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Thursday Morning, Feb. 7, 1884.

New Parliament Buildings. The parliament buildings are in a worse state now than ever.

There is no doubt that the old place is wholly unsuited to the needs of the province. It is unhealthy, dark, too small, and in a poor state of preservation.

Mr. Mowat is too timid in dealing with this question. The province would support him in putting up suitable buildings, and he need have no doubt that Ontario is not so careless of the comfort of her servants as to seek to put them in danger.

Cable Competition. Two conspicuous men—Bennett of the New York Herald and Bonanza MacKay—have joined together in the Atlantic cable business.

An Exploded Humbug. Leap year is a fraud. Save as a chronological expedient it is a hollow fraud. There is a silly old tradition to the effect that leap year has some social and sentimental significance.

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Some Statistics Regarding Prominent People in England. The oldest member of her majesty's privy council is the right hon. Joseph Warner Henley, aged 90.

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GAINS MADE BY THE

ETNA LIFE INS. CO.

IN THE YEAR 1883.

The following shows the progress made by the Etna Life Insurance Co. of Hartford, Conn.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes gain in membership, gain in premium receipts, gain in interest receipts, etc.

WESTERN CANADA BRANCH: York Chambers, Cor. of Toronto and Court Streets.

COX & WORTS STOCK BROKERS.

Members of Toronto Stock Exchange, British American Assurance Buildings.

WHEATON & Co. (LATE GALE & Co.)

The Shirts superior to all others in Canada are our Celebrated

DUPLEX SHIRTS.

Superior in Fit, Quality and Workmanship. Every Shirt Guaranteed.

FURS. FURS. At Less than Cost at JEFFERIES.

394, Yonge Street.

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Out of our very large stock of EXTRA FINE SLEIGHS

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"HEADQUARTERS."

FOR OVERSHOES, FELTS AND RUBBERS.

Long and Short GERMAN FELT BOOTS at Factory Prices. The Best Men's Boots for \$2.00 in Canada.

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.

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The Company offer lands within the Railway Belt along the main line, and in Southern Manitoba, at prices ranging from \$2.50 PER ACRE upwards.

For a full description of the lands, and for a full list of the sections, apply to the Land Office, at the Bank of Montreal, Montreal.

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Its Sanitary Advantages. With Instructions How to Play the Game, and All Rules relating to Billiards and Pool.

SAMUEL MAY & Co.

BILLIARD TABLE MANUFACTURERS. 83, 85, 87, 89 Adelaide Street West, Toronto.

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Great Reduction in Price Direct from Cars for ONE WEEK.

BEST BEECH AND MAPLE (DRY)

Delivered to any part of the City. ORDERS LEFT AT OFFICES.

P. BURNS.

BUTLER PITTSFORD COAL

BEST QUALITY.

GOAL AND WOOD—LOWEST PRICES.

ELIAS ROGERS & Co.

Miners and Shippers, Wholesalers and Retailers

ONCE MORE TO THE FRONT.

The undersigned begs to announce that he has finished re-fitting up his Tailoring Establishment, and is now receiving his Spring Goods, in which he is prepared to give decided bargains.

A MACDONALD

306 YONGE STREET, Opposite Elm.

THE PEOPLE

WHAT IS GOING ON IN TORONTO

Service Thomas Seneca-Trotter

The Westman building has been

A rink of Scotch skaters at curling is

Toronto had a Granite three rink at Montreal.

It is said that H. J. ...

They have potatoes (may be) at the skating rink.

The following has been practicing at St. ...

The New Jersey ...

Dr. Archibald ...

Dr. Hodgson's ...

The six events ...

At Montreal, ...

The popularity ...

young ladies of ...

that will strengthen ...

the present ...

The latest story ...

Louis Union baseball ...

There is a ...

Smith's which is ...

heals to the best ...

There is a ...

Williamstown. It ...

The New Jersey ...

There was a ...