ONTARIO AT OTTAWA

THE MEMBERS FOR THIS PROV-INCE IN THEIR PLACES.

A Very Considerate Government-Licensed Tobacco Factories-Squatters and the Qu'Appelle Farming Co.

Special Despatch to The World. OTTAWA, Feb. 28-Empty seats were not so numerous in the house to-day, a majority of the Ontario members having returned to their duties.

In accordance with the judgment of the supreme court Mr. Brecken took his seat for Queens, P. E. I., formerly occupied by Jenkins, unseated. The change, does not affect the political complexion of the house, both gentlemen being conservatives.

By far the greater number of questions put by members are in relation to the government's intention as to different public the subject is receiving the best consideration of the government. Mr. Blake not far wrong in saying it is a most considerate government, but it won't give up more than suits itself all the same.

Returns were ordered respecting licensed tobacco factories in which Cananian leaf is exclusively used, and respecting the appointment of the Hon. Hector Fabre as Canadian at the previous trial should be stricken out of the record. Returns were ordered respecting licensed

The sovereignty of squatters was maintained by Mr. Watson in moving for copies of an order in council setting apart the lands to be granted to the Qu'Appelle Valley farming company, and containing the conditions of such grant. It was the maiden speech of the member for Marquette, and he contended that settlers who had squatted before the lands were granted to the company should not be disturbed. Mr. Casey described the farming company as a body of speculators, and hoped the government would respect the claims of squatters.

Papers and correspondence relating to the mail service between Durham and Walkerton were ordered on motion of Mr. Lauderkin, who said the service was inefficient and very unsatisfactory.

Mr. Cameron's (Huron) bill providing that persons charged with misdemeanor may give evidence in their own behalf, was read a second time and was referred to a select

A COURT SCENE AT WASHINGTON.

without regard to the wishes of counsel. Mr. Ingersoll (warmly)-I do not want

Mr. Merrick (turning quickly towards his opponent)-I never give my regard to a

was inexcusable under any provocation.

After explanations by both sides the sffair was amicably settled.

When the court called counsel to order When the court called counsel to order after the angry colloquy, Iogersoll said no mar could abuse him without resistance on his part. Said he, "I would do it at the day of judgment if I were assailed by God. I would de'end myself with my little puny power." After an amicable settlement of the affair the entire passage was stricken out of the record.

THE BLACK BAND.

regarding the socialistic troubles in Anda-Black Hand, similar to the "International." existed. It aimed at collective instead of horted the Government vigorously to repress the organisation. The minister of the interior replied that he had known for a year of the existence of the Black Hand and had placed the affair in the hands of the judicial authorities. The prefect in Andalusia has been cautioned to protect the

PERSONAL. Ex-president Diaz, of Mexico, and party bave arrived at New Orleans and will be given a reception by the city officials.

Sara Bernhardt's creditors appeared in court at Paris yesterday. They claim the amount realized by the sale of jewelry was insufficient to pay the sum loaned thereon.

Mr. G. W. Ross, M. P. for West Middlesex, is seriously ill with inflammation of the lungs at his residence at Strathroy. The severity of the election campaign and a neglected cold have for the time being utterly prostrated him.

CANADIAN TELEGRAPHIC NEWS. General Master Mechanic Short, of the C. P. R., has resigned, and accepted a position on the Wisconsin Central.

A fire yesterday in the Ontario Cotton company's mills at Hamilton destroyed machinery and stock to the value of \$15,000; covered by insurance. It is reported that the dominion government have consented to subsidize a direct steamship line with Mexico, and that 50,000 will be placed in the estimates for that pur-

The situation as regards the crisis in New Brunswick is unchanged. When the legislature met yesterday the premier moved an adjournment until Friday. The opposition

The Dufferin election was not finished until three o'clock yesterday. In polling division No. 4 of Mulmur the appointed booth was refused and another booth was not secured until three o'clock in the after-

Twe failures in Winnipeg are reported, with liabilities mostly in Montreal. One is Blain Learmouth, dry goods, with debts amounting to thirty or forty thousand dollars, and the other Thompson & Co., hatters and furriers, liabilities \$50,000.

