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ELEVENTH YEAR. THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 3, 1890. ONE CENT.

THE STRIKE LOOMING UP BIG.

TROUBLE IN THE BUILDING TRADES BECOMING EXTENSIVE.

The Men and the Employers are Getting Further Apart—But it Comes Just Before the Busy Season—The Bricklayers All Quit Work—A Night of Meetings—To Meet the Laborers.

The city is on the eve of one of the most extensive labor strikes witnessed here for years. The cloud, which has been growing in size and density for some weeks past, has reached such dimensions that there is little prospect of it rolling away, and a pitched battle between the employes and the bosses is now as good as decided upon. Meetings of both the Bricklayers' Union and the Builders' and Contractors' Association were held last evening, but nothing was accomplished tending to foreshadow a settlement of the difficulty.

Since Tuesday morning a number of association employers have been paying stonemasons the increased wage demanded of 35 cents per hour, but this was merely done in order to complete the small jobs upon which the men were engaged; and last night about forty additional men were either laid off or quit of their own choice because they were refused 35 cents per hour any longer.

There are now, of the 200 who were employed, about 160 on strike. The men are determined not to yield, while the employers appear equally determined not to concede their request and decline to have any further conferences until the men are prepared to accept the 32½ cents per hour. There was a strong feeling at the meeting of the Builders' Association last evening to declare a general lock-out against all members of the Union, and it was decided that this action should be taken unless an arrangement was effected within the next few days.

They Will Meet the Laborers.

The ultimatum of the Laborers' Union, that a strike would be inaugurated to-night unless the Builders' Association conferred with their committee, was considered by the association and it was decided to meet the union this morning, the committee appointed for the purpose being instructed to notify the laborers that under no consideration would an advance in their pay from 19 to 21 cents be granted, and that no agreement whatever would be made with them. As a result of this defiant attitude a strike will undoubtedly be ordered this evening. The bosses allege as the reason why they would not confer with the men that their rules are obnoxious; two in particular which they object to being the one which forbids a laborer ascending with his hod except at the word of his leader, irrespective of his employers' commands, and that which deters the men from carrying up stone window sills, unless there are three or four at the job.

The conference of the Bricklayers' Union in Temperance Hall last night was not over until midnight. The committee which waited upon the builders reported that the latter would not concede the 35 cents per hour asked. It was arranged that another conference should be held last evening, but at 10.34 o'clock the Builders' Association adjourned, resolving not to wait any longer. When the delegates called a few minutes later the association rooms were in darkness. The deputation reported the result of their visit on their return and considerable feeling was the result.

They Want Nothing but the Increase.

The men are determined not to accept anything but the 35 cents per hour demanded. The majority decline to consider the question of arbitration, claiming that the matter has been under consideration long enough and immediate action is necessary. There existed a willingness among them until recently to work until June, the intention having been to precipitate matters when the season was at its height, but the association evidently suspected this and insisted upon some understanding now.

No strike was ordered last night. Of the 800 bricklayers in the city about 350 have been at work. Of this number about 150 packed up their tools last night. Probably one-half of these will return to work this morning and continue until ordered out by the union. The others will remain out pending the settlement of affairs. Another meeting of the union will be held in Temperance Hall at 10 o'clock this morning, when the committee who were ordered to meet the builders in the meantime will report. The prospects are that a general strike will be ordered on April 15.

The builders resolved last evening at their meeting to at once commence preparations for the fray. The supply men will be waited upon and requested not to furnish material to outside builders who pay their men more than 32½ cents per hour. The architects will also be asked not to throw any more contracts in their way than necessity demands. It was resolved to thoroughly organise and fight the matter out to the bitter end.

Organising a General Strike.

MADRID, April 2.—The workingmen of Catalonia are making arrangements to organise a general strike in May.

The Alumni of Knox in Session.

The Alumni Association of Knox College met last night in the college, Rev. P. Straith presiding. The other members present were Revs. W. Burns, D. C. Hossack, J. MacKay, John McGillivray, W. A. Hunter, R. McNair, John Macmillan, John Neil, James A. Macdonald, J. C. Tolmie, J. Currie, A. E. Mitchell, Colin Fletcher, J. S. Henderson, A. Henderson, R. D. Fraser, John Wilkie, S. S. Craig, W. Mackinley, D. M. Beattie and D. Curry. A number of communications were read from Rev. J. Goforth, the college missionary at Honan, India, and it was announced that $120 has been subscribed to the Goforth mission fund during the year.

Rev. John Neil, Rev. John Somerville and Rev. R. N. Grant, Orillia, were chosen to represent the association on the senate, and these names will accordingly be recommended to the General Assembly.

A resolution of sympathy with the secretary, Rev. G. E. Freeman, who has been compelled to go south on account of bad health, was passed unanimously.

