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HAPPY MR. ADAM BROWN.

HIS ANTI-CRUELTY BILL GETS ITS SECOND READING.

The Six Months' Hoist Defeated, 72 to 71—Favoritism for Party Purposes Charged Against the Government's Distribution of Public Buildings.

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—This was somewhat of a miscellaneous day in the House and there was some excitement to-night over Mr. Brown's anti-cruelty to animals and birds bill, which got its second reading by the close majority of 1 in a House of 143, and it now stands for consideration in committee of the whole. Col. Tisdale moved the six months' hoist of the bill and this was defeated by a vote of 72 to 71. The vote was strictly non-partisan and indiscriminate. There were five members of the Cabinet in the House when the vote was taken: Sir John Thompson, Sir Adolphe Caron, Mr. Carling, Mr. Dewdney and Mr. Bowell. All but Sir Adolphe supported the bill by their vote and the Minister of Justice, in addition, warmly defended the principle of the bill. Sir Richard Cartwright voted against the bill and Mr. Charlton supported it. Mr. Laurier was not present owing to illness. Nearly all the French members voted against the bill. Mr. Brown is greatly elated over the success of the bill in receiving a second reading and he left the chamber on stilts after the vote was recorded.

There were only half-a-dozen speeches made on the measure. Mr. Brown started off with a warm advocacy of his act, pointing more particularly to the cruelty of trap shooting, dog fighting, rat baiting, etc. Col. Tisdale, in moving the six months' hoist, said the measure was a mawkish, sentimental interference with practical men. He read numerous extracts and letters, and said that the House or the lards of England had voted down a similar measure. Mr. Tisdale said the provinces gave all the protection that was necessary to all kinds of birds but mischievous members of the feathery tribe. Mr. Charlton said it would be a disgrace to the House to reject the bill. Mr. Lister ridiculed the measure, the Minister of Justice supported it. The Minister carved the bill very much when Mr. Brown submitted it to him and it reached the House tonight just in such shape as met his hearty approval. He said the clause that provided for the humane destruction of old and deserted animals was alone worthy of the support of the House.

The vote was taken on Mr. Tisdale's amendment to give it the six months' hoist and the amendment failed by this vote:

YEAS.		
Amyot.	Audet.	Beausoleil.
Bergeron.	Bergin.	Bernier.
Bourassa.	Bryson.	Cargill.
Caron (Sir A.).	Cartwright (Sir R).	Casey.
Cassgrain.	Chouinard.	Cimon.
Cook.	Corby.	Coloombe.
Denison.	Dessaint.	Doyon.
Dupont.	Edgar.	Ferguson (Wel).
Fiset.	Gauthier.	Geoffrion.
Girouard.	Godbout.	Grandbois.
Guay.	Jones.	Jonas.
Jones (Halifax).	Labrosse.	Landerkin.
Lang.	Langelier (Que.).	Lahievere.
Lepine.	Leter.	Lumsden.
McCarthy.	McGuire.	McIntyre.
McMillan (Huron).	McMillan (Vaud'l).	Marshall.
Nelson.	Mitchell.	Moffat.
Montplaisir.	Neven.	Patterson (Essex).
Pinsonneault.	Putnam.	Platt.
Riopel.	Rykert.	Ste. Marie.
Shanly.	Small.	Taylor.
Tupper.	Tisdale.	Trow.
Turcot.	Tyrwhitt.	Vanasse.
Wallace.	Wilmot.	Wilson (Leg.).—71.
NAYS.		
Armstrong.	Bain (West.).	Barron.
Bolsverre.	Bowell.	Bowman.
Boyle.	Brown.	Carling.
Cameron.	Campbell.	Cochrane.
Carpenter.	Charlton.	Coughlin.
Cockburn.	Cotter.	Davin.
Daly.	Davis.	Dewney.
Dawson.	Dickinson.	Edwards.
Dickey.	Ellis.	Ferguson (L. & G).
Eisenhauer.	Feltham.	Gillmor.
Fisher.	Ferguson.	Hesson.
Gordon.	Guillet.	Hudspeth.
Hickey.	Holton.	Jones (Digby).
Innes.	Jamieson.	Laurie.
Kenny.	Kirk.	McDougall. (Pic.)
Levesque.	McDonald. (Vic)	McKeen.
McDougall (C B).	McKay.	Meiga.
McMillan.	Madill.	Mulock.
Mills (Ann).	Moncrieff.	Rosa.
Platt.	Porter.	Sample.
Rowand.	Scriver.	Sproule.
Skinner.	Short (Ont.).	Thompson (Sir J).
Stevenson.	Temple.	Watson.
Tupper.	Waldie.	
Wilson (Lon).—72.		

They all Want P. O. Buildings.

