Items of Interest Gathered by The World For Being Called a Mumbling, Tetter Yesterday. The Printing and Supplies Committee of the Public School Board at its meeting yespassed accounts to the amount of \$1545.54, \$1000 of which was for coal and \$366 for kindergarten supplies. The principal of the Parliament-street school wrote

cipal of the Parliament-street school wrote a letter requesting that the school room lately closed be converted into a play room for the girls, but no action was taken. The successful tender for turpentine was awarded to Stewart & Wood at \$90. The committee also recommended that a Christmas tree be presented to each of the 36 kindergarten schools of the city. The inspector was asked to order a new supply of text books for free distribution among the pupils. A new cupboard will be put in each room to store the books used. Messrs. Hambly, Whitesides and Inspector Hughes will report at next meeting of the committee regarding the advisability of putting paper and scribbling books on the free list.

Two rooms in the northwest branch of Bradstreet's Report.

on the free list.

Two rooms in the northwest branch of the Y.M.C.A. have hitherto been used for school purposes at a rental of \$40 per month. Now only one is necessary and the Association Board wants \$30 per month. This was considered too much and \$25 will be offered the owners of the build-

### VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

Why He Was Surprised.

Editor World: Being in Toronto last week without much to do I strolled into Osgoode Hall, and meeting a friend familiar with the place he kindly escorted me into several place he kindly escorted me into several courts which were then sitting, and among the rest into the Court of Appeal. While there I became very much interested in a discussion which was going on about the right of a widow to recover from a life insurance company the amount of a policy on the life of her deceased husband, and I sat there listening to it for a long time. I was very much struck during the discussion by the zeal with which one of the judges did battle for the insurance company, and when I came out I asked my friend who he was, and being told I remarked that he seemed to be strongly in favor of the life insurance company. "Oh, yes, said my friend, he is a director of a life insurance company." I asked if it was considered proper that the director of a life insurance company should sit on life insurance cases, where it was imdirector of a life insurance company should sit on life insurance cases, where it was important for the insurance company that the law should be shaped in their favor. My friend replied sneeringly, "He seems to think so." I said that such a thing would not be permitted in England. I then asked him if any of the banks or railway companies had a director on the bench, but he was unable to inform me. Not knowing what the judicial etiquet in such matters is in this country, I ask through your columns for information on the point. It certainly seems strange to

Ottawa, Dec. 5, 1892.

The Massey Memorial.

Editor World: Mr. Massey has express a desire that citizens should state their views as to the most suitable form his generosity should take so as to benefit the greatest nun

me that there are 10,000 children in public schools within a radius of half an hour's walk from the McCaul school who have no

playgrounds.
This want is most lamentable, and sends the children to most unhealthy forms of amusement.

I would suggest the purchase of the Upper Canada College playground as a suitable memorial. It would be a lasting source of enjoyment to these 10,000 children and to hundreds of thousands yet unborn.

It would require little subsequent expenditure to maintain. All that would be required would be police protection and lighting.

I have consulted expert real estate men in Toronto and they think an outside figure for 350 feet in King-street, running through to Adeiaide, with a frontage on John-street of 400 feet, would be \$100,000.

The Government would doubtless deal liberally in the matter, the poor of this city having, by placing the Parliament buildings in the park, had taken from them one of the few breathing places and playgrounds which they formerly enjoyed.

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MISSING RELATIVES. People Whose Letters So Far Never Came.

[From The Glasgow Mail.] Margaret Benny Robertson, 2 Argyleplace, Glasgow, desires address of Donald Drummond Robertson, last in Oxley, Colchester, Essex County, Ont.
Mrs. Ballantyne, 301 London-road,
Glasgow, desires address of William Davidson, last heard of in Chatham, Kent County,

[From Lloyd's Weekly.] Herbert Wallis left South Metropolitan district school at Witham in June, 1889, for Kingsville, Canada. His brother William longs to hear from him.

The Husband Claims the Property Mrs. Jane Lowe, who died in Toronto i August last, left her property, amou to several thousand dollars, to be divided among several benevolent institutions in the city, among which was the Boys' Home. She had formerly lived in New York State, where she left her husband and came to Toronto to live. The husband now claims that the money she willed belonged to him, which she had deposited in the Toronto General Trusts Company to her own credit. Yesterday before the master in chambers the trustees of the Boys' Home obtained an order to examine Mr. Lowe in Toronto as to the validity of his statements. Toronto as to the validity of his statements.

Local Legal The master in chambers made an order allowing the defendant, George Leslie, to allowing the defendant, George Leslie, to amend his defence in the alimony suit brought against him by his wife.

A motion by the father of the Flick children for the custody of the children, who are now with their mother, was up yesterday before Mrs. Justice Street. The parents have separated and the wife is suing for alimony.

Why go limping and whining about your corns when a 25 cent bottle of Holloway's Corn Cure will remove them? Give it a trial and you will not regret it.

Wants More Help. City Solicitor Biggar is asking for additional assistance. He says that the work has now become heavier than he can cope with, and he desires the appointment of one or more assistants than he now has.

WANTS \$2000 DAMAGES

ORANGEVILLE, Dec. 9 .- Charlie Coulte corporation cow impounder, has had issued a writ in the High Court of Justice against Emanuel Bell, a town councillor, demand-ing \$2000 damages for alleged libel and

The facts leading up to the issue of the write are decidedly interesting. Coult

25 will be offered the owners of the building as a fair amount.

Queen Victoria, Parkdale, Ryerson and Bolton-avenue schools have yards paved with blocks which have decayed, so that there is danger of the pupils sustaining serious injuries. The interstices will be filled with gravel.

There is a class of 64 pupils in the basement of Bolton-avenue School, and Trustee Clark reported that the room was unfit for use by a class. At every rain the floor is flooded, and the walks remain wet for days. Nothing was done, as it was considered the work of the School Management Committee.

About a dozen trace, will be rooved from

# Committee. About a dozen trees will be moved from Parkdale and Jesse Ketchum School yards to the new Sackville School yard. The little daughter of John Baxter, who was injured by falling down the stairs at Park School, has herself to blame, the committee says. The oil on the stairs did not make her fall, as in that case all the children would have fallen. The Women's Christian Temperance Union held an examination in temperance at the Elizabeth-street School yesterday afternoon, in which the candidates were all those pupils who had passed the grade examinations. Prizes will be awarded to those taking highest marks in each grade in each school.

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