The report of the library committee was read by Rev. J. MacKay. The alumni wish to raise $5000 to set the library on a sound financial basis, and of this sum $2200 has already been promised.

The association will meet again this afternoon to elect officers.

Candidates for Town Honors.

There are troublous times ahead for the new town of North Toronto. Already there are two candidates in the field for mayor of the municipality—J. J. Gartshore and John Fisher. Both are respected residents and large property owners. There is to be a meeting in the Eglinton Town Hall on Saturday night for the nomination of candidates for the various town honors. Mr. P. W. Ellis (P. W. Ellis & Co.) is credited with being in the field for Eglinton West Ward.

The Eglinton Town Council meets on Monday.

Will Meet in Toronto in October.

The Association for the Advancement of Women in the United States, of which Mrs. Julia Ward Howe is president, will hold its 18th annual convention in Toronto early in October in response to the city's invitation.

Adams' Tutti Frutti before and after meals aids digestion and improves the appetite.

Progress of Christian Immersion.

[From The Canadian Baptist.]

Last Sunday seems to have been a day of special progress and blessing in the Baptist churches of the city. About 70 were added to the different churches by baptism. This is cause for gratitude and hope.

THE BOYS ON THEIR FIRST PARADE.

The Queen's Own Cut a Swell on the Muddy Streets—D Company at the Head of the Heap.

The first parade of the season of the Queen's Own took place last night, and notwithstanding the unsatisfactory state of the streets there was an excellent turnout, nine companies, amounting in all to 487 men, under the command of Col. Hamilton, being on the march. The regiment paraded in drill order with leggings at 8 o'clock, and, headed by the brass and bugle bands, marched to Gerrard-street via Jarvis. Here the companies marched past in column and quarter column, their skillful movements eliciting great applause from the spectators. A large number of the men have been drilling all winter, and consequently they appeared last night in excellent trim. The return route, which was down Yonge-street, was lined with people, and the fine appearance of the men was much commented upon. The bandsmen also came in for a fair share of praise, their playing being quite up to the mark. On arriving at the Armory the men were complimented upon their steady and soldierly bearing, after which the following promotions were announced:

"D" Company—To be sergeants: Corp. H. A. Wright, vice Dingwall; Corp. J. W. Jardine, vice Moggridge. To be corporals: Pte. F. D. Porter, vice Whitescre; Pte. J. K. Thompson, vice Wright; Pte. G. Simpson, vice Jardine.

"F" Company—To be sergeants: Corp. J. Agnew, vice McKenzie.

The following having passed the necessary examination are granted certificates:

Sergeant's certificate—Corp. McNeil, "A" Company; Corp. Wright, "D" Company; acting Corp. Donaldson, "I" Company.

Corporal's certificate—Privates Gilmour and Meadows, "A" Company; Private Hopwood, "B" Company; Privates Hire and Perkins, "C" Company; Privates Porter, Thompson, Smith, Simpson, "D" Company; Privates Coffin, and Matthews, "E" Company; Privates Godfrey, Kelly, Campbell, Crate, "F" Company; Privates Worthy, Routh, Steward, "G" Company; Privates Darby, Welsh, Gilbert, Pafford, Rose, Green, Argles, "H" Company; Acting-corporals Donald, Evans, Gray, Dryman, "I" Company; Private Harcourt, "K" Company.

This is the adjutant's report respecting the drill attendance of the regiment for 1889:

Compy.	Average noon roll.	Average attendance.	Per cent. of drills pert'm'd.
A	55.9	38.8	69.5
B	45.8	32.5	71.
C	44.3	31.2	70.5
D	58.5	50.4	86.2
E	60.	42.7	71.2
F	50.	36.1	72.2
G	48.3	34.7	71.8
H	46.3	32.6	70.4
I	46.	36.	70.2
Band	43.4	36.	83.
Buglers	31.	29.3	94.8

On the basis of the percentage and average attendance as above the officers commanding have decided the order of merit for attendance of the various companies to be 1st D, 2d E, 3d A, 4th F, 5th G, 6th B, 7th H, 8th I, 9th C.

The old floor in the armory has been replaced by a new one of pine and all future drills will be performed with some degree of comfort.

The recruit classes are progressing favorably and a number of them will be able to participate in the march out on Wednesday night next.

The date of the church parade has not yet been decided upon.

The Grenadiers.

The Grenadiers will have their first spring drill to-night. They will meet at the Armory at 8 o'clock.

The Military Institute.

