FALL THOUGHT.

Let it be on the Supject of Our Very Complete

-WHEN IN NEED OF-LUMBER, SHINGLES, LATH, BILL STUFF, LIME and WOOD

## Mills at Bobcaygeon.

OFFICE YARD,-East and of Wel-lington-st. Bridge, LINDSAY.

The Canadian Bost, LINDSAY FRIDAY, OCT. 23, 1896.

IT WAS HARMONIOU The Grand Trunk Annual

Meeting in London.

Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson Commends the General Manager and Believes Botter Times Will Come After the Presidential Election in the United States is Over.

London, Oct. 14.-The annual meeting of the directors and shareholders of the Grand Trunk Railway was held to-day, as previously announced. The room was crowded, and a more representathe history of the company. Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson, the president of the company, presided, and in

the course of his remarks said, in reference to statements which had been made regarding the increase of the expenses of the company during the past year, that when the Presidential elections in the United States were over, the west-bound traffic of the road would resume its ordinary proportion, and the expenditures under the general charges would be reduced in the fu-Referring to the general charges

against him of having ordered a new special car, the president said that these allegations had been caused by the picturesque imaginations of Canadian local reporters. It was necessary. he said, to have a new car to replace the old one, which had outlived its usefulness. Continuing his address, Sir Charles said that Mr. Charles M. Hays, general manager of the G.T.R. had shown himself to be the very best man for the position The statement that the management

had shown a tendency to Americanize the Grand Trunk road, he said, had been greatly exaggerated. The G.T.R. was to a very considerable degree at American line, and the company must be guided by the interests of the shareholders, which he would never subordinate to sentimental considera. tions. The times which had beset the present administration, Sir Charles said, had not been propitious, but the horizon was clearing. The volume of business had been generally paralyzed, but after the American election the prosperity of the company would be returned. American railways, said, must pursue a waiting policy at the present time. They must not be considered experimental, though the conditions were exceptional and transitory. No scheme for the reconstruction of the capital of the company would be taken into consideration by the Board. The finances of the company were in a condition to relieve all anxiety, and upon the arrival of business the company would be in a condition to avail itself of the fullest advantages accruing to the shareholders. Mr. Jeffries advocated the sale or rental of the property of the company at Toronto, and complained of the dismissal of certain officials from the

road. "If," he said, "we should go to war with the United States" (here the speaker's remarks were drowned with Mr. Bristol Baker, a shareholder, assailed the administration for its extravagance, which, he alleged, had brought the company to its present lamentable condition, and at the conclusion of his speech moved an amendment to the resolution to adopt the

not confirm that portion of the report relating to the arrangement entered into between the authorities of the company and those of the city of Portland, Maine, contemplating the joint erection of an elevator for the use of the company in loading trans-Atlantic vessels with grain. The directors and shareholders of the company, he declared, must not approve of any scheme which involved handing over the control of any part of the system of the Grand Trunk to Americans, who seemed to be playing into the hands American steamship lines.

The chairman, Sir Charles Riverswilson, interrupted the speaker at this juncture, and said: "Most of the statements which you have already mede are inaccurate and have been re-Mr. Bristol Baker said that the sum £1500, which had been alleged to

have been pocketed by the committee in charge of the arrangements made with the Portland authorities for the erection of the grain elevator, had all been spent in communicating with the shareholders of the company on the Shareholder Viers supported the contention of Mr. Bristol Baker in a hum-

orous and poetic speech, in which he seribed the address of the president, Sir Charles Rivers-Wilson, as an impractical sermon.

Mr. Landon and other shareholders apported the chair, Mr. Landon saying that evidently a number of the shareholders expected the Board of Directors to work upon penny-in-the-slot principle, which was simply to put a new Board in the slot, and the outcome would be something sweet. Str Charles Rivers-Wilson said, in

reply to the gentleman who had spoken in opposition to him, that the company had been laboring under an inherited accumulation of liability, which he was

The Toronto Belt Line, he said, had taken steps to turn its system into that of a street railway or to sell the line if they come do so. The line appeared to be of no value. The information which Mr. Bristol Baker was in possession of, he said, had been obtained from a circular written by a of clerk who had been dismissed from charge. Mr. Green was formerly assistant the service of the company.