THE FREE LIBRARY BOARD CHAIRMAN HALLAM'S ADDRESS TO

THE MANAGEMENT.

ow the Scheme Can be Fleated and Per city hall yesterday afternoon. Chairman Hallam delivered an address to the board of

Hallam delivered an address to the board of management in accordance with the latter's wishes. The address is full of valuable data and recommendations as to the mode of inaugurating, building up and permanently maintaining a free public library. The worthy chairman says that a library of this kind, to be valuable as far as our own country is concerned, should contain a full collection of—

Manuscript statements and narvatives of pioneer settlers; old letters and journals relative to the early history and settlement of Ontario, Quebec, Manitobs, Nova Scotis, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, and the wars of 1776 and 1814; biographical notes of our pioneers and of eminent citizens &ceased; and tearts illustrative of our Indian tribes, their history, characteristics, sketches of their promineut chiefs, orators and warriors.

The fire committee vesterday appointed seven additional members to the brigade to man the new fire hall in St. Paul's ward. There was much warm discussion on the appointments, and Ald. Hastings threaten at the popoint three of his nominees from Yorkville. Out of sixteen applications the following were selected: Fred. Milligan (driver of Dundas street reel), Thos. Spence, James Hogg, John Brown, Dick Reddick (ex-driver), and Messrs, Robinson and 1814; biographical notes of our pioneers and of eminent citizens &ceased, and the wars of 1776 and 1874 for the foreman of the new hall was not selected. The matter of new fire halls was brought up again in the property committee yesterday, and as an outcome of the discussion Ald. Baxter and Carlyle, Chief Ardagh and Commissioner Coatsworth will visit pro-

amounting to thirty or forty thousand dollars, and the other Thompson & Co., hatters and furriers, liabilities \$50,000.

Speaking of a site and the cost of a library building, the chairman continued:

"The cost of such a building would, of course, largely depend upon its size and upon the style of its architecture, but we are not entirely without data for forming some idea of an estimate. The Boston public library has capacity for accommodating 233,000 volumes. Its cost was \$325,000, being an average of feated the prohibition amendment by a test vote of 68 to 59.

A sergeant and two privates suspected of stealing some money from a paymaster in Mexico were shot.

Wm. Davidson, a member of the Arkansal legislature, while intoxicated jumped into the river and was drowned.

The Western nail association has decided to close their factories (as two was was coated). These estimates are, of course, merely conjectural.

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The fire brigade now boasts of its Lambs

RECRUITING THE FIRE ORIGADE

Chiefs Ashfield and Ardagh yesterday recommended to the fire committee the expenditure of \$9.0 to provide "runners" for the different reels and wagons of the department for next winter. No action was taken. They also recommended that one of the steam engines be placed in the Yorkville fire hall—this in view of the miserable water pressure in that district. It is likely the recommendation will be acquiseced in.

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Jewell & Clow are blowing about their 48 lb. lamb, but there is one in the Court street hall that weighs 175 lbs.

Mr. W. H. Knowlton, who supplies the horsefiesh for the fire department, was yesterday instructed by the committee to purchase, at Dr. Smith's valuation, the horses now in use in the Yorkville fire hall in preference to green ones.

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(To the Editor of The World.) SIR: The "sermon on prohibition" referred to in a letter in The World of Feb. 28 was preached by the Rev. A. F. Macgregor of Spadina avenue church, not by

LOCAL NEWS PANAGRAPHED.

Major Gray's majority in West York John Nolan yesterday resigned his posi-tion on the fire brigade. The fire commit-tee appointed Thomas Pointon in his place. James Hastings' temporary appointment Mr. Clarke's correct majority is 208, Mr.

Hon. W. H. Thompson, mayor of Detroit, is at the Queen's.

Judge Laird, Prince Arthur's Landing, is at the Walker house,

Hoggs and Foxes, with a Hunter to look after more of them, and a Cook to cater to

Hector D. McDonald got lodgings in No. 2 station last night for neglecting his wife and child.

A number of the students of Dr. Smith's veterinary college are infected with a sort of diphtheris.

Early yesterday a fire destroyed Felix Carr's wagon shop in rear of 177 Chestnut street. Loss \$200.

The bed for the pipes of the new King street water main is almost completed between Bay and York streets.

Customs duties collected at Toronto for February, \$409,016; same month last year, \$476,521; decrease, \$675,504. The street car horses are now changed at the stables instead of the corner of King and George streets, as formerly.

Mr. Brown, one of Detroit's architects, is in town taking stock of the principle upon which our rinks are built. Brockton wants the city to supply it with water, but it is not likely that the city engineer will report in favor of it.

The members of the property committee will make a complete inspection of the civic effects under their charge to-morrow.

