ALD. SULMAN'S ELECTION.

yoralty was not a declaration that the electors considered him superior to his opponent for the office. It simply shows that the majority of the people regard him as a fit and capable aspirant for the chief magistracy, and further, that length of service in the city council entitled him to the pre-

That Ald. Sulman will make a good mayor we have no doubt. His aldermanic course must have been satisfactory or the electors would have said so yesterday. A strong mayor, one who will not weaken at an unpleasant duty, is required this term and it remains for Ald. Sulman to show that he is that strong man. Nothing should prevent the mayor from urging through the council any reform or measure that is in the city's interests no matter who suffers.

We feel sure that in electing Ald Sulman the citizens have chosen man who will rise equal to the occa-

EX-ALD, McKEOUGH.

In the absence of ex-Ald. W. E McKeough from the council board of civic administration during the ensuing year the Maple City will suffer a distinct loss.

During the past two years as aldermanic representative of the ratepayers, Mr. McKeough has built up for himself a well-deserved reputation as a capable and economical councillor, a shrewd and skilful business man and an energetic and enterprising factor in the city's advancement. As Chairman of the Board of Works he has earned the gratitude of the entire tax-burdened community by a wise, careful and competent course-a regime which, notwithstanding the exceptional work accomplished and the large amount of valuable and permanent improvement proceeded with, produced and paid for, left the expenditure of the Department of Public Works, well within its modest estimate. The splendid King street pavement-completed in all its details with a saving of over \$1,200 on the estimated cost-stands as a monument to the services he rendered.

It is trusted that ex-Ald. McKeough will not take yesterday's vote as a criterion to the appreciation placed upon his services by the electorate. His successful opponent in the mayoralty contest was an exceptionally strong candidate, one who has also proved his ability in the conduct of civic affairs and whose longer service at the council board was evidently viewed by a small majority of the ratepayers as entitling him to the prior occupancy of the executive

seat. Chatham, however, cannot afford to be long without the services of ex-Ald. McKeough. Gentlemen of his ealibre, sterling integrity and progressive business methods are too much needed at the present crisis of the Maple City's career to be lightly dispensed with, and it is earnestly hoped that he will, in the days to come, again seek the suffrages of the community, at which time, it is safe to predict, the verdict will be emphatically in his favor.

GOLDWIN SMITH ON THE FUTURE OF RELIGION.

Professor Goldwin Smith's article on the "Genesis and Outlook of Religion," in the latest issue of the Contemporary Review, is even more gloomy than his book "Guesses at the Riddle of Existence." This eminent historian and essayist feels what John Burroughs calls the "cosmic chill" of unbelief, but he is without Burroughs' cheerful faith that mankind can grow accustomed to it. In the Contemporary article he rapidly traces the rise and fall of the chief religions of the world's history, concluding with his reasons for believing that Christianity is already far advanced in the pro cess of decay and ultimate extinction He believes that science and destruct tive criticism have made every dogma untenable—even that of a per

sonal Deity. "Towards what bourn, then, thought, critical and scientific, apparently tending?" he asks. "It is apparently tending to the belief, from which our inmost nature recoils, in a universe without guidance or plan, the relation of many to which can nev-

er be known." The writer states his conclusions with sadness and unfeigned fear for the consequences of the change which he believes to be impending. After suming up the good and the evil in the world's religious history, he finds the good predominating, and he admits that the departure of the churches, simply as moral and social organizations, would leave a great void in life. Yet observation has convinced him that "the churches, as dogmattic organizations, both in Europe and America, are apparently breaking up." The tone of educated society everywhere is increasingly skeptical Mr. Smith believes that both the Old and the New Testament have been permanently undermined as books of inspired authority, and that practieally nothing remains of them except their ethics. But ethics are not re- Chatham by all druggists.

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ligion and cannot take its place. Though an agnostic, Goldwin Smith is one of those who can console himself with any scientific rhapsody over the "majesty of natural law." He strikes down the rationalist's vague substitute for a personal Deity quite as ruthlessly as he dismisses the claims of inspired revelation. He holds that the word law involves the idea of a law-maker, and when the word is used by a materialist it hides a fallacy. "In the universe revealed by science," he says, "blind chance, under the form of evolution rather than any determining authority, seems to reign." Prodessor Smith admits that man will not rest in a blank agnosticism such as he has arrived at, yet his only constructive suggestion is that everybody should now look for "rational data" on which to base a new religion.

