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LIVELY TIME IN THE HOUSE

OVER A DEPUTY RETURNING OFFICER IN HALDIMAND.

Who is Alleged to Have Been an Ex-convict —Fur Flies Around the Chamber—The Entrance to Toronto's Harbor—Scandinavian Divorce Cases.

OTTAWA, April 19.—When Charles Young on May 2, 1879, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment at Brantford for stealing four bushels of wheat, he little thought that ten years afterward his crime would be thrashed out in Parliament and made the subject of a warm debate, that a K.C.B. member of the House of Commons would think it of sufficient importance to place a motion on the paper concerning it, and in addition give the hon. the Minister of Justice a little liveliness because of an answer he had given the House on a previous occasion when the matter was referred to. But such is the irony of fate. Young served his term in the Brant County Jail, which is now so ably presided over by Mr. Hanson and Corpulent Sheriff Scarfe. It is said that since that time Young has led an honest life. He is now a farmer in the township of Oneida in Haldimand, and he was one of the deputy returning officers in the elections in that county on Feb. 23, 1887, and again on Nov. 12, 1887, in both of which Dr. Montague, the sitting member, defeated Mr. C. W. Colter.

Dr. J. A. Langrell of Jarvis was the returning officer at both elections and his appointment of Young as one of his deputies in face of his having served a term of imprisonment a decade ago, was the cause of the fuss in the House this afternoon.

On April 9 Sir Richard Cartwright asked this question: "Are the Government aware that one Charles Young, who acted as a deputy returning officer in the two elections of 1887, at whose polls certain irregularities are alleged to have occurred, served a term of imprisonment for theft in Brant prior to being appointed deputy returning officer aforesaid."

To which the Minister of Justice made this reply: The Government are not aware that Charles Young served a term of imprisonment prior to being again appointed deputy-returning officer. They are informed that he has not. Charles Young, as deputy-returning officer, was not in any sense an officer of the Government, but were informed that he is a respectable man who has held several offices of trust in Haldimand, and that he was recommended for this office by several persons of credit, including a prominent Liberal politician. The only charge with regard to irregularities at his polling place was investigated and dismissed.

Sir Richard Cartwright, after reading the above record of the proceedings of the House of April 9, produced three affidavits which he also read. One was from Sheriff Scarfe enclosing a copy of the entry in the county jail of Brant. This showed that Charles Young had served six months for larceny, being sentenced on May 2, 1879. Another was from Mr. C. W. Colter to the effect that he informed Dr. Langrell that he was appointing improper persons as his deputies but that he paid no attention to the protest. The third was an affidavit from Timothy Mockmann, a farmer of Haldimand, to the effect that he lived on the next farm to Young. The latter admitted as late as two weeks ago that he had served six months in the Brant Jail for theft in 1879. When Sir Richard had finished these documents on the Dickson case evolved much wrathfulness against the Government for having an ex-convict in its staff of officers for few around the chamber for about 15 hours.

The Minister of Justice utterly repudiated any responsibility on the part of the Government for the past or present character of the deputy returning officers. There were 9000 or 10,000 of these officials in the country, and the Government knew little or nothing about them. The Government had no knowledge of their fitness or qualification for the position. The returning officer alone was responsible for his deputies.

Sir Richard Cartwright: "But there were several irregularities at Young's polling division, No. 1, in Oneida. Several ballot boxes were spoiled, and the County Judge returned these ballots to Mr. Colter."

The Minister of Justice: "I did not make an elaborate investigation of Young's conduct, but I heard of no irregularities."

Mr. Thompson again repeated that the Government was in no way responsible for deputy returning officers, that they were not its officers, and that he thought the question asked by Sir Richard was not a proper one. The minister also remarked that he did not know whether the papers read by Sir Richard were true or not.

There was a good deal of lively talk after this announcement. Sir John got excited, and during his excitement knocked Sir Charles Tupper's "plug" hat off during a circumlocutionary swing of his hand while declaring that the Conservatives were compelled in self-defence to adopt the present mode of appointing the returning officers under the "Gerrymander Act."

Old Man Freeman, of Queens, N.S., wanted to fight with some one because the opposition speakers questioned the honesty of the Government and its followers in the House.

Mr. "Billy" Patterson, of Brant, waxed loudly eloquent and demanded that the Minister of Justice should apologize for not telling the House that he had made a thorough investigation into Young's character and had been misinformed.

Mr. Madill, of Ontario, scored one by telling the House that Premier Mowat had appointed ex-convictsas magistrates in his (Madill's) part of the country. "But," added Mr. Madill, "some of Mr. Mowat's other appointments are even worse than these. This was thought good enough for a hearty laugh all over the Government chairs.

Mr. Edgar got square with his fellow-member from Ontario by saying that Young had been discharged by the Ontario Government for defalcation in Treasurer Ross' department, had since been employed by the Dominion Government.

