levees. As the critical condition of the levees has been known for some weeks the hope is entertained that all have in a measure prepared for the worst and that no loss of life will result.

Eleven Breaks Along Shell Beach.

NEW ORLEANS, April 23.—Superintendent Spellman of the Shell Beach Railway says there are eleven breaks from 15 to 150 feet wide and from 4 to 8 feet deep along that beach and all can be closed by prompt action. The northwest wind which blew very strong last night drove in the gulf water and again overflowed the Louisville and Nashville road, this time near Michoo Station, 14 miles from the city, and all trains have been abandoned. The wind last night again caused the lake water to encroach upon the rear of the city north of Claibourne-street and some trouble is experienced by water from the canal flowing over the banks of the old basin on both sides between Johnson and Galvez-streets, but not sufficient to do any great damage. The rear of the Seventh ward up to Roman-street, from Elysian fields to St. Bernard-street and the entire rear of the Eighth Ward are flooded and the water is rapidly rising. The Texas & Pacific Railway officers here received a despatch to-day reporting a break in the levee on the right bank of the Mississippi, twelve miles above Port Allen. This will stop traffic to the Bayou Grasse Tete settlement and flood the country between Melville and West Baton Rouge in 48 hours. Texas Pacific through trains will go over the Southern Pacific to Cheneyville

A Dangerous Crevasse.

NATCHEZ, Miss., April 23.—The Arnandla levee just below Vidalia broke last night. The water is flowing over the bank for such a distance that it is impossible to tell the extent of the crevasse. It will prove quite destructive to property and especially to the New Orleans & Northwestern road whose depot is near the break. The water is rapidly submerging the low lands all around Arnandla and is backing up towards Vidalia.

The Rain Continues.

BAYOU SARA, April 23.—Seven crevasses are reported to-day between this town and Waterloo. This makes nine on the Pointe Coupee front. The devastation in that and southwestern parishes will be terrible. The rain continues. Two breaks are reported on the old river, one of which is on Coyle's place.

TO CUT DOWN SALARIES.

The City Engineer Alleged to Be Contemplating Such a Measure.

The condition of the Board of Works department just now, in the words of a poetical official, resembles that of a sleeping volcano. The board meets and smiles, the chairman is sauve, his colleagues apparently contented, but all the same there is not a little discontent underlying the apparently happy exterior. Of course the aldermen feel hurt because they are debarred from mingling hail-fellow-well-met with the officials in office hours, but there is a dread rumor around that the new official proposes still more drastic measures.

It is whispered in hushed accents (for the engineer does not encourage his subordinates to talk to the press) that Mr. Jennings proposes to cut down the salaries all round, but particularly those of the clerks. Whether this is a fact or not remains to be seen, for the City Engineer generally keeps his own counsel, but the story has got abroad and alarmed the officials who are attached to the department.

TWO DEPUTATIONS

Protest Against the Granting of Any Liquor Licenses in Their Immediate Localities.

A large and influential deputation headed by R. S. Dalton, master in chambers, yesterday waited upon the Toronto Board of License Commissioners against the renewal of George Davis' license at Bloor-street and Brunswick-avenue. A petition signed by 250 residents of the northwestern part of the city was presented stating that there was no occasion for a licensed house in that locality.

A second deputation, headed by Ald. Moses and Rev. Dr. Sutherland, of the Elm-street Methodist Church, was also received. They petitioned against the granting of a license to Bilo Lamb for the house at Taraulay and Edward-streets.

Irish National League.

At the weekly meeting last night Messrs. Ryan and Clark, auditors of the branch, presented their report. It declared that the books were well kept and that the finances of the society were in a good condition. The report was adopted, and a vote of thanks was given to the auditors. Mr. Parnell, through his secretary, Mr. Campbell, thanked the Irishmen of Toronto for a motion of sympathy lately sent to him, in reference to the death of Mr. Biggar. The Rev. Dr. Closkey introduced the following resolution, which was agreed to:

That we have heard with deep regret of the death of Mr. Matthew Harris, one of the most gifted and patriotic members of the Irish Parliamentary party, and we tender our sympathy to his family and to the Irish members for the loss of a true-hearted colleague.

