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FILLING UP THE SENATE.

DR. CASGRAIN AND SAM. MERNER CALLED TO THE UPPER CHAMBER.

Is the Government Distributing Its Gifts Preparatory To Dissolution?—Several Civil Service Officials To Be Advanced.

Special to The World.

OTTAWA, Jan. 7.—Two out of the three vacancies in the Senate have been filled by the appointment of Dr. Chas. Doucet Casgrain of Windsor, Ont., and Mr. Samuel Merner, ex M.P of New Homburg, Ont., as representatives of the French and German elements respectively. One vacancy remains in Ontario, but it is said that several other seats will soon be empty and further appointments will then be made.

The Canada Gazette to-morrow will contain notice of the advancement of several Civil servants as well as the usual formal notices and names of candidates successful at the Civil Service examinations.

RAILWAY COLLISION NEAR CHICAGO.

An Express Train on the Burlington and Quincy Meets With a Mishap.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—An accident happened this morning on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, near Downer's Grove, fourteen miles from Chicago. The Keithsburg express was delayed, and a suburban train left Aurora ahead of it, but side-tracked at Napierville to let the express pass.

The latter train went by, but when two miles west of Downer's Grove it was stopped by the freight train, the engine of which had "given out."

The suburban train was following close on the express, and before it could be stopped came crashing into the sleeper. The pilot of the engine ran under the trucks with such force as to lift the car high in the air and a moment later it fell back on the engine, completely demolishing the forward part.

The passengers in the sleeper were badly scared and shaken, but no one was seriously hurt. The only injuries were those received by Riley Cronk, the news agent, and Conductor Willard of the suburban train. Cronk's finger was lacerated by flying glass. Willard was sitting by a window and the block forced his head through it. He escaped with a few cuts.

THE QUEENSBURY DIVORCE CASE.

The Noble Marquis, Separated from His Wife, Lives With Another Lady.

EDINBURGH, Jan. 7.—The Marquis of Queensbury, who is being sued for divorce, has not lived with his wife for twelve years. Shortly before they began to live apart the Marquis admitted another lady into his house who became a regular inmate of his establishment. His connection with this woman is made the basis for the suit. Neither the lady nor the Marquis will deny the charge of adultery, which the marchioness makes against her husband. The case will be tried in Edinburgh because the Scotch law grants a wife a divorce for adultery alone.

Extreme Cold in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—The mercury fell steadily in this city until 4 o'clock this morning, when the thermometer registered fourteen degrees below zero, and at 6 o'clock had risen to ten degrees below, and has since remained stationary, and according to the signal service reports will probably continue to do so for the next twenty-four hours. At St. Paul the thermometer stood thirty-two degrees below, while the extreme northern Minnesota and Canadian stations had not sent any reports.

Powderly Sustained.

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 7.—The annual meeting of District No. 82, K. of L., embracing every town touched by the main line or branches of the Union Pacific Railway, which has been here in session since Monday, to-day passed resolutions endorsing every action taken by Grand Master Workman Powderly in the settlement of the southwestern and Chicago strikes, as well as his views regarding trades unions. The convention pledges its members to stand by Powderly in his work.

Secretary Lamar and His Bride.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 7.—Secretary Lamar and his bride arrived here on Wednesday evening and were immediately driven to the executive mansion. Notwithstanding the announcement that there would be no demonstration, there was a number of the Governor's intimate friends on hand. During the whole of yesterday Mrs. Lamar was the recipient of attention from the ladies of Atlanta. A dinner was given in honor of the couple at 6 o'clock, at which a distinguished party was present.

The Reunion Conference.

LONDON, Jan. 7.—Sir. Wm. Vernon Harcourt, Sir Geo. O. Trevelyan, Mr. Morley and Mr. Chamberlain will open their reunion conference at the house of Baron Herschell next Thursday. Baron Herschell will preside. Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Chamberlain are exchanging friendly letters on the subject.

A Woman Charged with Illegal Voting.

WELLSVILLE, N.Y., Jan. 7.—The fact that Mrs. Lucy Sweet Barber of Alfred Centre voted at the last election is known far and wide among women suffragists. Mrs. Barber was arrested on Wednesday, however, on the charge of illegal voting. She was arraigned yesterday before U. S. Commissioner Angel at Belmont, and her examinat on was set down for next Monday. This will be a test case.

A Singular Dream Fulfilled.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 7.—Six weeks ago Fannie Barclay of Bedford-avenue had a dream, in which she saw her dead body laid out in a coffin amid flowers and surrounded by sorrowing friends. She was soon to be married and was in the best of health. She could not shake off the effects of the dream, however, and a week ago was stricken down with a fever. She died on Tuesday.

The Lexington Murder.