A committee meeting of the Canadian Military Institute was held yesterday in the club's quarters at 94½ King-street west. The business was principally made up of matters pertaining to the passing and receiving of the applications of new members and the furnishing of the club's rooms. The latter, although not completely finished, already present a cosy and comfortable appearance and are now in daily use by the members. The membership has reached the creditable figure of 150, and as there are 30 names before the committee the institution is making a good beginning. A number of lectures will be provided during the year, having, of course, special reference to military matters, and with that end in view the committee yesterday announced that Major-General Cameron of the Kingston Military College and Major Mayne will at an early date deliver discourses on "Carrier Pigeons" and "Fire Tactics for the Canadian Militia."

The officers of the Institute are: President, Col. W. D. Otter, D.A.G.; vice-presidents, Col. Gibson (13th Batt.), Col. Grasett; committee, Major Mead, Major Stark, Major McSpadden, Capt. Mutton, Capt. Eliot, Capt. Merritt; treasurer, Robert Myles; secretary, L. H. Irving.

The Coffins Were Not Burned.

At 2½ o'clock this morning Night Watchman McGee saw the reflection of a blaze in the top flat of R. Philp & Co., coffin manufacturers, Sheppard and Richmond-streets. He immediately gave the alarm and the Bay-street section of the fire brigade were in a couple of minutes on the spot. The fire was a blazing barrel of waste and rubbish, and the shavings around had caught fire. As quickly as it was discovered did the firemen extinguish the fire. The premises are piled with finished and unfinished coffins, stores of wood, in fact the most inflammable materials. Fortunately the damage is slight, more in fact by water than the flames. None of the coffins were burned. The premises and stock are insured.

The Pan-Americans.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—The Pan-American Conference to-day adopted a report favoring the establishment of an international American monetary union and the issue of uniform international coins, the kind and quantity of which shall be determined by a commission composed of one or more delegates from each nation represented in the present conference. The President is requested to invite this commission to meet in Washington in a year's time or less after the final adjournment of this conference.

Joliet Quarrymen Idle.

JOLIET, Ill., April 2.—All the Joliet stone quarries are idle. Nearly 1000 men quit work to-day. It is understood a general strike throughout the Desplaines Valley will ensue. The men demand 17½ cents per hour instead of 15 cents.

The P.E.I. Poisoning Case.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I., April 2.—In the poisoning case to-day Lizzie Stewart's mother testified that an unknown man offered her $400 to get her daughter out of the way and to prevent her giving evidence against Mrs. Weeks.

Personal Mention.

Mr. W. R. Dunn, editor of The Evening Echo, Halifax, has been in the city the past few days and leaves for the east this afternoon.

Rev. William Haryett, pastor of First-avenue Baptist Church, leaves Toronto tomorrow en route for Jamaica for the benefit of his health.

J. J. Threlkeld and C. W. Dunbar leave the city this afternoon for New York to complete their negotiations in connection with their Sudbury mining property.

Rev. Dr. Wild has arrived at Portland, Oregon, on his way to British Columbia from San Francisco. He writes that his trip has thus far materially benefited his health.

The latest news from New York is that Principal McGregor of McMaster University is recovering from the attack of fever which prostrated him and prevented the surgical operation deemed necessary for the spine. He will undergo the critical operation in a few days.

Rev. J. Gillespie, curate of the Church of the Redeemer and secretary of the House of Industry, continues in a critical state. Dr. Ferguson of New York is in attendance with Drs. Grasett and Strange. Grave doubts are entertained of the reverend gentleman's recovery.

IRON FROM CANADIAN ORES.

THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSE TO DOUBLE THE BOUNTY.

The Increase to Come into Effect July 1, 1892, and be Continued for Five Years—Gen. Laurie's Estimate of the Effect of the New Tariff Schedule on the Maritime Provinces.

OTTAWA, April 2.—Hon. G. E. Foster to-day gave notice that he would move the House into committee to consider a resolution to increase the bounty on pig iron made from Canadian ore, from $1 as now paid, to $2 per ton. The increase will come into effect on July 1, 1892, and be continued for five years.

Sir Richard Cartwright said he would not debate the proposition now further than to state his objection to the Parliament binding its successor to a proposition of this kind.

The Budget debate then continued for the benefit of the Hansard reporter. Mr. Jones (Hal.) attacked the National Policy and General Laurie attacked Mr. Jones' alleged facts and logic. He thus figured up the effect of the new duties on the three Maritime Provinces on the basis of last year's imports: Extra tax on flour $4600, reduction in tax on corn $49,000, on molasses $35,000. The duty on pork and beef would not affect the people's pockets, he said, but they would buy the Canadian in place of the American product. He rather favored a reduction of the proposed duty on pork.

The Man of Shanty Bay.

