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APPEAL TO THE BOARD.
Looked at from any reasonable standpoint, the action of the board of education, in granting substantial increase in salary to the male staff of the schools, down to the caretakers, and refusing redress for the undoubted grievances against which women teachers appealed, save the raising of the minimum salary in their case from \$400 to \$500, is neither fair nor encouraging. Properly speaking where no difference exists in the nature of the duties assigned or in the quality of their performance no distinction ought to be made in the remuneration which is supposed to be the pecuniary equivalent of the services rendered.

This decision of the board cannot be regarded as even an approximation towards the placing of school salaries on a logical basis. It will not remove the causes of discontent nor stay the agitation on the part of the women teachers for a scale of remuneration in closer keeping with their duties and responsibilities. Difference in the rate of pay where identical work is concerned is had enough, but when the situation involves a sharp contrast between experience with the smaller salary and inexperience with the larger the anomaly is too glaring for defence. The best interests of the city schools demand a more satisfactory concession to the women teachers, who cannot be expected, even with the best intentions, to concentrate their energies on their proper duties while engaged in the legitimate quest for adequate monetary recompense.

FROM THE MINERAL SIDE.
Know Canada is an admonition often given to students, and it is a wise prompting to necessary knowledge. J. B. Tyrrell, M.E., is to be commended for giving the old advice in new form, as he did in a paper recently read before the Canadian Institute.

His paper, among other things, emphasized the fact that last year ores and metals to the value of \$30,000,000 were recovered from nature in Canada. This magnificent fact, coupled with the other fact that probably one-half of the land area of Canada is limited to minerals and ores, for the production of its wealth, make it of the first importance that Canadians should know their Canada from the mineral side. Such knowledge would profit in more ways than one.

Mr. Tyrrell is eminently practical and suggests the formation of federal and provincial public bureaus in connection with government geological surveys. Further and most worthy of praise is his suggestion that students and others should be induced by cheap railway fares, prizes, etc., to visit northern Canada, see its mines and spend some of their holidays in trying to find new mineral and ore deposits.

We know of no better method of gaining knowledge of our mineral lands than by being on the spot. Many students would spend their vacations in northern Canada were transportation not so dear. The railways would lose nothing in the long run by issuing to students or prospectors cheap rate tickets. We feel sure that the idea needs but to be presented to railway managers to be grasped. By all means let those who pray for the speedy development of our mineral resources give every facility to spread the knowledge of the natural riches to be found in northern Canada. Mr. Tyrrell has blessed a trail.

BRITISH POLITICAL MOVEMENTS.
How misleading the talk was that declared the movement for tariff reform in Britain to have sustained with difficulty a precarious existence, and to have been finally extinguished at the last general election can be easily gauged from the comments made on the recent by-election in Mid-Devon. To say that the complete reversal of popular opinion in a Liberal and free trade stronghold, and on a straight fiscal issue, stunned the supporters of that policy is a simple statement of fact. Followed as it has been by the result of the by-election in the Ross division of Herefordshire, where a Liberal majority of 212 was converted into a Conservative majority of 1018, it is not surprising that even the most fatalistic of free trade advocates admit the struggle, far from being ended, is only just beginning.

field, and will certainly result in stiffening the opposition to be offered to the chief ministerial measures.

Evidently the government considers the electoral outlook to have none too promising an appearance under present circumstances. Speaking at a preliminary dinner given in his honor recently at the National Liberal Club, Mr. Winston Churchill, under-secretary of state for the colonies, announced that the great attack on the house of lords is to be postponed for two years. This confirms the conclusion drawn by The World from ministers' remarks during the recess, and it shows how demoralizing their efforts to whip up popular sentiment has failed. According to Mr. Churchill, the main measure of this session will be old age pensions; of the session of 1910, taxation of land values, and, in 1912, the curbing of the house of lords. In each of these years, he added, free trade must be preserved from "assaults, ignorance, claptrap, greed and corruption," which comprehensive condemnation catalog is quite in "Pretty Fanny's" way.

Threatened men and institutions, it is proverbially said, live long, and the house of lords promises to be no exception. Like the Canadian senate, everyone admits it should be reformed, but the method of its improvement is by no means easy to agree upon. The main defect of the British ministerial proposal is that it is more a constitutional reform than a reform, while to the Liberal mind any reform that strengthens the upper house necessarily increases its power of mischief. The country, however, is clearly not ripe for single chamber rule, and unless popular opinion declares itself more definitely and enthusiastically it would not be in the least surprising to find the academic resolution of last year remaining but for the mute witness of an abortive agitation.

