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## MET WITHIN LOCKED DOORS

*A METHODIST INQUISITION ON REV. T. W. JEFFERY.*

**A Scene of Wrangling—Mr. Jeffery Dares His Accusers to Publicly State Their Charges—Reporters Ordered Out—Door Padlocked—In Session at Midnight.**

"We have no information for reporters," was the reply of Chairman Dr. Shaw when midnight chimed on the frosty air. Cold it was without, but heated was the debate in the wooden erection doing duty for the Northwestern Methodist Church.

The meeting was a joint one of the Board of Trustees and the Quarterly Board to investigate the charges of drunkenness and other offences by the pastor, Rev. T. W. Jeffery. For four mortal hours the wordy strife went on. Angry voices were heard outside and the din of inward strife.

The proceedings were quite inquisitorial, not a word was to be given to the papers, which had already favored Mr. Jeffery too much. After the Press had been excluded the caretaker was ordered to padlock the door and march sentry. Even then a suspicion arose that the ubiquitous World was on the warpath and Caretaker John Pollard was called in off the watch to search the premises.

Following is what The World's young man saw and heard:

There was an unquestioned desire among the majority of the members of the Trust Board and Board of Directors last night to have another secret conclave. The will of these people prevailed and the Press was excluded. This was no doubt a preconcerted arrangement, and it was carried into effect thuswise.

**Admitted to the Inner Sanctum.**

Punctually at 8 o'clock I entered the little, narrow sanctum sanctorum at the rear of the temporary church, where were assembled a dozen gentlemen engaged in animated conversation. I at once announced my avocation and was immediately told by Trustee Timothy Eaton that my presence was unwelcome. "This," said he, "is a private meeting of the Trustees on private business." In reply I referred him to Mr. Jeffery's public announcement from the pulpit on the previous day that there would be a joint meeting of the Trust Board and Board of Directors, which he had been invited to attend, the special business of which would be the present relations of the pastor and the two boards. Thereupon, like Shylock with his bond, the Trustee showed me a half-written, half-printed circular which, he said, was being simply of trustees. At this moment it became evident there were divided counsels, for several voices called out, "What is that you are showing The World?" I thereupon read out the circular, on which there were rejoinders "That is not the notice sent us; that is not the meeting or the business we are here for." To prevent any further discussion I was asked to retire, which I did, stating that the public were much interested in what would be done that night and that it would be better for an impartial report of their proceedings to be given by one present than hearsay reports which might find their way into the public prints.

**The Storm Brewing.**

At this juncture the burly form and cheerful visage of Pastor Jeffery loomed in the dim, religious light. I mensioned the state of affairs to him. "Tush, tush," he said, "that's a wrong version. It's no Trust Board meeting on private business. It's a united meeting to meet me. It's not my wish to exclude the Press or the public either. I want the whole affair to be bottomed. I have nothing I wish to conceal. Come on," said he to me and my confreres, and nothing loth we re-entered the sanctum.

**The Pastor Takes a Hand.**

Mr. Jeffery opened the ball. Eepying his venerable friend, Rev. Dr. Shaw, who by-the-bye was present officially representing the Methodist Conference, he at once proposed the Doctor as chairman, testifying to the high esteem in which he was held, and the kindly and brotherly feeling entertained by all towards him.

Opposition at once broke forth. Said Trustee Liddiatt: "I object. This is a trustees meeting and there are others present. We do not want reporters here. If the public are to be admitted I simply move that we retire to a private house."

Then outspake several officials at once. Some said one thing and some another; and neither did their testimony agree.

The pastor, now looking troubled, sought to throw oil on the angry waters. Said he: "If you trustees want to transact any business in private I will retire until you have finished." Some assented, others did not, and some apparently knew not why they had come together.

**He Makes His Position Clear.**

Brother Jeffery made his position clear. With deliberateness and emphasis he said: "Whilst I was away it was announced from the pulpit there would be a united meeting of the two boards to-night about me. I publicly announced I would meet that united board. Here I am, and now is it sought to say it is only a private trustees' meeting.

Then Trustees Guy and Paul explained that the Quarterly Board were invited to confer with the Trust Board.

Mr. Jeffery: "Have you any authority in law for calling a meeting of trustees and asking the Quarterly Board to join you? I appeal to Dr. Shaw on the point."

**Dr. Shaw Seeks to Make Peace.**

Dr. Shaw: "The fact is I came on the invitation of your pastor and understood the meeting to be an informal one respecting the charges against himself. In this matter I do not Mr. Jeffery or anybody else, but if I can help you in your difficulties I will."

One Trustee here blurted out: "We are not met about Mr. Jeffery. It is a question of money. We want $3000. If you will give it us, Dr. Shaw, our to-night's business will be done."

**The Minister's Challenge.**

Mr. Jeffery, with warmth: "I came here at your own request. Are you prepared to stand by that? Do you now wish to retire from the position you took up?"