Col. O'Brien twitted Mr. Charlton on his "testimony from Hades" and said that that gentleman's associations were popularly supposed to be more with the celestial region. It was too bad, he said, that according to Mr. Charlton the supporters of the National Policy were not only to face the wrath of the Reformers in this world, but also the world to come. Like the old Norseman who had refused conversion because he desired to join his ancestors after death, Col. O'Brien would prefer to hang up to dry with the Tories in the realms of Pluto rather than to dwell with the Grits in the celestial regions. He asked the Finance Minister to make sure that the increased flour duty was not made of no effect by the discriminating rates given by the railways.

After recess Mr. Macdonald (Hur.) devoted two hours to abuse of the National Policy generally and the new tariff in particular, especially the flour duty.

Mr. Smith of Ontario spoke a few minutes, but said a great deal. A farmer himself he stated that whatever was the condition of the farmer to-day it would be infinitely worse but for the National Policy. He praised the increased duty on flour and meal and hoped the Government would continue to resist the applications for admission of American live cattle to Canada to be slaughtered here in bond.

Mr. McMillan (Hur.) followed with an Opposition speech delivered in his usual vigorous style.

The debate continued until 1¾, when Hon Peter Mitchell moved the adjournment and the House rose.

A Protest Against the Wire Duty.

E. T. Wright, manufacturer of bird cages, wire cloth, etc., of Hamilton, interviewed the Government to-day to protest against the new duty on wire entering into his manufactures. It was formerly free but now will have to pay from 15 to 25 per cent. He asks that if this duty is enforced a tax of like amount be put on wireware imported.

TO HARNESS NIAGARA.

The Old Scheme Revived—A Boom in Falls Real Estate.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., April 2.—Excitement in real estate circles at Niagara Falls, N.Y., runs high on account of the contract being signed last night between the Niagara Power Company and the Cataract Construction Company for the building of the proposed tunnel, subject to three or four conditions, all of which can probably be fulfilled in the next few weeks. The route of the tunnel will be from Port Day, about 1½ miles above the falls, across the northeast side of the town of Niagara Falls, emptying itself into the gorge of the Niagara River near the railway suspension bridge, making in all a distance of three miles, and it is expected to furnish power to run several thousand factories, mills, etc.

1000 Men Idle Through This Failure.

PHILADELPHIA, April 2.—Rhodes Bros., operators of the Aston, Knowlton and West Branch Mills in Aston Township, Delaware County, suspended to-day. Judgments aggregating $100,000 have been entered against the firm. The liabilities are large. The firm owns the village of Aston, comprising over 200 houses. It employed 1000 persons. The business consisted of the manufacture of doeskins, shirtings, domets and jeans.

The War on the Bucket Shops.

CHICAGO, April 2.—Members of the Board of Trade are quite enthusiastic over the result of the first day's trading with the quotations dropped. They say the volume of business done has been larger than for any day for months past. They attribute this to orders from men who have been dealing through bucket shops.

In spite of the efforts of the Board of Trade to prevent them from doing so the bucket shops managed to secure quotations to-day with reasonable promptness and frequency and they claim their business was not injured.

Shooting at the Wellington Range.

WELLINGTON, Mass., April 2.—The Wellington range was thronged to-day. The event was the closing shoot in the championship series between the Eastern and Western teams, which was won by the latter. J. R. Stice won the silver pitcher offered by the Wellington Club to the Western man making the highest score.

East Victoria Conservative Convention.

FENELON Falls, April 2.—The East Victoria Liberal Conservative convention was held here to-day, every part of the riding being represented. John Fell, the present M.L.A. for the riding, was unanimously selected to carry the colors of the party in the next compaign.

$8.00—We sell a hardwood pedestal extension table for $8.00. This is the best value in the Dominion. C. F. Adams' Home Furnishing House, 177 Yonge-street.

Killed a Looker-on.

WILKESBARRE, April 2.—At Duryee this morning a quarrel occurred between John Pryor and John Butz. During the progress of the fight a shot was fired which struck Hugh Graham, killing him instantly. Pryor and Butz are in jail.

Killed by a Falling Tree.

WATERTOWN, N.Y., April 2.—James Cullin, a well-to-do farmer, aged 35, living near Adams Centre, was working in the woods this morning when the limb of a tree fell, striking him on the head and killing him instantly.

Excursion to Washington Tuesday, April 8, via Grand Trunk, New York Central and Northern Central lines. Apply to agents of the Grand Trunk for information. 3461

A Gotham Failure.

NEW YORK, April 2.—F. R. Townsend & Co., commission wool merchants, assigned to-day. The firm was rated at from $125,000 to $200,000.

Mr. Robertson's Successor.

MONTREAL, April 2.—Mr. Henry Bulmer has been appointed chairman of the harbor commissioners vice the late Mr. Andrew Robertson.

Our big store full of new spring goods. Call and inspect our stock. The Model Clothing Store, 219 and 221 Yonge-street.

WHAT WILL THE PAVEMENT BE?