At the afternoon sitting of the House there was a prolonged discussion on a resolution by Mr. Burdett for a return showing the post-offices built in Canada since Confederation. Mr. Burdett spoke at length about the unfair distribution of public buildings in the various towns and villages in Ontario. He wanted to know why such a burg as Cayuga, with a population of 700, should have a new post-office, and a flourishing and enterprising town like Deseronto should be without one. Mr. Burdett was followed by a dozen other members who advocated the claims of their favorite towns for new postoffices.

Mr. Cook wanted to know why the beautiful, intelligent town of Orillia was overlooked. The Ontario Government had built an idiot asylum there but the Dominion Government had given them nothing.

Dr. Ferguson (Leeds): "Some one must have escaped from that asylum."

Mr. Lister complained that there was no uniformity in the manner of treatment. There should be some system based on population or anything else, but politics should not guide. He charged that the erection of buildings at Stratford, Goderich and Strathroy was for the purpose of making political capital. Dr. Bourne said that the erection of a postoffice in Strathroy had nothing to do with his election, as his majority was outside of that town. Mr. Porter charged that Mr. Lister was untruthful when he said the promise of the erection of a post-office at Goderich had any bearing on his election. There had been no promises before the election. Mr. Sutherland believed there should be some principle guiding the policy of the Government in the construction of public buildings. He advocated the claims of the town of Woodstock for favorable consideration.

The Minister of Public Works said he would treasure the information received from hon. members. London was not built in a day, and neither could every town in Canada expect a new postoffice. Perhaps a better time was coming. He held that he had not broken any promise in connection with these postoffice buildings.

Mr. Trow blandly put forth the claims of the beautiful, budding town of St. Marys for a postoffice. "The revenue is $5000 per year at that office," said Mr. Trow, "and there is a free site awaiting the Government for a post-office building." [Cheers.] Mr. Casey said a new postoffice would look well in the thriving town of Ridgetown.

Trade in Fruits, etc., With the U. S.

The question papers were well filled to-day with matters of local interest. In answer to Mr. Boyle the Minister of Customs said that the value of our entire importations from the United States of green fruit, seeds, trees and other articles placed on the free list on order-in-council dated April 4, 1888, from such date to Jan. 1, 1889, was $831,399; the amount of revenue that would have been collected on these importations had they not been made free would be $219,639; the value of similar importations from the United States for the corresponding period of the previous year was $498,183; the value of our exports to the United States of these articles from April 4 to Jan. 1, 1889, was $1,486,022, apples $1,351,432, berries $80,000, seeds $50,000, small fruits $40,570.

The Minister of Marine said in answer to Mr. Moncrieff that the Government intended to erect several range lights at the village of Corunna opposite Stag Island in the River St. Clair.

The other business of the House was of a routine nature. Mr. Marshall introduced a bill to amend the act incorporating the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Canada. Mr. Daly introduced a bill to incorporate the Little Souris and Qu'Appelle Railway.

The Minister of Marine introduced the bill of last session regarding the safety of ships. He said certain clauses of the bill had been more stringent than in the original and would conform more closely with the English act.

Mr. Purcell introduced a bill for the protection of the workingmen against the frauds practised on them by sub-contractors on large public works. Mr. Purcell said it was the duty of Parliament to step in and stop these frauds. Peter Mitchell warmly seconded the measure.

Several private bills were advanced a stage and the House adjourned at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Cook's Home Rule Puzzle.

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—It is unlikely that any amendments to Mr. Cook's Home Rule resolution will be introduced by the Conservatives, who seem somewhat puzzled at this new move on the part of the Liberals. Said Mr. J. J. Curran, Q.C., M.P.: "These resolutions are virtually the same as the anti-coercion motion proposed by me, and carried two sessions ago. I hope Mr. Cook has taken all the necessary precautions to have his motion carried. If it should fail it would be detrimental to the Home Rule cause. Resolutions of sympathy are very good but money for the Parnell defence fund would be a great deal better just now. Many members of Parliament on both sides of the House who are not rich have already contributed to the fund and no doubt Mr. Cook, who is a millionaire, will supplement it by a subscription of a few thousand dollars to help Parnell in his fight against The London Times conspiracy."

A Subsidy Asked for the W. O. & R.

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—This afternoon a deputation of members, consisting of Messrs. White (Cardwell), Cargill, Ward, Sproule, Smith (Ontario), Masson, Tyrwhitt, Mulock and Edgar waited on Sir John A. Macdonald to urge a subsidy to the Western Ontario Railway. The road is projected from Port Hope to Inverhuron, a distance of 176 miles, through the counties of Ontario, York, Cardwell, Simcoe, Grey and Bruce, and if constructed would afford a direct line from Lake Huron to the tide-water, giving connection between Northwestern Ontario and eastern cities 50 to 80 miles shorter than by existing routes. The merits of the project were thoroughly pressed upon the Premier, who stated that the Government has not yet decided whether any bonuses will be granted this year, but that the application will have full consideration if subsidies are given.