Trustee Gaze: "If the trustees do their business first, and we could have done it whilst we have been talking, you can meet them and the directors afterwards."

Mr. Jeffery: "Both boards are here. I am here. You asked me. I came. The trustees can do their business afterwards."

Trustee Liddiatt: "Let there be no discussion."

The Pastor: "By whose authority do you say that? Are you the chairman?"

Several voices: "Let us adjourn."

Mr. Jeffery: "Then you are not prepared to meet me and go into these charges?"

**They Resort to Prayer.**

The wrangling continued some time longer, at which Dr. Shaw suggested the mollifying influence of prayer. Down on their knees the excited officials went, and as the Doctor poured forth his plaintive petitions to the throne of grace for help to their pastor in that his hour of need, and the spirit of charity which thinketh no evil, I thought of Dean Alford's touching lines:

> Lord! what a change within us
> One short hour spent in Thy presence
> Can avail to make.

But the pleading was but for a few minutes, and I regret to say the "change" imperceptible.

Dr. Shaw asked for the first proposition.

Trustee Liddiatt: "That we adjourn till the November quarterly meeting."

**The Reporters Ordered Out.**

Trustee Gage asked the Chairman to request the members of the Fourth Estate to retire.

This the Chairman almost affectionately did.

Mr. Jeffery: "There is no provision in any church law to p[illegible] the public being present at such a meeting as this. I want the reporters to know that as far as I am concerned I am not afraid of meeting any statement that may be made here by any one. Personally I would like the reporters to be present that every word might be taken down of anything that is said I have done, which could then be proved in the proper court if necessary.

"I have nothing to hide. I have done nothing I would not like to appear in print to-morrow morning. I ask if any gentleman has a charge against me to make it now."

Trustee Liddiatt: "It is an insult to us to have the public present. There is a crowd around the door as if it were a tap-room door."

I and my brethren of the Press then retired, but failed to find any signs of Trustee Liddiatt's "crowd."

**After the Reporters Again.**

Whilst I lingered in the outer tabernacle there was anxiety within to know if the dreaded reporters had really taken their departure city-wards. This anxiety was so keen that it was proposed to adjourn from the holy of holies into the congregation of the Gentiles, and from this extended circle request the reporters to retire into Bloor-street.

Out sallied the secret conclave, Dr. Shaw being their spokesman: "Gentlemen," said he with a bland smile, "it is with no disrespect to you that I ask you now to retire from this building. It is no use your waiting because the meeting has decided that no business shall be done while you are here."

I, as senior of Toronto's reportorial Pressmen, thanked the Doctor for his graceful yet potent hint, and came out into the calm stilly night meditating on the Psalmist's exclamation: "Behold, how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity," and on a modern application of Christ's words, "That which is spoken in secret shall be proclaimed upon the housetop."

**The Pastor Vindicated.**

The meeting lasted till after 1 this morning, when the following resolutions, moved by Mr. W. Back and seconded by Mr. M. Paul, were unanimously adopted:

That this united meeting of the Trust and Quarterly Boards of the Western Methodist Church, having heard the rumors affecting the character of the pastor, Rev. T. W. Jeffery, and having duly considered the same, find them to be entirely without foundation and unsubstantiated by any evidence brought forward. We beg to express herewith our deep regret at the circulation of the same, and of the pain and sorrow they have caused him, and sincerely pray he may long be spared to continue the work of the Lord, for which his kindliness of spirit and integrity of character have so nobly fitted him.

It was further resolved:

That this meeting of the Official Board of the Western Methodist Church regret the annoyance and abuse which has been cast upon the Board of Trustees, especially Messrs. Eaton, Gage, Dinnick, and Lydiatt, and whose action, upon all occasions we believe to have been solely prompted by a sincere desire for the welfare and prosperity of the church to which we belong.

**Russell's conversion sale, Xmas, 1888.**

*THE AMENDE HONORABLE.*

**Ald. McMillan Apologizes to Ald. Gillespie in Council.**

"Before business is commenced," said Ald. McMcMillan when the City Council was called to order last night, "I desire to say something on a matter which concerns myself and another member. I wish to state that whatever I may have said in the heat of debate about other members has been said with no intention to do them any injury. At the last meeting of the Council when I said that Ald. Gillespie was drunk with wine, I did not intend to give the impression that he was intoxicated, and I regret that that impression has been spread abroad through the press. I herewith beg to apologize to Ald. Gillespie and the Council for the language used."

Ald. Gillespie: "Of course, Mr. Mayor, it was pretty hard for me, who has been preaching temperance all my life, that I should have had such a charge thrown at me, but I accept the apology in the spirit it is given."

The Mayor: "The lesson of the matter goes to show that teachers of temperance sometimes use very intemperate language."

