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PREMIER RCSS.

ADDRESS ON THE SUBJECT OF THE REFERENDUM.

THE GOVERNMENT DESIRES A DECISIVE VOTE.

PERSONAL ATTITUDE TO THE TEMPERANCE QUESTION.

Toronto, Nov. 26.-The in Association Hall last night was most encouraging to the advocates of prohibition. The hall was crowded to its utmost capacity before the hour set for the meeting to open. Mr. Marter introduced the Chairman for the evening, Hon. Geo. W. Ross, whose name was received with applause. In doing so Mr. Marter said:—I can assure you it gives me the greatest pleasure to introduce Mr. Ross. I am glad he is with us. (Applause.) I am glad to know that he who is at the head of our affairs in this Province is with us in

sympathy, and not only in sympathy, but in active work in the contest in which we are now engaged. (Applause.) Hon. Geo. W. Ross, on being introduc-ed, said:—Mr. Marter, ladies and gen-tlemen,—It gives me a great deal of pleasure indeed to assume the pleasant although somewhat responsible duties of presiding officer at this meeting. Mr. Marter was good enough to say that he believed the meeting worthy of the presiding officer. I only trust the presiding officer will be worthy of this great meeting, this influential meeting, this meeting of, I believe, thoughtful men and women, assembled for the consideration of what Mr. Marter described as a momentous question. The Legislative Assembly of Ontario in its wisdom saw fit to refer to the people of the whole traffic so far as its disposition is capable of being affected by the act known as "The liquor act, 1902." It did so folthe usual precedent in matters of this kind, particularly in matters affecting the sale of intoxicating liquors, there the final court of appeal was the electorate, as in the case of the Scott, act, local option and so on. Following those precedents, the question has been referred to the voice of the electorate of the Province. One object in doing so, my judgment, one object I had myself in asking for that reference, was that we should get an expression of opinion from the people of Ontario on this subject, which should be free of other considerations. You know that in party ontests various elements enter into the decisions of the people, and various questions, some affecting one interest and some another, some attractive to some members of the community, others to other members of the community, are presented. And there is sometimes a confusion of interests, if not a conusion of thoughts. This question was deemed so momentous, affecting the people in so many ways, that I felt my-

self, as in a certain sense responsible for the legislation, that I should like to have it submitted to the people, clear and distinct from all other considerations, that they would give their mind to it for some considerable time, undisturbed by any other thought or by the personal preference for any candidate, or by the party interests which sometimes bias as well as direct our thoughts, that they would give a single, unbiased and distinct expression of opinion upon the matter at the polls. But whether you approve of our course in that respect or not I am not going to argue. I am not going to defend; I am not going to apologize. There is no getting away from it now. (Laughter and applause.) I do not discuss this question at any length, for the duty of discussion at length never falls upon the Chairman. I have given you my views. I intend to vote for the liquor act of 1902. (Loud cheers.) I never lost an opportunity in my life, when one was presented, of voting for such a measure. I view will not be restrained by any reason whatsoever from expressing their views in the same way, and then, per contra, those who do not believe as I do, let us know by their votes how many there are of them. Let us know the strength of the two parties in this question, and, having ascertained the

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strength, it will be for us to consider what is next to be done in the interests of the cause so dear to us. (Prolonged

SUDDEN DEATH.

County Treasurer J. C. Fleming has eceived a letter from George Johns, county councillor for Bothwell, arnouncing the very sudden death of his daughter, Miss Mamie Johns. Taken suddenly ill with spasmodic cramps in the morning at 9 o'clock on Friday, she passed away at 11 o'clock the same morning. The funeral took place at Bothwell on Sunday. Mr. Johns fee's his loss very keenly, and has the sympathy of his very many Chatham friends.

Alfred Hild, a lad sent from here to the Penitanguishene Reformatory on the 11th of February, 1900, has written Judge Houston, asking that the Judge intercede for his liberation. The boy writes a beautiful hand. He says he is in the fourth book. He promises to be a good boy and work to help his mother, and also wants to spend Christmas at home. The lad was given three years for stealing. His parents asked then that he be sent to the Reformatory, as they could do nothing with him.

BUNCOED BILL

Genial Tilbury Journalist Tells How the Enterprising Oil Promoter Did Things to his Bank Account.

W. A. Hutton, the genial editor of the Tilbury News, was in the city Monday evening calling on his old Chatham friends and incidentally gathering all the information he could concerning the situation of the present oil excitement in Raleigh.