Sir John made this mysterious matter more mysterious by calling out: "Oh, that must be Dr. Hagarty." The matter was then dropped.

Government Measures.

The balance of the sitting until the adjournment at 10.30 p.m. was devoted to disposing of Government measures. In the absence of the Minister of the Interior, who is still quite ill from congestion of the lungs, the Minister of Justice sent up a bill to amend the Indian Act, and it was read a first time. The most important provisions of this act are for increasing the stringencies of penalties for selling liquor to Indians, imposing municipal taxes on Indian lands in the older provinces, and providing for the transfer of Indians on municipal tax deals.

The House went into committee on the Minister of Inland Revenue's bill to amend the Adulteration of Food Act. This act provided for enlarging the range of articles that shall be known as "food," and specially includes baking powders, which were heretofore not regarded as food. It also provides for employing the inspectors of weights and measures, their deputies and other inland revenue officers, to collect samples of food, drugs and agricultural fertilizers for analysing purposes. For this additional service these officers will be given an increase of salary. The bill also provides that any member of the examining board shall be classed as an analyst, and his standing shall be such in a court of justice. The bill was reported back to the House and stands for a third reading.

Sir Charles Tupper's bill extending the time for two years on the bonus for the Chignecto Marine Transport Railway Company was called up for a second reading. The bonus is $150,000 per year for twenty years. Sir Charles was enthusiastic in his advocy of the usefulness of this marine railway in transporting ships across the neck from the Straits of Northumberland to the Bay of Fundy, thus saving the sea journey round Nova Scotia.

Peter Mitchell made a vigorous kick against the bill. He said if he owned a ship he would never have it transported by this railway.

The House divided on the second reading and it was ordered by a vote of 82 to 82. A number of other Government bills were read a second time.

THE EASTERN GAP.

Deepening the Eastern Channel Urged by a Toronto Delegation.

OTTAWA, April 19.—Barlow Cumberland John Foy and Peter McIntyre, representing the steamboat owners and vesselmen of Toronto, had an interview with the Minister of Public Works to-day with reference to deepening the Eastern Channel so that all classes of steamers and vessels could enter the Queen City Harbor by that route.

The points submitted by the deputation were briefly these: That the depth of the present entrance to the harbor is 6 feet at the Eastern Channel and 12 feet at the Western Channel. That the depth of all the Western Channel has to be maintained by constant dredging, the cost of which last year amounted to $11,638. That the depth of water in the Welland Canal is now 14 feet. That in order to accommodate vessels of this size and draft of water it will be necessary to have one of the harbor entrances deepened to at least 15 feet, so that vessels may enter safely in rough water. (These large Welland Canal vessels can't come into the Toronto harbor at all now.)

The deputation asked that the Eastern Channel be deepened to 15 feet and advanced these substantial reasons therefor: It would then accommodate the bulk of the lake traffic, both freight and passenger, coming to the city. It will save a detour of about seven miles to steamers and other craft coming up the lake with freight and passengers from Montreal, Oswego, Rochester, Niagara and Port Dalhousie, and in addition would be a great convenience and saving of time and towage to sailing vessels entering the harbor. A depth of eighteen feet could be obtained without the expense of blasting rock, as would be necessary to obtain a greater depth than twelve feet at the Western Channel. The closing of the Eastern Gap, the deputation pointed out, to a width of 400 feet is necessary to protect the wharves and shipping in the harbor from the fury of eastern gales. The building of necessary piers and cribbing for a navigable channel at the Eastern Gap would, in a large measure, also protect that part of the Island from eastern gales and thus render any large expenditure of money in extending the present Island breakwater unnecessary. It was also pointed out that Toronto is the only harbor of refuge between Hamilton and Kingston. If the Eastern Gap were enlarged, as the deputation asked for, it would be an immense saving of time for excursionists going to Victoria Park. The Niagara boats, the Chicora and the new Cibola, could make the trip from the Queen City in 1 hour and 40 minutes.

Sir Hector Langevin gave the deputation an encouraging answer and he will send his chief engineer, Mr. Perley, to make a report on the ground.

Mr. Cumberland and Mr. Foy, on behalf of the Niagara Navigation Company, subsequently saw the Deputy Minister of Marine and asked that a bell buoy be placed at the entrance to the Niagara River. This would cost about $1000. At present during a fog steamers entering the river are greatly inconvenienced by the unsatisfactory means in use. Mr. Foy and Mr. Cumberland returned to Toronto this evening.

DIVORCE CASES.

An Unsavory Application—The Hart Case—The Fisheries Treaty Bill.