**To-night! to-night! Russell's, 9 King west.**

**Anxious for the Honor of the Executive Committee.**

There can be no peace in the City Council as long as it contains on its roll of membership Ald. Baxter and Gillespie. The member from St. Patrick's Ward last night sought to get a blow at his enemy from St. George's under the head of inquiries. "I desire," said Ald. Baxter, "to ask the chairman of the Executive Committee if it is true, as I have seen in the press, that a member of that body is in the habit of going around among the banks trafficking with the city bonds, and more particularly if on a recent occasion he offered, if the sureties were good, to negotiate a loan for the city."

Ald. McMillan: "Ald. Baxter's question is of such a peculiar character that I do not know how to answer it. We have no control over the conduct of our members in their private actions. It would be better if the member referred to explain himself."

Ald. Gillespie: "I see no necessity of making an explanation since the member from St. Patrick's has given no name."

**Two Mild Protests.**

The Trades and Labor Council had two communications read at last night's City Council meeting. The first informed the City Fathers that the T. and L. Council in convention assembled had resolved that in the event of the Plumbing By-law being amended that it would strongly oppose the doing away with the clauses arranging for the examination and licensing of journeymen plumbers. This letter was referred to the Special Plumbing Committee.

The second was a copy of a resolution protesting against positions in the civic government being given to aldermen. This was referred to the Legislation Committee.

**Attempted Suicide.**

HAMILTON, Oct. 22.—On Saturday a tramp from Toronto by the name of McKay, who is minus all his fingers save two, and is the happy possessor of 1½ feet and 1½ ears, decided to offer up all that was left of him to the tender mercies of the Hamilton and Dundas Railway juggernaut, and proceeded to dispose of himself upon the track with his head upon the rail. When the train came along the broom attached to the engine brushed him off, and his suicidal intentions were rewarded only with a severe cut on the forehead. His wound was dressed and he was then taken before the Mayor, who sent him down for 60 days.

**France's Income Tax.**

PARIS, Oct. 22.—The Chamber of Deputies has confirmed the election of Gen. Boulanger in the Department of Somme.

The Cabinet has approved the scheme of M. Peytral, Minister of Finance, to impose a tax of one per cent. upon incomes and a tax of one-half one per cent. on labor returns. Incomes of less than 2000 francs are to be exempt from taxation, and incomes of from 2000 to 3000 francs are to be allowed a certain mitigation.

**The Soo Line's New Tariff.**

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 22.—The Soo line has just issued a new tariff providing for a change in the lake and rail rates which will go into effect Oct. 26. The rates apply to freight shipped from New York, Philadelphia, Fair Haven and common points via Buffalo and Gladstone to St. Paul and Minneapolis and compared with old rates are as follows:

Old New York rates: First-class, 45 cents; second, 40; third, 32: fourth, 25; fifth, 20; sixth, 15; old Philadelphia rates: First-class, 44 cents; second, 38; third, 35; fourth, 26; fifth, 20; sixth, 16. New rates: First-class, 60 cents; second, 52; third, 43; fourth, 42; fifth, 25 sixth, 20.

**For the Establishment of Parks.**

Ald. Hallam gave notice of motion at the meeting of the City Council last night that the proper committee be instructed to introduce a by-law providing for the adoption of the act, Chap. 190, R.S.O., entitled "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of public parks in cities and towns."

## ALD. JOHN JONES CHOSEN.

*THE LATEST CITY PLUM GOES TO THE EMINENT EAST ENDER.*

**Appointed Street Commissioner at a Salary of Fifteen Hundred per Year—A Wordy War in the Council over the Office—Mayor Clarke Speaks His Mind.**

The appointment of Ald. John Jones to the Street Commissionership was the great bone of contention at the meeting of the City Council last night. The enemies to the innovation came to the civic chamber well primed for the fight, but unfortunately for themselves they were sadly in the minority and suffered a decided defeat. The aldermen had scarcely settled down to business when the first muttering of the coming storm made its appearance in the shape of a letter from Ald. John Jones, tendering his resignation as representative for St. Matthew's Ward at the Council Board.

Ald. Baxter, seconded by Ald. Bell, moved that the resignation be accepted. This did not find favor with Ald. Ritchie. He said that he had the highest respect for Ald. Jones, and believed that should he secure the appointment of Street Commissioner he would prove a competent man. In order, however, that he should not be misunderstood, he would read a resolution that he intended to move in amendment to the clause of the Executive Committee's report recommending the appointment of Ald. Jones to the position:

That the clauses in the Board of Works report referring to the Street Commissioner be referred back with instructions to report the names of all employes, permanent or temporary, on Oct. 1, the date of appointment and salary then; salary at present; when, how, and why raised, if any; their duties when appointed and now; that the Engineer and Board of Works be instructed to report at the next meeting of the Council a full scheme for the thorough re-organization of the whole department under the various heads, defining the duties and responsibilities of each sub-department and office, with the nominations to fill the same, which nominations to be made from the present employes only as far as they may be fit and qualified for the respective positions.