BOSTON, Jan. 7.—James Edward Newlin, who brutally murdered George A. Codman, was arraigned in the Somerville Police Court this morning, and pleaded not guilty. He was committed without bail for trial, which will probably not take place for six months.

Arrested for Child Murder.

ST. JOHNSBURY, Vt., Jan. 7.—William F. Dizan of Wheelock, but formerly of Canada, has been arrested, charged with having murdered several of his children shortly after they were born. Dizan is a bad character.

CABLE NOTES.

A severe snowstorm is raging in Silesia, causing the suspension of railway traffic.

The jubilee of Queen Victoria will be celebrated throughout India on February 6.

Queen Christina of Spain has decorated the Count of Paris with the Order of the Golden Fleece.

The Vatican is debating whether the Knights of Labor of America is a proper organization for Catholics to join.

The Russian Military Commission has decided to adopt a new repeating rifle for use by the army, and orders for large numbers have been given.

The Duke of Bedford has remitted the whole amount of the rents of the farmers and other tenants on his Bedfordshire estates for the current half-year.

The Bulgarian deputation has gone to Paris. La Paix, of Paris, says France will advise the deputation to reach an understanding with Russia and Turkey.

Four of the young men condemned to death recently for an outrageous assault upon a servant girl were hanged yesterday at Sidney, New South Wales. Two others were reprieved.

Correspondents at Berlin and Vienna agree in the statement that M. De Blowitz's announcement of a Russo-German alliance was a pure invention, without any foundation whatever.

Emperor William will hold a chapter of the Prussian Order of the Black Eagle on Jan. 18, when he will decorate Duke John of Mecklenburg and the Prussian generals Pape and Von Obernitz.

A MILLIONAIRE'S WILL.

Bequests by the Late John S. Newberry, of Detroit.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 7.—The will of the late John S. Newberry was read last night. The estate amounts to $4,250,000. To the widow is bequeathed $1,000,000 stocks and bonds, beside the homestead, the summer residence and personal property. He leaves a large amount in small sums to his employes. The residue is divided into five parts, of which four go to the four children and the fifth is vested in the widow, except the payment of certain legacies; but he says his wife will understand that the property is to be used liberally for educational and benevolent purposes. Several amounts are specified, including $4000 to local charities; $10,000 each to the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church and to the Trustees of the Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church, and $5000 to the Presbyterian Board of Publication, for Sabbath school work, besides smaller amounts bringing the total to $90,000, while the total amount intended for benevolent purposes is much larger.

Driven Insane by Slander.

MIDDLETOWN, N.Y., Jan. 7.—Ollie Brower, the 19-year-old daughter of Herman Brower, a glove manufacturer, was committed to the State Insane Asylum yesterday. Her insanity is said to have been caused by reports circulated about town by John W. Baird, defaming her character. Miss Brower's father recently brought suit against Baird for $10,000 for slandering his daughter's good name, and Wednesday, as Miss Brower was leaving Bull's Opera House, Baird exclaimed in the presence of a number of people: "There goes my $10,000 beauty." This seemed to affect the girl very much, and a short time after she had returned home she became insane and made a desperate attempt to kill herself. Baird is 20 years of age and a native of Kansas. A wealthy uncle died some months ago and left him all his property.

The Loss of the Harvey Mills.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—The officers and crew of the ship Harvey Mills, which was reported wrecked last night, numbered 24 men. The captain and three men attempted to leave the ship in a boat which, however, capsized as soon as it left the ship's side, and it is believed all were drowned. Four others took to a raft, but they have not since been heard of. Mate Cushman and three of the crew also left the ship on a raft, but before they were picked up one of them went crazy and jumped overboard. The remaining twelve stuck to the ship, and as the survivors now her go down all on board must have perished.

Refused Permission to Enter England.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 7.—It has just been learned that the British Government refuses to allow the Gate City Guards to enter England. It is supposed this action was taken because Capt. J. S. Burke is an Irishman.

The guards proposed to make a tour of the principal cities of the continent in full uniform and bearing arms. By special invitation, King Leopold of Belgium was to inspect them and be present at several of their public manœuvres. They are to be accompanied by Col. Emmons Clark of the Seventh Regiment of New York and several prominent citizens of Atlanta.

A Chicago Brewery Burned.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—Ernst Brothers' brewery was burned this morning. The coping of the walls fell upon a tenement occupied by four families and crashed through the roof. Mrs. Cook, an invalid, was badly frightened, and the shock may prove fatal. Loss $55,000.

Seeking Annexation to Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Jan. 7.—A deputation from Rochesterville waited upon Mayor McDougall yesterday to inquire what steps would have to be taken to secure the annexation of that suburb to the city. They were instructed how to go about the matter. New Edinburgh having shown the example, the other suburbs seem anxious to follow.

Marriage of a Prominent Manitoban.