OTTAWA, April 19.—One of the most unsavory divorce applications ever heard by a Senate committee was the White case from Port Dover, up in the County of Norfolk. The evidence was put into print, as such evidence generally is, for distribution among the members of the House of Commons and Senators. Apparently there is no filth deep enough to suit some of our legislators, for such copies of the evidence as got afloat in the city have been devoured with the keenest relish. This morning I noticed an ex-member of Parliament, who is now here, a man of family, sitting in the House of Commons chamber. Around him were gathered half a dozen of Western Ontario members, all of them good family men. The ex-member was reading half aloud to his attentive listeners the details of this unsavory morsel from the shores of Lake Erie. This proceeding was kept up for over an hour.

In the Senate this afternoon the committee who heard the case reported in favor of throwing out the bill, which the House promptly did. There was a long discussion as to the propriety of insertion of such vile literature as the evidence taken in the case among the Commons and Senators. It was also freely stated that it was decidedly wrong to expect men who are sent to Ottawa to assist in the making of our laws to sit in judgment and listen to such vile stories. This goes to show that The World's advocacy of a divorce court would be in the right direction.

After the subject was pretty thoroughly discussed a resolution was passed that none but members of the Senate should be sent copies of the evidence.

The old sports in the Upper House by this resolution, came to the conclusion that it would not molest their morals in the least but it would be very wrong and reprehensible to allow any but their dear old selves to become possessed of copies. But at the same time enough of copies have been circulated to let nearly every one around the Parliament Buildings who wants to get a peep at it.

The Divorce Committee to-day heard the evidence of Robert Hart, brother of Fred Hart, from whom Eleanor Elizabeth Tudor is seeking a divorce. Robert told the committee that his brother's wife was very jealous and suspicious. As far as he knew there were no grounds for these suspicions. They lived very unhappily. More evidence is to be heard. Mrs. Hart is said to be worth $150,000 in her own right.

Mr. Abbott introduced his bill to amend the Fisheries Treaty Bill which has passed the House of Commons. It will come up for discussion and a second reading on Monday.

Duty on Fashion Plates.

OTTAWA, April 19.—Mr. A. S. Irving, President of the Toronto News Company, had an interview with the Minister of Customs to-day about the recent order of the department taxing fashion plates which come into the country in such publications as The Young Ladies' Journal, when they are separated from the book itself, 6 cents per lb. and 20 per cent. ad valorem. Mr. Irving put a very good case against the decision. These plates can enter the United States free and from there can be smuggled in cheaper than they can be purchased in Canada without paying duty, but when they come in bulk to wholesale dealers they are dutiable under the commissioner's recent ruling. Mr. Irving will see the Minister again to-morrow.

The Railway Committee.

OTTAWA, April 19.—The River St. Lawrence is to be bridged pretty freely if the schemes now on foot ever come to anything. The Railway Committee this morning reported the bill with amendments to incorporate the Ottawa, Morrisburg and New York Railway and Bridge Company. The capital stock of the company is $500,000 with power to increase to $2,000,000 in $100 shares. The chief promoters are Ira Morgan, J. P. Whitney, M. J. Anderson, R. C. Carter, Neil McIntyre, Sellar Leishman and Chas. A. Myers. The company proposed to construct a line of railway from Ottawa to or near Morrisburg and to bridge the St. Lawrence River to connect with the railway system of New York State. This road will traverse the ground of the defunct Ottawa, Waddington and New York Railway. Dr. Hickey, M.P., is at the head of both of them. The friends of the expired scheme made a feeble attempt to assert their rights before the committee to-day, but they were virtually laughed out of court, as their charter relapsed over a year ago.

The committee also reported, with amendments, Mr. Shanley's bill to incorporate the Grenville International Bridge Company, whose chief promoters are Hon. A. W. Ogilvie, Sir A. T. Galt, F. W. Henshaw, C.S. Gzowski, H. F. Gault and D. Morrice, all of Montreal. The capital stock is $1,000,000 in $100 shares. The object of the company is to build a bridge across the St. Lawrence River, at or near Prescott to Ogdensburg, N.Y.

CAPITAL NOTES.

Dinners by Speaker Allan and Sir John—The Wimbledon Team.

OTTAWA, April 19.—Speaker Allan gave his first dinner to-night. These gentlemen were present:

Senator Clemow,	Senator Campbell,
Senator Howlan,	Senator Montgomery,
Senator Dickey,	Senator Dever,
Senator Almon,	Senator Bagnhorne,
Senator Ferrier,	Senator Dell-ncherville,
Senator Miller,	Senator Archibald,
Senator Armand,	Hon. J. S. D. Thompson,
Clerk Langevin,	Ast. Clerk Adamson,
Mr. Cockburn, M.P.,	Mr. Small, M.P.,
Mr. Denison, M.P.	

Sir John and Lady Macdonald entertained these ladies and gentlemen at dinner this evening: Governor Dewdney, Chief Justice and Lady Ritchie, Senator Girard, Senator Sanford, Capt. and Lady Florence Stranfield, Miss Carling, Mr. C. H. Tupper, M.P., Dr. Barker of St. John, N.B., Miss Meredith of London, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Gilmour, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Skead.

