Bring Five Dollars With You

These are money-making days at our store for the man who has delayed buying an overcoat till now. Take three dollars and fifty cents from eight-fifty and five remains. That's what we have done for your benefit on one line dark grey cheviot top coats, sizes 34 to 46. It's our regular $8.50 coat, but owing to the splendid trade we had before Christmas we feel disposed to be generous, so we put this coat to $5.00, and we'd advise EVERY MAN who has a five to spare and is in want of a coat to try one today, and we are certain you can't make three-fifty any easier.

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PUBLIC IMPATIENCE CALMED.

Japanese Cabinet Issues Ordinances Authorizing Expenditures.

Tokio, Dec. 29.—Another Cabinet Council was held to-day, lasting nearly four hours. The ordinances passed yesterday authorizing a guarantee of the principal and interest of an issue of 10,000,000 yen debentures also authorized the government to utilize 50,000,000 yen, the proceeds of the Chinese war indemnity which hitherto has been devoted to educational and other purposes as a war fund. In addition authorization is given to issue treasury notes repayable in five years and to raise loans repayable in two years to an unlimited extent.

The Seoul-Fusan Railway becomes virtually a government enterprise. The government guarantees the capital of 10,000,000 yen and 6 per cent. interest, and will nominate the directors.

The new military Council will be composed of the ministers of War and Marine, and the chiefs of the military, naval and general staffs, and leading generals and admirals.

It is stated that at yesterday's luncheon the Emperor unreservedly invited the senior statesmen and the councillors to give their advice on the existing crisis.

The promulgation of the ordinances has had great effect in calming public impatience.

Y.W.C. Guild Entertainment.

The young ladies of the Y. W. C. Guild held a very successful entertainment last evening at Guild Hall. The concert was the first of a proposed series to be given in aid of the Gymnasium Fund, and about 300 friends of the young women were present. Among those who appeared on the program were Master E. Seitz, Miss Munro, A. B. Dorland and Miss Vi Denis, who rendered a violin solo in an exceptionally able manner. Mrs. Harvey, the president, and Mrs. Somers, the instructress at the Guild, occupied the platform.

Ten Thousand Affected.

McKeesport, Pa., Dec. 29.—Notices of a wage reduction were to-day posted at the local plants of the United States Steel Corporation. The cut includes every employe and will graduate down from heads of departments to laborers, the latter receiving but a slight reduction. Ten thousand men are affected, but the reduction will be generally accepted.

The Single Tax Association will inaugurate their winter campaign by a lecture to be delivered in the Grand Opera House next Sunday afternoon on "The Poor and Criminal of a Great City," by the Rev. Harris R. Cooley, Director of Charities and Correction in Cleveland. Mr. Cooley is a forcible and eloquent speaker who aroused much enthusiasm when he last addressed a Toronto audience.

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TWENTY-EIGHT IN THE FIELD

Five Aldermanic Candidates Counted Out, One Conservative Among the Number.

M'PHERSON JURY BLAMES NO ONE

But Recommends That in Future Motormen Should Drop the Fender.

Hamilton, Dec. 29.—(Special.)—The time for the would-be aldermen to make the declaration of office ended at 9 o'clock this evening. City Clerk Beasley kept his office open till that hour. On the stroke of 9 it was discovered that five of the 33 nominated were out of the race. Only one Conservative—C. T. Grantham—failed to make the necessary declaration, and that leaves the ticket with 16 good men. Three Liberals—C. H. Taylor, Charles Duff and Ald. O'Reilly—were counted out, and one labor candidate—Hugh Robinson.

Death Was Accidental.

Coroner Griffin finished the inquest on th death of the late Alex. McPherson, who was killed by a street car Saturday. The jurors decided that death was accidental, but that the fatality would have been prevented had the motorman dropped his fender. They recommended that in the future motormen should be instructed not to wait for the fender to work automatically, but to drop it as a first precaution, when such a mishap seemed imminent.

Suing the Power Co.

George Penny, Shaw-street, is suing the Hamilton Electric Light & Power Company for damages for an alleged nuisance caused by the smoke, steam, noise and vibration of the company's sub-station on Victoria-avenue.

Chief Smith wants the Police Commissioners to build a stable in connection with No. 3 Police Station.

