EXCEPTIONS TO EXEMPTIONS;

The Cold Storage Matter Again Warmed Up

By No. 1 Committee-Further Information Secured, and It Again Goes to the Council-L. and P. S. R. Syndicate Matters Revived.

At the last meeting of the finance committee, the cold storage exemption queslng the views of the L. R. E. O. P. A. in the matter, the committee reported to the council. That body, however, sent the question back, in order that turther information, might be accounted and the committee reported to the question back, in order that turther information. Mr. Lindsay has hitherto been a Conservative in political mation might be secured, and at last night's session of No. 1 Mr. Williams, divisional superintendent of the C. P. R., was present, and addressed the members in reference to the storage. Mr. Williams said that the company had come to an agreement with Mr. Cook, who was applying for the exemption, whereby the latter was to lease the building for a term of Years. The C. P. R. had constructed the storage, but were the exemption not granted, Mr. Cook, not the company, would have to pay the taxes.

From Ald. Carrothers' remarks it appeared that the subject had been broached at the council some time ago, and Mr. Cook had it intimated to him that the exemption would be granted.

Mr. Williams-Yes, it had been up, and it was on the understanding that the building on the mile track. would be exempted that it was put up. Mr. Cook had an offer to go to Woodstock, and would just as soon have gone there as

The petition from Messrs. Slater and others objecting to the exemption was read. It also stated that were exemption granted Mr. Cook they would ask the same.

Ald. F. J. Fitzgerald-I am in favor of granting it now. The council has given them to understand that they would be exempted, and I move that the committee recommend the council to exempt it. Ald. J. W. Jones-I am against exemptions. I do not believe in such work, and

I will vote the same as before. Ald. Pritchard-I am also opposed to it. When we have residents paying taxes on similar buildings for years, it is an injustice that a new concern should come here and

get let off without taxes. Ald. Pritchard moved in amendment that the matter be again referred to the council with the information supplied by

Mr. Williams. The motion was put and received the support of Ald. F. J. and Jas. Fitzgerald and Carrothers, while the amendment was supported by Ald. Jones, Judd and

The vote being a tie, it was decided to refer the matter to the council. L. and P. S. R. syndicate matters were

again revived, when five claims for wages, referred to the new council from last year, were read. In all the claims amounted to \$700, and the petitioners asked that the sum be paid out of the \$25,000 now lying in the Bank of Montreal.

On motion of Ald. J. W. Jones the requests were referred to the city solicitor to ascertain whether or not the moneys could be paid without prejudice.

Simon Mitcheltree and eighteen other residents north of the city limits and south of the River Thames, on part of lots 15 and of the Arkona and Thedford Baptist 16, in the 3rd concession of the township of London, were desirous of obtaining suitable school accommodation within a reasonable distance, and in case such accommodation probably lose his life. He was struck in distance, and in case such accommodation was provided north of Cheapside and west of Wellington streets, they would be willing to immediate annexation of the property to the city.

The communication will be dealt with at a future meeting.

Mr. Fleming, a member of the Christian Workers, appealed against the assessment on their Rickmond street hall, which was used only as a place of worship.

The Workers had occupied the place since

1892, and had been told by the assessor that every place was assessed, and that they would have to appeal did they object The committee, however, had no power,

and the matter will be sent to the council. Benjamin Hubbard and H. J. Gorman appealed against statute labor tax. The appeals were granted.

The petitions of Mary Norris, Helen and Charlotte Johnston were granted, but that of Mrs. Caroline B. Clark was filed. W. J. Stirton's appeal against income tax was filed. Correspondence from Stephen Grant, re

single tax system, was laid over. Mrs. R. Wigmore appealed against cer-

tain assessment. Filed. A sub-committee composed of Chairman Judd, Ald. J. W. Jones, Treasurer Pope, City Solicitor Meredith, and Mr. G. F. Jewell was appointed to confer in the matter of the disputed school moneys between school section No. 2, Westminster, and the

J. J. Hawkins, Brantford, wrote the council calling their attention to a communication of Dec. 22 in rethe West Ontario Pacific Railway Company, and a certain agreement existing between the C. P. R. and the city. The secretary will answer the communicatin and give all desired information.

Anderson, Robinson & Co.'s claim of \$33 for interest on check sent with electric light tender was filed, and A. B. Powell's application for insurance on boiler at No. I fire hall was referred to No. 3 com-

An appeal from the proprietors of an advertising sheet requesting city printing

Ald, Judd said that the concern had been given the voters' lists, and they were delayed two weeks.

Ald. J. W. Jones was strongly in favor of giving the work to the London ADVER-TISER and the Free Press. It was the only way in which the people could be given proper notice of any proposed local im-

Then the question came up whether or nor the petitioners published a "newspaper" or merely something as an adver-tising medium. The matter was laid over.