Private Morris of the 35th Battalion of Muskoka has accepted a place on the Wimbledon team of 1888, making a total of 19 out of the first 22. The twenty-third man is Gunner Wilson of the Halifax Garrison Artillery, who has been notified that he has the refusal of being a member of the team.

Bishop Clut of Arlandale is expected to give evidence to-morrow before the committee on the subject of the resources of the Mackenzie River basin. The written answers of His Lordship to the questions forwarded by the committee were read at the meeting in the Senate this morning and afforded interesting information.

Robert McLean of Toronto, secretary of the Ontario Fire Underwriters' Association, will give evidence to-morrow before the Combines Committee.

Sensational Reports at Winnipeg.

WINNIPEG, April 19.—Sensational reports are current regarding the recent failure of John A. Tees & Co., and astounding revelations are looked for, to be followed by arrests. Cameron, the absconding teller, is dead broke at Pembina. It is said he has been promised immunity from arrest if he returns and gives evidence against his accomplices.

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A PREACHER IN DISGRACE.

REV. BENJAMIN LONGLEY ACCUSED OF IMMORAL CONDUCT.

A Lady Member of the Queen-street Methodist Church in Trouble—The Pastor Resigns but Asserts His Innocence—His Story—Lawyer Ogden Talks.

Church circles in the West End are seething with excitement over a scandal which involves the standing of one of the most popular Methodist ministers stationed in Toronto. The church in question is the Queen-street Methodist and the pastor is Rev. Benjamin Longley, formerly of Ottawa, and for the past two years until Wednesday last, when he sent in his resignation to Rev. Dr. Potts, one of the brightest members of the Toronto Conference. At this stage it is hard to say whether Rev. Mr. Longley has been guilty in the worst sense of the word, or simply the victim of an array of certainly suspicious but possibly innocent circumstances.

For the past three or four weeks the air in the neighborhood of the church has been rife with stories of alleged immoral conduct on the part of the pastor and two or three female members of his congregation. At that time the stories afloat were only supported by suspicions, and even now, although he has severed his connection with the congregation, there are none of its members who can say positively that Mr. Longley has been guilty of immoral conduct.

Together in a Class-room and Hotel.

The World spent a good part of yesterday investigating the story, and finally arrived at these conclusions: First, that Rev. Mr. Longley spent an hour locked up with an unmarried female member of his congregation in a class room of the church; and secondly that on another occasion he met this same lady at the Albion Hotel, and occupied himself for three hours in her society in a private room.

Of course there are any number of wild rumors afloat as to the doings of Mr. Longley, but as far as these can be traced out they are mainly or wholly malicious. For instance, the lady whose name figures more particularly in the scandal is young, wealthy and unmarried. Her friends say that outside of Rev. Mr. Longley she had no male acquaintances, and was modest, quiet and unassuming. This much for the lady.

The Pastor's Personal Appearance.

Rev. Benjamin Longley is a married man, residing in the city with his wife and one child, a daughter, at 260 Spadina-avenue. In person he is tall, and bears on his face signs of an intellect of no mean order. A closely cropped beard, black, sprinkled with grey, black piercing eyes, a complexion healthy in its pallor, and the manners of a gentleman complete his description. The World had a talk with him last night regarding the charges which have been so industriously broadcast against him. He said he had refused The Empire and Globe reporters, telling them he had nothing to say, but he had no objections to being interviewed by The World.

Mr. Longley Makes a Statement.

"The fact of the matter is," he continued, "I have been so confused all day, and there have been so many callers that I had neither time nor inclination to talk to the press. I can tell you the whole story in a nutshell and clear myself. I am in a position to back up my assertion by affidavit. I would be more explicit in my statement to-day but for the consideration that it involves another person, and I cannot sacrifice her interests. I have resigned positively from the Queen-street Methodist church, which is the only congregation I have charge of, whether innocence or guilty these rumors which had been set afloat about me would have destroyed my influence for good. My mind was made up to this end decided. I do not know whether I shall leave the city or not. I have still many friends in my new charge, and I shall live among them. I love in any event would stay by me."

"What about those alleged meetings in the church and at the Albion Hotel?" The World asked.

"I met the lady on these two occasions, and on both I was actuated with motives for her own good. On the first occasion I was interrupted, and I having reason to suspect that we were being watched by her friends, made the second appointment in order to learn what had interfered with her. At the second occasion, I continued to give her advice, with the object of influencing her life for her own good."

The Lady Might Make an Affidavit.

"Have you any further proof of your own innocence than your own affidavit?"

"Well, the lady herself might make an affidavit if it appeared with mine. I am sure her friends thought it would be to her advantage she certainly would, and it would bear out my statement in every particular."

"Are you still a minister of the Methodist Church. The evening papers state that you have withdrawn from that body."

