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THE PROGRAM IN QUEBEC.

WHAT THE ORDER OF PROCEDURE WILL BE.

Quebec Liberals Think the Count a Hoodoo and Talk of Throwing Him Over for an Honest Man—Hon. Mr. De Boucherville Still Busy Forming a New Ministry.

QUEBEC, Dec. 20.—The work of forming a new ministry has not yet been completed and will not be until Monday. As might naturally be expected, it is a work of no little difficulty, but the best of feeling animates everyone concerned, and there is not one who will not willingly sacrifice himself for the sake of the party and for the purpose of beating Count Mercier.

Of course some will be disappointed, but it will be seen that the Conservative party is unanimous in its support of Mr. de Boucherville, and his difficult task is lightened thereby.

In striking contrast to this is the spirit displayed by the Liberals. They want to lay Count Mercier on the shelf and go to the country with Hon. Mr. Joly as their leader.

This would no doubt be a good stroke, but the only trouble is that Count Mercier is too ambitious and too obstinate to yield. He is determined that the party shall sink or swim with him. Rather than see the Liberal party succeed without him he would see them in the lowest depths. There is a good deal of disgust among the faithful about this, but the Dictator is resolute.

The Conservative Program.

The program of the Conservatives in Quebec seems to be:

1. To get the new De Boucherville Cabinet formed;
2. To call the Legislature together and explain what has been done;
3. Appoint a royal commission to investigate all Mercier's questionable financial transactions;
4. Then prorogue the Legislature;
5. And when the commission has completed its investigation and made its report on all Mercier's record to dissolve the Legislature and go to the country on the issue, not only of the Baie des Chaleurs Railway job but at least a score of other steals, averaging anything from $20,000 to $150,000 each. Mercier won't have a leg to stand on when these are over.

Mercier will be worried to death by revelations, one on top of the other. How long he can keep up the fight depends on how much he has saved from his stealings. Some say he will be able to put $100,000 into his defence, and with that he can do a lot. But the revelations that are coming will be too much for him—he will simply be overwhelmed by his iniquities.

Mr. Mercier's Meetings.

QUEBEC, Dec. 20.—An immense mass meeting took place at the Jacques Cartier Hall to-night, which was literally packed with some 5000 men, and as many remained outside, not being able to gain admittance. Hons. Mercier, Shehyn, Garneau, C. A. Pelletier and Mr. Tarte delivered speeches. Order and enthusiasm prevailed throughout. Hon. Charles Langelier was also present.

The Prescott Appeal.

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—The deposit required by the Controverted Elections Act to appeal from the decision of the trial judges in an election appeal was made to-day in the Prescott case in behalf of Mr. Proulx, the Liberal member. The ground of appeal to the Supreme Court is that the petitioners, there being two of them, neglected and refused, notwithstanding objections raised to prove the status of petitioners, that is to show that they were qualified electors, and as such had a right to petition.

FRIGHTFULLY MANGLED.

John Miller of Stamford, Ont., Meets Death in Horrible Shape.

NIAGARA FALLS, Dec. 20.—A man named John Miller, said to be a resident of Stamford, was killed yesterday while attempting to board a west-bound freight train a short distance west of the Niagara Central Railway crossing on the loop line of the Grand Trunk Railway. The remains were frightfully mangled and life was quite extinct when the train was stopped. Deceased leaves a wife and three children.

Death of an Old Printer.

The Globe office has lost by the death of Allan S. Thomson an employe who was as much a part of the paper as the memory of George Brown or the motto "The subject who is truly loyal, etc." Mr. Thomson has been connected with The Globe since it was a struggling tri-weekly, printed in an unostentatious store on King-street which was razed to the ground a couple of years ago to give place to the Bank of Commerce. Mr. Thomson was a lowland Scot and had been in the army. Loyalty to an employer is a very common characteristic of his countrymen, and this quality Mr. Thomson possessed in a high degree. He commended himself to the Browns by reason of his loyalty and fidelity and was put in charge of the "sheets," that is the printed list of subscribers, a document that in the opinion of the Hon. George came next, in point of value and sacredness, to the Scriptures. These remained in his charge till the day of his death. He was treated by both the brothers Brown with great consideration and possessed their entire confidence. He was the person who, along with another employe, seized the man Bennett on the occasion of the shooting which caused the death of Hon. Mr. Brown. Mr. Thomson had four sons, each of whom learned the printing business. All four are employed in The Globe office. The eldest, Allan, is foreman of the composing room. He leaves two daughters, one Mrs. William Lawson, the other Miss Jennie Thomson. Mr. Thomson was a quiet, shrewd, quick-witted gentleman, who never shirked, but took the takes as they came, fat or lean.

