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Our Ottawa Letter.

The fifth session of the eighth Parliament of Canada has opened in proper form and with all due constitutional pomp and circumstance of state, and on Monday next Her Majesty's faithful Commons will settle down to what promises to be an unusually protracted and tedious session. The speech from the throne which is always anticipated as a kind of introductory notice of the Government's programme, for once fulfilled its purpose, forecasting an amount of progressive, constructive legislation far

above the average, The opening paragraph naturally referred to matters in South Africa and to the prompt assistance so enthusiastically tendered by the Government and people of the Dominion and so cordially accepted by the Motherland. The splendid development of trade which has marked the regime of the present Administration received attention, and the promise was made that action would be taken to provide for the proper

INSPECTION OF FOOD STUFFS intended for export, a course frequently advocated in these letters. The de- Gamble, Eddie Gamble, Chas. Hart, velopment of trade with the West In- Frank Grady, Geo. Hart, Joe. Jones, dies and South America was also Amy Phillips. promised special attention. In behalf | Second Class Junior-Stella Clubine, of the working classes reference was Jean Topper, Victor Jones, Pearl made to the special regulations recent- | Phillips, Lexie McKenzie. ly promulgated by the Government | Promoted to Senior Part Secondfor the purpose of insuring adequate Leonard Duncan, Lorne Clubine, Stella provision for the sanitary protection | Murphy, Erny Dibb, Annie Belt. and medical care of all men working on railways and public works, and register, 49. legislation was promised for the purpose of providing boards of arbitration to assist in the adjusting of labor 38.

troubles. renew and amend existing banking le, Joe Jones, Victor Jones, J. Grady, the guest of Mrs. Fleury. laws, to regulate the rate of interest | Foncy Grady, Chas. Hart, S. Clubine, payable upon judgments recovered in Lexie McKenzie and John McKenzie courts of law, to provide for the taking attended every day. of the next decennial census, for the better arrangement of the electoral districts, to amend the criminal code, and so forth and so on. Truly a substantial first instalment, and an evidence that the Government is by no weather last evening there was a large means satisfied to rest upon its oars, attendance at the Oyster Supper and though its record far surpasses any of Concert given in the Methodist church its precedessors in splendid results. at this place. Oysters, hot and cold, This fact has apparently only acted as with other delicacies were served in an incentive to greater efforts during the basement, and the supper was the balance of the life of this Parlia- fully up to the standard.

MR. TARTE AND HIS CRITICS.

The speech of the Minister of Public Works at the Young Liberal Club banquet in Toronto has attracted an unusual amount of attention, partly because it was the first occasion in which Mr. Tarte had the opportunity of meeting an Ontario audience since the sending out of the contingents, and partly because a full and fair re-Licensen Auctioneers for the County of York, port of what he actually did say has been given to the country, in satisfactory contrast to the garbled and inaccurate reports which have been published of his recent speeches in the D BLOUGE Province of Quebec.

The Minister stated his position frankly and fully, and it was exactly the position he had taken from the first, though his reiteration of it had been made necessary by the persistent misrepresentation of his opponents. He declared that when the first contingent was spoken of, "nobody thought that the war with the Transvaal would be a war, we all thought it would be a kind of pleasure expedition, that was the general opinion not only here but everywhere. My personal opinion was that the Canadian should have called Parliament tois still my opinion. When British reverses came, when we all found out what we had to face, that the British empire had to face a serious war, the question came of sending another body of troops. I think I betray no hill Brass Band. confidence in saying that I did not oppose the sending of the second contingent. Very far from it. I concurred with my colleagues, and when body of troops I did not hesitate one minute."

opponent can object to such a position and it is the position Mr. Tarte has maintained from the first. True patriotism does not consist in shouting, and the empire at large does not doubt | despatches given out this morning : Canada's sterling loyalty because her Government refused to go into hyster-For Sale or to Rent ics, but proceeded in a calm and statesmanlike manner to act promptly and Spion Kop captured. Boers recapturefficiently, being ready with the needed aid even before the time specified by bayonet charges. or expected by the Home authorities. Ottawa, Feb'y, 3.