Sergt. McKenzie will retire from the police force Thursday night on account of having reached the age limit.

May Not Convict.

This morning Mrs. Hattie Waters, charged with aiding in a criminal operation, was remanded till Saturday. The police have little hope of securing a conviction, on account of the fact that no ante-mortem statement was taken.

This morning Dave McNoah admitted to Judge Monck that he helped to rob Michael Cummings' liquor store, and he will be sentenced next Tuesday. Frank Dicicco, an Italian, who stabbed Louis Vicere, will learn his fate the same day.

The notorious pair, Hillis and Yates, will be tried on all the charges made against them at the January Assizes.

The funeral of the late Alexander McPherson took place this afternoon, and was very largely attended. The bearers were: J. B. Turner, William Tochor, James Johnson, T. McRae, Harry Drope, S. P. Lazier and James Chisholm.

The license held by the late John Crooks was this morning transferred to his widow.

Samuel Wiem, a Syrian, who lives in this city, says he was robbed of $300 in Buffalo.

Took Their First Vows.

In St. Joseph's Chapel this morning the following took their first vows, and these names: Miss Kehoe, Drayton, sister of Rev. Father Kehoe, Sister Wilfrida; Miss Quirk, Durnoch, Sister Mary Magdalene, and Miss Magill of this city, Sister Victor. Three novices also took the final vows.

DETECTIVES STUDY THUMB PRINTS

Pudd'nhead Wilson's Hobby Being Turned to Real Use.

The Police Department is at times discussing the new system of identifying criminals, and as soon as the opportunity offers will make a close investigation of the new method, which is creating so much talk in the large police centres. The new system is known as the "thumb impression" system. This is an adaptation of the system of identification, with improvements, first made famous by Mark Twain in his story of "Pudd'nhead Wilson." Whether the author ever dreamed that his mode of distinguishing the planter's baby from that of the octoroon's would ever be put into practical use is not known, but there is one thing certain, it has been done and has proven a success.

The Scotland Yard people have adopted it and recommend it highly. Cincinnati has taken it up, and consider it a valuable adjunct to the Bertillon method, and the Detective Department there consider it a success. The Pittsburg police have also taken the system into their serious consideration and are studying it closely.

Inspector General McCowen, I.S.O., A.D.C., Director of Public Safety for Newfoundland, who made a careful study of the system in London and other European capitals, in a letter to Inspector Stark, speaks very highly of it and considers it a valuable addition to the detective departments.

It is claimed that no two men's thumbs will make the same impression, and that the impression of a boy's thumb, made on the glass, will bear the same lines as an impression taken when he reaches manhood.

FEARED MOB VENGEANCE.

Sheriff Takes Two Assaulting Negroes to Penitentiary.

Council Bluffs, Ia., Dec. 29.—Neely Zimmerman and George Burke, the negroes who last night narrowly escaped lynching at the hands of an infuriated mob, were to-night taken to the State Penitentiary at Fort Madison, Ia., for safe keeping.

During the day Sheriff Cousins learned of an organized plan to lynch Zimmerman and Burke to-night, and again made a request for company of militia to guard the county jail and arranged for a heavy force of city police to assist in case their services were required. During the afternoon small groups of men gathered in the vicinity of the jail. Sheriff Cousins then decided that the safer course was to remove the men.

Four assaults within a week similar to those made on Mrs. Sparks and her daughter had wrought up the working people of the city to a pitch of excitement.

CONDUCTOR HENRY'S FALL.

Port Arthur, Dec. 29.—(Special.)—A distressing accident occurred this morning on Wabigoon division of the C.P.R. by which Conductor Albert Henry lost his life. He has been running out of Fort William to Ignace, but was transferred to the next division west for the trip, and was in charge of a freight train. At Dinorwic station he had occasion to walk along the train, and in the darkness, it being shortly before 5 o'clock, did not notice a flat car and stepped from the roof of a box car, falling directly between the two cars. One of his legs was severed, and he received other terrible injuries, which caused instant death. Dr. Gunne of Rat Portage was telegraphed for and arrived at Dinorwic to find medical attention of no avail.

Strathcona Play Pedro.