Ald. Ritchie's amendment was lost on the following division:

*Nays*—Barton, Baxter, Bell, Boustead, Frankland, Galbraith, Hewitt, Irwin, Macdonald, McMillan, Pells, Roaf, Shaw, Swait, Verral, Woods and the Mayor—17.

*Yeas*—Carlyle (St. And.), Carlyle (St. Thos.), Gillespie, Hallam, Harvie, Hill, Johnston, Maughan, Ritchie, St. Leger—10.

Ald. Baxter's motion accepting the resignation was carried on the same division.

Ald. Roaf was called to the chair in Committee of the Whole when the Street Commissioner's report came up for discussion. All passed quietly until the Jones appointment clause arrived in its ordinary course. It read as follows:

Your committee beg to recommend, on the nomination of the City Engineer, in compliance with the terms of report No. 3 Committee on Works, adopted July 24 last, that Mr. John Jones be appointed Street Commissioner, and that Mr. George Castle be appointed storekeeper at the waterworks, etc. The Engineer informs your committee that in his opinion Mr. Jones is the best man of those who applied for the position.

Ald. Gillespie was the first to make a deliverance. "I move" he said, "that this clause be struck out, because it would be folly to do anything until the report of the Board of Works investigation is in. Regarding Ald. Jones, what I have to say I will say face to face. He moved the resolution in Council appointing the reorganization committee. All that is necessary for him to do is to come and vote for himself. I understand that several of his family, I am informed, three, are in the employ of the Corporation. It is to his capability I have nothing to say. I am sorry that the City Engineer should have lent himself to this scheme. It is easy to see that he has been forced into it."

Ald. Frankland: "I just wish to say here that in acting as chairman of the Reorganization Committee Ald. Jones had no idea of taking the present position. He has made a good Alderman, he will make a good official and I shall vote for him."

The Mayor had been getting restless while Ald. Galbraith was making his speech. As soon as Ald. Frankland sat down he rose and defended the clause. "I wish," he said, "to make it clear that Ald. Jones had no idea of accepting or making this position for himself. Before the resolution appointing the Re-organization Committee was read in Council. I was in my office one morning with Ald. Jones. Gentlemen, the first four letters that I opened contained complaints about bad sidewalks and roadways. I turned to Ald. Jones and requested him to frame a resolution for the next meeting of the Council arranging for the appointment of a Re-organization Committee. He did so, and on motion of myself when the committee met, he was naturally appointed chairman. With reference to the charge that members of his family are in the employ of the corporation, you all know his brother-in-law, Mr. Hunter, collector of taxes in St. Matthew's Ward, one of the most respected citizens of Toronto. Then, I understand, he has a son in some trivial position in the City Hall. So far I have heard no complaint about either of these two employes, and I must confess that it would have been the more manly course not to have dragged Ald. Jones' family into the discussion. I will support the Engineer's nominee, and if I have a vote in Council six months from date and Mr. Jones is found incompetent I will vote not only for his, but the Engineer's dismissal."

Ald. Ritchie curtailed his amendment, and Ald. McMillan passed a glowing eulogium on Mr. Jones. Ald. Hallam pleaded that he be given a chance, while Ald. St. Leger attacked the nomination on the ground that he could not see what good would result from it.

Ald. Carlyle's attack on Mr. Jones was a bitter one. "I rise," he said, "to perform a painful duty, the most painful it has been my duty to perform since I have been a member of the Council. I do it because my fealty to the people of St. Andrew's Ward demands it. I hold that a man who is making a nest for himself cannot be an independent member of this Council. I have nothing to say about Mr. Jones's family, but Your Worship, and I say this with all due respect to you, that you have taken more to do with this matter than your office warrants."

Ald. Shaw and Ald. Baxter backed up the clause, and Ald. Harvie and Maughan fought against it. When it was put to the vote the clause was carried triumphantly through by an overwhelming majority.

In Council Ald. Carlyle (St. And.), seconded by Ald. Gillespie, moved that the clause be struck out, but was defeated. Those who voted for the amendment were Ald. Maughan, Carlyle (St. And.), Ritchie, Gillespie, St. Leger and Harvie.

Just before adjournment of the Council Ald. Ritchie secured the passage of his resolution with the exception of that portion referring to the Street Commissioner.

Through the action of last night's Council ex-Ald. Jones falls into a position worth $1500 a year. His duty will be to take charge of the entire repairs of streets and sidewalks, acting as the City Engineer's right hand man in this department.

Ald. Carlyle (St. And.) moved that the newly appointed Street Commissioner have a report for the next Council of the nature of his re-organization. This was adopted as also a motion by Ald. Ritchie that a full report of all the officials in the employ of the Board of Works and their salaries be presented to the Council as soon as possible.