"How is the oil boom viewed by the people in Tilbury?" he was asked.

"Well," replied he, as he lit a fresh cigar and settled down in one of the comfortable seats in the Rankin House, "you can't mention oil to appropring Tilbury. We have oil to anyone in Tilbury. We have had our day in oil excitements and, as is usually the case, we were

"I dropped \$125 in an oil specula-tion around Tilbury once," he con-tinued, as an expression of sadness gradually crept over his countenance for me. There were a number other men there who were taken

at the same time." After a few moments of silence, during which he puffed vigorously at his cigar, he continued.

"This happened some time ago. well driller from Petrolea came to Tilbury and after prospecting around for some time he finally started to sink a well. He got down a short distance and said he had struck oil. Then he went around among the people there and tried to organize a company to push the concern. Of course the people were interested at once and I thought I saw a way of making a fortune without working for it, so I went into it with

"Well, there may have been oil it that well, but if there was it is there yet. The company, however, was formed, and a considerable amount of stock was subscribed and the man went on with his drilling. Every little while a meeting of the company was called to deal with calls for more money. This kind of thing, however, became monotonous in time and the company began to tumble to the fact that they were sinking fortunes instead of making them, and at his last request for money we granted him \$1,000 worth of oil shares and then dropped the matter.

"That was the last of the oil business," concluded Mr. Hutton, "and ever since that you are only spring-

AMBASSADOR WHITE'S STING-ING CRITICISM.

Monstrous and Startling Atroci les -A Defiance of All Law, Justice and Common Decomey.

Berlin, Nov. 26 .- A private letter written by retiring United States Ambassador White to Henry Seligman of Frankfort-on-the-Main, regarding the treatment of Hebrews in Roumania, appears in the Frankfurter Zeitung. The letter, which was not intended for present publication, is in part as follows: "The Roumanian atrocities are far superior to tar. simply monstrous and startle the civilized world. I have just received the Roumenian bulletin. No document equals it in cruelty since the series of laws with which Louis XIV. persecuted the Huguenots. But even these, which have hitherto been regarded as the some of cruelty, are exceeded by those in the bulletin. I cannot believe that right-thinking Roumanians or the civilized powers can allow this condition of things to continue. It appears to be open defiance of law, justice and common

Mr. White will present his letters of recali to Emperor William Thursday at noon, and afterwards, with his wife, will take Juncheon with the Emperer and

THE HAVANA RIOTS.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY PERSONS WERE WOUNDED.

Indications Are that the Strike Will Soon be Settled-Three Men Accidentally Hilled.

Havana, Nov. 26 .- The total number of wounded in Monday's rioting, actording to the hospital returns, is 120. Sixteen of these were wounded by bullets. The others are suffering from the injuries inflicted by policemen's Many other persons wounded were not taken to the hospitals. Coaches and omnibuses began running at noon. The managers of the Commercial Tobacco Company are confident that the strike will end to-day or Thursday. The Veterans' Association has appointed a committee, with Gen. Gomez as chairman, to wait upon the eigar manufacturers and try to arrange a peace settlement of the strike. This committee will afterwards meet the strikers committee, if the latter will consent. Several bread shops have opened. Two strikers and a fireman were thus adding another train crew as killed, as the result of a collision residents of the Maple City. Tom. between a fire engine and an electric car. A general strike, it is reported, has been declared at Cicy training the conductor of the local yard has been declared at Cienfuegos.

MAKE CHANGE IN CONTRACT

City Council Decide to Use Cement Instead of Tar for Pavement Filler.

in View of Petition and Engineer's Recommendation the Board of Works Acted.

A special meeting of the City Council was held last evening in the Council Chembers. Mayor Sulman opened the meeting, stating the meeting the Board of Works for the whole Council to decide on the advisability. of changing the filler of the Sixth street pavement from tar to cement. Chairman of the Board of Works Ald. Mounteer said the matter was

brought about by a petition being sent in signed by all the ratepayers of Sixth street from King street to Wellington street as follows: To the Chairman and members of the Board of Works:

Gentlemen,-We, the undersigned ratepayers on Sixth street in the city of Chatham, owing to the late-ness of the season and other unfavorable conditions for using tar as a filler in the new pavement, would respectfully request your Board to amend the specifications so that cement may be used as a filler and thus enable us to have the use of the street at an early date-C. R. Charteris, W. D. Sheldon, C. R. At-kinson, G. W. Cornell, K. Urquhart . G. Kerr, William Kerr (per J. G. Chatham, Nov. 24, 1902.