The Sub-Committee Which Is to Look After King, Yonge and Queen-streets Makes a Start.

The initiatory movement in one of the most important and badly required improvements was taken yesterday when the sub-committee of the Board of Works appointed to tackle the question of repairing Yonge, Queen and King-streets held its first meeting. Ald. Hewitt was the chairman. There were present Ald. Shaw, Carlyle (St. And.), Lucas, McDougall. The chairman stated that he believed that the public would willingly cooperate with the committee in fixing on a proper pavement for these important thoroughfares. He produced a rough sketch of hollow iron curbs, the continuous conduit furnished by which could be used for underground wires, telephone and other systems. In the matter of petitions for new pavements, they should be thoroughly scrutinised so that interested agents of various patent roadways should not be allowed to hoodwink the people. He instanced the case of the roadway on the upper part of Toronto-street. The property owners asked for a certain kind, got it and now appear before the Court of Revision to appeal against paying for it, because it had worn out before its time. The people should be protected against themselves.

Ald. Shaw suggested that the City Engineer be asked to report on what pavements would be suitable for Yonge, King and Queen-streets, respective cost, etc., and the feasibility of adopting the hollow iron curb. This was adopted.

Ald. McDougall thought that it perhaps might be a little premature to take up the subject before the street railway matter had been settled. He had a notion that granite stone setts would be the better for the chief streets; asphalt would not do, and as for cedar blocks it was out of the question.

Chairman Hewitt thought that Yonge-street should be the first tackled.

Ald. Carlyle: "I do not think it fair to delay fixing up the streets until the street railway franchise is settled."

Chairman Hewitt: "The people will not stand it."

Briefs from Osgoode Hall.

Chief Justice Galt yesterday made an order for the release of Thomas Burrows, who is in the Toronto jail awaiting his trial at the Summer Assizes on a charge of being implicated in the assault on the girl Hattie Macdonald. Bail was fixed at $1000, the prisoner in $800 and two sureties of $400 each.

The Master in Chambers yesterday made an order dismissing the action brought by the Grand Trunk Railway Company against the Berlin & Waterloo Street Railway Company to prevent the latter running their street railway across the Grand Trunk track in Berlin. The injunction is dissolved and the Grand Trunk ordered to pay all costs.

An order was made yesterday allowing one Trevor of Niagara Falls to appeal from a conviction against him made under the transient traders' bylaw.

Morphy & Millar, solicitors for Mrs. Catherine Quirk, yesterday issued a writ against the city for damages sustained by Mrs. Quirk in Euclid-avenue owing to an alleged defect in the sidewalk, through which she fell and broke her arm and was otherwise injured.

The court heard the evidence yesterday in the St. George case of Assistant Chief Engineer Mackenzie of the Intercolonial Railway. There is no sign of the end of the trial yet.

Notes from the Schools.

The Toronto public school teachers will hold a convention this morning at Victoria Hall.

A short time ago Inspector Hughes suggested that certain exercises should be performed in the public schools commemorative of important events in Canadian history. The idea was successfully carried out yesterday afternoon when two of the classes in Jesse Ketchum school united and rendered an excellent program of patriotic songs and readings. The latter were written upon birch books and looked quite cunning. Among the songs rendered were "The Maple Leaf," "Queenston Heights" and "May God Preserve The, Canada." Addresses were delivered by Inspector Hughes, Trustee Frank Somers and others. At the close of the entertainment the teachers of Ketchum school presented the pupils with a bag of popcorn and a cake of maple sugar.

What Is the Matter with the Don?

There is a feeling of unrest in the East End just now over the future of the Don. There is no indication that the city proposes to continue the work of improvement during the coming year, and fear is felt that it is the river rather than anything else to check the progress of St. Matthew's and St. Lawrence Wards. Contractor Macdonald, also, is in a somewhat peculiar position. He has been ordered to stop work, but the city engineer refuses to come to a settlement, or in fact make any move either one way or another. The magnitude of the amount still owing the contractor may be inferred from the fact that his percentage held back by the city now amounts to $50,000.

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"The Crucifixion."

This fine cantata by Sir John Stainer, illustrative of the Saviour's Passion, will be sung this evening by the excellent choir of the Church of the Redeemer. The solos will be sung by Mr. George Taylor and Mr. J. F. Thomson. Hymns are introduced to be sung by the congregation, making it a hearty service. A collection will be taken up in aid of the fund for the completion and improvement of the organ.

Advances made on merchandise warehoused with Mitchell, Miller & Co., 45 Front-street east.

He Died in Jail.

Four days ago a man named James Page was brought to Headquarters, registered as a vagrant, and at the next session of the Police Court was sent to jail for 30 days. He was seen to-day that on being taken to the jail he was sent to the hospital, where he lingered until yesterday afternoon, when he died of general debility. Coroner Duncan will hold an inquest at 10 this morning.