BIGGER THAN EVER. (Port Arthur Miner.) The chances are that Mowat will go in

as he has always done, with a bigger ajority than ever.

These eminent lifelong prohibitionists. the Hamilton Spectator, the London Free Press and the Toronto World, are a little

down in the mouth at the attitude of the question. They would much prefer to have seen him take it into his "serious consideration," instead of putting on his warpaint in the good, old-fashioned way.

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BRUCE. Rev. Stuart Acheson, of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Toronto, has received a call from the congregation of St. Paul's church, Wiarton, at a salary of \$1,000. Mrs. Klein, wife of the junior judge of Bruce, died on Wednesday after a lingering ilness of several months.

ELGIN. Rev. D. M. Kennedy, of Talbotville, has received an invitation from the Methodist Church at Romney, to take pastoral charge of that circuit at the beginning of the new

been a Conservative in politics. ESSEX.

Clever counterfeits are being circulated around Windsor. On Thursday the Bank of Commerce in that city was successfully victimized by the new scheme. The bank officials have in their possession a \$20 bill. It is made from the quarters of four \$20 bills that have been clevely split and quartered, one quarter being used in the new bill, thus making \$100 out of \$80. Morton Christie will commence an action at once to compel the Windsor Council to pay for the 2,000 feet of hose that was ordered

by the last year's council and delivered, and which the present council have refused to Angus Sinclair, an extensive breeder of thoroughbred horses, has secured eighteen acres adjoining the Windsor Driving Park, and will erect stables and train his horses

One of the old residents of Stephen, in the person of Mr. Wm. Welsh, of con. 3, died recently at the age of 79 years. Born in England, he came to Canada at an early date, and settled in the township of Stephen in the primitive days. He leaves a widow and grown-up family of sons and daughters.

J. M. Buchanan, of Wingham, a shoe merchant, was stricken with appoplexy on

Wednesday evening and is not expected to The general depression of trade has a bad effect upon the salt business, for at present there is literally nothing doing. Utter stagnation alone describes the condition of

trade. There is, seemingly, no demand whatever for an article of such prime necessity.—[Clinton New Era.

Patrick Kelly, ex-warden of the county of Huron, and ex-reeve of Bythe, died on Wednesday morning at his residence in Bythe. Deceased had been ill since his trip to the old country last fall, and latterly had been under medical treatment in Toronto, where very little could be done for his KENT.

On Wednesday Felix Bourassa, one of the most highly respected residents of Dover for the past 28 years, died at the residence of his son, Mr. Theodore Bourassa, of Chatham, at the age of 91 years. He came from St. Jacques, Quebec, in 1866, and has resided continuous y in the township of Dover since that date until two months ago. when he removed with his wife, to whom he was married nearly 68 years ago, to Chatham, to reside with their son. Thirteen children were born to this venerable couple, ten of whom survive.

LAMBTON. Mrs. Bathia Ironside, an old citizen of Thedford, is dead. She had lived there twenty years and came from Scotland. Peter Cairns, a pioneer of Plympton, died suddenly the other morning, aged 76. He

the eye by a piece of bark while splitting

MIDDLESEX. John Baynham, of McGillivray, died the other day, aged 8) years. He was a staunch Reformer, and a Methodist for 50 years.

Two old residents of Belmont are dead—

Mr. Horatio Greece, aged 84 years, and Mrs. Wm. Eden, aged 59.
Rev. J. M. Markwick, Baptist, Lobo, has been asked to stay there another year.

OXFORD. Daniel Shultz, night watchman at the G. T. R. station, Woodstock, saved the life of S. Burrows, of Believille, the other day and was rewarded with a \$5 bill. Mr. Burrows was about to board a moving train when his foot slipped, and he would have certainly been dragged under the wheels and killed but for the timely assistance of the watch-

The Robertshaw estate, valued at from \$70,000 to \$80,000, has been administered at Woodstock. The property is to be divided equally between his children, Mrs. John Peers, of East Oxford, and Mrs. Hill, wife of Dr. Hill, of Norwich, and John Robertshaw, of Woodstock. Owing to the death of the latter his children will receive the father's share.

Administration has been granted in the Poole estate, Ingersoll. The property, which belonged to the late Samuel Poole, valued at \$10,000. The four heirs are: Mrs. Emily D. Poole, of New York: Samuel Poole, of London; James Poole, of Wyoming Territory, and the heirs of Solomon J. Poole, deceased.

Stratford Young Liberals have organized

a glee club. The amount of milk used by the Donegal cheese factory during the past season was 1,391,715 pounds, which was manufactured into 132,042 pounds of cheese, thus taking 10.54 pounds of milk to make I pound of cheese. The total money received for cheese was \$13,370 28, and the average price per pound was 10.125 cents. Stratford friends of home rule are raising money for the cause.