OTTAWA, Jan. 7.—Hon. Dr. Wilson, Minister of Public Works of Manitoba, was married yesterday at Kinburn to Miss Annie Armstrong, daughter of R. Armstrong of that place. Dr. and Mrs. Wilson left in the evening for Winnipeg.

The Detroit Carpenters' Strike Ended.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 7.—The trouble with the carpenters in this locality has been settled, and the men will resume work to-day. It is said the employers are to select their own men, being influenced only by the competency or incompetency of the carpenter. The trouble has lasted several months, during which time men have been brought hers from other points and have then been kept from working by the Knights of Labor.

Only Two Were Drowned.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Jan. 7.—Last evening a melancholy drowning accident occurred at Quidividi Lake. A number of people fell through the ice, and two named Whitten and Bryan were drowned. Over twenty persons were in the water at one time, but they were rescued.

Gladstone to Modify His Scheme.

LONDON, Jan. 7.—The Standard says that Gladstone is prepared to modify his Home Rule scheme with a view to the conciliation of dissident Liberals. According to the Standard he is willing to confine the powers of the proposed Irish Legislative body to the questions exclusively Irish which may be delegated to it.

Bishop Potter's Funeral.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The funeral of Bishop Horatio Potter took place to-day from Trinity Church and was a very impressive ceremonial. Four hundred and fifty clergymen were present.

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

The Methodist Church at Appleton has been burned.

It is reported that the Dominion Government will shortly establish a Bureau of Labor.

Counterfeit half-dollar pieces are in circulation at St. Thomas and in that neighborhood.

Attempts are being made to secure a more strict observance of the Scott Act in Carleton County, Ont.

A general meeting of the Oblat Order will be held in Rome next April, which Archbishop Tache will attend, if his health permits.

Walter Cousins, mail clerk on the Grand Trunk, running east from London, had his foot badly crushed at East London this morning.

The winter service between Charlottetown, P.E.I., and the mainland has had to be abandoned, owing to the thickness of the ice.

A brakeman named Jean Demers, employed on the Southeastern line, was horribly mangled by the cars near Farnham, Que., on Wednesday.

The St. George's Society of Ottawa has decided to affiliate again with the North American St. George's Union from which it separated some years ago.

The Archbishop of Montreal has appealed to his parishioners to contribute at least 1 cent apiece to a fund towards the completion of St. Peter's Cathedral.

It is understood that Archbishop Pinkham, of Winnipeg, will accept the Bishopric of Saskatchewan, offered to him by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

At Middlesex Assizes the daughter of an Oxford farmer, Miss Cornelia Maria Day, will sue Dr. McWilliams, a wealthy physician of Thamesford, for breach of promise of marriage.

A man named Ballock, living at Gorrie, and H. Leslie, from Elma, have been before the magistrate at Palmerston for offering bribes to the electors in Wallace. The hearing has been adjourned for a week.

Counsel for Haverstock Smith, charged with the murder of Marshal Pigot, and now in jail at St. Thomas, have given up the idea of applying for bail, believing the prisoner will be discharged at next court.

The attendance at the medical department of the Western University, London, is steadily increasing and now amounts to fifty-five. It is proposed to erect a medical school building in the northern part of the city and the work will probably be accomplished next summer.

Geo. McCabe, who has been tried on the charge of poisoning several successive wives, was arrested at London yesterday in one of the lawyers' offices in the court house, charged with stealing a pair of boots which he had on his feet at the time of his arrest. The owner identified his property.

THE CLAIMS OF CAVALRY.

AN EFFORT TO HAVE A SCHOOL ESTABLISHED IN TORONTO.

The City Council Meeting—Ald. Macdonald's Opinion of the Globe—Resolution Congratulating the Emperor of Germany—One More Meeting.

The adjourned meeting of the City Council was held yesterday afternoon. At 3.25 all the members were in their places with the exception of Ald. Crocker, Lamb, Shaw and John Woods, and business occupied their attention until nearly 6 o'clock.

When order was called, Ald. Baxter asked that the minutes of the previous meeting be read. It appears that the previous meeting was called for the night of the municipal elections. The only members who appeared were Ald. Baxter, Ald. Carlyle of St. Thomas' Ward and City Clerk John Blevins. The meeting was conducted with the decorum becoming so august a body. Ald. Carlyle moved that the roll be called, and Clerk Blevins read out the 36 names in a solemn tone. Then Ald. Carlyle moved an adjournment and the two Aldermen went off to see how the elections were going. When this circumstance was explained, Ald. Baxter agreed to dispense with the minutes.

Ald. Macdonald rose to a question of privilege. He said that in classifying the members of the new council the Globe had put him down as a Conservative and had also classed him with the anti-Temperance men. All he could say was that it was a rotten and corrupt paper and he despised it.

