

INDIANS WORSE OFF WITH THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF EDUCATION.

Then They Are Without It—Discussion in the Commons—The Time Has Come For a Change of System.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, Feb. 13.—In the house of commons yesterday afternoon the problem of Canada's duty to the Indian was discussed at some length.

Hon. Frank Oliver and Hon. George E. Foster agreeing that the question had never been satisfactorily settled, has not been of late years, and that the Indian which had been at one time hoped.

The average attendance at all the Indian schools last year was 6,451, out of a total attendance of about 15,000. The ages were from six to fifteen years.

The old idea of education in trades is not maintained, pursued the minister, for they do not find that the Indian who has acquired a knowledge of a trade follows it up.

The large majority of the schools are missionary enterprises, assisted by the government. There are three kinds of schools: day, industrial and boarding.

Mr. Foster deplored the fact that the whole matter seemed to be in a process of drift. He thought it would be a good thing to investigate the results of this system since confederation, and appoint a strong non-partisan commission to look into the whole of the commission of Indian education, examining also the conditions in the United States, and to see if something could not be evolved which would employ their \$400,000 grant to better advantage.

Unless something was done, he said, it might almost be better to leave the Indians in the rough, to assist them in their farming, and hunting and their life in their own way, either that or to look after them after they left the schools and provide for them a career.

Mr. Oliver speaking again, said they were all agreed as to their duty in this regard. Canada intended to treat the Indian fairly. He acknowledged their superiority over all the savage races of every other country. The red man, he declared to be in a class by himself.

But concluded, the minister, the time has come to reconsider our position. It is not well to occupy the time of the young Indian in teaching him a trade he will never pursue.

Caught In A Buzz Saw. Brockville, Feb. 13.—Lucy Davis, aged ten years, residing on Wellesley Island in the St. Lawrence river, while playing with a buzz-saw in company with her brother, narrowly escaped having her right hand cut off.

A College Burned. Madrid, Feb. 13.—Fire totally destroyed the Royal College, in the Escorial, directed by Augustine fathers, close to the famous monastery. The conflagration, owing to a strong wind, which carried sparks, threatened the part of the edifice named after the Infantes and the monastery, which contains such artistic riches. The pupils, who number three hundred, were able to escape in safety.

Asks \$5,000 Damages. Hamilton, Feb. 13.—Lloyd Myers has issued writ against the Brantford Gas company claiming \$5,000 damages for injuries received in an explosion of natural gas in Brantford some time ago. Myers brother was killed in the explosion and the plaintiff in this action was painfully injured.

The Grand Trunk Pacific branch lines company is coming to parliament again this session for an extension of its authority to build branch lines, principally in the Peace River district and in the district south of Calgary.

E. F. Jarvis, secretary of the department of militia, has been appointed assistant deputy minister of that department.

STOCK QUOTATIONS. Cobalt and Leading Canadian Stocks Listed.

Table with columns for Stock Name, February 12th, and February 13th. Includes Amalgamated, Beaver, Chambers-Perland, Crown Reserve, Cobalt Central, Cobalt Lake, Foster, Green Meadow, La Rose, Little Nipissing, McKim, Bar, Savage, Nipissing, Otisac, Peterson-Lake, Rochester, Nova Scotia, Silver Lead, Silver Queen, Temiskaming, Tretoway, and Wats.



HON. J. E. CARON, Member Quebec Cabinet.

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Told in Twilight

Mrs. R. J. McKelvey, Bagot street, on Wednesday, gave a party which is sure to be successful, and that was a children's party, for little Miss Gertrude and Master Jack McKelvey. There were about forty-five little people and they had St. Valentine's frolics to their hearts' content, which looks like a pun, but isn't meant to be.

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AT THE POLICE COURT JOHN GALLAGHER SENT UP FOR TRIAL.

And Thomas Page Found Guilty of Brass Theft—A Batteryman Fined For Assaulting Chinaman.

The two lads, John Gallagher and Thomas Page, remanded from Friday, on a charge of stealing 135 pounds of brass from the Canadian Locomotive Works, appeared before the police magistrate this morning.