The Strathcona Cycle Club are being very successful in their pedro games. On Monday nights the members and their friends turn out very strong. At an invitation extended by the president this week they had Ald. London, Ald. Oliver and ex-Ald. Cox, also a letter of regret from Ald. Foster, who sent a Christmas box to the club. A letter of regret was read from G. H. Gooderham, who found it impossible to attend on account of previous engagement.

The winners of the game were: 1st, Fred Bere; 2nd, Walter Richardson; 3rd, Robert Dey. The gentlemen who took part in the program were: Piano solo, C. Weise, song, Ald. London; speech, Ald. Cox, and presentation of medal was made by Ald. Oliver.

Fort Wayne, Ind.—One man was killed, two seriously injured and seven others more or less hurt in a head-on collision between Pennsylvania Limited, No. 5, and an eastbound freight train, at Larwill.

War Trembles in Balance Bennett Burleigh's View

Russia Precipitating Conflict and China Eager to Fight the Czar.

London, Dec. 29.—Mr. Bennett Burleigh, in a cable message to The Daily Telegraph from Tokio, says:

"Peace and good will have not come with the season's greeting from Holy Russia to Japan, but instead there is a confident truculence still further provocativ eto war direct from St. Petersburg.

"I confess my inability to see in her present attitude any other meaning than to precipitate a conflict.

"To be precise, my Manchurian tour showed me that Russia is not fully ready and cannot for at least three months be able to maintain her position if determinedly attacked. Time, therefore, is essential to her, unless she utterly despises the prowess of Japan.

"It is true Count Lamsdorff long ago openly declared that Russia considers the Manchurian occupation to be a matter only concerning herself and China. Instead of temporizing she has employed the same language to Japan.

"Over a fortnight ago Russia again emphasized the same response at Tokio. Yet the Japanese statesmen have since asked her to reconsider her refusal to exclude discussion on Manchuria, and have pressed for a reply thereto within a reasonably brief time.

"Such is the situation.

War Trembles in Balance.

"War trembles in the balance, if it has not already tilted the scale, for report affirms that Russia on Saturday answered, declining Japan's request.

"Diplomacy is terrified as to what will happen in China if there is war between Russia and Japan.

"It is agreed and Pekin despatches show that the Chinese imperial authorities are on the alert and will attack Russia. Their best generals are eager to engage the enemy in Manchuria, but the real key to the seriousness of the situation is in the question, Will there be further terrible outbreaks against foreigners in China? or in the equally dangerous problem, What steps will Germany and France take if disturbances break out? Probably some understanding exists. Great Britain and America should be prepared also to see that if Japan wages a successful war she is not prevented from reaping the fruits of the victory."

Japan Outbids for Ships.

The Daily Telegraph in editorial adds: "Mr. Bennett Burleigh has had experience of war and rumors of war beyond any other member of his profession. He is no alarmist, but an acute observer of events. When, therefore, he states that war trembles in the balance, and that the responsibility for the tilting of the scale rests with St. Petersburg, we are in a position to judge of the gravity of the crisis."

The Daily Chronicle says that Japan is purchasing the Argentine war ships. The Russians were in treaty for them, but the Japanese outbid them.

DIDN'T HAVE THEIR BOOTS OFF FROM MONDAY UNTIL CHRISTMAS

Both Canadian and Dominion Express Co.'s Did Unprecedented Holiday Business.

Both the Dominion and Canadian Express Companies state that their Christmas traffic this year was vastly in excess of that of any previous year; in fact, they assert that they handled just about double.

"Some of our men," said an official of the latter company, "never had their boots off from Monday morning until Christmas was over. No, they didn't even have the chance to sandwich an hour or so's sleep in between times. Of course they were the men we couldn't get along without, the heads in their respective branches. Yes, it's a pretty trying experience to go thru, but a couple days' rest fixes them up all right."

He added that the company was forced this year to run special trains, a thing heretofore unknown.

General Manager Walsh of the Dominion Express declared that it had been necessary to double all their facilities to accommodate the Christmas traffic, which was unprecedented in volume, and possibly twice as great as last year's. The Dominion had not, however, found it necessary to run any specials, instead adding supplementary cars to the regular trains.

ANDREW PATTULLO DIES

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farmers, and his influence as exerted in his newspaper, The Sentinel-Review.