\$52 FOR TIMBER LIMIT.
Details of Sale of Berth North of Edmonton.
OTTAWA, Feb. 4.—A government report giving the details of the sale by the government of a small timber berth—No. 1278 situated north of Edmonton, was laid on the table of the house on Monday by Hon. Frank Oliver, at the request of H. B. Ames. It shows that on June 20, 1904, John Hall asked the department of the interior to put the limit on the market. The department did so and Mr. Hall made a bid of \$50 for it. Subsequently James Smith of Kamloops, B.C., raised Mr. Hall's bid by \$2, or \$52, and got the berth.

On Aug. 23, 1907, Mr. Smith wrote the department asking it to extend the time for the survey of the limit. His letter was in part as follows: "As I am interested in berths 1230 and 1236 inclusive, held by Alexander Smith of Ottawa, and which we purpose to acquire this fall, could you extend the time for surveying timber berth 1270, so that we could do it in conjunction with 1230 and 1236?"

INSANE MOTHER KILLS BABE.
Overpowered After Desperate Struggle and Officer Called.
MONTREAL, Feb. 4.—While in a fit of insanity, Mrs. Thomas Doucette dashed out the brains of her two-year-old child and was in the act of killing another child when discovered by her family. The family consisted of father, mother, and eight children. The father, who worked on the International Railway, was confined to the house with a broken rib. Mrs. Doucette became violently insane at 4:20 this morning and arose without awakening the other inmates of the house. She took the child from the cradle to the back door, and there smashed its head in, violently beating it against the ice.

Returning, she took the three-year-old child, but in so doing she awakened her daughter, aged 18, who called her father. In a desperate struggle the mother was overpowered, and a policeman called.

CHILD TERRIBLY BEATEN.
Man Administered Cat-o'-Nine-Tails at Mother's Behest.
"To make a thing like that with which to beat a little child is a piece of devilish ingenuity," declared Crown Attorney Corley when Bertram Cadley, 12 Regent-street, was arraigned in yesterday's police court, charged with inhumanly beating 14-year-old Mary Bartlett, with whose mother the man boards.

The instrument in question was a cat-o'-nine-tails with heavy knotted leather thongs riveted together at one end to make a handle.

A letter from the mother was read setting out that she was a chronic invalid, but assuring the court that the punishment was ordered by her and was deserved by the child.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TO-DAY.

Chambers.
Cartwright, Master, at 11 a.m.
Single Court.
The Hon. Mr. Justice Tietzel at 11 a.m. Cases set down for hearing:
1. Allen v. Willard.
2. Hobson v. Brawley.
3. Re Freigh Estate.
4. The Prout's Case (Henderson v. Rolfe B. Co.).
5. Bergstein v. Silverman.
6. Hyland v. Cook.
7. Power v. Parrell.
Divisional Court.
Peremptory list for 11 a.m.:
1. Clark v. V. and of 432-1.
2. Kinzli v. Harper.
3. Atkinson v. Bidgood.
4. Russell v. Bell Telephone Co.
5. Smith v. Kinne.
Peremptory list for 10 a.m.:
1. Stevenson v. Cameron.
2. Stuart v. Bank of Montreal.
3. Toronto Winter Assizes.
Peremptory list for 10 a.m.:
1. Baseman v. Toronto Railway Co.
2. Schlund v. Toronto Railway Co.
3. Brunner v. Toronto Park Co.
Toronto Non-Jury Sittings.
Peremptory list for 9:30 a.m.:
1. Piper v. Thomson.
2. Arnold v. Cockburn.
3. Euclid-avenue v. Hobs.
4. Smyth v. Kinne.
5. Potter v. McCann.
6. Mail Printing Co. v. Garner.

Premiary Notes.
James A. Joyce has begun an action against Isaac Coyne and Mary A. Coyne of Toronto on promissory notes to the value of \$321.71.
Shortage in the Goods.
Gordon, MacKay & Co. entrusted certain goods to East & Co. of Toronto for sale. The goods were not sold, and it is alleged that there is a shortage that has not been accounted for, and a writ to recover \$1915.72 has been issued.