Capital Chat.

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—The Senate met to-night after a two weeks' holiday and sat for 15 minutes.

Adam Brown's Frauds on Farmers Committee met and examined one witness as to the sale of fraudulent fertilizers in P.E.I. The witness happened to be in the city and offered this testimony. Mr. Brown got a motion through the House reducing the quorum of the committee to 5.

The Committee on Colonization and Immigration met to-day and had an informal discussion on immigration. The committee expects to get some important statistics on this question this session.

The first Conservative caucus of the session will be held to-morrow. It is expected the Government may throw out a hint about its proposed fast mail contracts and subsidies. It is also said pressure will be brought to bear on the Government not to revise the voters' lists during the present year.

Mr. Haggart did not bring down his postal bill to-day as was promised.

"Hail-down-the-flag," Jones of Halifax took his seat to-day for the first time this session. To even things up for the Haligonians Mr. Kenny also made his first appearance. Mr. Kenny looks pleased over his re-election as president of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax and an increase in his salary.

Mr. Pope is somewhat better this evening.

Apropos of the attack on the seat of Mr. Robertson of Kings, P.E.I., Mr. Lepine (Labor) will enquire on Friday for the names of the ports of the country at which the Government collects hospital dues on ships, the number of seamen treated last season and the amount paid by the Government to these hospitals.

The Minister of the Interior entertained these ladies and gentlemen at dinner this evening: Senator Girard, Dr. Bergin, Mr. Hilton Keith, Touchwood, N. W. T.; Miss Etta Macpherson, Miss Macpherson, Mr. and Mrs. Hayter Reed, Regina, N. W. T., and Dr. and Mrs. Valade.

ONTARIO CRICKETERS.

Annual Meeting of the Association—Officers Elected—Rosedale Admitted.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Cricket Club Association was held last night at the Walker House. President T. Goldie of Guelph occupied the chair. The following delegates were present: East Toronto, C. Jordan, E. T. Dean; Toronto, D. W. Saunders, C. A. Shanly, G. W. Saunders, R.O. McCulloch; Rosedale, Leger; Trinity, Messrs. Martin and Grout; Napanee, H. H. Bedford-Jones; Peterboro', Hector, Dr. D. Parker, A. A. Garrett; Guelph, T. Goldie, T. C. S. Saunders; Hamilton, Aid. Stinson; Oshawa, F. M. Holland; Goodyear Works, S. D. Smith; Toronto University, Messrs. Senkler and Proctor; individual members, Messrs. Stinson, Wilson, Chandler, Wright, Stirling. The annual report was read by the assistant secretary, Mr. W. W. Jones, which showed that the Association is in a better position financially than last year, having reduced the liability by about $25. The report was adopted.

The election of officers for the ensuing year then took place with the following results: Hon. Pres., Lieut-Governor of Ontario; Pres., T. Goldie, Guelph; First Vice-Pres., John Wright; Second Vice, Judge Dartnell; Third Vice, Aid. T. Stinson, Hamilton; Fourth Vice, G. S. Lindsey; Sec.-Treas., John E. Hall; Asst.-Sec., W. Wallace Jones; Committee: Messrs. Collins, R. Gillespie, Hamilton; A. G. Morris, G. G. Rykert, St. Catharines; T. C. S. Saunders, Guelph; D. W. Saunders, J. Stirling, Peterboro; W. Creelman, A. Winslow, C. M. Shanly.

Rosedale was admitted into the association as a new member. Some discussion arose over a proposed change in tie-matches and the feasibility of introducing two classes of matches into the organization, a first-class and intermediate. A general meeting to consider these questions will be held Friday, March 8. A vote of thanks was cordially moved to the secretary-treasurer, Mr. John E. Hall, who was absent owing to illness, for the efficient manner in which he had filled the office of secretary-treasurer, coupled with a wish that he might be speedily restored to health. In reply to a vote of thanks to the president, Mr. J. Goldie in a neat speech referred to the past work of the association and the efforts being put forward to bring the noble game of cricket to the front in this Province. He said that his interests were with cricket as a game and not as a source of revenue, and expressed his opinion of the desirability of engaging a professional who could be loaned about to the smaller clubs, and thus have the game brought to a greater state of perfection than exists at the present day.

PLACED IN POSTS OF HONOR.

The Managers of the Provincial Fair Appoint Many Officers.