"They have anticipated me for the statement. It is probable that the whole matter will come up in the shape of a church trial."

Lawyer Ogden, the husband of Miss Longley's young man crossed the road to 221 Spadina-avenue, where Barrister Albert Ogden, Vice-President of the T.P.A. of Parliament-street Methodist Church, resides. "I know what you have come for," he told The World, "but my lips are sealed. However, I can say that I do not think Mr. Longley has been badly treated. I hope you will treat the church as leniently as possible in the matter, for it certainly is not to blame. As far as I know there is nothing but suspicions against Mr. Longley, and even now there is quite a number of the congregation who believe that he is all right. Up to three weeks ago I had the most implicit confidence in him. There will be no investigation. He has placed his resignation in the hands of the President of the Conference, and that effectually blocks anything in that direction. There is to be a meeting of the Church Board shortly, but they can do nothing. It is out of their hands."

How the Scandal Was Discovered.

Another prominent member of the congregation gave the following version of the scandal. The friends of the young lady whose name is so much mixed up in the case, noticed about three weeks ago a change in her demeanor, and certain little circumstances led them to suspect that there was a man in the case. They set a watch upon her movements to discover who her lover was, and were thunderstruck to discover that she was in close communication with Rev. Mr. Longley. That gentleman was also spied upon, traced to the Albion Hotel, where he spent three hours with her. This latter fact was discovered by detectives employed by the girls' friends. When they had all the facts established to their satisfaction, Rev. Mr. Longley was requested last Saturday to visit a down-town lawyer's office. He came, was confronted with the discovery, acknowledged the meetings, but denied anything criminal. On Wednesday he sent in his resignation to Rev. Dr. Potts.

Pastor Longley's Career.

The World saw Rev. Dr. Briggs, Secretary of the Methodist Conference, last night. Rev. Dr. Sutherland was present during the interview. Dr. Briggs stated no official information of the alleged scandal had reached him. He had heard the rumors, but he knew nothing more of the matter. "If," he continued, "there was any truth in the rumors it would be laid before Dr. Potts, who would in turn summon a committee meeting to deal with the subject, but no official meeting has yet been held on the case." Pastor Longley is a graduate of Victoria University, where he took several prizes. For some time he was principal of a boys' college at Sackville, N.B. He was ordained about 16 years ago and has been pastor of St. James and Douglas churches, Montreal and Dominion Church, Ottawa, from which place he came to Queen-street. He is a near relative of Attorney-General Longley of Nova Scotia.

Welland Assizes.

WELLAND, April 19.—Court closed here today. These persons were sentenced: Thomas Parker, supplying drugs to procure abortion, three months in jail; Benjamin Hagarman, forgery, five years in Penitentiary; John Anderson, forgery, two years less one day in the Central Prison. J. B. Hewitt, forgery, on account of age and previous good behavior, was let go on giving bail for his good behavior. In Armstrong v. Kidd, action on a contract, judgment was reserved.

Struck by a Street Car.

Mr. James Crapper, plumber, of 36 Duke-street, was struck by a street car at the corner of King and Sherbourne-streets. One of his ribs was broken and he received several painful scalp wounds. How many persons there are who think they are safe from accident and go about unprotected from pecuniary loss. Insure in the Manufacturers' Accident Insurance Co.

Democrats and the Fisheries Treaty.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—A caucus of Democratic senators was held this morning to hear Senator Morgan upon the fishery treaty. It was not very well attended. Senator Morgan discussed for half an hour the treaty in its political and economical bearings and the action of the Foreign Relations Committee. The question of considering it in open session was decided adversely by a small majority.

EX-ALDERMAN V. EX-TRUSTEE.

The Fight for the Superintendency of Public School Buildings.

The Public School Board threatens to become involved in a fight over the appointment of a superintendent of school buildings. The Board was to have considered the appointment at its meeting last night, but the withdrawal of several trustees left the meeting without a quorum and the Board was declared adjourned. There were present Chairman Pyne, Trustees Baird, Downard, Hamilton, Howland, J. Kent, McMurrich, Penlton, Roden, Schoff, Somers, Vair and Willcock.

Among the communications was one from Trustee C. H. Bishop, tendering his resignation; he is an applicant for the new office. In all 25 applications for the position were read, the applicants being: James Dunn, W. Hutchinson, Thomas Downey, H. McDougal, J. C. Bayliss, John Fench, R. Carveth, W. P. Worth, John Fortune, W. F. Sexton, W. Wilkinson, John Spencer, George Wells, W. H. Archer, D. M. Kimings, W. B. Ferguson, E. G. Walker, J. M. Sharp, W. Henderson, L. Hills, R. Johnston, J. McKenzie, W. G. McIntosh, C. H. Bishop, W. Reeside.