Mr. Charles Sproatt's Position.

It is well-nigh a month since Mr. W. T. Jennings assumed the reins of office vacated through the resignation of the then City Engineer, Mr. Charles Sproatt, and up to date, although connected with the department, his particular position has not been defined. The nearest approach to the understanding of the matter was gleaned from a report presented to the Board of Works at its last meeting, signed "Charles Sproatt, assistant engineer; approved, W. T. Jennings."

If Mr. Sproatt is the assistant engineer the board should have been informed of it in a more official manner, and if he is, what then are Assistant Engineer Cunningham's duties?

The Phœnix-Like University.

Plans for the restoration of Toronto University have been prepared by Mr. Dick. They will be submitted to the faculty to-morrow afternoon and to the Senate on Friday. The exterior will be unaltered, but the interior will be entirely rearranged. Of course there will be no convocation hall—that structure will remain for a future day. The lecture rooms will be greatly enlarged; the provision for the accommodation of the ladies will be far more ample than heretofore and the lavatory accommodation will be increased. The most important changes will be in the east wing, which will be entirely reconstructed.

Abortive Labors.

The special committee re building bylaw met yesterday. Present: Ald Ritchie (chairman), Bell, Lucas, Hill, Swait and the City Commissioner. The City Solicitor's opinion in the matter of the legality of the bylaw was read. As already intimated, Mr. Biggar stated that it was ultra vires. The committee looked very cheap when they learnt that their labors had been useless, though one or two certainly did not seem overwhelmed with grief. It was determined to leave out of the brick limit the greater portion of St. David's Ward east of Parliament. The committee will report to council and then disband.

Toronto Baptist College Alumni.

An interesting meeting will be held on May Day in McMaster Hall, on the occasion of the college commencement. Officers will be elected and these papers will be read and discussed:

"The Present Condition of Toronto Baptist College."—Rev. W. J. McKay, B.A.
"The Relation of Higher Education to the People."—Rev. S. Sheldon.
"Denominational Claims re Toronto Baptist College."—Rev. W. M. Walker, B.A.

The Whole-Souled Voice of Praise.

The 28th service of praise in connection with the Church of the Ascension was given last night under the direction of Mr. E. R. Doward. A large audience assembled in the church and the various numbers were highly appreciated. The sacred solos by Mr. Sims Richards were sung with much feeling and the anthems by the choir were exquisitely rendered. The proceeds of the service are in aid of the choir funds.

We must convert a great part of our stock into money before Saturday evening. Goods at a sacrifice. Model Clothing Store.

A Costly Gift.

"Did you ever have a friend give you a silk hat?" asked a modest young man the other evening. "No." "Well, don't. If one of your round town friends tries to pull you into a hat store and load one on to you, break away from him and shun him like a pestilence. Listen to my tale of woe. One of my big-hearted acquaintances a short time ago bought me an $8 Dunlap at Dineen's. I thought it real clever of him and was grateful. He looked at me so proudly as we walked down the street that I wondered what was coming. The next day I ran against him on the street. He stopped me. 'My boy,' he said with fatherly solicitude, 'I am just too late for the bank; have you got $25 in your pocket?' How could I refuse such a generous friend? Before I'd wear another silk hat of somebody else's buying I would tie my head up in a red bandana. That hat cost me the $25."

$5 Vase Lamp for $3, $4 Hall Lamp for $2.75. Parlor Hanging Lamps and Piano Lamps at equally low prices. See them. Adams, 177 Yonge-street.

A Keen Observer.

Everybody has been noticing for a week or two past how much fresher and brighter the streets of Toronto look than usual. A man who thinks he has found the reason says that it is because the stylish young men around town have all got their new spring ties and gloves from quinn and are wearing them every day.