The annual report of the Toronto police benefit fund for the past year shows a balance to the credit of the fund of \$16,257.95.

gregor of Spadina avenue church, not by Rev. A. F. Ferguson, as stated by your printer's error.

The first sentence of said letter reads

ARRESTED AS AN ASSASSIN

THE CHARGE AGAINST FRANK

BYRNE IN PARIS.

Mr. Gladstone Trying to Improve English and French Relations-The Times on the

PARIS, Feb. 28 .- It is stated that Mr. Gladstone in interviews yesterday with the president and minister of foreign affairs, tween France and England. It is believed fresh negotiations relative to Egypt are im-

The radicals are angry at the arrest of Byrne at the instance of the British covernment. The Intransigeant accuses the meet English exigencies. The circumstances

of the arrest are being investigated. It is expected there will be other arrests of persons supposed to be connected with the troubles in Ireland.

Byrne, before the public prosecutor today, denied that he was guilty of assassination. He refused to reply to further questioning. He is kept a close prisoner, and no visitors are allowed to see him. A council of ministers will decide whether he shall be surrendered.

London, Feb. 28—The Times says the application for the extradition of Byrne and Sheridan justify the belief that the government have a strong prima facie case to lay before the French and American authorities. There will be strong popular protests in France and America against the extradition of these persons, who, it will be alleged, are being prosecuted for a political offence. American judges are not inaccessible to political influences, and a fear of the Irish vote is ever before the eyes of American politicians.

Paris, Feb. 28.—Byrne was arrested on

IKISH DISTRESS.

LONDON, Feb 28 .- In the he measures if they were likely to have a perwere high and the distress only affected the Mr. Torrington has organized a festival store confidence in Ireland, so that the pro-

A Couple of Defeats for the Nationali DUBLIN, Feb. 28 .- Col. King Harman, conservative, is elected to parliament from he county of Dublin over McM thon, nation alist, by a vote of 2514 to 1428. Guinness. the second conservative candidate, received

Wayne, nationalists, The vote was 70 to 57. This is a conservative gain, the late member, the Hon. B. E. Fitzgerald, having been a liberal. There are only 141 electors

A Landlord Fatally Beaten DUBLIN, Feb. 28-Taylor, a prominent landlord of Hollywell Park, county Limerick, was wavlaid and beaten, it is feared

PALATINE, Ill., Feb. 28-Three cars of the Dakota train on the Chicago and Northwestern road were ditched near here to-day. A child was killed. Fifty passengers were

I am still out in the cold—St. Patrick's Boil. Power's Joseph.

My country, 'tis of thee I sing—Nicholas Murphy. I escaped the shot and shell of the election beardment—The Colonel.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING.

Oh, Mr. Fenten, I never bought a lottery ticket-We bared our breasts to the Roman sabres. -The Griffin That is Not Golden We know who our friends are now-The Defeated

my and Jack Texas.

It beat the Globe's Biddul; h horrors—The Lor The World is the only reliable paper-Everybody THE WORLD WOULD LIKE TO SEE.

Cheaper gas.

Coal and milk rings made impossible A real competition among the hakers.

A Hudson Bay water route to Europe established.

The commercial world independent of commercial

A reconciliation between faith and scie More homespun and less shoddy. No reserved seats at matinees.
A gradual extension of the credit system.

The abolition of latch keys. No special acts for the protection of prof Free trade in theology, law, medicine, dentistr

A settled law as to what constitutes immoral lit

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The Redoubtable Robert in a Towering WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 .- In the star route trial to day Informer Reredell's crossexamination was resumed. An angry passage occurred between Merrick and Ingersoll. Merrick said he should interrupt

the regard of counsel and would consider his regard as an insult.

puppy.

Mr. Ingersoll (involuntarily picking up a heavy inkstand and red with anger)—You are a dirty dog.

The court pounding vigorously on a desk restored order. Judge Wylie was visibly shocked. Mr. Merrick explained that he had been pressed beyond the limits of human endurance. The court said the language was inexcusable under any provocation.

Social Society Existing in Spain Out MADRID, Feb. 28. - In the cortes to day M. Condam interpellated the government lusia. He declared a society called the the individual rights of property. He ex-

farmers.

A band of masked armed men, supposed to be members of a secret society, entered a farm at Puerto Zerraux, Andalusia, murdered the men and outraged the women, destroying everying on the place. Several plantations in Andalusia have been partially destroyed by similar bands. Some emis-