Rev. Dr. McLavish, pastor of Central Presbyterian Church, of which Mr. Thomson was a communicant, made a touching allusion to Mr. Thomson's death at one of the services yesterday.

Eggs For Belgium.

MONTREAL, Dec. 19.—An enquiry from Belgium for Canadian eggs was made some days ago and the letter was sent to a Montreal dealer for reply as to further trading. On the gentleman who received the letter being asked if Belgian eggs were not sent to the English market in large quantities, he replied: "Yes, but there is a desirable quality in Canadian eggs which the Belgian eggs have not." This, he presumed, was the reason for the enquiry.

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He Wore No. 17 Shoes.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Dec. 20.—John Allen, colored, died to-day, aged 80. His chief claim to fame was the fact that he had the biggest feet ever seen in this locality. He wore No. 17 shoes.

New Smoking Room Open At the Hub.

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EUROPE'S ANXIOUS TIME.

France's Imbroglio with Bulgaria May Burst the Waterloud and Light a Flame in Europe.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—M. Herbette, French Minister at Berlin, has advised Foreign Minister Ribet that the German Government supports Bulgaria in her attitude in the Chadouine affair and holds that M. Stambuloff had no action but to act as he did, and that France is not justified in rupture of relations with Bulgaria.

The attitude of Germany as regards affairs, however, will not alter M. Ribot's policy, which is approved by the whole cabinet.

In the Chamber of Deputies to-day the Minister will maintain the illegality of the arrest and expulsion of M. Chadouine and will assert that the general hostility of the Bulgarian Government was shown in the watching of the residence of M. Lanele, the French charge d'affairs.

At the same time he will announce the determination of France not to submit to violation of treaty rights.

In regard to the note sent to M. Cambion, the French ambassador to Turkey, instructing him to present formulated demands to the Porte for an apology from Bulgaria and that she be made to rescind the order of expulsion against Chadouine, it is now stated here that semi-official advices from Constantinople are that the Porte will reply that the matter is an internal affair of Bulgaria which does not come under the jurisdiction of the suzerain, and that as France only applied to the Porte after the rupture it is impossible now to interfere.

SOFIA, Dec. 20.—Premier Stambuloff, explaining the Chadouine affair in general committee of the Sobranje to-day, declared that there was neither motive nor desire to cause a breach with France, but Bulgaria could not recede from the position she had adopted. He hoped the Sobranje would support the Cabinet in this conclusion. This was received with loud applause.

The Franco-Bulgarian Incident.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—G. W. Smalley, referring to the row arising from the expulsion of the French correspondent, Chadouine, from Bulgaria, cables: What makes the business important is the readiness of France to assume these humiliating relations to Russia, to fetch and carry for the Muscovite in the Balkans, to do the dirty work of a Russian emissary, to set herself, as she does in Egypt, in the path of a people struggling manfully toward prosperity and freedom. The one great Republic of Europe surely ought not to be the obedient servant of the greatest despot of Europe.

VICTORIA'S WEDDING DRESS.

It Will be of Softest White Damask Elegantly Brocaded.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The wedding of the Duke of Clarence and Princess Victoria of Teck will take place on the 10th of February, which is the 52nd anniversary of the wedding of the Queen. This date was fixed on at the Queen's special request. The British Silk Society, of which the Duchess of Teck is president, has begun the manufacture of the wedding dress. It is to be of softest white damask, brocaded in a design of lilies of the valley with roses, shamrocks and thistles entwined in the border, thus combining symbols of the three countries of the Kingdom. The train shows silver lilies and other designs on a silk ground. Ordinarily it would take at least three months to complete the dress, but the looms have been ordered to run night and day in order to insure its readiness for the day of the wedding.

The gift of the Duchess will be a bridal veil of the finest Honiton lace, the design being the same as that of the dress. The Queen's betrothal souvenir gift is a bracelet with two hearts of moonstone set in diamonds and rubies.

The number of betrothal gifts already amounts into the hundreds. The girl friends of the bride have sent a magnificent set of silver toilet articles, diamond hair ornaments, etc.

REBEL HEADS ON POLES.

A Sight That May Be Observed on Many Gates in China.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 20.—Another rebel chief named Chubek has been captured in Manchooria. He had for years been known as the leader of a formidable robber band in that region, and was noted for his merciless treatment of those who fell into his hands. He was responsible for the devastation of the country after the defeat of the rebels at Chaoyang. The rebels are scattering before the Imperial troops, and everywhere the severed heads of captured rebels may be seen stuck on poles. At Jehol every gate of the city has several heads thus exposed. Chubek was sentenced to be cut to pieces, and the sentence has doubtless by this time been carried out.