Wilcox quadruple plate silverware at cost to clear. Call early. Credit if desired. The C. F. Adams Home Furnishing House, 177 Yonge-street.

New English collars just to hand, the Athole, the Antonio, the Kenmare, the Arlington and several others, Welsh, Margetson & Co.'s best. Wheaton & Co., 17 King-street west, cor. Jordan.

Families leaving the city or giving up housekeeping can have their furniture carefully stored at moderate cost with Miller & Co., 33 Front-street west. 246

THE BANKING BILL ADVANCED

THE FINANCE MINISTER ANNOUNCES A FEW CHANGES.

Criticism of Various Features of the Measure—Read a Second Time—The Main Estimates Passed—The Rykert Investigation—The Bremner Fur Committee's Report.

OTTAWA, April 23.—The motion for the second reading of the Banking Bill monopolised the attention of the House to-day. Mr. Foster announced the changes made since the bill was introduced. In case of the impairment or even the exhaustion of the circulation guarantee fund the banks will not be called upon to make up the amount immediately but will only be called upon for an annual payment of one per cent. of their average circulation until the fund is restored. The proposed audit had been dropped. Objection has been made to the provision that balances unclaimed for eight years should be paid over to the Government to be by them paid to the proper owner if subsequently claimed, but this clause he would insist on as a vital part of the bill.

Sir Richard Cartwright, while reserving his criticism until the bill came to be discussed in committee, pointed out that no adequate precaution had been taken against what might occur if two or three worthless scoundrels secured possession of a bank and contrived to issue its notes to an extent far beyond what it was authorised to issue.

Mr. Blake hoped that something would be done to guard against the danger suggested. He thought the proposed enactment that unclaimed balance should be paid to the Government was not only unfair and arbitrary but beyond the power of the Dominion Parliament being a matter for the Provincial Legislatures.

Additional Security Demanded.

Mr. White of Cardwell urged the adoption of a system which would further secure the note circulation, and that if the clause providing for a 5 per cent. guarantee fund were to be passed exemption should be given to such banks as secured their note circulation by deposit of Dominion securities. By means of borrowing abroad on the part of the Government and of great corporations a fund for the payment of our foreign indebtedness has been secured, but when these borrowings ceased the result will be a most serious commercial and financial crisis. We had to send abroad $25,000,000 annually to meet our liabilities there.

Such a crisis as he referred to had occurred in 1873, when in February and March the banks could not meet the demands made upon them for foreign exchange. Whereas in 1868 the banks held 35 per cent. of their liabilities in coin, legal tender and Government securities, this had been steadily reduced until to-day they had all told only 19 per cent.

He thought it regrettable that the Government did not at least insist upon adequate reserves. Under this new bill the banks could go on emitting notes which would rest upon the security of every solvent bank in the country and the position of affairs would be aggravated if anything.

Sir John Thompson announced that the Government had considered the probability of an issue in excess of the amount authorised and that a clause was to be inserted making such action a highly penal offence. He did not agree with Mr. Blake that the assume control of the unclaimed balances was beyond the power of this Parliament, because he held that the Dominion had control over civil rights with respect to matters over which this Parliament has jurisdiction.

Sir Donald's Protest.

Sir Donald Smith did not see what satisfaction it would be to those who lost the money through the guarantee of notes issued by any bank in excess of the amount authorised to know that those responsible for such issue had committed a highly penal offence. He protested against the unclaimed balance clause.

After some the discussion was continued. Amongst those participating were Mr. Cockburn, who voiced the sentiments of the bankers in objecting to yielding up the unclaimed balances to the Government.

Mr. Foster, on the other hand, held that the whole people as represented by the Government were better entitled to the unclaimed money than were the few people represented by the banks.

The bill being read a second time was considered in committee of the whole, where considerable progress was made, including the adoption of one additional clause requiring a majority of the directorate to be Canadians by birth or naturalisation.