**A Farmer's Serious Loss.**

UXBRIDGE, Oct. 22.—At about 11.30 p. m Saturday Mr. Alex. Oxtoby's barn and outbuildings near Udora were burned to the ground. In the barn was all of this year's grain, five valuable horses and a threshing machine belonging to Messrs. Moore & Scott of Udora, and in the outbuildings were eleven pigs, all of which were consumed. The fire is supposed to have originated from some flying sparks from the threshing engine. Mr. Oxtoby's loss is estimated at $3000 with only $200 insurance. Messrs. Moore & Scott's loss on separator is $500, no insurance.

**The British American Association.**

CHICAGO, Oct. 22.—The first national convention of the British American Association of the United States met to-day at the Grand Pacific Hotel. The object is to form an international association. Delegates are present from New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Michigan, Iowa and California.

*BANKER WILKIE TALKS.*

**A Financier Who Knows Somewhat of the City Securities.**

Mr. D. R. Wilkie, cashier of the Imperial Bank, was called upon yesterday and asked his opinion on the issue of city bonds—whether the rate should be at 3½ or 4 per cent. He said: "I think it is always best to issue at as low rate of interest as possible. As a rule it is better to issue at a discount. In this particular case I cannot see how the bonds can be floated at any other rate than 4 per cent., because there is no way to raise the discount, and unless it is carried over to next year as a deficiency, some other parts of the city's demands will have to be robbed to meet it."

"Could that deficiency," I asked him, "not be provided for in the next issue of bonds?"

"Well, perhaps so; but you see if we go on borrowing our money at such a discount the city will reach the limit of its borrowing ability without having had the full benefit of that power. In fact there are a great many arguments to be advanced on both sides, and I think the Treasury Department and civic authorities are able to work it out."

"Then you would consider," I queried, "that the 3½'s should be issued?"

"At the present time I cannot see how the 3½'s could be issued, but I favor the lower rate, as I think speculators will give rather more for bonds selling as a discount at a low rate of interest than for those at a high rate selling at a premium. However, this is not the time to talk; the rate should have been lowered when the by-laws were passed."

**The City Solicitor's Views.**

The City Solicitor said: The present issue is authorized by a number of by-laws passed at different times, some of which state that the interest shall be at the rate of 4 per cent. In naming the rate of interest in drawing up the by-laws an old custom was followed. I considered that a better way would be to leave the rate optional, and so the by-laws that I have drawn up during the past two months read, "at a rate of interest not exceeding four per cent."

"Do you know of any mode of procedure by which it might yet be managed to make this issue at a less rate than 4?"

"That question," he replied, "has not yet come before me, and I have not considered it. I cannot at this moment say anything about that."

From this it would seem that the first mistake in this issue was when the by-laws which were submitted to the people were drawn up.

**Watch and diamond sale, 9 King west.**

*IT HAS PROVED A SUCCESS.*

**Eighteen Months' Trial of the Victoria Industrial School.**

That the Victoria Industrial School has proved a success in the eighteen months of its existence will be amply shown by the reports which will be presented at the annual meeting of the association, to take place at the Mimico Farm next Saturday afternoon. The Board of Governors met yesterday afternoon (Mr. W. H. Howland in the chair), and approved of the various reports which were presented.

These reports show that the total number of boys in the institution has been 62 and the average number 45. The work of these boys in farming, sowing, etc., has resulted in a monetary production of $2284, each boy having produced at least $40, and this in addition to half of his time being spent in studying exercises, etc. Since last December there has not been one attempt to escape, and the 40 boys who were taken to the Exhibition and allowed to run loose wherever they pleased, returned at the proper time to those who had them in charge.

The attending physician reported excellent health and cleanliness, and recommended the establishment of an infirmary. The receipts for the year, including large grants and contributions, were $14,912, and the expenditure, mainly on improvements, buildings, etc., consumed all this, with a balance of $147. The Board of Management recommends two additional cottages to accommodate the many lads who are waiting for entrance.

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**The People Must be Appealed To.**

The special committee of the City Council re Don improvements was introduced into the presence of Attorney-General Mowat yesterday afternoon by the three city members of the Legislature. The Aldermen stated the fix the city was in to provide funds for the continuance of the work, but the Hon. Mr. Mowat, while promising his favorable consideration to any bill they might wish to place before the Legislature, let it be understood that the people would have to be appealed to before further expenditure could be made.

Visitors' expenses paid by taking advantage of the great tea sale now going on at Brazill & Co.'s, market grocers, corner of King and Jarvis-streets. 10 lbs. tea and a call at wholesale prices. Also a choice collection of fine teas, 145 King east, where the choicest brands of fine whiskys, wine, &c., are selling at reduced prices. 246

**From Police Blotters.**

John Downs of 65 Centre-street was a prisoner at Agnes-street station last night charged with having committed an aggravated assault upon Johanna Smith.