Europe's War of Tariffs.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—G. W. Smalley cables: The scope and effect of the treaties just completed by Germany are perhaps nowhere yet fully understood—or nowhere outside of Count von Caprivi's bureau. France, which will probably suffer most, woke up latest to the importance of them, and seems to have been quite unaware that anything of moment to her was going on at Berlin. To-day she finds herself in a ring fence. She is not big enough, say her free trade economists, to prosper inside of it, and if she does not make haste not a single gate will be left open to any other European country; in short, the war of tariffs has entered upon a new phase, and France may find herself fighting single-handed against all Europe, Russia perhaps excepted.

An M.P. Arrested.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—M Hastings, M.P. for East Worcestershire, was arrested to-day on arriving at Folkestone from the Continent. He is charged with defrauding Malvern College of £15,000 under his trusteeship.

Smokers' presents, pipes, cigar boxes, low prices; alive Bollard. 561

The demand for fine pictures is increasing in Toronto as a result of improved artistic tastes. At Mathews Bros.' art gallery may be seen a recherche stock of oil and water color paintings, etchings, engravings, etc., including a special exhibition of Mr. L. R. O'Brien's latest works. An early selection is advised. d

Removal.

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Cigar cases for presents, name printed in gold free; alive Bollard. 561

Grist Mill Burned.

JARVIS, Ont., Dec. 19.—Bowlby's grist mill near Rockford, Townsend township, was destroyed by fire last night. The owner, Thomas Toms, will lose $5000.

Lady Dufferin's new book, "My Canadian Journal," 1872-1878, with illustrations by Lord Dufferin, at Winnifrith Bros., 6 Toronto-street.

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THE PULPITS FULMINATED.

SUNDAY STREET CARS DERAILED BY THE CLERGY.

Thundered Away Without Contradiction Yesterday—Some of Them Took the Moral and Sabbatical Ground Yesterday; for the Week Days Expediency Will be Their Cry—The Council Meeting To-Night—On Tuesday Mass Meeting.

The chief event of to-day will be the council meeting at night, upon which the clergy and other opponents of Sunday street cars will descend en masse. Of course they have no hope that any practical result will flow from their visit as the council, now that a sufficiently signed petition has been filed, can do nothing but pass the matter on to the people.

The next most prominent event in the agitation will be Tuesday night's mass meeting in the Pavilion. This will be the start of the real campaign and the foes of Sunday street cars will be there in great strength with their best speakers and their most ponderous arguments. The fight, it is true, is a most unequal one. The arguments against Sunday street cars can be uttered from 220 pulpits and find a voice in five daily newspapers. The World and its correspondents have to meet this dread array. The World, however, speaking for itself, does not fear the conflict. We have thrown our jacket into the corner, moistened our hands and issue the invitation to "come on."

A Necessity of the Future.

Rev. George Simpson, editor of The Canada Presbyterian, does not think that the running of street cars on the Sabbath is the only evil to be feared as an outcome of the present agitation. One must also keep in mind, he said, what is likely to follow in their train—open theatres, as in Cincinnati; warehouses transacting business, as in Chicago; portions of the day given up to various mercantile occupations, as in hundreds of other American cities. Of course, Mr. Simpson continued, when Toronto's boundaries are much further extended than at present, Sunday street cars will be an absolute necessity and are sure to come. He, however, wishes to see that day as far removed as possible.

He Does Not Trust the People.

Dr. Parsons, pastor of Knox Church, believes that the present agitation is fundamentally wrong. He is diametrically opposed to the question being submitted to the people. It is a violation, he says, of a divine law and of a statute law which the council should oppose.

Mr. Baldwin Says the People Will Bury It.

Rev. A. H. Baldwin of All Saints' Church expressed his disapproval of Sunday cars during last night's services. He was not adverse to the question being submitted to the people for decision, feeling that it would be defeated by a large majority. Sunday cars, he avowed, would be more helpful to the saloons than to the churches. He put in a plea for the horses and for the boys that ride them to the different changing points, and suggested that the advocates of Sunday cars join the Humane Society.

He combated in the strongest manner possible several of the arguments brought forward by the advocates of Sunday cars. "They say they want Toronto to go ahead. Go ahead to the devil! That's what the result will be!" and the popular divine brought his hand down on the desk to give emphasis to the statement.

Organizing for Tuesday Night.