Concord.

Following is school report for month of January, 1900. Sr. IV-Ada Miles, Ernest Bowes,

Edgar Bowes. Jr. IV-Elmore Reaman, Alonza Watson, Joe Mulock, George Miles. Jr. III—Pearl Pearson, Pearl Farrell.

Jr. III-Norma Fisher, Fred Miles, Margaret Stewart, Percy Fisher, Flora Golland.

Sr.II—Estella Reaman, Jesse Farrell, Wilkie Bowes. Jr. 11-Beatrice Reaman, Chas.

Poole, Ross Charlton. Pt. II—Albert Bowes, Jesse Bowes. Sr. Pt. I-Ella Reaman, Ross Fish-

Present every day-Ernest Rowes, Edgar Bowes, Flora Golland, Fred Miles, Jesse Farrell, Chas. Poole. Aggregate attendance for month,

Highest daily attendance, 42. E. J. A. Johnston, Teacher.

Jefferson

21, Vaughan, for the month of Jan'y: Fourth Class-Aggie Gamble, Mary Gorman, Alex. Newbery, Lizzie Hearn, Wellie Mortson, Leonard Glass.

John Grady, Louis Kerswill, Foncy Grady, Geo. Topper.

Third Class Junior-Sadie Fisher, John Mortson, Ella Phillips. Second Class Senior-Gladys Saigeon, Geo. Brown, John Hearn, Jennie

Number of names entered on the

Highest daily attendance, 48. Average attendance for the month, Measures are also foreshadowed to Brown, Gladys Saigeon, Eddie Gamb- the Public Library. Miss Teefy was

H. J. SAIGEON, Teacher.

Temperanceville Notwithstanding the unfavorable

At about 8.45 the meeting was called to order by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Strachan, who, after a few appropriate remarks introduced Mr. T. Herbert Lennox of Aurora as chairman for the evening. Mr. Lennox made an ideal chairman, and handled his audience with ease and dignity. Pressure of our time this morning prevents mention of individual parts suffice it to say the programme was well carried out and much enjoyed by those present. The Mendelssohn Choristers of Richmond Hill gave several selections; the Misses Strachan of Aurora, and the Misses Case also sang; Miss Eva Petch, elocutionist of Aurora gave a selection, Mr. H. Sanderson, and Mr. E. Mason of Richmond Hill sang solos, and little Miss B. Folliott and Master A. Hutchinson contributed a couple of musical dialogues. A Brass Quartette from Richmond Hill played a couple of fine pieces, and another quartette from the same place furnished vocal selec-

The proceeds amounted to about

Thornhill.

Bills are out announcing another Government before doing anything carnival in the rink on Saturday evening of this week. There will be an gether; that was my opinion then, it open race and a race for boys residing in Thornhill or within 5 miles from the village. The prizes are silver trophies, and must be won two nights. The rink will be open from 8 to 10.30, and music will be supplied by the Thorn-

At the Racing Carnival in Thornhill rink Saturday evening, the cup was won by Cowie of Markham.

Eckardt & Prentice's auction sale of the time came for sending the second horses, cattle, &c., held at Hughes hotel, last week was a great success. There was a very large crowd in the Surely none but the most prejudiced village and stock brought high prices.

War Notes.

The following are among the war General Buller again tries to reach

An important Boer position east of ed it temporarily and were driven out Desperate fighting on Monday and

Tuesday. War Office says operations are still The long looked for relieving force D

now only fifteen miles from Lady-Lord Roberts and Kitchener leave for the front.

Vigorous operations looked for on the Free State frontier. Canadians leave Belmont for Modder | i River to join Methuen's forces.

PERSONALS.

Miss Gemmill of Stratford is visiting Mrs. R. A. Farquharson.