Edward Garland, who says he lives at 21 Mutual street, has been parted from his wife for some time. Yesterday his wife complained that he entered her house in Church-street, near Bloor, and stole $8. As a man cannot be charged with stealing from his wife a charge of trespass was preferred.

**A Curbstone Conference.**

The three Toronto M. P.'s (Messrs. Cockburn, Small and Denison) had a curbstone conference at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the corner of Court and Toronto-streets. They remained in earnest conversation until they observed that their juxtaposition was attracting attention, when they silently disbanded. Dalton McCarthy and Mr. Cockburn spent a good deal of yesterday in each other's company.

**A Wave of Drunkenness.**

A drunk wave of a fairly good size passed over this city last night and swamped many victims. As Police Headquarters the officers were busy receiving the unfortunates, while between 11 and 12 there were on the streets several groups of staggerers, mostly young swells.

**Combating Chilly Zephyrs.**

After a cold wave a man finds it hard work to waive a cold without a suit of E. A. Levian's non-irritant wool underwear, a pair of Fowns's Astrachan gloves, a fine English cardigan jacket, and a heavy twilled satin or flannel night robe. Even the most captious admit that the quality and price of these goods is beyond cavil. No. 92 Yonge-street.

**About Time for News of Barnett.**

The Toronto papers in the Barnett case were dispatched to London on Oct. 1, and now the detectives think it is time that they heard some news in return. According to arrangement, the judgment in the Baxter appeal case will be handed down by the Montreal Superior Court on Wednesday.

**Relief for Tramps Deferred.**

The Associated Charities representatives met yesterday afternoon in the offices of the St. George's Society. Dr. Goldwin Smith presided. The business was routine. A general conversation ensued on tramp relief, but no action was taken.

**The Harness-Makers May Strike.**

The journeymen harness-makers met in Richmond Hall last night and discussed the demand recently made regarding their wages and hours of labor. The dispute may probably end in a strike.

**More Pay for Sailors.**

Sailors' wages at this port were raised yesterday to $2 per day, or by the trip to Ogdensburg, $30; to Kingston or Oswego, $25, and to Charlotte, $20.

*THE COUNCIL'S DELIBERATIONS.*

**Aldermen and Citizens who will be Handed down to Posterity.**

The meeting of the City Council last night was fairly well attended by aldermen and decidedly so by the citizens, who crowded the gallery and took a lively interest in the proceedings. Outside of the Street Commissionership there was little other than ordinary business discussed. It had been expected that the Don improvement fund would raise a breeze, but the matter passed without comment.

There were present: the Mayor, Ald. McMillan, Boustead, Johnston, Irwin, Shaw, Baxter, Frankland, Harvie, Roaf, Carlyle (St. And.), Maughan, Carlyle (St. Thos.), Hallam, Woods, Barton, Verral, Galbraith, Macdonald, Gillespie, Fleming, Bell, Gilbert, Pells, Hill, Hewitt, Gibbs, Swait and St. Leger. City Clerk Blevins was absent on account of illness, and Ald. McDougall was not in his seat owing to the recent death of his mother.

When Ald. Verral brought up the report of his special committee on street re-naming in the form of a bylaw, its provisions passed with but trifling amendments. By it City Clerk Blevins, Ald. Hallam, Boustead, Johnston, ex-Ald. Turner, President VanHorne, Hon. Edward Blake and the Worts family will have their names handed down to posterity and elaborated on various street corners of Toronto.

Ald. McMillan secured the passage of a resolution that the City Clerk be instructed to give notice by advertisement that on Nov. 14 the electors of Toronto will be called upon to vote on the question of raising a $300,000 loan for the purpose of the continuance of the Don Improvements. Ald. Macdonald was placed on the Court House Committee in the place of Ald. Jones, and the Council went into committee of the whole on the Executive's report. It passed through without much discussion and a few unimportant amendments.

Ald. Baxter moved that the thanks of the Council be tendered Rev. Dr. Scadding for his painting of himself. Carried.

The Council adjourned at 11.15.

**Watch sale, 9 King west.**

*ANOTHER RICHMOND IN THE FIELD.*

**William B. Scarth, M.P. for Winnipeg, after Toronto's Collectorship.**

W. B. Scarth, the bluff and black M.P. for Winnipeg, a well-known man in Toronto, and one sane principal promoter of the great land company known as "The Dook," was in town yesterday, conferred with several friends till evening, and then left for Ottawa.

William B. is a hot candidate for the vacant collectorship of Toronto, and so expressed himself yesterday. Nay, more, he says he has the refusal of it in his pocket.

That may be an over-statement, but that he has claims, that he has influence, that he will work like a beaver to attain his ends, goes without saying. An Aberdonian by birth, an Orkadian by breeding, he will look after No. 1.