Trustee R. S. Baird wrote that it would give him pleasure to present a gold medal to the pupil now attending the city public schools, who, at the next combined examinations, receives the highest aggregate of marks in these subjects: Arithmetic, grammar and composition, history, reading and writing.

Residents of the northwest section of the city petitioned for further school accommodation, as did also 115 residents between Bathurst-street on the east and Dovercourt on the west.

A communication was read from Assistant City Treasurer Coady requesting the appointment of a committee to confer with the subcommittee of the City Council Executive Committee in reference to the proposal of the Separate School Board to enter into an agreement for a term of years to pay over to the Separate School Board annually a fixed proportion of the taxes collected for Public and Separate Schools.

Trustee Somers hit the nail on the head when the Executive business was called up. Mr. McMurrich called attention to the fact that there was not a quorum present, and the chairman thereupon in a pleasing way declared the meeting adjourned for want of a quorum. Trustee Somers is a supporter of the appointment of Ex-Alderman Bishop to the office of School Buildings, and his withdrawal from the meeting was said to indicate a fear that his man would be beaten. In a conversation with Trustee Somers told The World he went out to an ante-room to see a constituent on business. Just as the chairman adjourned he came in in company with Trustees Bell, Kerr, McCracken and H. A. E. Kent was discovered in the hallway.

Only two of the opponents have any chance for the position, the Ex-Ald. Thos. Downey and ex-Trustee C. H. Bishop. The latter's friends declare he would have been selected at the meeting had a vote been taken. The name of W. F. Sexton is mentioned among the dark horses.

The Painters' Troubles.

If the painters should go on strike the man with the new spring overcoat will be spared the misery of seeing the sign "fresh paint" staring him in the face just after he has gone through a doorway and smeared himself from stock to heel. There is a ray of comfort in the reflection that the coat protected his new Ascot $1.50 necktie that he bought from quinn the shirtmaker.

SUDDEN DEATH AT HAMILTON.

Sunshine in the Building Trades—Sharpers Doing Up Ambitious Citizens.

HAMILTON, April 19.—David Buchanan, a gentleman of 70 years, went upstairs at Meeson's Station Hotel at about 9 o'clock last evening to his room to retire for the night. This morning he was found dead, with his feet on the floor and lying on his back across the bed. He had evidently been disrobing and had fallen over from heart disease. Mr. Buchanan came to this city from Glasgow in 1840, and was one of the first to show that Canada offered a clever business man. In 1854 he went into business at Newark, where he has since resided.

The labor difficulty in the building, laborers, bricklayers and masons, carpenters and other trades, looked out are all returning to work to-day. The laborers get $1 a day, carpenters $2 per diem, bricklayers and masons 33½ cents per hour: the painters, plasterers and the smiths have not arranged a scale of wages, but no difficulty is doing or anticipated.

For a couple of weeks past two men, two women and a boy have been doing up strangers in this city. A newspaper man on Tuesday morning one of the men got a team and buggy from Little & Fowler's livery stable, telling Mr. Fowler that he was going to drive to Winona. He left a gold ring, which was afterwards discovered to have been stolen from a boarding-house, as security. About half an hour after the man drove up and left the team, a single rig and said he was also going to Winona. On Wednesday Mr. Fowler received a telegram from Winona, the operator stating that the team and rig were there, but that the people were across the border. On the way down the man stole another rig at Jordan.

Yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Waugh, Rev. James Frazer Smith, M.D., of Latona, Ont., and Miss Bessie Waugh, granddaughter of the late John Waugh of this city, were united in the bonds of matrimony, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Dr. Laidlaw. Mr. and Mrs. Smith sailed on the 2nd of June for the Province of Honan, in Northern China, where Mr. Smith will enter upon his life work as a medical missionary under the missionary, going out under the auspices of the Foreign Missionary Committee of the Presbyterian Church, and supported by the students and alumni of Queen's College.

Charles Watts and Mr. Williams have been debating Secularism and Christianity for the past three evenings at Arcade Hall.

An elderly lady named Mrs. Blease, living on John-street, near Robert, fell downstairs yesterday, and fractured her collar bone, besides sustaining other injuries.

Mr. Hoar's Resolution.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—In the Senate today Mr. Hoar (Mass.) offered a resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, providing that the official reporter shall be admitted to report the debates and proceedings of the Senate when the Fisheries Treaty shall be under consideration, the report or such part of it as may not require secrecy to be published if the Senate shall so order.

A Minister Mobbed.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., April 19.—Rev. Chas. F. Pitsley of Westport, a factory village, was last night dragged by the hair from the home of Mrs. Gammons and roughly used by an angry mob from whom he finally escaped. Alleged intimacy with the women of the town was the cause. He had five of his assailants arrested to-day.

Manhood Suffrage in Manitoba.

WINNIPEG, April 19.—In the Legislature this afternoon the bill providing for manhood suffrage passed its second reading, 26 to 2, Norquay and LaPrivere being the only opponents of the measure.