Rev. W. A. Rodwell of Agnes-street Methodist Church announced yesterday morning that the usual Tuesday night prayer meeting will be dispensed with this week to allow all the members of the church to attend the mass meeting in the Pavilion to protest against Sunday cars and to organize for united opposition against the movement. "Let all attend, and then if the council allow the cars to run our hands will be clean."

Private Carriages Should be Stopped.

In Chalmer's Presbyterian Church last night Rev. Mr. Mutch delivered a special sermon on the Sunday car question. He stated that the people of the congregation had shown some diffidence in signing the counter petition in the morning, but thought this was because they desired to see the matter settled once for all by a vote. The rev. gentleman boldly and most unequivocally took his stand astride the Fourth Commandment. He would have it observed to the letter. Some say the cars have as much right to run as private carriages. Correct; but neither have any right to run under the law of God. "Do not think because you have a horse of your own that you can use it on Sunday without sin. It is forbidden in this sacred law, as also is the use of livery rigs. Four-wheeled cabs plying on the Sabbath are prosecuted, but the rich and influential can drive the carriages and hire liveries in defiance of God's law and civic enactment. It is wrong."

Submitting some questions for popular vote he considered anti-British, contrary to the law of the land and the law of God. The people cannot always be trusted. No moral question should be submitted to the people. "As for me," said the speaker with emphasis, "I would not vote for temperance legislation in this way and never did. Our law-makers are elected to make laws and they should not shunt their functions upon the mob."

The Pavilion Demonstration.

The clergy are organizing their forces for a big demonstration, or rather indignation meeting, in view of the Sunday car question being submitted to the people, as it will undoubtedly be remitted this evening. It was reported on Saturday that a large number of those who favor Sunday cars intend to go to the Pavilion to-morrow night and see that their side as well as the ministerial shall be represented and have a fair hearing.

Not a Necessity.

Rev. D. J. Macdonnell spoke on Sabbath observance generally last evening in St. Andrew's Church. He took up the question as to why and how it should be observed. As regards the latter he said it could only be done by eliminating from the day of rest everything which tended to make it less reposeful. He considered, in this connection, the running of Sunday street cars to be inimical to the best interests of the working classes and the community in general. Mr. Macdonnell does not consider the running of cars on the Sabbath to be a work of necessity, and, in conclusion, he said that those who were advocating them should be quite sure it was such.

Treat All Alike.

Rev. Sam Small lectured at the Auditorium yesterday afternoon on "Sunday Street Cars." These he did not favor, but he was frank enough to say that if it was a sin for a workingman to ride in a street car, it was equally a sin for private citizens to ride on Sundays in their carriages and clergymen to hire hacks. There is no more harm, he said, in the council sanctioning Sunday cars than in licensing Sunday ferries and livery-stable men to ply their trade on Sunday. The council should treat all alike.

Public Discussion at the Auditorium To-night.

Rev. J. M. Wilkinson, who is in favor of a limited Sunday car service, announced at the Auditorium yesterday that there would be a public discussion of this absorbing topic in that building to-night. Both sides will be given fair play in a series of five-minute speeches. Members of the Ministerial Association and candidates for municipal office will be invited to take part. Pastor Wilkinson will preside and there is likely to be some fun—a kind of forerunner of the big rally at the Pavilion to-morrow evening.

A Christian Voters' League.

On Saturday night at a large meeting in the Auditorium, it was resolved to form a Christian Voters' League, unite all who are in favor of temperance legislation, both municipal and provincial. The principal speakers were Rev. A. M. Phillips, Rev. Sam Small and Pastor Wilkinson. Many of those present gave in their adhesion to the league. Officers will be elected at a subsequent meeting.

After it the Flood.

Rev. Dr. Galbraith of the Berkeley-street Methodist Church preached on "The Sabbath" yesterday morning. Referring to Sunday street cars he said that the innovation meant the insertion of the thin edge of the wedge which would ultimately destroy the sanctity of the Sabbath. Workingmen did not want street cars on Sunday, it was those who hoped to make money either directly or indirectly out of them that wanted them. Anyhow, he contended, workingmen would not be benefited physically by holidaying in the country on Sunday for it was a well-known fact that they were less fitted for work after a holiday than even after a day's work, being more tired. Sunday cars, he also held, would ultimately result in the saloons being opened on that day and the establishment of beer gardens. Till these were obtained men would go into the country on Sunday cars with flasks in their pockets.

MR. JURY'S HOME THRUSTS.

Alfred Makes Out a Strong Case for Sunday Cars.

Science Hall was jammed last night with people all eager to hear Alfred Jury, the well-known labor leader of this city, deliver a lecture on Sunday cars. This he did with his usual force and argumentativeness, speaking for nearly an hour.