The Agriculture and Arts Association concluded its annual meeting yesterday. The following were appointed judges on prize farms for Western Ontario: Francis Green, Jr., Innerkip; John B. Freeman, M. L. A., Simcoe; John I. Hobson, Mossboro; John Lowrie, Sarnia. The following are the officers elected to the different departments, and committees: Veterinary Surgeon and Referee, Andrew Smith, V.S.; General Superintendent, A. H. White, Chatham; Superintendent of Machinery and Mechanical Department, H. Jackson, Newmarket; Superintendent of Horticultural Department, James Mitchell, London; Superintendent Arts Department, Thomas Hunter, Toronto; Judges, Robert Vallance, Omemrick Centre; Cattle, E. W. Chambers, Woodstock; Sheep, Horace Chisholm, Paris; Swine, William Collins, Peterboro; Poultry, William McNeil, London; Bankers, Canadian Bank of Commerce. Sub-committees: Horses, Messrs. Avrey and Shipley; Sheep and Pigs, Messrs. Vance and Dawson; Poultry, Messrs. Palmer and McPherson; Implements, Messrs. Dawson and Rowan; Arts Department, Messrs. Morgan and Avrey; Horticultural Products, Messrs. Palmer and Rykert; Agricultural Products, Messrs. Legge and Palmer; Dairy Products, Messrs. Dawson and McPherson. There being no more business the meeting then adjourned.

Excursion.

H. W. Van Every, the well known excursion agent of this city, is running a cheap trip to New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington. Tickets are good to leave on Feb. 28th, March 1st, 2nd and 3rd, good to return on any train up to and including March 8th. The rate for the round trip is only $14.50. A large party should take advantage of this cheap excursion, as it takes in the four great cities of America, and the excursionists will be enabled to witness the inauguration of President Harrison on March 4th, which will be a gala day at the American Capital. Berths can be reserved in advance. For tickets and further particulars apply at his office, 5 Adelaide-street east. 46

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SPARE, O SPARE THE FAIR!

MR. AWREY SAYS THE USEFULNESS OF THE PROVINCIAL IS GONE.

What They Discussed at the Local House Yesterday—They Will Bury the Provincial Exhibition in London—Another Year's Lease of Life.

Yesterday afternoon at the House was principally devoted to the discussion of Mr. Awrey's motion to abolish the Provincial Fair.

Among the bills introduced was one by Mr. Conmee respecting the reference of certain matters to arbitration. Mr. Conmee's bill proposes to take away from the judge at trial the power to refer any matters excepting those relating to accounts to arbitration without the consent of the parties to the issue.

Mr. Garson introduced a bill to provide for the extension of the waterworks of the city of St. Catharines and "for other purposes."

A bill was introduced by Mr. Waters to enable Brockville to issue debentures for drainage purposes.

The Provincial Fair—To Be or Not To Be?

When Mr. Awrey, seconded by Mr. Bishop, both Reform members, rose to move the following resolution, he was received with a round of generous applause:

That this House, recognizing that the Provincial Exhibition has in the past proved of no little service to the interests of Agriculture; that the work it has hitherto done is now being more effectually done by the exhibitions held in our large cities; that in view of the fact that the Provincial Exhibition has proved a financial failure year after year, aggregating a loss during the last seven years of no less a sum than ten thousand dollars, and that it meets each year with but indifferent support; that the large cities refuse to give it their show grounds for exhibition purposes; that property belonging to the Province, held in trust by the Board of Agriculture, can be disposed of to meet yearly deficits; that the Board of Agriculture released a lien of four thousand dollars held upon the property of the Western Fair Association and have agreed to give the Association a grant of one thousand dollars in addition thereto for the privilege of holding their exhibitions in the City of London every fourth year, and that such indifference of the unpopularity of the Provincial Exhibition are now creditable to the Province, is of opinion that it would not be justified in refunding or give any further grants for the purpose of holding a Provincial Exhibition under the direction and management of the Board of Agriculture.

Mr. Fraser moved in amendment that the grant should be refused after the present year. Both on the original motion and resolution there was a lively discussion occupying the entire afternoon.

Weighed and Found Wanting.

Mr. Awrey in support of his motion reviewed the Province's progress in matters agricultural during the past years, all of which he attributed to the influence of the Provincial Exhibition. When the first exhibition was held in 1846 there was very little pure-bred stock in Ontario and very little interest taken in farm work excepting in the growth of cereals. Exhibitions then excited no small degree of interest and their exhibits no small amount of admiration; but surely an exhibition held in Kingston a proof of the scarcity of good stock at that time was furnished. The journals gave a lengthy account of a Clydesdale stallion, and a threshing machine was looked upon as a marvellous invention. In 1851 $24,644 was voted for the purpose of encouraging agriculture. From 1854 to 1861 there was a marked increase, both in the number of entries and of prizes distributed, in the provincial exhibitions. From 1861 to 1870 the interest in agriculture spread with extreme rapidity. From 1870 to 1880 there had been an increase in live stock. There were in this year no less than 1,701,167 head of cattle in the province, and 350 herds of what were called thoroughbred cattle.