William had no hesitation in telling the three Toronto M. P.'s of his intentions and soliciting their assistance. But you should have heard Johnnie Small snort when the Winnipeger first blurted out the information. Messrs. Cockburn and Denison will have a difficult task in keeping peace between the rival M. P.'s until a settlement is reached.

In the meantime Fred. C. Darwin is on a still hunt, but working, as John Armstrong would say, "deep down under every other coon's burrow."

**Mr. Bunting as Collector.**

"If we could heal the Bunting defection and consolidate The Empire and Mail," said a prominent Conservative last night, "I am sure Sir John would make Mr. Bunting Collector at $5000 a year."

*CLOSE IN THE BERLIN JAIL.*

**Hannah Boyd will be Strictly Watched Until Trial Day.**

There are no later developments in the Galt poisoning case. Miss Hannah Boyd is in the Berlin jail and will remain there till Monday next, when she will be brought before the magistrate for preliminary trial.

I find that the evidence against the prisoner is not such as to prove that she went the poisoned obsolete or that she had a hand in their manufacture. The arrest is, however, considered important in view of its being believed that the prisoner knows something about the mystery, and that through information she can give the guilty parties may be brought to answer for their heinous crime.

In the meantime the closest watch is being kept over the prisoner. The sheriff and jailer at Berlin have received strict instructions to allow no one but officers of the law to visit her.

The Hamilton Spectator says that Miss Boyd formerly lived in Hamilton, and that her parents live in Cannon-street, east of that city.

**Diamond sale, 9 King west.**

*FIRE IN COLBORNE-STREET.*

**A Large Stock of Confectionery Damaged by Fire and Water.**

At 1.45 this morning Policeman Hanson (22) discovered flames issuing from the rear of Mr. James Richardson's confectionery warehouse, 74 Colborne-street. He sounded the alarm from box 23, corner of King and Church-streets, and soon nearly the whole of the fire brigade was on the spot. Owing to the nature of the stock the damage by fire and water will be very considerable. The smoke filled all the adjacent streets and led to the impression that the fire was a more extensive one. The brigade was on duty a long time before all danger of a spread of the conflagration was over.

**Gems of Art and Beauty.**

All lovers of beautiful objects of art should pay a visit to Oliver, Coate & Co.'s salerooms, King-street east, where there is now on view a large and costly consignment of Japanese art objects. In many respects the collection is unique in Toronto and it is by far superior to the consignments which Messrs. De Ath & Co. sent last year. There are specimens of the various industries of Japan, embracing examples of antique ware of quaint and curious forms, also modern productions remarkable for their beautiful and rich decorations. The variety of the articles is legion and some are very costly. There are rich vases inlaid with gold and silver, tea-sets beautifully decorated, handsome inwrought and elaborately carved cabinets, ivory carvings, jars with beaten gold decorations, carved bronze urns, egg-shell china, inlaid tables, camphor wood cabinets, porcelain ornaments, feudal swords, embroidered screens, exhibition bowls, and, as the auctioneers say, other articles "too numerous to mention." It is seldom that there is a $10,000 Japanese consignment received in Canada.

**Approved of by the Council.**

The sub-committee of the Executive Committee appointed to name three expert financiers to look into the truth of Ald. Gillespie's charges against the City Treasurer's Department waited on Hon. S. C. Wood, J. Herbert Mason and H. C. Hammond, the gentlemen decided on at Saturday's meeting, to ask their consent to act. They replied that they were willing to act provided it would not take too long, and that the committee specify more particularly what it desires to find out. They all declined to enter into a general enquiry into the whole department. In Council last night the action of the Executive Committee in appointing experts was unanimously approved of.

Of all the ills that flesh is heir to, avoid indigestion. Adams' Tutti Frutti gum has no equal as an invigorator of digestion. Sold by all druggists and confectioners everywhere, five cents.

**Short Measure in Fuel.**

A householder over the Don took the trouble to have a cord of wood and a ton of coal, which he had just received from a dealer, measured. The wood was 35 feet short and the coal over 300 lbs. short. The dealer admitted the deficiency and supplied it, but in future consumers will do well to take similar steps to test the quantities received.

## A CLEAR, CONCISE OFFER.

*THE T. P. TRANSPORT CO. PUT UP A $20,000 BOND.*

**That They Will Build and Run a Street Car Service From the Centre to the North-Eastern Portion of the City—What Will the Old Company Do?**

The Toronto Passenger Transport Co. evidently mean to force the hand of the Toronto Street Railway Co., in the matter of a service through the north eastern part of the city, that is over the Don and up Broadview-avenue, as outlined in these columns the other day. Apparently the Executive Committee and the Committee on Works of the City Council did not take much stock in the proposals of the new company, but things have now reached such a stage that they must. At last night's meeting of the Council the following communication was sent in:

*To the Council of the Corporation of Toronto.*

Gentlemen,—By report No. 33 of your Executive Committee, which was adopted by the Council, report No. 20 of the Committee on Works was amended by referring back to such committee the communication of the Toronto Passenger Transport Company, dated Sept. 12, 1888.