Workingmen, he said, could not afford to pay for decent houses anywhere near their work in the city. If they went to the suburbs, they were exiles from the city on the Sabbath. In consequence of this they had to remain in the city, and the majority of them are forced to live in crowded, stifling houses, some even in the very slums. With Sunday cars these men could have nice comfortable healthy houses on the outskirts of the city. They could breathe pure air and the slums would be cleaned out. The preachers said that with Sunday cars the men would be compelled to work seven days in the week. This was not true. Printers worked on Sundays, still they were not forced to work every day. If he thought that Sunday cars would force men to work on seven days of the week he would be the last one to speak in favor of them. They also said that the running of Sunday cars would unchristianize the city. If this were true all cities in which Sunday cars were run were unChristian. Consequently Toronto was the only Christian city of any size in America. Now it said that American visitors liked the quiet Sabbath of Toronto. From what he had heard he was convinced that the very opposite was the case. American visitors took clear out of this city on Sundays as much as possible. The same paper, while holding this up as a model city, stated in another column that it cost more for police protection here than in other cities, such as Detroit and Rochester, where Sunday cars were run.

The people, he said, had a right to thank The World for the manly way in which it had belled the ministerial cat. The Bible said: "Thou shalt rest on the seventh day." It also said: "Six days shalt thou labor." Did all those who were against Sunday cars obey this latter commandment? The Bible also commanded men not to let their servants work on Sundays. Did Alderman McDougall eat three cold meals on Sunday? The commandment also forbade men to let their cattle work on the Sabbath. If horses could be called cattle this command applied to the horse that pulled the coupe just as much as to the one that pulled the street car.

Sunday Cars.

Editor World: It does not speak very highly for the long reign of clerical domination when we see clergymen throwing up their snowy hands in despair at the prospect of a poor laboring man or mechanic taking his children or enfeebled wife on Sunday to a suburb in order to enjoy a little fresh air or natural scenery.

It is not church members, it is not the people who are crying to heaven with superfluous lamentation. It is a few of the holy of holies, the white neckties, gentlemen, who are making most strenuous efforts to tyrannize the people at large.

Why was the counter petition to that of The World suggested by the clergy? Simply because this goody-goody class of celestials are afraid to trust the people. If after centuries of sway the effect of priestcraft upon the people is not sufficient to resist the evils of Sunday cars it had better give place to something else. RATEPAYER.

The Company's Employes Sign The World's Petition.

Editor World: Please find enclosed 14 votes; 12 of these votes are railway employes at the stables on Scollard-street, St. Paul's Ward.

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Local Jottings.

Hon. John Trowbridge's friends say that their candidate is sure to be in the right place at the close of the ballot for school trustee on Jan. 4.

At 9.30 on Saturday evening a gas jet in the house of P. C. Robertson, 17 St. Alban's-street set fire to a curtain and damaged the interior of the room to the extent of $10.

A defective fire place in the drug store of R. Tuthill, 359 Queen west, caused a fire there yesterday afternoon which did $50 damage before it could be extinguished.

A correspondent raises the question why the County Council should not be asked to contribute something towards the rifle range. Eight companies of the 12th Battalion have headquarters outside the city of Toronto and it is said use the Toronto range.

A union Christmas service was held yesterday afternoon in the Church of the Ascension. The teachers and scholars of the two schools united with the Bible class, and the result was some admirable singing appropriated for Christmastide. A liberal thanksgiving was taken up for the poor of the parish.

The Young Liberals will conclude the debate on Canadian Independence at this evening's meeting in Richmond Hall. A committee report in favor of raising funds to erect a monument over the graves of Lount and Matthews will also be presented.

Shaw's great cook auction will be continued each afternoon and evening at 152 Yonge-street. Four more cases of fresh bound books just received, and all must be cleared out regardless to cost. Sale each day at 2.30 and 7.30 p.m.

B Company of the Q.O.R. was treated to a smoking concert by the buglers on Saturday night. There was a good turnout of the company and they all thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Messrs. Rugg, Watson and T. Baker contributed songs and Capt. Pellatt was present and thanked the buglers on behalf of the company for their splendid evening's entertainment.

The World Wants to Know

If street cars run on Sunday will those who worked against them ever ride in them?

If Staff-Inspector Archabold knows how many lottery schemes have agents in Toronto and who they are?

A Baby That Is a Wee One.

PLAINFIELD, Dec. 20.—The smallest baby ever born in Plainfield came to Elias Southard's household, at No. 52 West Third-street, to-day. It is a little girl and weighs just one pound and a half. Dr. Jenkins says it is a bright and healthy child.