Some Honor Awaiting Champagne.

ST. EUSTACE, Que., April 19.—Hon. Chas. L Champagne has been called to Ottawa this morning by Sir Hector Langevin. It is rumored that he will be appointed Judge of the superior court or senator for the division of Mille Isles.

A Decided Improvement.

The many people who daily pass along on the south side of King-street east cannot fail to be attracted by the model and elegantly furnished hat and fur store recently opened at No. 77 by Messrs. Grant & Co., who are to be congratulated for the good taste displayed throughout their store and show rooms. Conspicuous on entering their premises are the handsome mahogany show cases on each side, full length of the store, finished inside with adjustable brass shelving and filled with nobby hats of every style, every color, every shade, every tint. They are the sole agents in Toronto for Youman's New York silk and felt hats, which are superior in style and quality to anything manufactured in America. For style in New York City Youman stands in the front rank.

Mr. Dunbar as a Non-practical Catholic.

Editor World: Some of Mr. Dunbar's friends are annoyed that the Archbishop should have referred to him as a "non-practical Catholic." The Archbishop did not name the man, though he certainly gave him a close call. Now, if Mr. Dunbar feels aggrieved or injured he has ready remedy. Let him go, as any good Catholic would, to his parish priest, get a certificate that he is a good Catholic, goes to mass Sundays and attends to his religious duties, and publish it. I feel quite sure the Archbishop would not even insinuate so serious a charge against anyone without cause. Let Mr. Dunbar clear himself or stop crying. N. D. F.

Mr. Wm. Simpson Gets a Silver Tea Service.

The Master Carpenters' Association met in the rooms, 16 Victoria-street, last night, when President J. J. Withrow on behalf of the members, presented Mr. Wm. Simpson with a silver tea service on the completion of his third year as secretary of the association. The service consists of seven pieces and is of elegant design. After the presentation, which Mr. Simpson acknowledged in suitable terms, the members had supper at the Arcade Restaurant.

CONTRIBUTORIES CLASSIFIED.

The Master-in-Ordinary Has a Busy Day with Central Bank Affairs.

The Master-in-Ordinary yesterday morning classified the sixty-six cases of Central Bank shareholders who have entered defences against the enforcement of the double liability clause.

In class 1 were placed those who have entered formal defences or defences requiring short evidence. These cases were fixed for trial on April 25. In this class are James Barclay, S. Bowman (estate), W. W. Carey, Thos. Carr, Robt. Cochrane, H. H. Cook, Copp, Clarke & Co., James Crocker, William Crocker, Robt. Cuthbert, Elizabeth Day, William Duncan, H. P. Dwight, A. S. D. Hill, Hogg & Guthrie, D. M. Macdonald, A. McLean Howard, Wilhelmina Howard, Innes & Davidson, Alex. Kay, Jno. Kean, Alex. Laurie, M. A. Lumsden, S. P. McKinnon, H. Murton, J. D. Nasmith, Frances M. Rannie, Amelia Sims, Wm. Snyder, John Starke & Co., R. Standing, Thompson estate, Caroline A. Torrence, Frank Turner and Jno. A. Wood.

In class 2 were placed the brokers' cases. The parties are A. G. Brown and Cassels, Son & Co. Set for hearing on April 30.

In class 3 were placed transfers and other assignments within 30 days of the suspension. The litigants are: C. C. Balmer, W. J. Baines, R. Beatty & Co., Jno. Blackwell, A. Boultbee, T. H. Bull, A. W. Carrick, Jno. Dunsch, T. R. Glover, James Henderson, J. D. Henderson, Home Savings and Loan Company, David Jackson, J. G. Jones, Jno. McGregor, Macdonald & Clark, D. M. Macdonald, Joseph Oliver and Wintel estate. Fixed for hearing on April 30.

In class 4 were placed those cases wherein special defences and claims against directors for breaches of trust have been made. Hearing was fixed for May 7. In this class are J. A. Ardagh, P. Browne, S. H. Janes, J. K. Kerr, N. A. Life Assurance Company, Jas. Simpson, T. S. Stayner, J. Gordon Brown, C. S. Gzowski, Gzowski & Buchan and Pellatt & Pellatt.

Mr. McLennan, Q.C., applied to have the name of C. F. Temple struck from the list of contributories. The application was granted, as it was shown he had transferred his stock in 1883.

Mr. S. H. Blake, Q.C., made similar application on behalf of John Blackwell. It appeared from the books that Blackwell had transferred the shares in July, 1885, and that the transfer was accepted by A. A. Allen in trust. Mr. Foster, Q.C., asked that the case be laid over, which request was granted.

SOUTH YORK TEACHERS.

Annual Meeting of the Institute at the Parkdale Model School.

At the Parkdale County Model School yesterday the Public School teachers of South York began their second annual convention. Inspector Fatheringhah presided. There were present over 100 of the 115 teachers of the division.