The committee rose and reported progress and the House went into committee of supply, taking up the main estimates, all the remaining items in which having been passed the House adjourned at 12½.

HIGHLY IMPROPER.

What the Committee Say About Gen. Middleton's Conduct—Rykert's Case.

OTTAWA, April 23.—The Committee on Privileges and Elections met again to-day to continue the Rykert investigation. Mr. Rykert made a further statement and a considerable amount of evidence relating to details was given, after which, on motion of Sir John Thompson, the committee adjourned until to-morrow, when they will meet to prepare their report.

The special committee appointed to investigate the charges made concerning the furs taken from Charles Bremner, the Battleford half-breed, presented its report this afternoon. The report recites the facts of the case as admitted by General Middleton himself, but finds that the furs packed for the General were not received by him. The confiscation is declared unwarrantable and illegal. Even if the confiscation were legal the property should have vested in the crown. The committee consider that while the General acted under a misconception the appropriation of furs for his own purposes was highly improper. The report concludes with the statement that Bremner is willing to accept $4500 as compensation and that this is a fair recompense.

Burglary at Georgetown.

GEORGETOWN, April 23.—On Tuesday evening the residence of L. Grant was entered through a window by burglars. They carried away two pairs of trousers, one belonging to Mr. Grant and one to Mr. Ross, containing considerable sums of money, that of the latter $100. They also took Mr. Grant's overcoat. No clue.

Never Too Late to Wed.

MAY'S LANDING, April 23.—Robert Barnes, aged 76 years, was married to-day to Mrs. Sallie Smith, aged 82 years, of Atlantic City. Many relatives and friends were present and the happy couple tripped the light fantastic to old-time music.

Killed by a Train.

PICKERING, April 23.—Mrs. John Ludgate, a woman about 60 years old, was killed instantly by a Grand Trunk train this afternoon while walking on the track just east of the station. She leaves a husband and two daughters.

A Texas Cyclone.

AUSTIN, Tex., April 23.—The little town of Kyle, 20 miles south of here, was visited by a cyclone last night and many houses were overturned and several swept away. Several persons were injured but none killed.

No Verdict in the St. George Case.

The jury in the St. George case allowed St. George's Day to pass over without rendering their verdict and were last night locked up until this morning, when they will be discharged whether they will agree upon a verdict or not.

YOUNG KAVANAGH.

Young Kavanagh looks as Irish as his name, and that's paying him no small compliment. His eyes are dark, his hair bushy, and his face intellectual rather than handsome. His mouth and lips when singing are sweet and innocent. His demeanor is modest, he has hardly a mannerism, and he is without the slightest affectation. And so he stands before you in his boyhood, and with the notes of his glorious voice he entwines and intermingles the freshness and purity of a boy's soul. Young Kavanagh is a revelation to those who hear him on this account: He has art, he has soul infused into his art, and these are further blended with those strong but simple emotions which go with religious feeling and the dearest sentiments of humanity. People are used to art and soul and emotion blended in poetry and other masterpieces, but always identified with at least the age of manhood or womanhood. But in Kavanagh all this comes out in a boy, and that is where the rarity arises and where he has been able to confer a new and unusual pleasure to those who hear him. Genuine art is rare indeed, and anyone in whose person a new manifestation thereof appears, that one has added a new note, so to speak, to the gamut of human enjoyment.

This boy does not sing everything well; he has his range and it is not so wide a one; but in it no one can excel him, as when he sang "My Ain Countree," "Angels Ever Bright and Fair," and "Home Sweet Home." No one will ever want these pieces better sung, unless by another boy, and such boys only appear at rare intervals.

Kavanagh's voice in its present purity cannot long continue. A boy soprano is like a flower; his voice only blooms to fade, and often without any prospect of its reappearance in a tenor or baritone.

He Had to Listen Quietly.

Ald. Hewitt is perhaps one of the most conscientious men in council, but he heard a remark the other day in a Yonge-street restaurant which certainly made him feel far from satisfied with the sweets of public life. He was enjoying his