Now that the vacancy has occurred thru Mr. Pattullo's death the most sanguine Liberals don't hesitate to admit that a successor equal in ability to Mr. Pattullo cannot be secured. Several names have been suggested as possible successors, and the question of a split in the party already faces the local reform association. At the nominations in 1902 it was only Mr. Pattullo's personal influence that prevented a serious breaking up in Liberal ranks, and even then D. R. Ross, a leading Liberal, ran as an independent Liberal and prohibitionist.

At the present time the names prominently spoken of are Walter Murray of Blenheim, ex-warden of Oxford, who sought the nomination two years ago, and stepped aside, it is said, on the understanding that Mr. Pattullo would vacate the seat in a few years and allow him to succeed. It is also stated that D. R. Ross and Col. Munroe of Embro will work for the nomination. In Woodstock John W. Mahon, barrister, one of the younger members of the party, is said to be seeking political honors. The friends of Mayor White are also understood to be working in his behalf.

None of these Liberals, however, could exert the influence of Mr. Pattullo, and it is just a question if both a farmer and a resident of the City of Woodstock do not contest the riding as Liberals, when the by-election is brought on. In this event or in the case of any dissension in the Liberal party the Conservatives stand an excellent chance of gaining the riding. The Conservatives are well organized, and have been preparing for a struggle for some months. Last September, it will be remembered, R. R. Gamey, M.L.A., addressed an enthusiastic gathering of Conservatives in Blenheim, Mr. Pattullo's old home, and won over many friends. It is the general opinion here that Premier Ross cannot hope to continue in office now with his majority of three lessened by the death of Mr. Pattullo.

TRIBUTE FROM PREMIER.

"I have known the late Mr. Pattullo for many years. I made his acquaintance in connection with journalism, in which he achieved more than ordinary distinction. He was a terse and polished writer, and took a comprehensive and fair-minded view of public questions. The late Premier, Sir Oliver Mowat, owed a great deal to Mr. Pattullo for the strong hold he secured on the electors of North Oxford, as Mr. Pattullo, thru his paper, was able to keep Sir Oliver's constituents well-informed as to the policy of Sir Oliver's government, and his methods of administration. A few years ago he was well-known as a capable debater in addition to his journalistic experience, and on several occasions—perhaps last session—even more notably than at any previous session—he impressed the House with his powers as a debater and the lucidity of his exposition. He was a Liberal thoroly in sympathy with his party policy and in regard to municipal matters was in many respects in advance of a great majority of his fellow members. Personally, I feel his loss very much. He was in the vigor of a well-matured manhood and gave promise of many years of usefulness as a publicist and parliamentarian. I am sure that this regret is shared in by my colleagues as well as the majority of the members of the House."

POLITICAL NOTES.

W. W. Coleman of Stonewall has been nominated by the Conservatives of Selkirk for the Commons.

Hamilton Times: It is understood that Hon. Mr. Blair has resigned from parliament and will become chairman of the Railway Commission, the personnel of which will be announced soon.

Orillia Packet: Dan. McAulay, the well-known Severn Bridge politician, is home from a visit to North Renfrew. He found the campaign a hot one—too hot a corner for him, the local Conservatives having been warned of his coming.

An Ottawa despatch announces that Sir Richard Cartwright will not offer himself for re-election in South Oxford, but will seek election in an eastern constituency. The state of his health is given as the reason for the change. Sir Richard is too much crippled by rheumatism to permit him to look after the interests of a constituency so far from Ottawa.

THREE MILLION CARDS ASK YOUR VOTE AND INFLUENCE

Ways of Candidates and Supporters in Advertising Model of Diligence and Ingenuity.

Perhaps the most astute advertising manager could take a lesson from the prevailing methods of some of our public-spirited men who are now calling upon the citizens to place them in office that they might show how great reforms can be accomplished. Men can be seen on the sides of houses as early as three in the morning tacking up the election cards that they may have in a blaze of red, white and blue the good qualities of their candidate confronting the electors as they sleepily wend their way to work. They can be seen stealthily climbing up the poles of that hated corporation, the telephone company, to tack a card just a little higher than the other fellow. These men may be working all night for all any one knows, but they are going just as hard at it at six in the evening as if freshly started. Each probably thinks that all depends upon him, and perhaps it does.