A communication was received, signed by Jas. B. Baldwin, Captain and Adjutant of the Second Regiment of Cavalry, and addressed to Sir John A. Macdonald, in reference to the establishment of a cavalry school of instruction in Toronto. It shows that the number of cavalry in Ontario is 1017, more than one-third of the whole cavalry force of the Dominion, and points out that the majority of Canadian cavalrymen are liable to be pitched at any moment, through not having any proper training. The only cavalry school in the Dominion is at Quebec, and the accommodation there is insufficient, besides being inconvenient. A cavalry school could be stationed in Toronto in the same premises as "C" School of Infantry.

After deductions made by the County Judge the total assessment for 1887 is $82,962,053. The amount deducted by the County Judge was $137,989.

Messrs. Foster, Clarke & Bowes sent in a bill of $59.90 for services in connection with the Street Railway Company's appeal against their assessment.

In Committee of the Whole the clause in the works report granting permission to the Northern Railway Company to erect a ticket office at the foot of Simcoe-street was referred back. The Mayor stated that the railway had refused to pay the city about $60,000 which had been awarded against them by arbitration, and until that is paid the city should not allow them any favor whatever. The widow Lamb, of Wm. Stonehouse for leave to open a forty-foot street, with a swell in the centre to sixty feet, was referred back on motion of Ald. Walker. The street was to extend from Dufferin-street to Gladstone-avenue. The claim of Peter McIntyre for a $25 refund was once more thrown out, the minutes finally.

The Board of Works reported that Mr. R. Robinson, to whom was awarded the contract for constructing section No. 3 of the Don improvement scheme had declined to carry out his contract unless he were awarded that for No. 2 also. Mr. R. Macdonald, of Macdonald, Macdonald, had stated that his partner, Frank Manning, had assigned his interest in the contract to him, and with the consent of the committee he was prepared to give security and carry out the contract. They therefore recommended that section No. 2 be given to Mr. Macdonald on his giving satisfactory security, and that in the event of the city not being able to compel Mr. Robinson to carry out his tender for section No. 3 the same be proceeded with as far as it is expedient under the supervision of the Engineer's Department, in order to furnish immediate employment, for the purpose of testing the practicability and economy of the city doing its own work. This report was adopted, with the addition that the excavations be done by the city and the Engineer furnish the council with detailed periodical reports of the work.

A by-law was passed to prevent the erection of brick-veneered buildings on wooden foundations. The enactment reads: That from and after the passing of this bylaw, it shall not be lawful for any person or person or corporation to erect, within the limits of the City of Toronto, any brick-veneered building on wooden foundations, or to veneer with brick any wooden building heretofore erected unless brick or stone foundations shall have been first erected or placed under such veneering. The penalty is a sum not exceeding $50 for each offence.

Ald. Steiner moved a resolution, which is to be engrossed and forwarded, congratulating His Imperial Majesty William, Emperor of Germany, on the attainment by His Majesty on March 22, 1887, of the patriarchal age of 90 years.

Ald. Carlyle pointed out that the congratulations were a little premature, since it was only January and the birthday would not be until March. Perhaps it might never come to pass. The Mayor said it would be a compliment to Ald. Steiner and would not hurt the Emperor, and the resolution was adopted. Ald. Piper suggested that Baron Heimrod and Ald. Steiner be a deputation to present it, but this was not acted upon. Ald. Frankland predicted trouble with the French, and asked to have appended to the resolution that it was only adopted out of courtesy to their brother alderman.

Mr. A. R. Boswell was reappointed the city representative on the Public Library Board.

The Mayor announced that the final meeting of the council for 1886 would be held next Friday evening.

Just Out—"She," by H. R. Hazzard, 25c.; "The World Went Very Well Then," by "Walter Besant," 25c.; also Pocket and Office Diaries for 1887 at Winnifrith Bros., 5 Toronto-st.

Earthquake in North Africa.

TUNIS, Jan. 7.—The village of D'Jemel was severely shaken by an earthquake to-day. A number of houses fell down and seven persons were killed and many hurt.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

Yesterday morning the Northern Pacific Railway machine, boiler and blacksmith shops were burned. Loss $150,000 to $200,000.

Geo. W. Childs of Philadelphia, who fell on the ice on the pavement Wednesday evening, was much improved yesterday morning.

Wm. Earl, the proprietor of large cider mills at Newark, N.J., hanged himself to a rafter in one of his barns yesterday. His father met his death in a similar way.

The foundry department of the Reliance machine works of E. P. Allis & Co., Milwaukee, was burned Thursday night. Loss $250,000, covered by insurance. Three hundred and fifty men are thrown out of work.

It is now said that the man who jumped from Suspension Bridge was Linus E. Post of Susquehanna, Pa. He was a wealthy ale brewer and had been in poor health. It is believed, however, by a majority of the people at the Falls that the man who made the fatal leap was Frank Cutting.