Ald. Mounteer also read the fellowing letter from the City Engineer: Chairman and members of Board of

Works:

Gentlemen,-Re Sixth street pavement, owing to the lateness of the season I have good reason to believe that it is nearly impossible to lay sufficient consistency to remain in place during the coming summer, owing to cold and dampness chilling the pitch before it can thoroughly fill the crevices between the Portland cement filler to be use and to be applied only during such when the temperature is at least 15 degrees above freezing point. class job will be the result. E. B. JONES.

City Engineer. Chairman Mounteer then moved hat the Board of Works be empowered to change the specifications with contractors with regard to fillers and the best possible arrangements be made.

Ald. McCoig-I thought the contractors told us that we could get ne at the same price as the other. Chairman Mounteer-We expect to get the cement filler at a less cost Ald. Marshall-I am opposed to tar at any stage of the game. Detroit the only place where they use ar, and we pretty nearly know that is. If any of the Council do not know, I will tell them privately. Cleveland, Toronto and other cities are using cement as a filler. It is

Ald. Cowan asked why the Board of Works couldn't have known what reduction in price the Paving Co. would be willing to make when they

substituted cement for tar. Ald. Mounteer replied that superintendent of the Dominion Paving Co. had been trying to get in communication with the President of the Company all afternoon. He had succeeded since supper. The Company were willing to make a reduction of 5 cents a yard, provided the change were made for both Sixth street and William street. change of filler from cement to tar were made only for Sixth street then no reduction would be made. They say that they would have made greater reduction had they not the tar already on the ground. will have to find a market for the tar they have purchased and the difference between tar and cement will be eaten up by the freight which

they have to pay.

Ald. Cowan-I approve of the action of the Board of Works. When the matter was up some time ago and the virtues of tar and cement discussed, I wrote the city engineer of Toronto to find out what ex perience they had. A man with the reputation of Mr. Rust ought to be able to give valuable information. Mr. Rust wrote me that they had used pitch on some streets but they found cement much more satisfactory

and wearing. Mayor Sulman - Mr. Rust gested to me that there should be a spacing of tar or pitch to allow for expansion. These spaces should be at stated intervals or along the gutters.

The motion of the Chairman of the Board of Works was adopted and the Council adjourned.

Another train has been added to the Chatham branch of the Lake Erie. The freight which formerly ran from Walkerville to Ridgetown will, in future, come to Chatham,

POLICE SERVICE

Commissioners Consider Petition From Queen St. Residents-Want Police.

The most important matter brought up at the meeting of the Police Commissioners yesterday afternoon was a petition from 63 of the ratepayers and residents on Queen St. for a police service on that street. The petitioners claimed that this street, which is one of the principal thoroughfares, his not got proper police protection. Of late several attempts at robbery have PREMIER BALFOUR'S AUTHORbeen made and in some cases goo's were stolen. They asked for a night ceman and also one during the day

Judge Bell thought that the expense of two extra police would be too great. Of course there is a lot of traffic on that street, but there were

whole of North Chatham.

The matter, on motion of the May or, was finally referred to the City Council, and, in the meantime, if these esidents will nominate any man to the position of local constable he will be appointed at the next meeting of

The following accounts were pass Chief Police, postage, \$1.25.

C. P. R. Telegraph, \$2.60. Bell Telephone Co., \$1.10. As there were not enough tenders i or the improvements to the police station the matter was left over urtil the next meeting, when tende's will also be received for policemen's

WILL FIGHT IT OUT.

THE MINERS AND OPERATORS CANNOT AGREE.

Hearing Before the Commission Will be Proceeded With-Result of New York Conference.

New York, Nov. 26 .- At the close of the meeting of the independent coal operators and the officials of the coalcarrying roads, held here, a statement was given out which in part says :- "In the midst of the conference the request came from Washington to the operators of both classes to meet Mr. Mitchell and his associates next Friday morning at 10 o'clock. The parties present without dissent instructed Mr. Baer to make the following answer :-'The conditions are such that no substantial progress can be made by the suggested meeting. The general judgment of the operators is that it will be best for the present to go on with the hearing.'