Overdraft at the Bank.
An action has been brought against Cockburn & Sons of Sturgeon Falls by the Bank of Montreal for an overdraft of \$371.50 on an overdraft.
Automobile Supplies.
For goods supplied and services rendered the Dominion Automobile Co. have begun an action against P. H. Patriarche of Toronto to recover \$693.85.

Bill of Exchange.
A bill of exchange for \$751.60 is the basis of an action brought by the Imperial Bank of Canada against Max Rosenfeld and H. Levitt of Barrie.

Overdue Paper.
The Crown Bank of Canada is seeking to recover from F. C. Morris and R. Lawyer of Toronto \$1299.38 on certain promissory notes.
Myott, Son & Co. are seeking to recover \$2054.10, an alleged balance owing to them for money lent and advanced to John Myott.

Buildings Were Burned.
The court of appeal reserved judgment on the appeal from Chief Justice McKeown in the action brought by W. H. Miller against Mickle, Dyment & Son of Severn Bridge. Miller recovered judgment for the destruction of his buildings and goods by reason of a fire alleged to have originated thru a defective burner maintained by Mickle, Dyment & Son at their mills at Severn Bridge. Judgment was reserved.

CANADIAN RAILWAYS.
Signals, Crossings and Toronto Station Criticized.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—(C.A.P. Cable).—Discussing the Canadian railway statistics, The Financial Times says the death toll in Canada is terribly heavy and criticizes the deadly level crossings, poor system of signals, also Toronto station, and offers advice regarding the burner maintained by Mickle, Dyment & Son at their mills at Severn Bridge. Judgment was reserved.

MANAGER GETS \$500.
Erastus Miller, former manager of the Terra Cotta Brick Works at Terra Cotta, Ont., was given judgment by Chief Justice Mulock in the non-jury assizes yesterday, for \$500 in his suit to recover \$1050 salary and damages, alleged to be due him as the result of wrongful dismissal. The company claimed that Miller did not know his job, but the judge thought that he was the only man for the concern who did know how to make brick.

Dirty Bake Shop Closed.
Inspector Wilson of the board of health department had Myra Goodwin, a baker, at 53 Pearl-street, in the afternoon police court yesterday, for having, he claimed, the dirtiest bake shop in the city.

The inspector said that there was an inch of dirt on the floor, and the magistrate ordered Goodwin to close up his shop until it was put in a proper and cleanly state.

Russian Relief Fund.
ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 4.—A bill appropriating \$5,000,000 for famine relief, in addition to the sum already voted by the duma for this purpose, has been submitted to the cabinet.

Package of Money Missing.
WINNIPEG, Feb. 4.—A package containing \$11,000, sent to a bank in Southern Manitoba by registered mail, is missing.

FIRE ON OCEAN STEAMER
3 BURN AND 15 DROWN
Terrible Scenes and Heroic Rescues Mark Destruction of the St. Cathbert.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—A wireless despatch from the steamer Cymric gives details of the burning of the steamer St. Cathbert.

Soon after the Cymric sighted the burning vessel, the steamer Cambrian also came up, and the two ships lay by for several hours awaiting a chance to safely lower a boat. Finally at 2 o'clock the Cymric got a boat away. After a hard fight with the waves the boat succeeded, aided by the quantities of oil which had been spread on the water, in reaching the side of the burning ship. For 10 minutes they lay before a heavy figure was lowered into the boat, followed by a second. Then ten men made their way down the ladder and into the boat. All were rightfully burned. The boat returned safely to the Cymric, and the rescued men were hoisted aboard. A third trip back to the burning steamer, rescuing thirty-seven in all. On the last trip the boat was again overtaken by a wave, and barely reached the Cymric in safety.

The officers and the crew of the St. Cathbert had a terrible story to tell. At mid-day Saturday the fire was first discovered, smoke being seen emerging from a ventilator. The first officer rushed to the bridge, where the captain was, to tell him of the fire, when almost immediately a terrific explosion occurred, blowing off all the hatches in the forward part of the ship and destroying half the bridge. The captain was thrown to the deck badly injured and blinded by the flames. The wheelman was driven away from his post. A boat was immediately lowered, but was smashed and its crew of fifteen, including the third officer, were drowned.