Personal.

The "Dear Irish Boy" Company is at the Palmer.

Marion Manola and Jack Mason are at the Queen's.

Julian Edwards, musical director "Tar and Tartar," is at the Rossin.

Ben Stern, manager for Agnes Huntington and Fanny Davenport, is in the city.

IS THE MAYOR OUT OF IT?

He Says He Did Not Authorize Such a Statement.

The Mayor yesterday morning was quite outspoken in his expressions of surprise at the announcement that Mr. Brock had made at the Osler meeting the night before. To all his callers who mentioned the matter he warmly denied that he had authorized Mr. Brock to make such an announcement.

What Mr. Brock Says.

The World called on W. R. Brock Saturday afternoon, in reference to the statement made at the Auditorium meeting the previous evening that Mayor Clark was prepared to support Mr. Osler.

"Mayor Clarke," the scribe remarked, "has stated this morning that you were not authorized to state that he had no intention of running. What have you to say in response?"

"With all due deference to Mayor Clarke's veracity," said Mr. Brock, "I may remark that I would not have made any such statement were I not capable of backing it up. The Mayor had intended writing a note for me to read at the meeting mentioned, but instead sent a direct message, through William Christie, of Christie, Brown & Co., to the effect that he would vote for and support Mr. Osler. Moreover, a few days since, in the presence of of John I. Davidson and William Ince, Mayor Clarke said to me, 'If Mr. Osler comes out I certainly will not run.' "As soon," continued Mr. Brock, "as Mr. Osler's name was mentioned as a candidate the Mayor was seen by an Empire representative and, at that time, said in substance the same thing. The fact of the matter is Mr. Clarke is being badgered by his friends who strive to make him believe that it is not Mr. Osler's intention to run. This idea, however, is fallacious. Mr. Osler will run if he only secures five votes."

"For some time past," concluded Mr Brock, "a cry has been going up from a certain section of the community in favor of civic reform. A man admirably adapted by education and training—a man noted for his energy, probity and solicitude for the public weal, is in the field. Let those who originated this cry now show their sincerity by supporting Mr. Osler.

Ald. Score Mum.

Ald. Score was said to have been with Mr. Christie when the Mayor is alleged to have stated that he would vote for and support Mr. Osler. One of The World's Young Men waited on Ald. Score on Saturday and asked him how that was.

"I won't make any statement," said Ald. Score. "I am prepared to endorse whatever the Mayor says about it. He will tell the truth. Go and see him."

The reporter stated that the Mayor would be seen as soon as he could be located.

"I confess," said the alderman, "that I was surprised to hear of Mr. Brock's statement at the meeting last night."

"Then I may infer that what the Mayor stated did not give grounds for Mr. Brock's statement?" the Worldling asked.

"I don't want you to make any inferences," laughed the alderman. "You go and see the Mayor."

The Mayor could not be found anywhere yesterday afternoon, although the stories that came from the other side are to this effect.

What Do These Point To.

The acts and movements of men like Goldwin Smith, John I. Davidson and W. R. Brock indicate that these men had some sort of understanding with Mayor Clarke to the effect that he would not antagonize Mr. Osler. Mr. Osler distinctly understood that before he accepted the nomination he insisted that Mayor Clarke should not run. He got such an assurance—from whom The World cannot at present say.

On Friday a gentleman prominent in the Osler movement met Mayor Clarke and an alderman, supposed to be Mr. Score. The Mayor said to the gentleman: "Mr. Brock that I have not had time to answer his letter inviting me to go the platform at Osler's meeting to-night. But tell him that I will vote for and support Mr. Osler." The gentleman, whose name could not be had from Mr. Brock, delivered this message to Mr. Brock, and this along with the previous conversations of the Mayor with Goldwin Smith, J. I. Davidson and himself was the basis of Mr. Brock's positive statement at the Osler meeting on Friday night.

If Osler Is in It He Isn't.

Mayor Clarke was interviewed regarding the statement of Mr. W. R. Brock at Friday evening's meeting in the Auditorium "that His Worship had promised to support and vote for Mr. E. B. Osler." The Mayor told The World's representative that he would vote for Mr. Osler if he came out. He put great stress on the "if," however, as if there were a likelihood that the Board of Trade's candidate would not be in the final heat. He further stated that he had given no promise of support to anyone. He felt that as Chief Magistrate of the city he could not decently take a part in the choice of his successor.

The pressure brought to bear on him by his friends to have him stand for a fifth election is very great. During the last week he has been besieged. Hundreds, he says, have called upon him. He has declined to give a definite answer to anyone as yet. His only reply to the question of his candidature is that he will not be in the field if Mr. E. B. Osler is there.