The independent operators vigorously protested against any settlement before evidence had been presented to the commission in reply to that presented by the miners. A sett'ement now, they urged, would, in the eyes of the public, be a confession that they had heretofore been guilty of all the offences charged against them by the mine workers. They presented a written statement outlining the above view, and adding that they believe their defence and that of the big companies is so complete "that any money award the commission would pender would be far less than the amount we understand that it is propos ed to concede, especially to miners and their laborers." The commission the independents continue, is composed of absolutely fair men, whose "findings will make such declaration as will for many years put a ban upon unlawful prac-tices, oppression of non-union men, un-justifiable demands, and other grievances, that we have been suffering under since 1900, when the union first took possession of our property." Any other settlement will be an absolute and distinct surrender to the miners' union, and the troubles referred to will not only be continued, but so magnified as to be absolutely unbearable."

It was after the independents had presented their statement and while the subject was under discussion that Mr. Baer was instructed to refuse a meeting

THE CHIEF JUSTICE'S OATH. Duly Sworn Before the Lieutenant-Governor.

Toronto, Nov. 26 .- Chief Justice Moss of Ontario was duly sworn in by the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir Oliver Mowat, at Government House, yesterday afternoon, in the presence of the Premier, Hon. Geo. Ross; Hon. J. M. Gibson, Hen. John Dryden, Hon. J. R. Stratton and Hon. F. R. Latchford, the Ministers present in the city.
Mr. Justice Maciaren will take his oath of ctuce in the Court of Appeal

court. Sir Frederick Borden to Visit Quebec. Quebec, Nav. 25 Sir Frederick Bor den, Minister of Militia, will visit Que-bec on Saturday next, and in the even-ing will be entertained at dinner by members of the Garrison Club.

this morning at the opening of the

A ROYAL FAREWELL

WR. CHAMBERLAIN STARTS FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

BIG GATHERINGS AT LONDON AND PORTSMOUTH.

ITY STRENGTHENED.

traffic on that street, but there were other places in the city where the people had the same police protection is the residents on Queen St., and thy were just as deserving of more protection.

Mr. Houston thought that, it this petition were granted, others just reworthy of being granted would come in, and serious complications might arise. The residents on Queen street have now the same protection as the whole of North Chatherm. Jesse Collings silently wrung his hand as the train moved off. A throng of bystanders had awaited his coming outside of the station, and greeted him

heartily.
At Portsmouth the corporation presented him with an address engrossed on vellum, as though he were returning from a victorious campaign, instead of going to South Africa to obtain facts at first hand. He was received with an Admiral's salute when he embarked on the armored cruiser Good Hove, and the guns boomed and the flags fluttered all down the harbor as the ship stood out

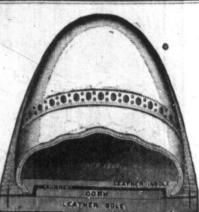
seaward. The last file of papers which he carried to sea was 'lled with eulogistic leaders, lyrics with "Good Hope" and "Joe" as serviceable rhyming words, a cartoon from Linley Sambourne, repre-senting John Bull as Polonius bidding Laertes to reserve judgment, and sketches of commemorative medals from F. C. Gould, depicting the archangel of war transformed into the dove with the

olive branch The significance of all these tributes lies in the fact that an old Parliamentary hand, who has become a particularly strong individual force in British public life, has gone out with a special commission from the King and Cabinet to settle affairs in South Africa as he likes. Premier Balfour's personal authority of the masterful spirit of the Colonial Secretary from politics during the next six months. The education bill will be carried without the aid of Mr. Chamber lain, and the programme of next session, with Irish measures and London school reorganization as the chief features. will be known as exclusively the Prime

The presence at Victoria Station yesterday of one of Mr. Chamberlain's col-leagues in the fisheries negotiations at Washington fifteen years ago was a link connecting two missions essentially unlike. This was W. R. D. Maycock, who accompanied him to the United States capital and assisted in the negotiation of the fisheries convention. He was also present at the dinner where Mr. Chamberlain first met Miss Endicott, now

Mrs. Chamberlain. There are persistent rumors that Lord Salisbury is returning to England in or-der to support Lord Hugh Cecil's agitation for amendments to the education bill, which has now entered upon the report stage, with the closure applied vigorously for the past three days.

There is also a continuance of politieal gossin respecting the King's interven. tion in Irish affairs, and the fundamental changes of policy which may precede the royal visit to Ireland next year. Some Nationalists choose to assume that the King, from his friendship for Gladstone, has been a home ruler for many years, but this is a fantastic invention, Equally fatuous is the theory that Mr Wyndham has consulted with Messrs Redmond, O'Brien and O'Connor respecting the scope and character of the new land purchase bill. There is, however reasonable ground for the belief that great effort will be made to concil iate the Irish party before the King visits Ireland



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