For 26 hours the crew fought the flames, but with small success. The foremast melted and fell, throwing a stow-away into the water, which was immediately set on fire. The fire then turned toward the forward deck, where there were nine stowaways on the ship, and all were caught in the forward holds and burned to death without a chance of rescue. After the fall of the mast the fire was partly checked, but the poisonous fumes of fuel oil made fighting the fire almost impossible. The ship was loaded with fuel oil, matches, rags, wick ware and other inflammable material.

AN HEROIC RESCUE.
HAMILTON, Bermuda, Feb. 4.—The steamship Bermudian arrived here from New York this morning with details of the abandonment at sea of the four-masted schooner Mary L. Newhall of Bath, Maine, Capt. Andrew Adams of Portland.

The schooner left Tampa for Norfolk on Jan. 24, with a cargo of lumber and of furs. On the fifth day she lost her rudder, and all her sails having been blown away, the vessel was almost unmanageable. When 240 miles northwest of Bermuda on Sunday afternoon, she sighted the Bermudian, which stood by the distressed schooner until the next morning. At midnight Sunday, in a tempestuous sea, a boat's crew of five men put off from the Bermudian to endeavor to effect the rescue of the Newhall's crew. The small boat was thrown by the high seas against the schooner, and partly smashed. At daylight of Monday another gallant effort was made to take off the schooner's crew, but the sea was still too high to allow of a close approach. The men on the schooner plunged into the sea and were rescued by the lines and conveyed to the Bermudian.

The exhibition of dauntless courage by the Bermudian crew, with their breathless interest by the 200 passengers on board the Bermudian, who testified their appreciation of the gallant deed by the men by subscribing \$850 for them. Of this amount \$250 goes to J. F. Welsh, second mate, a young Nova Scotian.

REAL SPRING SKEETERS.
Fleas? No, "Skeeters" and Chatham Man Can Prove It.

CHATHAM, Feb. 4.—(Special).—To have lean and hungry mosquitoes annoying you in the house while the temperature outside is forcing the mercury down to zero is rather an unusual experience. Nevertheless Michael Gause, who lives on South Queen-street, this morning displayed several pinpunches on his hands and cheeks to substantiate his version of an attack made on him in his house last night by mosquitoes.

Mr. Gausegrove is puzzled to account for the phenomena, and cannot imagine where they came from unless they had been hibernating in his cellar.

DEATHS IN THE CITY.
Deaths registered at the city hall yesterday were:
—Frederick Dinsbury, 4 hours, premature birth.
—Bessie Wilkie, 80 years, heart disease.
—Edmund Allen, 91 years, influenza.
—William Bateman, 72 years, apoplexy.
—Blanche Tate, 6 months, convulsions.
—Doland Hills, 65 years, arterio-sclerosis.
—George Byrnes, 67 years, diabetes.
—Elizabeth Tweedy, 83 years, bronchitis.
—Daniel W. Cushman, 3 years, meningitis.
—Bryans, still-born.
—Garland Martin, 3 years, pneumonia.
—Evelyn Williams, 1 year, pneumonia.
—Jeffery, 1 day, eclampsia.
—Meinke, 4 days, premature birth.
—Rufe, still-born.

Japan Increases Duties.
TOKYO, Feb. 4.—After a heated debate lasting five hours, an increase in the taxation bills on sugar, sake, alcohol, beef and kerosene was passed to-day in the diet. The government has a majority of 84 in every case except in that of kerosene, on which the majority vote was 24.

EATON'S STORE NEWS

—This Store Opens at 8 a.m. and Closes at 5 p.m.—

A Most Helpful Furniture Sale

It offers bountiful savings to the old nest and the new nest alike. It offers furniture with our guarantee on it for complete satisfaction.

It would take many pages to tell you of even half the helpful things we have in this big fourth floor—tremendous quantities—variety that would keep one busy looking at different pieces for hours and wherever you see the green price tickets sure savings are to be had.

And while the sale lasts through February, individual lots should be seen on the day advertised. Interesting news for Thursday—and these items only small part of it. Come!