Miss Louie Haffey has returned after a three months' visit with brothers

in Cleveland. Mrs. R. A. Farquharson has been made a member of the Woman's His-

torical Society, Toronto. Mrs. A. E. Coombs, of Newmarket spent Saturday in the village with her aunt, Mrs. J. W. Elliott. She return ed in the evening but left her little daughter, Alice Frances, in the care of her auntie for a week or two.

Mr. Harold Proctor, clerk in The T. Eaton & Co's establishment, who Report of S. S. No, 4, Markham, and has been home for a couple of weeks, will return to his duties on Saturday.

Mr. Andrew Morden, of the Hartney District, Man., formerly of this place, who has been down for a few weeks, Third Class Senior-Ethel Clubine, was in the village on Saturday calling on old friends.

Mr. D. D. MacDonald and Mr. Guthrie, of Pickering; and Mr. C. S. MacDonald, of the Central Business College, Toronto, spent a couple of days with Mr. N. MacDonald, principal of the

Public School, and returned Saturday. Prof. John Burwash, M. A., D. Sc., of Victoria College, will preach Educational Sermons in the Methodist Church next Sunday, morning and evening. Collections and subscriptions will be taken in aid of the Edu-

cational Fund. Miss Teefy on Thursday evening last attended a lecture given in Aurora by Prof. Mackenzie of Toronto University. The subject of the lecture was "The Boers," and was one of Mary Gorman, L. Glass, Georgie the series given under the auspices of

Sale Register.

WEDNESDAY, Feb'y 14-Credit sale of fresh milch cows, springers, horses, swine, etc., at Thompson's hotel, Lansing. Sale at one o'clock. Terms from 4 to 8 months' credit. Eckardt & Prentice, auctioneers.

implements, &c., on lot 3, con. 8, Toronto Gore, the property of James Nattress. Sale at one o'clock. Terms 8 months. Saigeon & McEwen, auctioneers. THURSDAY, Feb'y 15-Uredit sale of farm stock, implements, &c., on lot 24, con. 4, Scarboro, the property of Wm. Walker. Sale at one

THURSDAY, Feb'y 15-Credit sale of farm stock,

Prentice, auctioneers. FRIDAY, Feb'y 16-Credit sale of ferm stock, implements, &c., on lot 10, con. 10. King, the property of the late James Cherry. Sale at l o'clock. Terms 8 months. Saigeon & McEwen, auctioneers.

o'clock. Terms 8 months, Eckardt and

erty of Lawyer Skeans. Sale at 1 o'clock, Terms 8 months. Saigeon & McEwen, auctioneers. DESDAY, Feb'y 20-Credit sale of farm stock, implements, &c , on lot 3,con. 2, Whitchurch, the property of Geo. Thompson. Sale at 1

SATURDAY, Feb'y 17-Credit sale of tarm stock,

implements, &c., near Woodbridge, the prop-

o'clock Terms 8 months. Stokes & Blough,

stock, implements, furniture, etc., on lot 22, con. 1, West York (Newton Brook), the property of Wm. Gray. Sale at one o'clock. Terms 8 months. Eckardt & Prentice, THURSDAY, Feb'y 22-Credit sale of farm stock, implements, &c., on lot 2, con. 7, Markham,

WEDNESDAY, Feb'y 2!-Credit sale of farm

the property of John Risebrough. Sale at one o'clock. Terms 8 months. Eckardt & Prentice, auctioneers. TUESDAY, Feb'y 27-Credit sale of faim stock, implements, &c., on lot 18, con. 2, Whitchurch, the property of Albert Browning. Sale at 1 o'clock. Terms 8 months. Saigeon

& McEwen, auctioneers.

TURSDAY, Feb'y 127-Credit sala of clydesdala and roadster horses, durham and grade cattle, swine, poultry, grain, hay, cats, implements furniture, &c., on lot 5, rear 5th con. Markham (Hagerman's Corners) the property of Wm. Milliken. Sale at 11 o'clock sharp. Lunch provided. Terms 8 months; 7 per cent. per annum allowed for cash. Eckardt & Prentice, auctioneers. WEDNESDAY, Feb'y 23-Credit sale of farm stock, implements, fresh milch cows, &c., at

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