Mr. E. B. Osler landed in New York from Liverpool yesterday morning. He left for Toronto last night and is expected to reach here at noon to-day.

Chat from Over the Sea.

Ladies' clubs and guilds are multiplying in London.

Socialists tried to blow up the police station at Clichy, a northern suburb of Paris, with bombs.

The Chief Acting General of the Chinese Imperial army has been thrown from his horse and killed.

French troops defeated a band of notorious Tonquin robbers under the leadership of the notorious Lunky.

There has been no demand for discount in London during the past week. Business was fairly active on the stock exchange.

M. Lesdain, who shot his wife and her lover in a railway carriage, has been acquitted by an Angouleme, France, tribunal.

It has been officially announced that Zanzibar will be a free port after Feb. 1 next except for alcohol and munitions of war. No duties will be collected on any articles except those commodities.

The Czarewitch will visit Paris in February and will remain in the city 10 days, going from there to London to attend the wedding of the Duke of Clarence and Avondale and Princess Victoria Mary of Teck.

Lieut.-Col. Albert Goldsmid has resigned the position of Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General at the British War Office to supervise the settlement of Baron Hirsch's Hebrew colonies in the Argentina.

A despatch from Pernambuco states that a popular uprising occurred in that city Saturday against the Governor of the province. The streets quickly filled with throngs of riotous people and it was found necessary to call out the troops to quell the disorder. It is reported that 60 persons were killed or wounded during the conflict between the populace and the soldiers. The Governor has resigned.

At Mjechow, Russian Poland, peasant enticed a shoemaker named Levanevilsky into a forest, killed him and cutting up the body placed it on a bonfire. Later on a workman from the same vicinity was passing near the scene of the murder and saw a piece of half-roasted flesh in the ashes of what had been a fire. He supposed that someone had been cooking game and had left part of it there. He took the flesh home and told some of his luck in finding it, and invited them to join in eating it. As meat was a rare luxury, they readily complied.

DEAD BESIDE HER DEAD PET.

MYSTERIOUS TRAGEDY NOW PUZZLING BELLEVILLE.

An Old Woman Who Lived Alone and Earned a Living Selling Milk Found Dead in Her House—A Little Lifeless Black and Tan Found Near the Body—An Inquest to Be Held.

BELLEVILLE, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Hanfield, an aged widow, living in a little frame dwelling in South Church-street, next to James Anning's canning factory, was found dead at noon yesterday by a boy named Thomas Wilson, who had gone into the house with some peelings. The body was found lying on the kitchen floor with the face toward the left. A peculiar circumstance of the affair is that a black and tan dog which belonged to the deceased was also found dead beside the body. The house in which the deceased lived was poorly furnished and there was very little wood or food in the house. A hammer was found on the floor, but no marks were found on it that would lead to the supposition that a tragedy had been committed. It was known that the old lady had a little money and contrived to eke out a living by selling the milk from one cow. She also owned a couple of pigs.

Coroner Wilson was summoned and an inquest will be held. The deceased was apparently about 70 years of age and had lived alone for several years. Her late husband worked for years in the gas works.

Christmas Poultry Trade.

OTTAWA, Dec. 20.—The McKinley Bill does not seem to have had much affect on the Christmas trade in poultry for the United States, as the usual train load for Boston from Smith's Falls, Perth, Brockville, Almonte and Carleton Place passed over the Canada Atlantic road. The train consisted of 12 cars, containing over 100 tons of poultry, valued at about $26,000. Prices were higher than last year and the supply for the United States somewhat smaller than usual owing to the large quantity shipped to England for the Christmas market and also to the fact that for the first time buyers were present from the west and British Columbia, three carloads being taken for Vancouver and one for Winnipeg.

Mrs. Booth-Clibborn in Toronto.

This lady, the eldest daughter of General Booth, arrived in Toronto on Saturday and had a hearty welcome from her father's troops. She has been on a tour in the United States and this is her first visit to Canada. On Friday night Mrs. Booth-Clibborn spoke at Hamilton, where she contracted a cold. This prevented her fulfilling her engagements to give addresses yesterday in the Salvation Temple in this city. Great was the disappointment of the 3000 people who crowded into the temple last night. In the Marechale's absence the chief speaker was Mrs. Staff-Captain Peyron, a petite French young lady who was the Marechale's secretary during her eventful tour in France and Switzerland. She spoke English admirably and looked charming in her long sash of red, white and blue. Two large inscriptions decorated the walls: "Canada Greets France" and "Welcome to the General's Daughter." If well enough Mrs. Booth-Clibborn will be at the temple to-night.