The United Labor Convention, which met in New York, adjourned yesterday morning at 1 o'clock to meet again on Thursday. The only business transacted other than that already reported was the appointment of committees on resolutions and permanent organization.

In Tennille, Ga., yesterday, J. W. Gardner awoke before day and gave a drink of whisky to his 4-year-old boy, the child being sick. Gardner then went to his work, when the child again secured the jug and drank. When the mother awoke she found the child dead, with the jug clasped to his breast.

Count Carl Frederick Guenther von Schwarzenberg, who was arrested a few days ago at San Antonio, Tex., on a charge of bigamy, has been bound over in $1000, to await the action of the grand jury. The accused is a Prussian nobleman. Both his wives are residents of Texas.

The county treasurer at Cleveland yesterday seized the effects of twenty saloon-keepers, who have not paid their Dow-law tax. The business men of the two court houses are stored with barrels and bottles of liquors and saloon-keepers' stock. The county prosecutor predicts that one-fifth of the saloons in the county will be closed.

THE RECOUNT DOES DR. DOWLING UP

Mr. McAndrew Demands a Scrutiny in Renfrew and Gets a Majority of Nine.

PEMBROKE, Jan. 7.—The recount for South Renfrew, which has been going on here before His Honor Judge Deacon for the past few days, terminated last night at a late hour, and resulted in the return of Mr. McAndrew by a majority of nine. At the close of the poll on Dec. 28 the former member, Mr. Dowling, was declared elected by a majority of two. Dissatisfied with this, Mr. McAndrew, Dr. Dowling's opponent, demanded a recount. The recount of the ballots placed the candidates in the following position:—McAndrew, 1050; Dowling, 1041; Tierney, 199; majority for McAndrew, 9. Mr. McAndrew is a thorough gentleman, and has attained a high position in the estimation of the better class of the residents of South Renfrew. Mr. Thomas Deacon, Q.C., and Mr. H. Deacon acted for Mr. McAndrew at the recount, and Mr. Craig, of Renfrew, and Mr. J. H. Metcalf, of Pembroke, acted for Dr. Dowling.

Mr. McAndrew is well-known in Toronto. He only left here last summer to practice law in Renfrew. He graduated in arts in the University of Toronto in 1881, studied a year in Edinburgh and then returned to Toronto to enter on the study of law. He was a member of the firm of Lawrence, Milligan & McAndrew of this city for a short time. Mr. McAndrew will take a pretty independent course in the Legislature. Though a Reformer he had all the Reform organization and the Reform candidate, Dr. Dowling, directed against him.

HAMILTON MATTERS.

Accused of Burglary—Bravery Recognized—Tobogganing Accident.

HAMILTON, Jan. 7.—Daniel Hurley, a respectable looking young man about 21 years old, was arrested yesterday by Detectives Doyle and Campbell on suspicion of having been connected with the burglary at Mr. Ellis' grocery, corner James and Cannon-streets. He was placed in the dock this morning, but as the prosecution was not ready, the case was adjourned until to-morrow.

Capt. Campbell, of the Beach, will be presented on Monday afternoon by Mayor McKay with the honorary medal of the Royal Humane Society for saving life.

Mr. John G. Pocock goes to Washington to represent Bricklayers' Union No. 1 of Hamilton, at the International Convention of Bricklayers and Masons.

Miss Mackey, who is visiting at Mr. Frank Mackelcan's, was badly hurt while tobogganing a night or two ago. The toboggan on which she was seated collided with another, and she received an ugly cut on the forehead. The young lady is progressing favorably.

Wheat advanced a cent here to-day. It is now 81½c per bushel.

A CARNIVAL AT HAMILTON.

The Board of Trade Favor it, Merchants Want it, and the People Will Have it.

HAMILTON, Jan 7.—At a public meeting held to-day under the auspices of the Board of Trade, the question of a winter carnival to be held here was discussed. All the merchants present were greatly in favor of the project. The Mayor said the council would grant a reasonable amount of money, and it was unanimously decided to go on with the scheme. A large general committee was at once formed, and from the enthusiasm displayed it is certain that the carnival is to be a great affair.

The H. and N. and N. Railway Consolidation.

HAMILTON, Jan. 7.—The legislation for the consolidation of the Hamilton and Northwestern and the Northern Railways, which are now working under a pooling arrangement with regard to earnings, will probably be opposed by the Board of Trade as it is by the City Council. The Hamilton and Northwestern has a debt amounting to $19,810 per mile, while the liabilities of the Northern are $34,465 per mile, and the city is a shareholder of the Northwestern to a considerable amount. The permanent consolidation of the roads would relieve the burden on the Northern but at the expense of those interested in the Northwestern. The Board of Trade will take some action in the matter to-morrow. The present working agreement was made for twenty-one years, and seven years have now expired.