See our nobby children's suits for this spring, they can't be beat for quality and price. The Model Clothing Store, 219 and 221 Yonge-street.

Easter at St. Basil's.

On Sunday morning next the mass at St. Basil's will be Gounod's "Messe Solemnelle." Soloists: Soprano, Miss Ornsby; tenor, Mr. J. F. Kirk; basso, Mr. Miller. The orchestra, led by Messrs. Bayley and C. Martens, will be composed of 15 pieces. In the evening vespers will be made attractive by solos and choruses.

Our men's spring suits are the best in the city, best value for least money. The Model Clothing Store.

Stock Applied for.

The stock book of the Mimico Land Security Company will be opened this morning at their Toronto-street offices. Up to last night $90,000 out of the $100,000 worth of stock offered was applied for.

Families leaving the city or giving up housekeeping can have their furniture carefully stored at moderate cost with Mitchell, Miller & Co., 45 Front-street east.

Preparing for Easter.

Notwithstanding the ridiculous and disreputable dawdling of "winter in the lap of spring," the greatest display of vernal neckwear that Toronto has ever beheld will be on exhibition and for sale at quinn's about Thursday next. In the meantime the slaughter in prices of neckties goes on apace.

The Sheffield House Importing Company (Registered),

65 Yonge-street, below King. New salad bowls fish eaters, cheese scoops, grape scissors, &c. C. E. Robinson, Manager.

A $275,000 BONUS FOR THE T., H. & B.

Hamilton Ratepayers Approve the Grant By a Decisive Majority—Charged With Seducing an Imbecile.

HAMILTON, April 2.—The bylaw granting a bonus of $275,000 to the Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Railway was voted on by the ratepayers to-day and carried by over 1500 more than the necessary majority. The bylaw required 2100 votes to carry. The vote was:

For	3,697
Against	312
Majority for bylaw	3,385

The large vote cast is an evidence of the keen interest felt in the contest. The small vote against the bylaw is explained in part by the fact that the opposition confined themselves to the task of keeping votes from the polls, in the hope thus to defeat the grant.

On Sunday afternoon last Mr. Thomas Durford, Hannah-street west, missed his daughter, Ann Eliza, 22 years of age, from his home. The girl is unfortunately an imbecile, and the father had fears for his daughter's safety. He reported her disappearance to the police, but nothing was heard of her till this morning, when she returned home with the story that she had been visiting a girl friend at Burlington. Mr. Durford was not satisfied with the explanation and made enquiries, which resulted in a French-Canadian tobacco-roller named William Lackie being arrested for the seduction of the girl. It is said the Frenchman took the girl to a room on Merrick-street, detaining her there since Sunday night.

Col. Otter, D.A.G., held an investigation at the American Hotel yesterday afternoon to enquire into the trouble in the 77th Batt. The difficulty arose through a petty jealousy between Capt. Bertram and Capt. Walker. The former was recently gazetted Major of the 77th Battalion and the latter, who had been breveted major, considered his claims to seniority over Bertram as superior, hence the trouble. Capt. Walker and four other officers resigned. Col. Otter presided at the investigation, at which almost all the officers of the battalion were present. The evidence was trifling and of the most amusing character and at the conclusion Col. Otter expressed a severe rebuke to Capts. Walker and McGregor and at the same time gave them some very excellent advice on military etiquet. The other officers withdrew their resignations, but Capts. Walker and McGregor stood pat. Lieut. Leith will be gazetted captain to fill the vacancy caused by Capt. Walker's retirement, and a successor to Capt. McGregor will be selected shortly.

THE T., H. & B. ROAD.

Prospective Location of Their Works at Mimico.

The carrying of the bylaw by the ratepayers of Hamilton granting $275,000 bonus to the Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Railway is an assurance that the Vanderbilt line will have an entrance to both Hamilton and Toronto. That the road will be built may be now looked upon as a certainty.

The feeling of the bylaw was watched by some Toronto people with keen interest—by those who are interested in Mimico. Some time ago the projectors of the road made overtures to the Mimico Land Manufacturers' Syndicate for the location of their works at Mimico, and it is understood that protocols of an agreement were arranged. The strong probability is that these will be carried into effect in a somewhat modified form and that the business of the road will be handled from Toronto, or, what is about the same, from Toronto's newest suburb.

Attempted Train-Wrecking on the I.C.R.

HALIFAX, April 2.—A diabolical attempt was made last night to wreck the Halifax accommodation train on the Pictou town branch of the Intercolonial Railway. Two pieces of logs about four inches square were laid one across the other on the rail near the middle of the Hornbrook Bridge, which at that point is nearly 90 feet high, but the cowcatcher threw off the obstruction, which had it been an inch less in thickness, must have passed under the wheels. An unusually large number of passengers were on board the train.