Then there are the boys that start out long before most of the electors have turned over for their second sleep and tuck into the keyhole volumes of printed matter detailing minutely what each individual will do provided he succeeds in getting returned. Everything is discussed from the trunk sewer to the unfolding of beautiful schemes for parks and children's playgrounds, that are calculated to win the hearts of the people and make the most perverse voter cast just one for luck for the man who is going to do so many great things.

But of all the methods in vogue to get to the sympathetic ear of the caster of votes, the most widely practiced is the free and promiscuous distribution of cards, circulars and dodgers on the street. It is estimated that nearly three million cards and circulars have been struck off for use in the present campaign. Candidates and their henchmen lie in wait all day long for all who walk the streets in their constituency and present every elector with a card. It would be safe to say that there is not a man who is brought out on the streets in the downtown districts that has not continually to turn out of his pockets the load of cards bearing the request for "vote and influence" in the coming elections of aldermen and education trustees. The streets are carpeted with the thousands that are so disposed of in this manner. Small stores are turned into art galleries for the occasion, and the faces of present city fathers beam down from the walls side by side with the "young bloods," who are running their maiden race, or stare thru the street windows at the passerby, resting gracefully on a pot of jam or a wedding cake as an easel. There is not an advertising dodge known to man that they are not availing themselves of at the present time, even to a newspaper notice of having attended a church festival or an old boys' dinner.

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Mental Impairment is New.

Havana, Dec. 29.—Special cablegrams from Madrid report that Senor Rafael M. Merchan, the Cuban minister to Spain, is confined to the legation, suffering from mental impairment, as the result of the former illnesses, and that the Minister and his family will soon sail for Havana.

Hartford, Conn.—Jeremiah M. Allen president of the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company, is dead.

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boisterous about it. In a minute or two Hon. Mr. Harcourt emerged. He wore a smile that did not come off till he had run the gauntlet of newspaper men in the corridor. He seldom has more than a curt "good day" for the newspapers, but he hesitated for a moment as he passed out of the door and beamed on all most luminously. Hon. Mr. Gibson passed into his own room without coming into the presence of the waiting newspaper men. Therefore the broadness of his smile was not photographed. When Hon. Mr. Stratton appeared he was in high spirits. He was the last to leave the Premier. He always is. Being the favorite of the Premier, he lingers long in his chief's presence. As he passed along the corridor he made a jocular remark about the landslide in North Renfrew last Saturday.

The Premier followed, having tarried after his colleagues only long enough to put his overcoat on. He informed The World that he had nothing to say on political matters.

Vacancy Will Not Be Long.

There will be no delay in bringing on the by-election in North Oxford. This is the opinion of those in the confidence of the government. The Deputy Attorney-General said the by-election could be held in sixteen days after the issue of the writ, and the writ might follow immediately after the naming of the government candidate. The law provides that the returning officer, when he receives the writ, shall post it thruout the constituency. Then there must elapse eight full days before the day of nomination, and the day of election is generally one week after the official nomination. With no candidate in the field yet, it would seem probable that a month at least must elapse before the vacancy can be filled. This would throw it over to February, and in the meantime there are the election trials to be gone on with.

It is this feature of the situation that impresses most people with the idea that the government will not call the members of the legislature just now. There is nothing in the statutes to compel the holding of a session until June. The next session must begin within a year of the prorogation of the last session.

There has been some doubt expressed about the authority of the government to fill the vacancy until the death of Mr. Pattullo has been officially declared. It will be necessary for two members of the legislature to inform the Speaker of the demise of a member, and it was said yesterday that this could not be done until the body reached home or until the certificate of death was received. This would require at least ten days. The Premier was interrogated on the point. He said the cable announcement in the papers would be all the authority that would be required.

Are Their Friends "Ratting"?

Conservatives generally cannot see any way out of the present difficulty but the resignation of the government. Dr. Beattie Nesbitt informed The World yesterday that since the defeat of the government candidate in North Renfrew by the overwhelming majority of over 600, the Conservative lawyers in charge of the protests were acquiring information at a rapid rate that would undoubtedly unseat the members in the constituencies where protests have been filed. In other words, the insiders are "ratting."

The doctor was asked how the death of Mr. Pattullo would affect the situation, and replied: "It will leave them with a majority of two, not including the Speaker, and among the government members are two or three who have a pistol constantly levelled at the Premier's head, and will have to be reckoned with."