Drowned While Skating.

THAMESFORD, Ont., Dec. 20.—Yesterday afternoon a number of young men and boys were skating on the mill-pond here, when Fred McLeod, aged 19, broke through the ice. Thomas Fillmore, a companion, crawled near and took hold of him, when the ice gave way and both went down. McLeod floated under the ice and was drowned. The body was taken out about 7.30 to-night. Fillmore was rescued by throwing out a rail to him.

About as good as you can give is a present of furniture. Decide that point, and of course you'll buy from C. W. Adams Co., the Home Furnishers. In their stock there's everything worthy and prices are considerably low. Easy chairs, rockers, tea sets, silverware, glassware, etc. Cash or credit, one price either way. A big, big stock to select from, courteous treatment, promptness and accuracy ensured. 177, 179 Yonge-street. 136

The Toronto Railway.

The service of the street railway in this city is admitted by all to be the best in the Dominion, but if the president will kindly take a drive in King-street west, starting from Simcoe for a few blocks westward, he will convince himself of the necessity of having the road made right. All those who have had the misfortune to drive in that direction complain bitterly and feel as if the cars were running on top of a chain. As soon as the road is made what it should be the firm of Messrs. Gianelli & Co. will present to the president one case of the celebrated Marsala wine, Crown brand.

Novel Cure for Hiccoughs.

DEDHAM, Mass., Dec. 20.—A raw onion and a bottle of old stock ale, prescribed by a physician residing in Hyde Park, effectually stopped the hiccoughs from which Jacob Ziegler has been suffering for over a week. A number of other remedies were tried, but without avail. The onion and bottle of ale had to be eaten and drunk together in order to make the cure effectual. Jacob performed the task without any great difficulty.

An inestimable remedy for a cough or cold, Adams' Wild Cherry and Licorice Tutti Frutti Gum. Sold by all druggists and confectioners; 5 cents.

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Taps From the Telegraph.

Rev. Father Dowd, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Montreal, is dead.

Walt Whitman, the Good Gray poet, is not expected to live 48 hours.

George Meldrum, a shunter in the G.T.R. yards, Point St. Charles, was killed Sunday morning.

Rowland S. Wickett, 56 years old, one of the most prominent of the manufacturers of artificial limbs in the United States, committed suicide in New York last night by hanging himself.

A burglar discovered robbing the house Mrs. Mary McDonald at Shamokin, Pa., crawled into bed with a sleeping boarder. His strategy was unavailing, however, as he was discovered.

Josephine Smith, 25 years old, living at No. 419 North Thirty-third-street, Philadelphia, shot and instantly killed in the Powelton-avenue station of the Pennsylvania road John Hobbs of No. 3102 Baringstreet. The woman was arrested at once, but refused to tell why she shot the man, but it is thought they had been intimate and he had become tired of her.

Toothache cured instantly by using Gibbons' Toothache Gum.

THE TYPEFOUNDER'S TROUBLE.

Her Majesty's Typefounder, alias R. L. Patterson, wore an unusual look on Saturday. "The old and reputable firm of Miller & Richard," said he, "hail with a rare and radiant relish the suit which has been entered by the Ottawa Government to recover the amount of $600," which Robert the Bluff fed to Senecal the Hungry. "For by that suit we will be able to show that there was no collusion on our part, that we sold the type away below regular prices, and that our name remains untarnished in the commercial world. Why, all the Bibles that have been printed in Great Britain within the past hundred years have been done with our celebrated hard-faced type."

"But will you pay back the $6000?" asked The World. "Never mind telling us about your hard faced type."

"We may have to," said Bob.

GERMAN DISQUALIFIED.

Member For Welland Disfranchised For Seven Years.

Mr. Justice Rose and Mr. Justice MacMahon, the learned judges who tried the North Perth Dominion election petition, delivered judgment in the matter at Osgoode Hall on Saturday. Judgment had been reserved on two points, viz., as to the Grand Trunk Railway charges and as to treating one Leveile to liquor, and a loan made by a bartender to one Gowan. Mr. Justice Rose delivered the judgment of the court. The evidence showed that Peter Ryan had called on Preston, secretary of the Liberal Association and had informed him of an arrangement between himself and Superintendent White of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, whereby, on account of the stand taken by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and on account of an alleged agreement by that company to convey Conservative voters to the polls free of charge, the Grand Trunk Railway Company was to convey Reform voters to the polls on the same terms. Mr. Preston afterwards saw Mr. White and told him he was glad of the arrangements to convey Reform voters free of charge on polling day. Arrangements were made whereby requisitions