So far he had given the credit to the provincial exhibition, but of late its influence had seemed to be on the decrease. Now the work was done more effectually by the extensive local exhibition of the large Canadian cities. For purely agricultural purposes Toronto had paid an average in the years 1884-5-6 of $16,000 per annum, and in 1887-8 $20,000 per annum was expended. So it was with the other cities of Ontario. Mr. Awrey gave some figures to show that the Provincial Exhibition had been a financial failure. In proof of this the mover gave the figures showing the expenses of the Provincial Exhibition. For instance in 1887 there were $12,111 paid in prizes and $5478 expenses exclusive of the expenses of the secretary and treasurer.

The diminished attendance of the Provincial Exhibitions was a further proof that its usefulness was gone. Some of the cities of Ontario were not over-anxious to have the Provincial Exhibition with them, and so this year Brockville should be asked and if the city was compelled to travel like a caravan from town to town. We had now advanced so far in agricultural interests as to no longer require this educational influence. The press and the people were a unit on this question, all of which went to show that the usual grant should not be given to the Provincial Exhibition. In short it should be given a decent burial.

Why Not Bury It in London?

Hon. Mr. Drury, while he did not oppose the motion, wished the grant to be acceded this year in order that the agreement with London could be carried out. He asked that the resolution should not apply to 1889 and he thought that would be a fair compromise. This would enable the agreement with the city of London to be carried out. "It has been proposed to give the exhibition a decent burial," he said, "why not bury it in the city of London?" [Laughter.]

Mr. Bishop, the seconder of the motion, would not think of endorsing the amendment and said, "I thought there was a nigger in the fence somewhere." He wanted his name withdrawn from the motion.

A voice: "You can't withdraw it now."

Mr. Bishop: "Then I have been drawn into a trap by my hon. friend."

At this point the champion of Woman Suffrage, Mr. Waters, rose from his seat on the Opposition benches and quoted some figures from The World newspaper to show that, as Mr. Drury said, the grant should be allowed at least this year and that the exhibition should be held at London.

A Word for the Side-shows.

Some reference had been made, not altogether of a complimentary character, to exhibition side-shows, and Mr. H. E. Clarke said if any grave legislator merely wished to inspect some live stock he might put some wax in his ears and thus escape the voice of the syren. He thought that the much abused side-show was a very good innovation.

Mr. Whitney was another opponent of the original motion. He thought Mr. Awrey's argument that the exhibition should be abolished on the ground that it was a financial failure was unsound. He made the somewhat remarkable application of the mover's argument that the insane asylums were not a financial success yet no one would advocate the abolishing of these institutions.

Mr. Meredith thought the city of London was rather giving than receiving any benefit in having the Provincial Exhibition held in that city. He agreed that there could be no better place to buy it than in the city of London and no more melodious voice to sing its requiem than that of his hon. friend opposite.

The Fair Granted Another Year's Lease.

Mr. A. M. Ross said that when the exhibition had been held in London it had always been a marked success. He agreed that it would only be fair to accede to the request of Mr. Drury to permit the grant this year. But there could be no doubt that Provincial sentiment favored its abolition.

Dr. Bergin thought with the member from Middlesex that the re-establishment of the Industrial Exhibition would be demanded by the people of the Province within 10 years. But at present public sentiment should be admitted.

The mover would only consent to the amendment on the understanding that the House was pledged to send the Provincial Exhibition to London this year.

The motion as amended was then put to the House and carried by a majority of 59 to 16 on the following division:

YEAS—Allan, Armstrong, Awrey, Ballantyne, Blezard, Blyth, Caldwell, Chisholm, Clancy, Clarke, H. E. (Toronto), Clarke (Wellington), Connee, Craig, Creighton, Cruess, Dack, Dance, Davis, Drury, Dryden, Fell, Ferguson, Field, Fraser, Freeman, Garson, Gibson (Hamilton), Gibson (Huron), Gilmour, Graham, Guthrie, Hammell, Harcourt, Hudson, Kerns, Mack, Marter, Master, Meredith, Morgan, Miller, Mowat, Murray, Oatman, Pacaud, Preston, Ross (Huron), Ross (Middlesex), Smith (Frontenac), Smith (York), Snider, Stewart, Tooley, Waters, Willoughby, Wood (Hastings), Wood (Brant), Wylie.

NAYS—Balfour, Bishop, Bronson, Eventurel, Gould, Ingram, McAndrew, McMahon, Meacham, Monk, Morin, O'Connor, Phelps, Robillard, Rorke, Stratton.

Local Incorporations.