A grave question is suggested by the increasing number of such utterances. To what extent is Goldwin Smith's pessimism justified by actual loss of belief among the people? It is not a question of theology so much as a question of terrestrial facts. That there has been a marked change in the controlling force of religious ideas during the last century is undeniable. How deep is the change and does the liberal movement necessarily lead to the unlovely goal depicted by Professor Smith?

The agony is over.

To the elected belong a good long year's thankless work.

There were some good men left out They will come to the front yet.

The citizens didn't say to Alderman McKeough, We don't want you. They

The people of this city evidently not having the fear of death before their eyes, showed themselves decidedly averse to providing more ceme tery room for their own accommoda-

Such of the aldermen-elect as didn't go to bed with their boots on or perhaps didn't go at all-and there were no doubt some-must have had desturbing visions of trucks and ladders and guillotines and deputations and rings at the front door at all hours. There is some consolation after all for the defeated.

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The average citizen is now wo ng whether he was surprised at the sult, or just expected it.

The total gold production of the world last year amounted to \$256,462,-438, compared ' with \$313,641,534 in 1899, the decrease being owing to the stoppage of gold production in the Transvaal by the way. The large prouction of the Klondike has put Canada in the third place, with a total output of \$26,000,000.

Although France has almost trebled last thirty years, she has fallen from the first place in 1870 to the fourth place in 1900, and to-day there is a difference of 120 per cent., between her and Germany. In France, 255,000 hectares (630,105 acres) are devoted to the cultivation of the beet, against 427,000 hectares (1,055,117 acres) in Germany. It is the

C. Leophas Giguere, Mayor of Conrecour, Que, is both a grower and nanufacturer of tobacco, and he has and such signal success with the cultivation of tobacco in the Province of Quebec, from imported Cuban seed, that his methods have attracted the attention of the Department of Agriculture. He is now arranging to take over the experimental station at at L'Assumption, where practical ilustration of the proper process of cultivating and curing tobacco will be given to farmers. It is Mr. Giguere's belief that by the adoption of intelligent, up-to-date methods, Canada within ten years will be producing the eighteen million dollars' worth of tobacco which it consumes.

Of the many picturesque and interesting incidents of Holy Year, none has been more so than the recent reception by Leo XIII, of Donna Caroina Tanturelli, an aged lady from Perugia, who attained her hundred and first 'year in January last. On account of her great age the Pontiff granted her, a private audience Much to his surprise, Donna Carolina reminded him that they first met in her late husband's house in 1850, "fifty years ago," and, added she, "We were neither of us very young then," The Pope, who is only nine years her junior, was greatly amused. Donna Carolina Tanturelli is not, however, the oldest woman in Italy; a still greater centenarian lives in Naples, who is said to be 111 years of age.

THE NEW COUNCIL MAY FURNISH Y ITT Berlin News Record

A story is told of a man who found bung and had a barrel made to fit it. Berlin is now in the same predicament. It has seized some circuswagons for taxes and in order to utilize them may have to start a

SURVIVED HIS WIFE A CENTURY London Mail:

St. Petersburg, Nov. 27. -An invalid who had reached the remarkable age of 140 years, is now lying in the hospital of Tomsk. He still remembers Catherine II., and talks of having buried his wife 100 years ago, and his son 90 years ago. His record was nearly approached by a Georgian who died a few days ago in Tiflis at the age of

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GIRL'S FOLLY LEADS TO

TRAGEDY.

Jutica, N. Y., Jan. 7.Frank Folett, aged 19, of New South Berlin, went to a surprise party Friday evening as the escort of Miss Blanche Sargent, to whom he is said to have been engaged. While at the party Miss Sargent thought she would have a little fun with Folett, and she flirted rather ardently with another fellow. Folett took the matter seriously, and he went to an upper room in the house, placed the muzzle of a revolver to his head, and blew out his brains. His death caused the party to berak up, and the girl who had caused the suicide was prostrated by the occurrence. TRAGEDY.

MIDDLE ROAD CONCERT.