Mr. Bartholomew described the critichum of the management of Mr. Hays as rubbish. The Portland elevator, he declared, while it was of the utmost importance to the company, was absointely without cost to the company; the receipts would pay for it all. He therefore moved, seconded by Mr. Price, that the report of the company, as submitted to the meeting, be adopt-

Mr. Tomlin followed the motion with an amendment which was lost by a practically unanimous vote, there being | shot Elmself Twice and Carries a Euliet all sheep shipped from this district to no supporters besides the mover. The report was then adopted unanimously. The meeting was an exceptionally or-

derly one. Her Cargo Was for Canada. London, Oct. 15.—The Norwegian barque Tameriane, Captain Evensen, from Fleetwood, for St. John, N.B., with salt, which put into Queenstown in a leaking condition, has been docked for repairs.

A small upturned vessel floating level with the water and forming a dangerous obstruction to navigation is reported to have been sighted on Oct. 4, in lat. 42 N., long. 36 w.

He Has Not Resigned the Liberal Leadership.

FEELING OF BELIEF IN THE PART

& James' Cazette States, However, That Semething Important is About to Happen-Lord Reschery Remains Loyal to the Party's Principles -The Liberal Federation.

London, Oct. 14.-Sir William Vernon Harcourt explicitly denies that he has resigned the Liberal leadership. Nevertheless, The St. James Gazette again refers to the matter, and says it may be stated that he has arrived at no hasty decision, that he has been dissatisfied at being obliged to seek a Welsh seat, and is disagreeably surprised at so many Liberals rallying to Lord Rosebery's side. The paper also says that the report of his intended resignation is semi-official, and that beyond doubt he contemplates a sensational move. Sir William Vernon Harcourt's de

received with general relief in Liberal circles. Had he resigned, the posttion of the party without leaders in either the House of Commons or the House of Lords would have been most awkward. Sir William Harcourt's leadership of the Liberals in the Commons never has been impugned. Many think that he failed to support Lord Rosebery as loyally as he should have done; more say that his overbearing manner, his opportunism, his want of one ounce of the enthusiasm of Mr. Gladstone, or even of Lord Rosebery, even were it not for the supposed preference of the Queen for other Liberal leaders, would debar him from a successful leadership of won him the gratitude of the party, and would make his removal from the leadership in the Lower House greatly regretted. The growing feeling in the party is that Lord Rosebery's place had best remain unfilled for the present. Sir William Harcourt leads the Liberals in the Commons and Lord Kimberley can be appointed to lead the handful of Liberal peers. rest can wait until circumstances force some man to the front for the leadership of the whole party. Lord Rosebery explains that his reference to Mr. Asquith at Edinburgh

the party will be ready at the next Lord Charles Beresford, who is a captain in the Royal Navy, and was Bradford, made vacant by the death | the present season was far better than fact that it was stated yesterday that he had announced his intention of

the leadership, as he would not at-

tempt to dictate to the party. Lord

Rosebery remains loyal to Liberal

TALKING IT OFER.

the National L beral Federation Executive

contesting the seat.

Thanks Lord Rosebery. Committee of the National Liberal Federation met at 2.45 o'clock this afternoon, and spent the time up to 6.20 in discussing the situation. committee has issued a statement expressing profound regret at Lord Rosebery's withdrawal from the leadership of the Liberal party, and making public recognition of His Lordship's signal services as Prime Minister and leader under circumstances of unusual ment recognizes also the fact that Lord Rosebery's action in resigning was due to a desire on his part to promote unity in the Liberal ranks, and rejoices to know that the party will continue to benefit by their late leader's high character, ability and en-The Social Reform Committee has

decided in view of the public feeling its despatchers here. The telegrapher touching personal questions not to call a meeting of the Federation at present. Henry Labouchere, editor of Truth, in an article in that journal voicing the sentiments of the Radical members of the House of Commons and the supporters of Sir William Harcourt, writes: "Nobody cares a brass farthing what the National Liberal Federation may say or do on any subject. The Federation is extinct as a factor in the Liberal party.'

STABBED HIS COMPANION.