A Rear End Collision.

POUGHKEEPSIE, April 2.—Trains on the Hudson River Railway were delayed between three and four hours this morning at New Hamburg by an engine running light crashing into the rear of a freight train. The single engine was badly smashed and the engineer and fireman had a narrow escape. The wreckage was thrown for some distance along the tracks, delaying trains. The engineer of the single engine says he did not have it under proper control, thereby causing the collision.

Reciprocity in Wrecking.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—On motion of Mr. Mason (Rep., Ill.) a bill has been passed in the House amending the act to aid vessels wrecked or disabled in waters co-terminous to the United States and the Dominion of Canada. It grant to Canadian wrecking vessels to aid Canadian vessels in distress when similar authority shall have been given by the Canadian Government to wrecking vessels of the United States to aid United States vessels in distress.

Fatal Explosion in a Coal Mine.

WILKESBARRE, April 2.—By an explosion of gas in No. 4 slope of the Susquehanna Coal Company at Nanticoke to-day James Adams, William A. James and Anthony Roseman were killed, John Marshall, Morgan Price, John J. Griffith and John D. Lansley were seriously injured, and George Elmy and Joseph Noforski were slightly injured. The mine was not damaged.

Morgan Price died this evening. The explosion was due to the ignition of gas by a naked lamp carried by John Griffith.

Fatal Cave-in at Syracuse.

SYRACUSE, April 2.—At 1.50 this afternoon a cave-in occurred at the Kennedy-street sewer in this city, burying five men. Four were rescued alive but Jeremiah Lynch was suffocated. The men were working in a trench twenty feet deep through a sandy soil and tons of earth fell upon them.

Attempted Suicide at Montreal.

MONTREAL, April 2.—J. G. Witte, an extensive toy dealer of New York, shot himself in the head in his room at St. Lawrence Hall this afternoon. The wound is not necessarily fatal. Despondency caused by ill-health was the cause of Mr. Witte's rash act.

Death of Mr. Hugh MacKay.

MONTREAL, April 2—Word was received in this city to-night that Hugh MacKay of the firm of MacKay Bros. died to-day in St. Louis. He was one of Montreal's best known citizens.

Manufacturers, by warehousing their surplus stock with Mitchell, Miller & Co., receive negotiable warehouse receipts.

Losses Caused by Flames.

BRANTFORD, April 2.—Fire in Mrs. Cochran's fancy goods store in Colborne-street caused a loss of $1000 on stock, insured in the Commercial and Quebec companies; damage to building owned by Joseph Elliott, $400; fully insured.

The Quebec Legislature Prorogued.

QUEBEC, April 2.—The Quebec Legislative Assembly was prorogued at 3 this afternoon with a brief and purely formal Speech from the Throne.

A Big Land Sale.

Oliver, Coate & Co. will hold a big land auction sale on Saturday, April 5. Some fine properties will be offered.

Trowern, Jewelry Manufacturer, has removed from Yonge-street to 113 King-street west, south side, four doors east of Rossin House. 246

The best English and American Collars and Cuffs stand the present laundry system best. We have a splendid assortment of both. Wheaton & Co., 17 King-street w., cor. Jordan. 246

THE DEFEAT IN AYR AVENGED

A LIBERAL VICTORY IN THE WINDSOR ELECTION.

Spanish Workingmen Arranging for a General Strike in May—Dom Pedro Refuses the Proceeds of the Forced Sale of His Property—Dr. Peters' Safety Confirmed—General Cable News.

LONDON, April 2.—In the Parliamentary election at Windsor to-day Barry (Con.) received 1522 votes and Grenfell (Lib.) 1972. In the last election the Conservative candidate was returned without opposition.

An Attempt to Kill the Czar.

LONDON, April 1.—A Berlin correspondent says a partially successful attempt has been made upon the life of the Czar. The name of the would-be assassin and the kind of weapon used are unknown.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 2.—The report that the Czar has been ill is untrue. He is in good health.

War on the Eastern Horizon.

LONDON, April 2.—The Servian agent, in compliance with his Government's instructions, will leave Sofia to-morrow. A rupture between Servia and Bulgaria is imminent. The trouble is said to have been fomented in Russia.

LONDON, April 2.—The Vienna correspondent of The Times declares that diplomatic relations between Servia and Bulgaria are already severed.

Emin Pasha's "Ingratitude."