Several Stores at Forest Burned.

FOREST, Jan. 7.—At 7 o'clock this morning fire broke out in W. Crysler's oyster saloon in the west end of King-street, and destroyed that building, together with two buildings to the west and one to the east. The buildings were owned by Capt. J. C. Pollock, Geo. M. Vansickleberg, and Robt. Brock, and were occupied by R. Mellick, residence and restaurant; Pollock & Anderson, storeroom and the Dominion Organ Company's agency. C. Robinson's billiard room was emptied of its contents, as were also the rooms overhead, occupied by himself as a residence, but the building could not be saved and went with the others. Mostly insured.

Almanacs for 1887—"Whitaker's" 35c., Punch 10c., Fun 10c., Judy 10c., Canadian Almanac 15c., and "Century Magazine" for January at Winnifrith Bros., 6 Toronto-st.

Action Against the Bell Telephone Co.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The Government expects to begin proceedings against the Bell Telephone Company in Boston before the middle of next week. The action is to decide the validity of their patents.

The President Improving in Health.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Jan. 7.—The President is steadily improving in health, and was feeling better to-day than at any time since his last attack of rheumatism.

Death of Ex-Judge Polette.

MONTREAL, Jan. 7.—The death is announced at Three Rivers of ex-Judge Polette, of the Superior Court, who was one of the Royal Commission that enquired into the Pacific scandal.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Mr. A. B. Macklin has entered upon his duties as Canadian Passenger Agent of the Chicago and Alton Railway, with headquarters in this city.

That Rose's Temple of Music exceeded its proprietor's brightest anticipations will surprise no one. This fine stand with its splendid equipment of pianos and organs and its tasty decorations and music parlor is now one of the most attractive places in the city for sightseers.

Wm. Murphy, a young man aged 24, was arrested yesterday afternoon on complaint of a woman named Lauretta Courtney, who charges that while she was passing 139 York-street he induced her to go inside and then attempted to ravish her.

Fine styles. Every lady who wishes to appear stylish and nice looking should call at A. Lorenwend's Paris Hair Works and see his new styles of bangs, waves, wigs, etc. He has just designed some most becoming headdresses. Remember the address, Paris Hair Works, 103 and 105 Yonge-street.

The directors of the Toronto Art School have engaged Mr. R. R. Babington, late of London, to take charge of the evening classes of the West End Art School. Mr. Babington has had experience as a practical draughtsman and he will be a valuable assistance to mechanics attending the school.

The annual Christmas festival in connection with the Church of the Ascension Sunday School was held Thursday evening. After refreshments the prizes were distributed. Seventy-one first prizes were given for attendance on fifty Sundays or upwards and fifty-eight second prizes for attendance on forty-seven to fifty Sundays. A magic lantern entertainment brought an enjoyable meeting to a close. The total number on the roll of this school is 650 and the average attendance for last year was 530.

Samuel Crandle, steamboat owner, and J. Alexander McKenzie, tea broker, were yesterday elected members of the Board of Trade. The membership now numbers 913, of whom 711 are Toronto men.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Irish Catholic Benevolent Union No. 1 of Toronto, Canada, and 451 of the United States held Thursday evening, the following were elected officers for the ensuing year: President, J. J. Murphy; First Vice-President, Wm. P. Ward; Second Vice-President, O. Hickey; Recording Secretary; H. P. Skelton; Financial Secretary, J. J. Ryan; Treasurer, J. H. Barber; Master of Ceremonies, Wm. Chambers; Tyler, Wm. Fogarty; Marshal, M. Rourk; Trustees, Ed. McTague, Thos. Higgins, Thos. Gallagher.

"And the greatest of all is charity."—Prove it by sending in your horse's Mottled wrappers to your favorite among the city charities. They are all waiting for them. x

LIEUT.-COL. ARTHURS' FUNERAL.

A Large Turn-out of Prominent Citizens and the Military.

The funeral of the late Lt.-Col. Wm. Arthurs took place from his residence, 168 Richmond-street west yesterday at 3 p.m. The Queen's Own Rifles, from which corps the deceased had retired when Senior Major, with his brevet rank, mustered about 200 strong under Lieut.-Col. Miller and Major Hamilton, Capt. Murray acting as Adjutant; and with their bugle band marched without music to the house. There they were joined by their band and representatives from other corps, and a squad from the Body Guard. The New Fort was represented by Lieut.-Col. Otter himself; the Grenadiers by Capt. Manley; and the Artillery by Capts. Mead and Beaty, and Lieutenants Irving and Myles.

The service at the house was read by the Rev. Arthur Baldwin, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Potts. The coffin was surrounded by beautiful flowers. Besides tributes from the relatives of the deceased, there was one from the Queen's Own Rifles, and another from the National Club.

