

FROM PLAYS TO POLITICS.

A TRANSFORMATION AT THE GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

His Richard Cartwright's Speech to the Delegates for Canadian Independence—Two Hours on the Stage.

In respect of attendance, the meeting held last night in the Grand opera house, under the auspices of the Toronto Reform association, was an unqualified success.

The auditorium and dress circle were densely packed, the latter being largely filled by ladies, while the upper gallery was occupied by a large number who had been turned away from the lower door after even standing room was exhausted.

The audience was thoroughly respectable, and therefore orderly, the only interruptions being those made by a drunken man who was speedily removed by a policeman from the front of the gallery.

It was asserted by Peter Ryan, while moving a vote of thanks at the close of the meeting, that Sir Richard Cartwright had been asked to come and speak in Toronto just because he is the man whom the Tories hate and fear the most.

Calling attention to the dangers which threatened the country at the present time he traced them to the growing custom of growing public questions coupled with the growing attractions of business pursuits.

The questions are harder to understand, and it is more difficult to induce men of ability and integrity to devote themselves steadily to public life.

Amongst the evil results of public apathy are the opportunities it affords to unscrupulous ministers to deal in corruption, and the growth of such practices as contractors subsisting by the sale of government lands and spending money in election contests and subsidizing the press.

A considerable portion of the speech was devoted to an account of the population of the Dominion. At confederation the population of Canada was 3,375,000, and the annual expenditure was \$13,500,000.

Several specific transactions of the government at Ottawa were referred to by the finance minister's dealings with the Exchange bank in the interest of prominent government supporters.

After a brief defence of the Mackenzie administration—concluding with the assertion that Mr. Mackenzie was turned out because he would not bribe—Sir Richard specified the following as the aims of the

A COLUMN OF CANADIAN.

A ST. THOMAS RIOTER CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Officers of Select Knights, A. O. U. W.—Horrible Accident at Hamilton—Killed by Lightning—Other Dominion News.

Art Exhibition—Last Money Returned—Massey's Mill—Church Sale.

A Tory Amendment Defeated—Lord Charles' Letter to the Government.

New York Stock Market.

A second's Work.

Attachments Against Dimock & Co.

A Sample of Delaware Justice.

The Madness of Love.

Worse than the New York Panic.

The Cantiver Bridge a Post Route.

CANADIAN INDEPENDENCE.

THE SCOTT ACT IN HALTON.

A WORLD REPORTER'S OBSERVATION IN MILTON.

Liquor Easily Got—Drunk Men Plenty—What Leading Citizens say of the Act.

For the first time in the history of either of the two great parties in this country Sir Richard Cartwright, a prominent leader in one of them, has come out in favor of Canadian independence.

There were four courses open to us: as to annexation that was political suicide; as to a special federation that was impossible; as to a new kind of federation—a federation of all the English-tongued people with a common flag, a common tongue, a common consular service, a common law and a common bond of defence—that he had more hope, but it was indefinite; as to independence that remained and was worthy of being discussed, worthy of our preparing to put on.

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Now the weakness of Sir Richard Cartwright's position was just here: He showed that things were in a bad way in this country; and as a mere hit he threw out the idea that it was time we prepared to discuss independence.

But the step made last night was a great one, and mark our word for it the independence of Canada will be up for discussion on every platform hereafter.

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WOODBINE NOTES.

SIXTEEN MILLS ON THE DOLLAR THE RATE THIS YEAR.

Retrenchment all Round—No Increase of Salaries in the Fire Department—Some of the Reductions.

All the members of the executive committee attended yesterday's meeting when the estimates were considered.

At the close of the business the treasurer announced that the reductions netted \$102,000 in round numbers.

Interest on debentures account, \$100,000; fuel and coal, \$100,000; repairs, \$100,000; salaries, \$100,000; etc.

Trainers and Jockeys at the Woodbine.

Reported Application for an Injunction.

Conversation at the Normal School.

What They Are Saying.

The World Would Like to Know.

It Doesn't Affect Its Growth.

THE MAYOR'S CASTING VOTE.

Reported Application for an Injunction.

It is contended that the vote of the council in favor of the Bay Street site for the court house is illegal, because of the vote of the mayor.

The mayor may vote with the other members on all questions, and any question on which a majority of votes shall be deemed to be negatived.

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AMONG THE JERKERS.

Religious Ceremonies on Prince Edward's Island... The introduction of these dances, even of the glorious Sir Roger...

THE HISTORY OF DANCING.

In Shakespeare's Time, Queen Anne's and Charles II's... The ancients held the dance in the very highest esteem...

A Considerable Difference.

From the Philadelphia Call. New York Broker... His wife - You can't, indeed? I should like to know why.

SPORTING NOTES.

The Winnipeg bicycle club has a membership of 70... The annual parade of the league of American wheelmen took place at Washington yesterday.

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