LONDON, April 2.—The London press is unanimous in bitter denunciation of the ingratitude displayed by Emin Pasha in entering the service of Germany and organising an expedition to return to the Equatorial province he formerly governed. Though great stress is laid upon his nullification of the work done by Stanley in rescuing Emin Pasha, it is generally believed that in conducting him in safety to the seaboard, it is quite obvious that the inspiration of the articles is born of alarm at the prospect of German interference with English interests in Africa, and that if German interests were not menaced Emin might go whither he pleased without the slightest objection on the part of anybody in England. It is perfectly well known that Emin has for some time past been desirous to return to his province, and it is equally well understood that he has never forgiven Stanley for "rescuing" him, or put it plainer, for making his desertion of the Equator a journey to Bagamoyo a matter of compulsion. While nobody is surprised that Emin has entered the service of Germany it is nevertheless a matter for regret that he has done so.

Russian Peasants Rising.

LONDON, April 2.—A St. Petersburg despatch says: "The peasants are rising in Riazan and blood has already been shed. The agitation is spreading to Finland and Poland and gendarmes and Cossacks have been sent to quell disorder. The excitement is intense. Everybody sympathises with the students."

Even the Czar Believes It.

BERLIN, April 2.—The Post says Russian Ambassador Schouvaloff's report to the Czar of his interview with Emperor William had dispelled all doubts as to the effect of the retirement of Bismarck.

Fatal Boiler Explosion.

PARIS, April 2.—A boiler exploded at Lefevre's distillery at Arras to-day, killing three men and setting fire to the building.

Refused the Proceeds.

PARIS, April 2.—Dom Pedro has refused to accept the proceeds of the forced sale of his Brazilian property ordered by the Provisional Government.

Dr. Peters Reported Safe.

COLOGNE, April 2.—The Gazette publishes news from Mombass that Lieutenant Ehlers, who left Pangani for Mount Kilmar-Njaro with a detachment of Wissman's troops, has sent a despatch stating that Dr. Peters and Lieutenant Tiedmann, with 40 porters belonging to Dr. Peters' party, are safe.

Collapse of a Grand Stand.

LONDON, April 2.—During the races at Fowey, Cornwall, to-day the grand stand collapsed. More than 200 persons were thrown to the ground, a distance of 30 feet, and many were injured, some, it is feared, fatally.

Punishing the Students.

MOSCOW, April 2.—Fifteen of the students arrested here will be tried on the charge of being political revolutionists. Forty-two have been expelled from the university. Of this number 37 have been allowed the right to enter other universities. Forty-four will be subjected to minor punishments and the remainder will be released. The disorders are considered to be a sign of revolutionary plans in connection with the agitation in foreign countries regarding the treatment of political prisoners in Siberia and the letter of Madame Tchebrikova to the Czar. It is not thought the new movement has the slightest prospect of success. The masses of the people are thoroughly loyal. Sixty-seven students at the Charkoff University have been arrested and eleven expelled. Order has been restored there.

The Russian Students' Trouble.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 2.—Count Deliano-off, Minister of Public Instruction, has refused to receive the petition of the university students asking for a reduction of entrance fees, unrestricted admission of Jews and equality of male and female students. Three hundred excited students assembled to-day intending to march to the Ministry of Public Instruction but the police arrested 175 of them. Three hundred students of the Technological Institute and many pupils of the School of Forestry and the Academy of Medicine have been arrested for taking part in seditious meetings.

Cable Flashes.

Germany has accepted England's invitation to the International Fishery Conference.

Emin Pasha has accepted proposals made to him by Major Wissmann and has entered the German service.

In consequence of the discovery of a conspiracy among the students the University of St. Petersburg has been closed.

The new White Star line steamer Majestic, under command of Captain Purcell, sailed from Liverpool for New York on her maiden voyage Wednesday.

The British Government has decided that the rejection of Russell's bill prevents further proceedings with any other Irish liquor bill during the present session.

Col. Hughes-Hallett has decided to apply for a divorce from his wife, formerly Emily Schaumburg of Philadelphia, on the ground of Mrs. Hughes-Hallett's alleged misconduct with John Chandos, the solicitor.

The French test of smokeless powder is likely to result in a change of uniform for the infantry, whose picturesque red trousers made them an easy mark.

Possible Identifying of the Feeder Victim.

It was learned yesterday that a clue had been obtained to the identity of the man who was murdered and thrown into the feeder of the Welland Canal at Dunnville on Nov. 1, 1888, and for connection with which crime Joseph Clemo will be tried at Cayuga on the 26th inst. The murdered man is thought to have been a former resident of this city who went to Dunnville a few days prior to the murder with $400 or $500 in his possession with the object of starting a harness store, and has never since been heard of. A reporter called at the Attorney-General's office yesterday but was informed that Detective Murray had left for the west and consequently no particulars of the case could be learned.

AN INDEPENDENT COMMISSION.

That's What the Millers Want to Settle the Question of Railway Rates by the Board of Trade Council.

At the concluding session of the Dominion Millers' Association in the