After Mr. Fatheringham had formally opened the convention this business committee was chosen: J. A. Wismer, W. Wilson, J. Hand, R. Rutherford and S. Jewett. Auditors, R. Waugh and Miss Ellis.

A fourth book class in geography was taught by Mr. T. O. Steele of Parkdale, and a discussion followed as to the best method of teaching the subject. The morning session was closed by Mr. R. Cowling of Woodbridge, who illustrated his method of teaching letter-writing to a third reader class.

In the afternoon Mr. Wm. Douglas of Hingwood explained his new system of teaching writing after which Mr. J. L. Tilley, Director of Ontario Teachers' Institutes, taught a class in English Grammar for the benefit of the teachers present. Papers by Mr. Hunter of Parkdale on the advisability of forming a teachers' library for South York and Miss Robinson of Fairbank finished the afternoon's work.

In the evening Mr. Tilley talked to a large audience of ratepayers on the "Duties of Trustees." Mr. McWilliams wrote to Messrs. Macdonald, Davidson and Paterson, solicitors for the Senate, asking them to join him in a joint meeting with the Commissioner of Public Works.

On April 9 Mr. McWilliams wrote to Macdonald, Davidson & Co., declining to put in a statement of defence on behalf of the city in this case as no object was apparent why the city should be so represented by Mr. McWilliams also asked them to name an hour for a joint meeting with the Commissioner of Public Works.

MR. M'WILLIAMS TO THE SENATE'S SOLICITORS.

TORONTO, April 22, 1888.—I have made further enquiry, and I find that preparations have been made to carry out to completion the several works and improvements referred to in your agreement, and I trust you will deem your clients will be satisfied with the manner in which that part of our contract is carried out. I am to-day in receipt of a letter from Mr. Fraser, the Secretary of the Department of Public Works, stating that Hon. Mr. Fraser will not be able to meet us on the 26th as promised, but will do so early in the following week.

In the meantime I am sending him a copy of the lease and agreement, and I would like you to let me have a memorandum of the points you think he should be asked to comply with the terms and conditions of the lease and agreement. So far as I am concerned I am prepared to see that the city carries out all the terms and conditions of the agreement and observes all of the covenants in the lease (except as far as we may be able to mutually agree in waiving them.

As to finishing the avenues and keeping them fenced, I think the first breaks were accomplished with the consent of the Senate, but I do not wish to plead this question with you. I think it would be better for me not to commit to do. As to going to trial in the suit if we have to, I think nothing would be gained by my refusing licenses to anyone keeping a grocery store. They will have to elect which business they will follow.

It is believed that the Commissioners are favorable to divorcing the two businesses, but whether they will order it to be done forthwith remains to be seen.

A Cash Basis.

W. & D. Dineen, corner King and Yonge-streets, believe, as we all do, that the one true way to do business is for cash. The Dineens, every season, pay cash for their Hats and Furs and consequently are enabled to sell, for cash, at a close margin. The advantages of such a course are obvious. The usual four months credit given to wholesale buyers is unasked for—the cash discount is. This cash discount is an income in itself when merchants buy in the quantities that the Dineens do, and they are thus able to give advantages to cash customers over and above anything that can be attempted by small dealers.

Fotheringham Vindicated.

ST. LOUIS, April 19.—The jury in the suit of D. S. Fotheringham, the express messenger, against the Adams Express Company for damages for false imprisonment, were instructed this morning, and after being out 3½ hours agreed on a verdict of $20,000 for the plaintiff. The original sum demanded was $60,000.

Buy the new book, "A Real Good Thing," by Mrs. Edward Kennard. Canadian copyright edition, price 30c. 52

CHAT ACROSS THE CABLE.

The Azof war flotilla will be reinforced by twelve torpedo boats.

There are reports from Lugano, Switzerland, that renewed activity prevails among the Nihilists.

The London Chronicle says it is reported at Rome says the Pope has instructed Archbishop Walsh to compile a report on the National League for comparison with Mgr. Persico's report.

The sentence of Rev. Father McFadden, who was condemned to three months' imprisonment for holding anti-landlord and police meetings, on his appeal was increased to six months.

In the extradition case of the Woodhall sisters who were arrested at London on the charge of swindling, the court entered an order yesterday for the extradition of Alice and Harriet was discharged.

The Czar has approved the Council's resolution, giving to Count Tolstoi authority to use his own discretion as regards the depriving of the Lutheran clergy of the Baltic provinces of their benifices.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

The Dakota bill has passed the Senate, 26 to 23.

The House Committee decided yesterday to report favorably the Copyright bill introduced in the House by Representative Breckenridge of Kentucky.

Thirty switchmen of the south branch yards of the Northwestern Railroad at Chicago, have struck because of a change of yardmasters.

In a fire in a r