The Private Bills Committee yesterday reported a bill to incorporate the Town of West Toronto Junction. Before the Junction, Carleton and Davenport were consolidated, a by-law appropriating $75,000 for waterworks was passed in West Toronto Junction. One of the conditions of this consolidation was the extension of the improvements to Davenport and Carleton. The sum voted by the by-law has been found inadequate for this purpose. The bill introduced by Mr. Gilmour is to give the Junction power to issue debentures in the sum of $25,000 to complete the improvements. The bill, after some opposition on the part of Mr. Leys, was unanimously adopted.

The Committee on Standing Orders passed bills incorporating the Village of Sundridge, the Yorkville Loop Line, consolidating the Parkdale debt and giving certain special powers to the Brockville town council.

DINING THE M. L. A.'s.

The Lieutenant-Governor Entertains a Large Party of Notables.

Lieut.-Governor Sir Alexander Campbell gave a large dinner party last night at Government House, when many members and officials of the Legislative Assembly were present. These were the invited guests:

Hon. Oliver Mowat, Hon. Thomas Ferguson, M.L.A., James K. Toronto, M.L.A., Absalom S. Allan, M.L.A., William Garson, M.L.A., Thos. Bain (West), M.L.A., Wm. D. Balfour, M.L.A., Thos. Bellantyne, M.L.A., Lieut.-Colonel Gilmour, Jno. W. T. Bigger, M.L.A., Archibald Blyth, M.L.A., Thomas Blezard, M.L.A., John Bell, M.L.A., Wm. Cockburn, M.L.A., John Dryden, M.L.A., James Clancy, M.L.A., Hon. Alex. Campbell, Sgt.-at-Arms Glackmeyer, Edward Guy, M.L.A., Henry E. Clarke, M.L.A., Thomas D. Craig, M.L.A., Charles J. Campbell, Ass't Adm Rec.-General, Dr. Jas. McMahon, M.L.A., Thomas Ballantyne, M.L.A., Samuel Armstrong, M.L.A., Fred. J. French, M.L.A., John B. Freeman, M.L.A., Hon. C. F. Fraser, Hon. H. Richardson, M.L.A., Corelli C. Field, M.L.A., Mr. Speaker Baxter, Robert Ferguson, M.L.A., John Blyth, M.L.A., Erskine H. Bronson, M.L.A., Alfred Eventurel, M.L.A., Kenneth Chisholm, M.L.A., Elias J. David, M.L.A., Charles Clarke, M.L.A., Hon. John Gibson, Walter M. David, M.L.A., James Conmee, M.L.A., David Creighton, M.L.A., Hon. John G. Cruess, M.L.A.

THEY DIFFER LIKE DOCTORS.

Various Opinions as to the Value of a Property in University-street.

The drill shed arbitrators, consisting of Judge Morgan, Henry O'Brien and James E. Smith, are doing their best to hurry the matter. They have sat all week and will do so till the end of the week. Tuesday and yesterday they were engaged upon the case of Cornelius Loarden, whose property in University-street consists of a lot with a pair of two-story semi-detached houses. Mr. Loarden states that he bought the property four years ago for $1650; he then consisting of the land with an old house. He subsequently built the present one at a cost of $3300 and he values the whole at $10,000.

On behalf of Mr. Loarden these valuations were given: Edward Stevenson, $8125; W. Clarke (houses only), $3700; Louis Lalone, $10,000; Frank P. Lee, $7200; H. B. Boyle, $6895; Thomas Downey, $9000; Thomas Kane, $10,000; Frank Hillock, $8733; W. G. Boon, $7804; E. W. D. Butler, $7236.

For the city these gentlemen gave these valuations: Frank Cayley, $5957; H. S. Mara, $5757; C. C. Baines, $5757; C. S. Williams, $5219; H. L. Hime, $5953; L. H. Robertson, $6200.

In 1885 the city, for the purpose of extending Hamilton-street over the Don, expropriated a strip of land 50 by 265 feet. On Tuesday and last night these arbitrators sat for the purpose of hearing valuations: John Leys, M.L.A., James E. Smith and Frank Cayley, Q.C., represented the city and Mr. James Tilt, Q.C., the property owners. These valuations made in 1885 were given on behalf of the claimants: H. L. Hime, $2000; J. Enoch Thompson, $2000; H. S. Mara, $1750 (worth $35 a foot in 1885 and $55 now); W. Hope, $1905; C. C. Baines, $1750; Frank P. Lee, $1750; Fred S. Wilkins, $2000; E. W. D. Butler, $1995; John McKinnon, from $8 to $10 a foot. Thos. Grinuell said that he had bought property at Broadview-avenue and Elliott-street at $20 a foot which was now worth $40.

WHERE CRIMINALS ARE MADE.

Provincial County Jails Pronounced Hotbeds of Vice and Immorality.