An Affray at the Falls in Which the Late Jack Dempsey's Cousin Suffered -Italian Killed-Other Notes.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Oct. 14.-(Special.)stabbing affray occurred at Niagara Falls South early last evening between two strangers named Frank Dempsey and Bob Casey. The two men are of rough character, and appearance, and had been engaged for a short time as pickers by Dave DePew, who is shipping large quantities of apples to England. At the time of the trouble they were wandering around the street looking for cheap drinks, and began quarreling across the border. He has not yet been captured. Dempsey is a lineman, whose Jack Dempsey, the pugilist. The Hockey Club will be organized on riday evening in the Council chambers. A large flock of wild ducks flew into the river gorge just below the cataract early his morning. About 50 of them have been shot on both sides of the river. The local police received word to-day that George Smith, the boy who is serving a sentence for stealing a bicycle here, is An Italian laborer at work on the construction of the new steel arch railway bridge was killed this afternoon. The man sent on a flat car to the hospital, but died on the way. The man's name is unknown. He went by "No. 68." Albert H. Barton, the man who commitress Company's office here changes to-day. Mr. Alex. Wills, for some time past chief agent, has resigned, and Mr. John Green the Toronto office has been placed in

The frame dwelling owned and occupied Tayfield Hill, a laboring man, at Niagara Falls South, was totally destroyed, with a large portion of the contents, by fire, at an early hour this morning. The origin of the fire is not known. Loss, about \$500; no insurance. The Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association have not been idle since they have been in town. Last night the session lasted until 1 o'clock, and anomer was called early this morning. The afternoon session

commenced at 3 o'clock. Business will pro-bably be completed to-morrow morning

Price, a farmer, aged 48, of Brewster, animals, N.T. made a desperate attempt to | A representative of a French Asphalt kill himself yesterday. He went to his Company of Montreal, which laid the bedroom and shot himself in the head. The ball struck his skull went through his furehead and lodged in the bed. Frice then got a looking glass and, lying down upon the bed, aimed the revolver at himself, with the aid of the glass. The second ball is in his head. He is still alive, but will probaoly die.

Will be Observed Regarding

Mining Machinery.

Ratiway People Slow in Making Their Returns - The B. C. Salmon Pack-Messra, Mulock and Fisher Looking Into Charges of Offensive

Ottawa, Oct. 15.-A serious misapprehension appears to have arisen the minds of manufacturers mining machinery in Engthat they cannot find a market for their product in this country, owing to the high rates of duty. Under the Canadian law, until July 14 next, mining machinery of a class or kind not manufactured in Canada is admitted duty free. A question may arise as to the interpretation of this item, but every case is dealt with on its merits, and it has been the custom of the department to adopt a liberal

Partisanship - Ottawa Notes.

According to advices received at Department of Railways Canals the machinery the Soo lock is working like charm. The new lock on the American side is at work again after being closed several days for repairs to the operating machinery. Ever since the opening of that lock in August the machinery has worked very unsatisfactorily. As a consequence, many vessel owners have greatly criticized this feature of the new lock and they the party, but his fight against the state that they can get in and out of the Canadian canal in half the time American one. All of which is a tribute to the Canadian engineers who designed and contractors who built the lock on the Canadian side. According to a report received at the Fisheries Department, Inspector McNab, in charge of the British Col-

umbia fisheries, estimates the total

salmon pack in the province this year

at over 600,000 cases, of which 249,850 cases were put up on northern rivers, Skeena, Naas, etc., and the balance on the Fraser River. The inspector confesses that he was very much surprised at the big catch this year, owing to its being an historical off-year. There has, it is true, been a decline in the Fraser catch since 1893, but nothing like the sliding scale of previous off-years. The total pack for four years previous to 1893 was 76,000 cases, and four years previous to that 68,000. The great improvement is undoubtedly due to the Government hatchery. There are now thirty-five canneries on the Fraser and twenty up north, a total of fifty-five. Mr. Mc-Nab says not so many sturgeon, are caught now as three years ago, but last. The sturgeon industry only commenced three years ago, and, as there were no restrictions, an American company were having things all their own way in New Westminster and would have fished out the river if they had not been prevented. Minister Fisher, it is said, is now after the scalps of some of his offi-

cers. Among others, he has recommended that the services of Dr. Duncan quarantine officer at Williams' Head, Victoria, B. C., be dispensed with. Dr. Duncan is accused of having permitted, during the late general election, a suspect with his guardian to leave the hospital, where the suspect had been recovering from smallpox, to go to vote for the Conservative candidates in the city of Victoria and of otherwise taking part in the contest on behalf of the late Government. Dr. Duncan was also Health Officer for the city of Victoria. His conduct at the time of the election formed the basis of a discussion at the city council, but he managed to retain that office by a narrow vote, Later on he resigned in favor of his brother.