To mention those present would be to give a list of the prominent citizens of Toronto, from the Lieutenant-Governor down. Major Fred Dixon headed a large contingent of the Queen's Own Veteran Corps, who were conspicuous by their silver maple leaf and mourning badge.

The cortege moved off at 3.20, the following being the pallbearers: Commodore McGaw, Dr. Thorburn, Lt.-Col. Gilmore, Messrs. John Ross, (of St. Catharines), J. V. Wright, Kenneth Miller, W. Thomas, Capt. Dick and A. McNabb. The chief mourners were John Levs, and Allen, youngest son of the Colonel.

The procession was headed by the band of the Queen's Own Rifles, and the route was Simcoe, King, James and Carlton to the Necropolis.

The streets were in many places lined with spectators, and the sorrowful faces showed how well-known and respected was the late Col. Arthurs.

AMUSEMENTS.

Genevieve Ward at the Grand and "Muggs' Landing" at the Toronto.

The Grand Opera House will surely be filled this afternoon and evening with people anxious to see Mr. W. J. Scanlan in his delightful play "Shane Na-Lawn." Everyone who is fond of Irish ballads should hear Scanlan sing "Peggy O'Moore" and others.

Miss Genevieve Ward and Mr. W. H. Vernon will appear at the Grand Opera House Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings next. Miss Ward's creation of the Adventuress in "Forget-me-not" is recalled with intense delight. Mr. Vernon, who stars jointly with her, is a London actor, and comes with the highest endorsement of the New York press. "Forget-me-not," Miss Ward's famous play will be presented Monday and Tuesday evenings. Wednesday evening Miss Ward will appear as the Duchess of Marlborough in the new comedy, "The Queen's Favorite." The comedy performance promises to be a most brilliant one.

"Muggs' Landing" will be given at the Toronto all next week by Miss Frances Bishop, supported by a strong New York company. Miss Bishop is of the Lotta style, and is said to be a bright little actress, possessing a fine voice, besides being an excellent dancer. The New York Herald says of Miss Bishop and her play: "There was a large audience at the Opera House last evening to witness Muggs' Landing, and the manner in which the 'mugs' were generally suffused with smiles proved that company and play were 'up, away up,' in the opinion of the audience."

Next Thursday evening in Shaftesbury Hall Rev. Dr. Pepper, a Methodist clergyman of Ashland, Ohio, will lecture on "The Ireland of To-day," under the auspices of the Toronto branch of the Irish National League. Dr. Pepper's reputation as an orator is well known, and he will no doubt draw a large audience.

The first series of concerts, to be known as "Saturday Popular Concerts," at really popular prices, 15 and 25 cents, with good talent, will be given in Shaftesbury Hall next week under the direction of Mr. Churchill Arlidge, whose reputation as a flute soloist is well known. The other artists will be Miss Corlett, Miss Berryman, Mr. Sims Richards and Mr. E. W. Schuch.

The seats for the Carreno-Huntington concert in the Pavilion Music Hall on Monday night are selling rapidly. The concert will be given on a fashionable one, but perhaps the best we may have this season.

THE WORKINGMEN'S PARLIAMENT.

Where Grievances Are Freely Discussed and Remedies Suggested.

Municipal and other matters were handled with the usual vigor at the Trades and Labor Council's meeting last night. Business on the order sheet was light, and the session was short. The absence during the greater part of the meeting of President Whitten gave Vice-President George Beales an opportunity to display his ability as presiding officer. He added lustre to his name by scornfully denying that he belonged to a "ring," as was basely hinted by a belligerent brother. The Don improvements were well talked over, and the Municipal Committee was instructed to appear before the City Executive Committee and urge that as much as possible of the work be done by the day, and that in every case Toronto workingmen be given the preference over outsiders.

The Legislative Committee in their report suggested that notwithstanding the defeat of all but one of the Labor candidates in the provincial elections the membership of the various labor organizations throughout the province should be further advised as to their duty on such occasions. They thought that all persons having less than $800 income should be exempt from taxation, and that the property qualification should be reduced. A suggestion was made that a permanent committee be appointed to see that the names of all wage-earners were placed on the voters' lists. The report was adopted.

The credentials of these gentlemen were received as delegates for the ensuing year: James Clagston, Wm. Thomas, and Richardson Harrison, L.A. 3496; Chas. Dundas, Thos. I McDonald jr., and Robt. Jack, L.A. 2211; J. Guest, E. Rush and J. Whalen, L.A. 2622; Wm. Phillips, Messrs. Westcott and Guest, L.A. 5742; R. Davis, D. Long and J. Wood, Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners; H. E. Griffiths, Hy Davis, and M. J. Ottman, L.A. 2782; Wm. Knight and Edward Chimson, Cigar Makers' Union No. 27; Jno. Booth, Builders' Labourers' Union; Jno. Bailey, L.A. 5743; W. Stott and James Munro, L.A. 3490; Wm. McFarland, 5379; Chas. Marsh, D. J. O'Donoghue, J. T. Gilmour, L.A. 2305.