At the meeting of the Ontario Jailers' Association at the Rossin House, Toronto, the condition of the county jails was fully discussed, and statements were made which will be a revelation to many philanthropists. It was proposed that the Government should assume complete control of all jails, appoint all jailers and subordinates, so as to secure better control and discipline among the prisoners. The present system of dual control was a serious drawback to any successful plan for dealing with prisoners. The present condition of Ontario jails disclosed a state of affairs unparalleled in any civilized country under the sun. Jailers recorded how raving maniacs had to be kept among criminals; young girls in for trivial offences confined in corridors with confirmed thieves and prostitutes; young lads detained for some boyish freak compelled to associate with the confirmed rascaldom of a country. When the discussion closed, several jailers detailed the horribly insanitary state of their jails, which had caused disease and death. It was decided to put the whole matter in the form of a memorial to the Provincial Government.

BAD WORDS AND BLOWS.

Mr. C. B. Doherty and Mr. C. C. Scales Have a Falling Out.

"Blackmailer" and "swindler" are rough words, but they passed between two Toronto merchants in a King-street resort on Tuesday afternoon, and the result will be a couple of slander suits at the next assizes. The parties concerned are no less personages than Mr. Charles B. Doherty, ex-license commissioner, and Mr. Christopher Columbus Scales, the cigar man. They met in the place referred to and had some words about business matters, Mr. Scales having previously bought extensively from Mr. Doherty.

Hot talk ensued, and it is alleged that Scales called the ex-license commissioner a blackmailer, and that he could prove his assertion. Mr. Doherty, it is said, retorted that Scales was a swindler and something else. Mr. Doherty is alleged to have struck Mr. Scales. Mr. Peter Sinnl was present and also took a hand in.

Now Mr. Scales is about to sue Mr. Doherty for damages for slander and assault, while Mr. Doherty, it is said, will also enter a slander action. Christopher Columbus says he can prove that Mr. Doherty is a blackmailer and intends to adduce evidence to justify his assertion.

Mr. G. H. Ryder of Boston and Mr. Aug. S. Vogt will play at the organ Recital and concert to be given in the McCaul-Street Methodist Church, Friday evening.

The Colonel's Court.

The Police Magistrate yesterday remanded a peddler named Albert Butler, 207 Lefroy-street, till to-morrow on a charge of fraud in the disposal of barrels of apples. It was a question of putting the best on the top. Robert Elliott was sent to the Central for six months for stripping a house of lead pipe. Edward Jamieson, for theft of a fur cap, got 60 days, and Fred Dane three months for theft of a clock.

Organ recital and Concert at the McCaul-Street Methodist Church, on Friday evening. Tickets 25c.

After New Schools.

The Public School Board Sites and Buildings Committee inspected several sites for proposed new schools in the East End. It was decided to recommend the addition of four rooms to Rose-avenue school, to enlarge Winchester-street school, and to add six rooms to the Park school.

Nothing compares with Tutti Frutti Gum.

What is more annoying than to have your button flying off the back of the neck just as you are going to see your best girl, or in the midst of the gay assemblage at the ball, to find the collar riding about your ears? You can avoid all these little annoyances by giving your order to A. White, 65 King-street west. The best shirt made at $11.50 the 3 doz.

THE PRINCE AND PREMIER

THERE WAS A PLOT TO MURDER WALES AND GLADSTONE.

The Irish Leaders Said to Have Agreed in 1881 That England's Power Must be Neutralized by "Removing" Her Leading Men—Pigott on the Stand.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Mr. Houston, secretary of the Irish Loyal and Patriotic Union, was further cross-examined before the Parnell Commission this morning. Witness said he accepted the letters solely on Pigott's statement. Two days before the commission opened Pigott wrote him an abusive letter demanding that after testifying he should be given $25,000.

Houston said he did not think Pigott's statements were very accurate, because Pigott only repeated what other persons said. Between October, 1886, and January, 1888, he paid Pigott $1000, but The Times paid the bills from May, 1887. Pigott, when he wrote to witness demanding $25,000, said he had been coerced in Soames' office into making a statement under false pretences. Witness did not answer the letter.

Attorney-General Webster read notes made by Pigott of conversations with Eugene Davis. According to the notes Davis stated Egan took him into his confidence. Davis knew the I.R.B. and the F.B. were connected with the League, one working openly and the other secretly, the "B.'s" finding men and the League money.

The Policy of Removals.

Egan was in Paris with Parnell, O'Kelly, Dillon, Brennan and Harris in 1881. He told Davis he had long conferences with those gentlemen, and all had agreed that the situation rendered reprisals against England imperative and England's power could be neutralized only by removing as many of her leading men as possible. Walsh, Sheridan and others were to be sent to Ireland to plan the murders. Davis stated that Parnell's arrest Egan appealed to the Fenian leaders to execute the work more energetically. Walsh went to Dublin and appointed Carey, Mullett and Curley as his chief men. Tynan, Byrne, Colbert and Sheridan were also associated with him. Egan was invariably consulted regarding the selection of murderers. Egan strongly reproved Tynan for failing to appear at Kingsbridge in time to give the signal for Forster's murder.