For the purpose of obtaining detailed information as to the personnel of the said company and the nature of the security they propose to offer for the due fulfilment of any contract into which they may enter with the corporation.

As to the personnel of the above company, at the time of the above communication a partnership existed between John Arthur Macdonald and Charles William Nash of this city, trading under the name, style and firm of "The Toronto Passenger Transport Company," pending the issue of the Letters Patent, and the articles of which partnership were duly registered. Since the 12th day of September last, namely on the 23th day of September last, the members of the said firm were, together with others, duly incorporated by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the province of Ontario, under the name "The Toronto Passenger Transport Company." The directors of the above company are: John Cudmore of the township of York, Charles William Nash, Robert Hale Williams, John Arthur Macdonald and James Allan of the city of Toronto.

As to the nature of the security offered for the due fulfilment of any contract which the said company may enter into with the corporation of the City of Toronto, the Toronto Passenger Transport Company hereby offer and undertake to furnish such further security as your honorable body may from time to time require requisite in the premises.

The Toronto Passenger Transport Company will carry out in all respects the proposals made by them existing firm as set forth in the communication dated the twelfth day of September, A.D. 1888, which communication appears in extenso in the report No. 20 of your Committee on Works.

Dated at Toronto on the 22nd day of October, A.D. 1888.

The Toronto Passenger Transport Co.

The bond for $20,000 seems to be carefully prepared, and the men who are on it are men of means, well-known to Toronto.

"In the meantime," said a prominent Eastender last night, "it does not look well to see certain aldermen blocking the efforts of the Transport Co. to have their proposals passed on by the Council."

**The Transport Co.'s Coaches.**

For some days the T. P. T. Co. have had two of their new coaches on the street. They begin to-day a regular service from the centre of the city to the Don, and then up Broadview-avenue. James L. Dyer, of Athens, Pa., the builder of these coaches, was in town last night. He is under contract to supply a number of others almost immediately and to build still others in Toronto. They are being introduced in several American cities. Good streets are the main requisite for their success. The World's young man took a ride in one of them yesterday and found them an agreeable and fairly speedy mode of locomotion. The company intend to run several lines in Toronto and a street car service as well if they can get a franchise from the Council.

**The Old Company's Position.**

Just what the intentions of the Street Car Co. are no one knows. The offer of the Transport Co. has not even formally come before them; when it does they will declare what they propose to do. The opinion most likely will be that as soon as the Gerrard-street bridge is finished they will extend their system across it and on up Broadview, and any other streets the Council may direct. So that it is evident that this new and fast-growing district will not only have street cars, but a coach service as well.

**Don't fail to visit the Mikado Japanese store, 106 Queen, three doors east Jarvis. 624**

*HEARD AT THE HALL.*

**What Lawyers, Litigants and Judges were Doing Yesterday.**

A motion was made yesterday before Judge Robertson in the Central Bank re Leys, W. J. Baines' and Nasmith's cases to stay proceedings pending the appeal in the C. C. Baines case. Judgment was reserved.

The suit brought by J. L. Morrison against the Portable Gas Company was finally settled by Judge Robertson yesterday. A verdict for the full amount claimed by the plaintiff was entered, A. H. Campbell, Henry O'Brien and Samuel Trees, directors of the company, becoming responsible for the amount due the plaintiff and two other creditors, making in all about $4000 and costs. Upon this settlement the application to wind up the Company was dismissed.

The Chancellor delivered judgment yesterday in Gooderham v. Traders' Bank. This case arose out of the failure of Harry Webb, and was an application for an injunction to restrain the defendants from realizing on mortgages and other securities held by them, the plaintiff being a second mortgagee. An interim injunction was obtained against the bank to prevent the sale of the securities, which the Chancellor yesterday dissolved. The reasons given were that proper notice had not been served on the part of the plaintiff's intention to redeem on the mortgage. The costs of the proceedings are added to the bank's claim.

Chief Justice Armour continues to hold Single Court and Chambers. He will dispose of this list to-day: Clarke v. Western Bank, Hope v. Norton, Bradt v. Beamsville, Farmers' Company v. Fenson, Bryan, v. Clarkson, Swain v. Swain, Davidson v. Ayr P. S. Board.

**The Young Liberals.**

The Executive Committee yesterday elected Mr. R. Donald chairman, A. B. McCallum secretary. Mr. Willison, president, was in the chair at the usual weekly meeting. The debate, which was adjourned till next week, centered round the subject of Canadian Nationality, the majority of the members declaring in favor of Independence.

**The Young Conservatives.**

The Young Men's Liberal Conservative Association met in Shaftesbury Hall last night, Mr. J. A. Worrell in the chair. Several new members were admitted. An invitation was received from the Hamilton club asking their Toronto