At the next regular meeting new officers will be nominated and elected.

A Canadian Novel.

An Algonquin Maiden, a romance of the early days of Upper Canada; By G. Mercer Adam and A. Ethelwyn Wetherald; Toronto: Williamson & Co.

This is a pretty and interesting story of Canadian life in the days when Toronto was Little York and Sir Peregrine Maitland was Governor of the province. The tale is woven from somewhat meagre material, and the action shows nothing of an exciting or tragic nature, save in the death of the heroine but as a love story it is creditable to the authors. The descriptive work of Miss Wetherald, it being understood that that lady contributed largely in that direction, is well done, and the reader finds the freshness of the woods and the perfume of the cedars in the paths where she leads him. The hero is Edward Macleod, son of a retired commodore of the British navy, who had come to make his home in the new land. The scene opens in York, then shifts to the shores of Lake Simcoe, in the neighborhood of Barrie, between which and the settlement at Oak Ridges the action alternates. Macleod loves and has a matrimonial eye upon Helene De Berezy, a young lady who lives with her parents in the suppositious luxury of colonial times at the Ridges, but the gentleman spending the summer on the shores of Kempenfeldt Bay meets the Algonquin maiden, and as man is fickle ever he pursues the new flame with ardor and much to the discomfort of Helene. The manner of his meeting with the Algonquin is realistic and might be considered rude by some, but the way in which the incident is related leaves little room for fault finding. The interest of the story centres in the varying fortunes of the lovers and finds its climax in the death of the Algonquin, who, Hiawatha like floats away to the unknown in a bark canoe. The book is neatly got up, the print is large and its contents can be mastered at a sitting. Besides the interest which attaches to it as the production of a lady and a gentleman well-known in literary circles hereabouts, it possesses merits which commend it to lovers of light reading.

New Mayor Howland Feels.

—Mayor Howland must feel extremely gratified to Toronto's citizens for the "notable majority" he had. Mr. Blain must also be congratulated for the vote he polled (and it was merited). Another candidate for the city is "Strathern," who will please the ladies in the bargains they get in toys, sleighs, etc., fancy goods, in fact one of the choicest assortments of toys, sleighs, baby carriages, etc., in Toronto is at 179 Yonge-street. x

A GREAT WEEK OF CURLING

PROGRAM OF THE INTERNATIONAL BONSPIEL IN TORONTO.

Four Brothers' Tournament At Moss Park—Death of Mr. Pete Collins—Hanlan and Gaudaur—Officers of the Dogsports Club.

Arrangements have been perfected for the International bonspiel, to be played in Toronto Wednesday next. Mr. J. S. Russell, the Secretary of the Ontario Branch, has charge of the details, and has been indefatigable in preparing the program, which, it is safe to say, will meet with the approval of the army of curlers who will be in attendance. The bonspiel promises to be the largest—as it will be the most interesting ever played on this continent. Four hundred or more curlers will participate in the contest.

The present indications are that the United States will send fifty rinks, ten more than was originally expected, and to repel this invasion into Canadian territory about one-half of the ninety clubs allied with the Ontario Branch are sending one rink each. The United States will be represented by rinks from Buffalo, Jersey City, Cleveland, Milwaukee, Chicago, Brooklyn, Ogdensburg, Albany, Utica, Newark, Manhattan, N.J., Mosholu, and New York City, Gotham, with Ogdensburg and Milwaukee, will be represented by more than one rink. Upon the following places will devolve the duty of upholding Ontario's reputation: Sarnia, Toronto (4 rinks), Hamilton (2 rinks), Aurora, Lindsay, St. Catharines, Seaforth, Waterloo, Brampton, Scarboro (3 rinks), Collingwood, Niagara, St. Mary's, Orillia, Markham, Thamesville, Brantford, Bowmanville, Peterboro, Woodbridge, London, Chatham, Paris and Cobourg. In the event of any of these places failing to send rinks the Toronto clubs will make up the deficiency.

The bonspiel will be "curled" on the bay if suitable ice can be got, but as this is an improbability, arrangements have been made to play in all the rinks, which will furnish twenty-eight rinks of open air ice and about a like number under cover. As the United States curlers have expressed a desire for open air ice their wishes will be met as far as possible. The program provides for the drawing Tuesday night at Mr. Russell's office. The play will begin at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, and will be continued until 5 o'clock, when an hour's adjournment will be made for luncheon. At 2 play will be resumed, and will be concluded at 4 or 5 o'clock, as