There was considerable comment to-day over the action of the C. P. R. in dismissing from its service one of dismissed is Mr. T. Brown, who has been a servant of the company for upwards of ten years. There was a little trouble between himself and the company prior to the recent strike. When the strike was ordered Mr. Brown went out with the other men. Since the settlement of the strike trouble he has resumed his duties The old sore has been reopened and Mr. Brown received his blue envelope.

Although the annual return by the railway companies of the Dominion giving particulars of the traffic over their lines, including both freight and passengers, number of miles traveled, quantity of rolling stock, etc., is by law to reach the Department of Railways and Canals by Oct 1, less than one-fourth of the companies have so far complied with the statute. The result is that the compilation of the annual statistics of the department is delayed. It is stated that the department will resort to radical measures to enforce compliance with the

It is currently reported that the stone which Mr. A. Stewart, one of the contractors for the Soulanges Canal, was prevented by Mr. Munro, the superintending engineer, from putting into the work, meets wih the approval of Mr. Joseph Hobson, the well-known engineer, who was asked by the Minister to look into the matter. The contention was that the stone did not comply with the specifications. It is reported that the Minister of Railways and Canals, before finally deciding about the stone for the Soulanges Canal, will ask Dr. Dawson, Director of the Geological Survey, to

The Postmaster-General is investigating a charge against Postmaster Farrow of Brussels, Ont., of offensive partisanship during the last general election. Mr. Farrow has not been dismissed, as stated by a Toronto news-

"Doc" Johnson has been requested by the Postmaster-General to explain his conduct during the recent general elections. Mr. Johnson is mail clerk on the Erie & Huron Railway, and it is said that he was given three weeks' vacation at the time of the election, and that he spent this time working in the interests of the Conservative candidate in Kent.

Suit has been entered against the Canada Accident Insurance Company to recover a \$5000 policy on the life of the late Peter McRae, who was drowned in Lake Deschenes last summer by the capsizing of a boat. The company object to pay the policy on the ground that deceased did not fulfil a clause in the agreement, by which it is provided that the insured shall not voluntarily endanger his life.

The Electric Railway Company is having a 200 norse-power locomotive constructed for the purpose of hauling lumber from Edwards' Mill at New Edinburgh to the Central Depot yards. The locomotive will run by electric power and will be used only at night, being run on the Sussex-street tracks. Dr. A. E. James, veterinary surgeon of this city, has been appointed by the Department of Agriculture to inspect

went to Montreal for the purpose of looking over the Lachine Canal, arrived in the Capital to-day. There was a meeting between the Manitoba Ministers and some members of the Government to-day, but on account of the absence of the First Min-Hon. Dr. Borden intends going to his home in Nova Scotia shortly. Sir Richard Cartwright returns to

Mr. Barron, ex-M.P., says he knows nothing about the rumor that he is to become Deputy Minister of Justice. Mr. Tarte entertained the Manitoba elegates to dinner this evening. Besides Messrs. Cameron, Watson and McMillan, Messrs. Blair and Fielding

Hon. Mr. Davies has rented a house on Metcalfe-street for the winter. Hon. Wm. Paterson left for Toronto Mr. A. Blue, Superintendent of the Sureau of Mines for Ontario, was in the city to-day.

By the death of Mr. Lewis Cartvright, the arrangement made by Sir Richard for his family taking up resi-fence in Ottawa immediately will not be proceeded with, Lady Cartwright emaining in Kingston until next The Premier returned to the city to-

The assessment on the mains of the Ottawa Gas Company has been inreased this year from \$10,000 to \$50,-000. An appeal has been entered

THE CRIPPLED PARIS.

against this assessment.

She is Steaming With One Screw and Has 2100 Miles Yet to Go.

New York, Oct. 13.-The steamship Paris, which is limping towards Southampton under her port screw, the other having been fractured, was spoken by the Red Star liner Kensington, from Antwerp, to this port, at midnight Saturday. When the Paris was abeam of the Kensington, she signalled: "We are the Paris, American Line."