Davis was in a cafe in Paris when Tynan related the whole history of the Phœnix Park murders. Tynan took pride in having given the signal for Cavendish's murder. Egan professed to be highly delighted, but regretted that Tynan had not commenced work earlier. Egan gave Bryne the letter, a facsimile of which was published by The Times.

A Plot to Murder the Prince of Wales.

There was a plot to murder the Prince of Wales and Gladstone during the carnival at Cannes. Bryne and Tynan were within striking distance, but did not attempt to carry out the plan.

Houston under cross-examination said he did not regard all this statement as accurate. This reply was greeted with laughter.

Houston denied that he destroyed Pigott's letters because they cast doubt upon the genuineness of the letters published by The Times. He said he destroyed them because he believed that if they were published the lives of certain persons would be at the mercy of assassins. Houston said Davis was in England and that Somaes subpœnaed him.

Pigott Testifies.

Richard Pigott, a well-dressed and benevolent looking man apparently about 60, was then called. He testified he was proprietor of the Fenian organ, The Irishman, in 1865. He belonged to the Supreme Council F. B. All members of the Amnesty Association in 1870 were Fenians. Parnell belonged and about 1871 Biggar, Barry, Harris, Nearcy, Mullett and Murphy belonged to the Supreme Council of the I. R. B. Witness belonged to the I. R. B. until August, 1881. He was not an active member.

He denied the negotiations in 1879 by which The Irishman and The Flag of Ireland were sold to a company in which Parnell and Egan were shareholders. He did not doubt that the League provided the money. Later, Egan said he proposed to rubber the lives of the English officials in England but was afraid of barrels, churches, and replying to a question said that of course Parnell was aware of this proposal.

The Times on Canada and the U. S.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—The Times, referring to the debate in the Canadian Parliament, says that there is no occasion for Canadians to calculate the profit and loss of their connection with England. The real cause of their troubles is certainly not indifference to Canadian interests on the part of England. The cause will be found in the well known exigencies of the Presidential election in the United States. The Times says it will not anticipate what the Harrison Cabinet will do, but it may be fairly hoped that the question of immediate interest to Canada will be considered without prejudice and with mutual good will.

The Abyssinia Expedition.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 20.—The Grashdanin says that 300 men will reinforce the Atchinoff expedition to Abyssinia in the spring.

Gladstone's Greeting in London.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—Mr. Gladstone arrived here to-day. He was welcomed by a great throng and a delegation from the Italian colony presented him with an address:

De Freycinet Asked to Form a Cabinet.

PARIS, Feb. 20.—President Carnot has summoned M. de Freycinet to form a Cabinet.

De Freycinet has undertaken to form a Cabinet, and it is believed he will succeed.

Peterboro License Bylaw.

PETERBORO, Feb. 20.—A bylaw fixing hotel licenses at $400, saloon licenses at $600 and shop licenses at $200 was carried to-day by a majority of 33.

Yesterday Soapy Bob Smith, a well-known fakir who has lived here for years and who was well known throughout Canada and the United States, died suddenly of heart disease. He is known to have amassed a small fortune since coming here.

A Cunard Steward Caught Smuggling.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—John Williams, linen steward on the Cunard steamship Servia, was arrested to-day charged with attempting to smuggle several thousand dollars worth of silks. Williams says he was hired to smuggle the goods by a leading silk merchant of this city, a warrant for whose arrest has also been issued.

Terrible Famine in Corea.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—A despatch from the United States Consul-General at Seoul, the capital of Corea, says: A terrible famine prevails in Southern Corea. People are reduced to the last extremity and many are starving.

Anti-Ritualists at St. Alb's.

ST. CATHARINES, Feb. 20.—A branch of the Church of England Defence Association was formed here yesterday. Thirty-four signed the roll and W. Hamilton Merritt was chosen president.

Adams' Tutti Frutti aids digestion.

The Influence of Spring.

In the Spring the girl will doff the glossy sealskin sacque she wore,
Thus enabling her to don a bigger bustle than before.
In the spring the youth his person in the latest fashion decks,
And with quinn's new collar "Gates Ajar" he charms the other sex.

The Vacant Archbishopric.

While the Roman Catholic bishops of London, Kingston, Hamilton and Peterboro were in town this week they conferred about the vacant Archbishopric of Toronto, and if the three favored names were not sent before they were surely sent this week. This is enough.

MILITARY MEN AT OTTAWA.

The 21st Annual Meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association.

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—The Capital was full of military men to-day and more are coming in to-night and in the morning. There are few