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The annual concert given by the Middle Road Sunday school, Charing Cross, was held on New Year's night and proved a grand success. The small school house was packed to the doors with an eager and expectant crowd and were not disappointed. The first part of the program was given almost entirely by the children and they well repaid all trouble and work spent on them. Special mention might be made of a recitation given by Flossy Russell, and one by Allie Illman, also the singing by the little girls. The second part was also exceptionally good and was enlivened by plenty of music both instrumental and vocal. After the program was over the plenty of music both instrumental and vocal. After the program was over the superintendent was presented with a hand-some easy chair upholstered in dark green velvet. Mr. Jenner has worked faithfully for a number of years and well deserved some little return for his willing service.

EATING AN OYSTER.

The Starfish Has Rather an Odd Was

How the starfish eats an oyster is told by H. W. Conn in St. Nicholas.

The oyster when at home lives in a aard lime shell which nicely protects him from the attack of enemies. Man, with his tools, can open the shell and remove the soft animal, but besides man the oyster has few foes. Oddly enough, his ter has few foes. Oddly enough, h greatest foe is not, as might be expected an animal with powerful jaws and stron

where at the seashore.

Now, the starfish is a soft, flexible crea-

It first clasps the oyster in its arms, wrapping its five arms around the shell tightly. Having thus seized the oyster, it quietly waits. Just exactly what happens next even our scientists do not exactly know. The two shells of the oyster are held together by a hinge which is opened by a spring. The spring is so adjusted that the shells will be pushed open unless they are held together by the muscles. Some scientists tell us that the muscles. Some scientists tell us that after the starfish has held the oyster for awhile the oyster opens its shell in order to get food, and the starfish that has been waiting for this now injects into the shell a little reddish liquid. This acts as a little reddish liquid. This acts as a poison, paralyzing the muscles and thus making it impossible for the animal to close its shell. Others tell us that the process is simpler and that the starfish simply holds the shells tightly together until the oyster is smothered. As soon as it is stupefied by the suffocation the cles relax and the shell opens.

the starfish is very large and elastic, and it is now thrown out of the animal's mouth much as one would turn a bag inside out. This stemach is then thrust within the oyster shell and wrapped around the soft animal, beginning at once to digest it. The starfish does not take the trouble even to remove the oyster from its shell, digesting it in its own home and eventually crawling away, eaving behind the gaping, empty shell,

STOOD FIRMLY TO PRINCIPLE.

Woman Who Brought a Street Car

I make my humblest salaam to a wom an I saw in Fourteenth street Tuesday afternoon, for she has what I would rather have than much earthly treasure—the courage of her convictions. She was still of an age where birthdays may be publicby a small girl child. The car was crowded when she entered it at I street, but the fortunate leaving of a woman who got down there left a vacant seat, into which she sank gratefully. She into which she sank gratefully. She looked tired, and the child was obvious ly weary. The mother looked around for a seat and, seeing none, lifted the tired little thing into her lap. Presently the conductor came along. The woman gave

ed the woman.

ed in her eyes.
"If you will provide a seat for her, I am willing to pay her fare," said she, "and I shall not pay her fare if you don't. If I am obliged to treat her as an infant in arms, she shall have the privilege of an infant in arms. I simply will not pay for a child I have to hold in my lap. The conductor was too amazed to be quick with his reply.

into nothing at all. "I shall do nothing of the kind," she said, and he was obliged to pass on.

About Q street there was a seat for the child. The mother beckoned to the con-

My deepest salaam to her, I say. What mightn't we accomplish if only we'd all stand shoulder to shoulder with "Ne seat, no fare," as our warcry!-

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teeth, but one wholly without jaws. It is the common starfish, so common every-

Now, the starfish is a soft, flexible creature, very sluggish, seemingly helpless and utterly unable to attack such an animal as the oyster. Its mouth, which is in the center of the disk, has no teeth or jaws. How can such a helpless creature open the formidable oyster shell and get at the animal concealed within?

Its method of doing so is odd enough. It first class the oyster in its arms.

him a ticket.
"How old is that child?" he asked.

") ou will have to pay or get off, mad-

"Here's the child's fare," said she.
"The company is entitled to it now, but no seat, no fare."

Whichever of these two accounts is true it is certain that after a little the oyster shells fly open. Now comes the oddest feature of all. The stomach of

"Six years and three months," answer

"Children over 5 full fare," said he. the light of an irrevocable resolve dawn-

The woman merely swept him a look that would have withered a smaller man

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