- Bed Couch**, back can be lowered level with seat, forming a double bed, box underneath for bed clothing, buttoned top and back, upholstered all over, covered with velours, castored; February Furniture Sale price \$8.75
- Couch**, all over upholstered, spring edged seat and arm, deep tufted top, fringed, both sides same, covered in fancy velours; February Furniture Sale price \$8.50
- With flat buttoned top** \$7.50
- Couch**, all over upholstered, strong frame, plain top, spring seat, covered in fancy velour, fringed; February Furniture Sale price \$5.60
- Parlor Suites**, 3-piece—sofa, arm and reception chairs—polished mahogany frames, rounded, back veneered with genuine mahogany, loose cushion seats tied at corners, upholstered in green, brown or crimson tapestry; February Furniture Sale price, 3 pieces \$17.90
- Dining-Room Chairs**, quarter-cut oak, golden finish, panel back, shaped legs, square spindles, box seat, upholstered in genuine leather; February Furniture Sale price \$2.75
- Arm Chair** to match \$4.00
- Iron Bedstead**, white enamel, finished scroll effect, head end 50 inches high, sizes 3 feet, 3 feet 6 inches, 4 feet and 4 feet 6 inches wide; February Furniture Sale price \$2.50
- Iron and Brass Bedstead**, scroll work between posts, brass knobs and caps, head end 50 inches high, widths 3 feet 6 inches and 4 feet 6 inches; February Furniture Sale price \$3.39
- Eight Couches**, all over upholstered and show wood frames, 72 inches long, spring seat and edges, roll head, plain top, covered in heavy tapestry and velours; February Furniture Sale price, each \$10.50
- Iron and Brass Bedstead**, new design, white enamel finish, brass knobs and vases, brass top rail and spindles, fancy chills, scroll in head and foot ends, 4 feet 6 inches wide, February Furniture Sale price \$6.25
- Iron and Brass Bedstead**, white enamel finish, scroll top rails, brass knobs and caps, head end 52 inches high, 3 feet, 3 feet 6 inches and 4 feet 6 inches wide; February Furniture Sale price \$2.89
- Iron and Brass Bedstead**, white enamel finish, head end 60 inches high, fancy chills, brass spindles in centre, brass top rail, knobs and mounts, sizes 3 feet, 3 feet 6 inches, 4 feet and 4 feet 6 inches wide; February Furniture Sale price \$4.96

The February Trouser Sale

Yesterday's Prices Will Be Continued To-Day Viz:
98c for heavy Domestic Tweeds. \$1.39 for neat dark-striped Tweeds. \$1.69 for heavy winter Tweeds.
\$1.98 for solid English Worsted. \$2.50 for dressy imported Worsted.

Come and lay in a year's supply.

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STREET RAILWAY RECEIPTS. Gross Earnings for the Year Are About \$3,500,000.

At the annual meeting of the Toronto Street Railway Co., to be held this afternoon, a statement will be presented showing gross earnings for the year of approximately \$3,500,000. The amount is the largest earned in any year, and the city's share of \$542,000 is proportionately large. The sum paid to the city as percentage of earnings was \$420,000, while the remaining \$122,000 is made up of mileage, rentals, taxes, etc.

OBITUARY.
Robert Morris.
Robert Morris, aged 29, a British army pensioner, died Monday night in the Western Sanatorium, from tuberculosis. He enlisted at Chester, England, in 1898, and served thru the South African war. He was the son of the late Robert Morris, of the Royal Rifles, being one of the seven men of his battalion of 400 who survived. In 1904 he was honorably discharged at Malta, owing to his illness and was advised to come to Canada. The funeral takes place on Thursday at 2:30, from Bolton's undertaking rooms, West Queen-street, to St. George's Cemetery, where interment will take place in the St. George's Society plot. The Army and Navy Veterans made the funeral arrangements and all veterans are invited to attend.

Two Rooms for St. Francis.
Two additional rooms to be added to St. Francis School was the decision arrived at by the separate school board at a brief meeting held at De La Salle Institute last night. The finance report will be brought down at the March meeting.

The Name of the Pape-avenue Presbyterian Church was changed to Riverside Presbyterian Church.

City Relief Officer Taylor, in his annual report, shows that of total receipts of \$27,685 for charitable work during 1907, there was expended \$314,694. During the year 21,297 people were given aid, while the total wage bill of all the societies for the year came to \$71,982.

The largest amount received by an institution was \$55,415, subscribed towards the Hospital for Sick Children. The total expenditure was \$68,160, of which \$23,671 was for salaries and wages. The maintenance per capita per day was \$1.31, while the next highest was 68c per day at the Home for Incurable Children.

The lowest daily cost per head was at the Children's Aid Society, where 1238 children were treated at an average outlay of 91-3c a day.

The total receipts of the House of Providence were \$43,778, with a total outlay of \$43,574. There were 3600 people assisted at a daily cost per head of 91c.

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