"Will Mr. Ross call the house together?"

"I think he will have to call the house to stop the protests we have filed, and since our victory in North Renfrew there has been a sudden access of information in reference to our rupt acts in the different constituencies which can only be accounted for on the old theory of rats deserting a sinking ship. There is not a possibility of the government being able to retain these seats, and there isn't a shadow of doubt, with the present state of public opinion, that we will carry every seat when opened. But when they are opened it will leave the government attempting to carry on the affairs in an actual minority of two. That would leave Mr. Whitney with a popular majority of 8000 or 9000 in the province, and the government with a minority of members administering our affairs. We've had a great deal of talk about constitutional authorities, but it seems to me, as one of the people, that less constitutional law and a very little common decency and honesty would force the government to resign."

FROM BAD TO WORSE.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—The Free Press, Liberal organ, says to-night: When one takes all the influences that were at work in North Renfrew under consideration, and many of them were about as bad as they well could be, there still remains in that astounding Dunlop majority of nearly 600 enough unexplained to force one to the conclusion that the electors are dissatisfied with the Ross government. Mr. Ross himself deserves every sympathy, for he has had to cope with a situation that might well appal the greatest leaders, and he has faced it courageously, but the conditions go from bad to worse and the position becomes increasingly embarrassing.

Thomas & Shields' Thoroughbreds.

A fine stable of thoroughbreds will carry the grey and magenta cuffs and cap of E. H. Thomas and Alexander Shields in the many races which will be decided on the metropolitan circuit in next season's campaign. Mr. Thomas and Alex. Shields formed a partnership and the horses which ran for this racing firm won many races in 1903. Hermis, which was bought from L. V. Bell for $60,000, was considered the best in the stable, and under the care of Alex. Shields he was successful during the latter part of the campaign.

In the stable for next season will be Hermis and Lady Amelia, which are the stars. The latter was bought from Woodford Clay and she won several races for her new owners. She is said to have grown into a grand filly and a great deal is expected of her in her three-year-old form. Mr. Thomas also purchased several other horses which are expected to show up well in the races next year.

Advance Guard, the iron horse, and one of the most popular horses on the turf, because he has raced and won many events on nearly all the tracks in the country, is again sound, but he will never face the starter. The old horse will be retired to the stud, and will be bred to the best mares that can be obtained.

The horse was turned out in the fall of 1903, and it was not until the following spring that he was taken up and prepared for the races. The good son of Great Tom filled up greatly in his idleness and proved unequal to the severe training that was necessary in the spring, and the result was that he broke down and was never brought to the post during the last season.

Profiting by the experience with Advance Guard, it is said Hermis will receive light exercise during the cold weather. Hermis was a late horse last year, but if this plan is carried out it is promised that he will not be so late when the 1904 campaign begins.

Heno, the property of W. S. Fenshave, is another grand horse that has been retired to the stud. Some horsemen are of opinion that he will not make a great success in the stud. His sire, Henry Young, was a grand race horse and also a good producer, but Quiver, Heno's dam, was a Fautus mare. Altho she possessed some wonderful speed, Quiver was not capable of running much over five furlongs without stopping. For this reason the breeders do not take kindly to the Fautus blood, and Heno may, on that account, not be given as much chance as would a horse of more aristocratic lineage.

Altho the racing season in the East is only finished a little over two weeks the lovers of the running horse are anxiously awaiting the announcement of the racing dates for next season. Jamaica, it is reported, has asked for two full weeks in August, but it is thought there will be no change in the old plan of giving three separate meetings at the new track. The season will be open on April 15 at Aqueduct and close on Nov. 15 at Jamaica.

AMUSEMENTS.

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Matinee Every Day
Evgs.—15c, 25c, 35c, 50c
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PUBLIC MEETING
Ald. J. R. STARR, Candidate
for the Board of Control, will speak at St. Paul's Hall to-night and at Douglas Hall on Thursday night, at 8 o'clock.

RELIGIOUS AND SOCIAL REFORM
(Auspices Single Tax Association.)
Rev. Harris R. Cooley of Cleveland, will lecture in the Grand Opera House, Subject.
The Poor and Criminal of a Great City
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Singing by Miss Mae Dickenson.

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