The Kensington passed the Paris in lat. 44.38, long. 54.18. She was then just 84 hours out of port, and had pro-ceeded about 900 miles in that time. Her position was due south of Cape Race and St. John's, Nfld., and due east of Halifax and Sable Island. The loss of half of the propelling power of the vessel should reduce her speed to about 15 knots per hour, but a computation, based on the distance traveled and the time, shows she has made a little over nine knots per hour. The Paris has undoubtedly met and weathered the gale that has been devastating the coast, and that probably accounts for the poor time she has made. The vessel has yet to go 2100 miles. At the rate of nine miles per hour, it would take her until next Tuesday to steam from where she was sighted by the Kensington to Southampton. Steamship men, however, beheve the Paris will increase her speed several knots if the weather moderates and that she will get into Southampton by Sunday.

MURDEROUS BURGLARS

Attempted to Shoot Constable Graham at Toronto Junction-A Bullet Through His Helmet.

Toronto Junction, Oct. 13.—(Special.)— Policeman Graham had an exciting adventure with burgiars early yesterday morn-He was making his rounds as usual at half-past 3, and was in the alleyway at rear of McBride's hardware store, Dundas and Keele-streets. He turned on his dark antern to look up the passage, as is his custom, when someone struck the lantern out of his hand with a crowbar and fired a revolver right at his head. The bullet passed through the officer's helmet. Graham returned the fire, and gave chase to two men, one of whom dropped a wellfilled bag. The night was very dark, and the desperadoes got away clear by going different ways along the railroad tracks. Graham restored the swag to Mr. Mo-Bride this morning. It consisted of several dozen pocket knives, butcher knives, scissors, razors and a large quantity of tea rings and other stuff taken from the store, making quite a heavy load. There s no clue as to who the burglars are. They ecured an entrance to the store by breakng a pane of glass and unfastening the

INDIANS IN A DUEL.

And Farm Instructor McNettl Got in Front of a Bullet-One Dead Indian-A St. Paul Thief.

Winnipeg, Oct. 14.-(Special.)-On the Blood Indian reserve, near McLeod, N.W. yesterday, two Indians fought a duel. In the melee Farm Instructor McNeill was shot through the body. He will recover, it is believed. One of the Indians was shot Charles Condie, who came here from St. Paul three weeks ago, was appointed Dom-inion Express agent at Oak Lake. Yesterday he absconded with several thousand dollars of the Express Company's funds.

GAS STRUCK NEAR LONDON.

Artesian Well Borers in Westminster Township Found Several Things.

London, Oct. 14.-On the farm of John Dale, lot 76, Westminster, about 2 1-2 miles south of Springbank, while sinking an artesian well, at 301 feet, they struck what is known as the oilbearing rock, with a light show of petroleum. At 302 feet a vein of gas was struck, and, a match being applied, it burned freely four feet above the casing, and continued until put out. At 303 feet water was struck and raised 160 feet. A pump was put in and started, and for three days pumped at the rate of 600 gallons per hour. The water is of excellent quality. A remarkable feature was that when drilling at the depth of 180 feet the drill went through a soft substance, which, upon examination, was found to be wood, and also at a depth of 281 feet a like substance was struck, but more of a petrified nature.

Brunk From Chloroform. New York, Oct. 14.-Emma Nevins, who has acquired the sobriquet of "the Chloroform Queen." by reason of her addiction to the chloroform habit, was round lying unconscious last night in the gutter at Thirtieth-street and Seventh-avenue. She was taken to the West Thirtleth-street Poilce Station. When searched, a bottle of chloroform was found in the pocket of her dress. She was covered with black and blue spots resulting from falls while under the influence of the anarsthetic. The woman was locked up when she recovered consciousness. She has been picked up on the streets, helpless drunk from chloroform and ether time and time again.

A LOSS OF \$200,000.

Great Barrington, Mass., Swept by Fire e Great Barrington, Mass., Oct. 13.-The largest fire that ever occurred in thi town began at 10 o'clock last night in tenement house near the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railway Station. The are soon spread to the Kennedy Hotel and livery stables and the Miller House stables, situated in the centre of the town. A large brick block in Railroad-street was

also soon in flames. All of these build-ings have been destroyed. Conservative estimates place the loss at \$200,000; well The fire spread distress on all sides. The business portion of the town was almost completely destroyed. The tele estimate the extent of the damage at \$300,-000 and others at a much higher amount. The fire was got under control at daybreak, and about 5 o'clock was entirely extin-

Along Railroad-avenue every building was gutted. The Church Block, the principal Department of Agriculture to inspect all sheep shipped from this district to the United States, in accordance with the United States regulations governing. Price, a farmer, aged 48, of Brewster, N.T. made a desperate attempt to A representative of a French Asphalt.