Robbed a Faro Game.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 16 .- The faro game of Carroll & Webber in this city was and horribly mutilated by two fierce lions. held up by two men at 3 o'clock this mornng. The robbers secured nearly \$5,000. One of the robbers was taken into custody and identified as a son of ex-Harbor Com- cage and beat the animals back from their missioner Paul Sell. The other escaped. | victim.

CLOSE TO SPRINGTIME IN GEORGIA.

Gettin' close to springtime-know it by the way
The sun is streamin', gleamin' in the middle o'
the day;
Know it by the river that is lazyin' along,
An' the mockin' birds a-primpin' o' their
feathers for a song!

Gettin' close to springtime-know it by the signs; Hear it in the whisper o' the maples an' the Feel it in the blowin' o' the breezes, singin' sweet,
See it in the daisies that are dreamin' at my
feet!

Gettin' close to springtime; hope she'll come to stay:
Got a million kisses for the red lips o' the
May!
Wearyin' to meet her—list'ning all the time
For the tinkle o' her footsteps—her roses an'
her rhyme!

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

Tc-Day's and This Evening's Programme at the Grand-Next Week's Attractions.

PROF. C. NORRIS' CANINE PARADOX. This exhibition is spoken of very highly. His troupe of 50 stars all take part in this grand entertainment, understanding and obeying correctly over 1,000 commands given by Prof. Norris, who has spent his whole lifetime in designing the most attractive way of exhibiting their in telligence. Don't fail to improve the opportunity and go and see them at the Opera House matinee and night to-day. Prices in reach of everybody, 10, 20. and

PROF. D. M. BRISTOL'S WONDERFUL EQUINES. Next week ADVERTISER readers will have an opportunity to see one of the greatest shows on the road. It is not only great in the way of novelty, but it is the largest hall show ever transported from place to place. That is Prof. D. M. Bristol's Equescurriculum. This memmoth concern will be placed on the stage of the Grand next Monday evening, to continue two nights. Matinees on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. The entire performance is given by the horses, who do everything but talk. They are possessors of almost human intelligence, understanding everything said to them and obeying commands without being made to by the use of the whip or rein. All should see this novel and interesting entertainment, for the particulars of which readers are referred to the advertisement which appears in another column All children attending the matinee of these horses are given a free pony ride.

"AFFER THE BALL." "After the Ball," an adaptation from the French, was presented to a large audience at the Grand last night. The title is a happy thought of the management from a financial standpoint. The play can trade on the popularity of that remarkable song, though it is not without a good deal of merit in itself. It has likely lost some of its pungency in the process of translation, but the residuum is highly flavored enough for the average audience here. The plot is ingenious, if thin spun, and the endless complications very amusing. The work of Mr. R. E. Graham, as Paul Dibbs, was decidedly elever, and he brought out all the absurdities of which the role is capable. His support was capital. Mr. Drake as Brown and Mr.-Herbert as Hicks were particularly good. The farce was written as a mirth-provoker without rhyme or

FATAL BOXING BOUT.

A Harvard Junior Dying From a Blew Given by a College Companion.

Boston, Feb. 16 .- Arthur Foster, of the sophomore class of Harvard, is training for the opening contests of the M. I. T. games, and he and E. H. Linder, of the junior class, had arranged to have a bout for practice. They sparred for a short time on Tuesday night, when Foster landed heavily on Linder's face, midway between his chin

Linder staggered, said the blow was "a good one," and put up his hands to renew the bout. Suddenly, feeling faint, he said he should have to rest a few minutes; then he fell unconscious. A doctor was called and it was found that concussion of the brain had been caused by the blow. All night the doctor worked over him, but without success. It was believed that Linder could not live unless he was brought to consciousness within six hours.

Late at night he was still alive, but show. ing no sign of returning to consciousness. The lower part of his body seemed to be completely paralyzed. Prof. Cheever, of the Medical School, and Drs. Marcy, Hildreth and Homer are in attendance, but they do not expect that the patient will re-

Foster and Linder were good friends. The former was the substitute quarter-back of the last football eleven.

Masked Train Wreckers.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 16 .- A Southern Pacific passenger train was wrecked at Rosco, n here, early this morning by three masked men. The engine and two fruit cars were ditched. The express car was blow open by dynamite and looted. Engineer Thomas, the fireman and the express messenger were badly hurt. The robbers got away.

Mutilated by Two Lions.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 16.—During the performance at Col. Boone's arena at the Midwinter Fair last night, the electric lights went out, and in the darkness one of the keepers, Carle Thieman, was attacked Grave doubts are entertained as to Thieman's recovery. He was rescued by the coolness of Col. Boone, who entered the



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