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FALL GROCERY STOCK. NEW TEAS. - - -

Another line of Japan Tea of unusual quality just received, to be sold cheap. We would like every nousekeeper to inspect this, as we think it unexcelled for quality at the price.

CROCKERY AND GLASSWARE.

We ofter some pronounced bargains in the above lines! New goods constantly arriving crowd us for space, hence we offer ! Dinner Setts and 5 Chamber Setts at cost. These will be picked up quickly.

CAMPBELL.

FAMILY GROCER.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING LAST TUESDAY EVENING. The Directors' Report - Satisfactory

Progress Made - A Membership A large number of members, friends and supporters of the Y. M. C. A. attend

ed the social entertainment given in the parlor Tuesday evening, in connection with the regular annual meeting. The president, Dr. Clark, occupied the chair. The meeting was opened by a hymn and prayer by Mr. W. Webster, after which the minutes of the last annual meeting were

ed by the orchestra, led by Mr. R. Humphreys, followed. The annual report of the board of directors was then read and report of the treasurer, Mr. Allin, which was also approved. A solo was then given by Mrs. McLean,

orchestra again favored the audience. ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

While the ballots were being counted the gen.-sec. addressed the meeting laying before them a plan of a membership contest for one month from the 15th Oct. to 15th Nov., and it was very heartly entered into by all the boys. Mr. Mathews was elected captain of the blues, and Mr. J. N. Campball of the reds. The sides were chosen up. The victors will be given an | manly christians, no one can estimate; cyster supper. Refreshments were then they are our future men, and if the Y.M. ered by the Ludes' Auxiliary, Mrs. M. Lennar, the president, being present, depend on them. after which the meeting was closed, every one being well pleased with the evening's entertainment.

who assisted in the instrumental music, we owe much of our success in having had in proportion to the size of the town. Hearty thanks are due to all the members of the orchestra for their faithful and valuable services. The antiversary meeting was held in the Presbyterian church, and had the largest attendance that we which was greatly appreciated by all who heard it. To the devotional committee, Mr. W. Webster, chairman, the success of this department is largely due. The Intellectual Department. - The reading rooms and parlor have afforded

very valuable educational advantages to have read all that we have. Two educational classes, one in prose composition and rhetoric, by Mr. E. A. Hardy, the attendance at which was 12, and the other by Mr. J. T. Harrington, the attendance at which was 15. The average attendance young men derived a great deal of benefit

animals.

A representative of a French Asphalt Company of Montreal, which laid the asphalt and mastique pavement on Parliament Hill last fall, was here to-day settling up the contract which he received from the late Government. Before any further pavement is laid there will be a published call for tenders.

Hon, A. G. Blair, who yesterday

at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the annex of the hotel, but was quickly extinguished.

St. John's, Nfid., Oct. 15.—The British steamer Palestrina, Captain Harder, from Rotterdam, Oct. 3, via Sunderland, 5, for Baltimore, in ballast, ran ashore at Bay Bulls, ten miles from this city, at daylight this morning during a thick fog, and it is feared she will prove a total wreck.

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To the entertainment committee, with Mr. A. Williamson as chairman, we give our thanks for having carried out successfully the work of this department. The reception committee also assisted

their commit ee.

hampered by the removal of members of

The physical department of our work

has not been as successful as we could

have wished as with the limited gymna-

healthful recreation for the young men.

other attractions on the same day.

tropby to Y.M.C.A. athletics.

July was a decided success, and would

have been more so had it not been for

The annual excursion to Barrie took

place as usual on the 24th of May, and was

attended by a large number, all of whom

enjoyed a very pleasant trip. The football

The junior department, under the presi-

dency of Mr. A. Horn, has progressed very

rapidly, and a well furnished room has

been provided for the boys. A religious

meeting has been conducted every Thurs-

day evening, which has been well attended.

the average being 21. A social reception

was given the juniors on the evening of

The junior camp at Pieasant Point, held

from the 8th to the 18th of July, was very

much enjoyed by all the little lade, and a

delightful outing they all thought it was.

We are very thankful to all who donated

The amount of good that that is being

The Lidies' Auxiliary, under the presi-

dency of Mrs. MacLenuan, has been of

Now, as you all easily understand, we

done in developing these boys into healthy,

the opening of their new quarters.

provisions for the camp.

team brought back a valuable silver cup, a

very much in the work, and by their faithful service they merit our gratitude. Some member of this committee conducted family prayer every evening during the winter before closing.

the Sunday afternoon meetings. The membership committee, under the chairmanship of Mr J. W. Campbell, have worked steadily throughout the year, and have added many new names to our lists of members, though they were much

read. A very fine plece of music, renderapproved, which was followed by the

followed by a very well rendered recita, tion by Miss Bowes, after which the

The following officers will direct the affairs of the association for the current year, having been duly ballotted for and elected : President, J. L. Allen ; directors, Messrs, E. A. Hardy, A. Horn, T. Ellis, Dr. E. A. Totten, R. McAulay, J. R. Mo-Neillie, Rev. H. R. O'Malley, E. Bowes, M. H. Sisson and W. McWatters.

great service to the Association, and without them we could not have made our REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. work successful. We thank them very The present year of 1895 and 1896 is sincerely for their faithful work. drawing to a close, and as is our duty, we | We are very thankful also to all the come before you to give an account of our pastors and speakers at the various meetstewardship. As you are aware, the sec- | ings, to all who have donated books or retaryship of the association has changed, | other things to the Association, and especi-Mr. Robinson leaving the work on the 15th ally to the press, who have given us valuof Sept., and your present secretary takable space, which has enabled us to keep ing charge. Since the annual election in our work before the public, and to all who October, 1895, your board has met in all 13 have in any way contributed to the success imes, two of these being special meetings. of the work we acknowledge our thanks. The committees for the past year were elected on Dec. 20d, 1895, and have done have not given you, nor cannot give you, very faithful work in every department. weighed as in a balance, or measured as The spiritual department of our work has | with a measure, or a scale of feet and been kept well in advance of all others. inches, the amount of work which this and in all 45 men's meetiogs were held, Association has done during the past year; with a total attendance of 1844, and an for we all know that the most valuable average attendance of 40 throughout the and enduring work grows but slowly, and year; also 22 boys' meetings, with a total the characters of each and every one of attendance of 466 and an average of 21. us are gradually developing by our asso Twenty four bible classes have been held clations and environment. There are a with an average attendance of 5, and the great many young men who are not conrooms have been used by various religious scious themselves of benefit derived, and and benevolent societies 35 times. The ata great many who could testify that their tendance at our Sunday afternoon meetlives have been made better and brighter ings has been remarkably good, the best but never do so, and yet occasionally there class of speakers having been enlisted, and comes a message winged with words of the service made bright and attractive by encouragement, the grateful testimony of the music of the orchestra led by Mr. R. one who returns thanks for the healing Humphreys, to whom, as also to our organist, Mr. H. Porter, and all the members Even in our very midst we do not observe the slow growth of Association in fluences, and of course the fruit of those one of the best afternoon meetings to have who drift away to other towns and cities. been found in any association in America Y.M.C.A. did more for me than anything I know of and I shall never forget the blessings I received there." From New York another writes: "I shall never forhave ever had at such a service. Rev. T. | brought to a knowledge of Jesus Christ." S. Bartlett, of Cobourg, gave the address, And from two others, far across the deep blue sea, flish these messages: "Your

association did a grand work for me"; and, I have no doubt that in this audience many could testify to he'p received from the Association, and consider there is a great the large number of young men who have amount of seed that is slowly and surely attended the rooms. The library has also been very useful, especially to the juniors. We need more boys' books, as a number cause it does not ripen in a day, as well as that which we have seep. There is no we will never see the growth of, and yet unobserved by us, watered by the dews of heaven, and the sunshine of the great Father's love, we have faith that it wil ripen for the eternal harvest. And we are was fair, and there is no doubt that the certain that you, our friends and supporfrom them. To Mr. Hardy and Mr. Hargrand and noble work, and worthy of your
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