John Gallagher was first called, and through his counsel, T. J. Higney, elected to be tried by judge and jury. J. L. Whiting appeared for the prosecution.

Charles Zacks, who bought the brass, was the first witness called, and to Mr. Whiting said that he bought the brass from the prisoner in the dock and another man, on Saturday morning last.

Witness said when boys first came they had two pieces. He bought these and then they brought two more.

"I asked him where he got them," said the witness, "and prisoner replied that there was a smelting factory near the cotton mill, that the boss was leaving for Montreal, and that the man who was cleaning up the yard gave him (prisoner) the brass. I paid \$8.10 for the brass."

Witness said Gallagher got the money, according to the book, which according to law he must keep, and the prisoner had signed "John Collins."

David Zacks, uncle of the fast witness, was next called. Witness stated that he was there when the prisoner came first and enquired if witness would buy some brass, and he told him he would. Prisoner went away to get it.

When prisoner and another came back with the brass, witness was gone. Himan Zacks, the eight-year-old son of the former witness, testified that he saw the prisoner, on Saturday morning, when he brought the brass, and he heard the conversation when the prisoner told his uncle where he got the brass.

Henry McCambridge, an employee of the Canadian Locomotive Works, identified the brasses by punch marks which he had placed on them, to mark them in pairs. He missed them from the works on Saturday morning.

A window in the east end of the machine shop was up about four inches. Witness said he suspected something, and counted his brasses, finding four missing.

"You are committed for trial, on the evidence that has been produced," said the magistrate.

Thomas Page, partner of Gallagher, in the brass deal, was next charged. W. F. Nickle appeared for Page and elected to be tried by the magistrate.

Mr. Nickle had McCambridge recalled for the purpose of cross-examination. Witness said the marks were only to pair the brasses and he did not ever remember of any other brasses being stolen.

Page was next put on the stand by Mr. Nickle. Witness told the following story: "On Saturday morning Gallagher came for me and asked me to go with him. I went down to the field near Dufferin street, and the brasses were in a bag there. He asked me to help him up with them, and I did."

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FAMOUS HORSE TRADE.

Wooden Sawhorses Formed a Principal Part.

"Lincoln was a lawyer practicing in the Illinois circuit at one time. He and a judge joked each other about horse trades. The upshot of the matter was that the two agreed to meet at a designated hour the next day to make a trade. The horses up to the hour of the trade were to be unseen. There was to be no withdrawing from the agreement under forfeiture of \$25. A few friends had heard the bet made, and passed the word around. As a result, quite a crowd was on hand to witness the exchange.

"The judge came up first, leading about the worst looking animal he had been able to find. Where he had discovered it no one ever knew. He had not been at the appointed place but a few minutes when Lincoln came up, carrying a wooden sawhorse on his shoulders.

"The crowd which had gathered was hilarious at the sight. This was greatly augmented when Lincoln set down on his sawhorse, critically surveyed the judge's imitation, and exclaimed: 'Well, judge, I must say this is the first time in my life I ever got the worst of a horse trade.'

The Late John C. Kemp Toronto Globe.

John C. Kemp, for nearly half a century associated with the leading banking institutions of Canada, passed away, Friday, at his home, 37 Madison avenue. Mr. Kemp began his business career with the Commercial Bank of Kingston, and after joining the staff of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, was manager of the branches at Hamilton and London, subsequently being promoted to be head of the Toronto branch, which position he filled with success for over twenty-five years. Two years ago he left the service of the Bank of Commerce and had since lived retired.

The late Mr. Kemp, who was in his seventy-second year, leaves, besides his widow, four daughters, Mrs. Farthing, wife of the Bishop of Montreal; Mrs. May, of England; Mrs. Harcourt, of Hamilton, and Miss Kemp, at home, and one son, John Kemp, of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, at Montreal. The funeral, Saturday afternoon, will be private.

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At Chaffey's Lock. Chaffey's Lock, Aug. 12.—M. H. Bartley has recovered from the mumps. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Simons have returned from Smith's Falls. Messrs. Frederick Alford and N. H. Howard made a business trip to Brockville on Tuesday last. Mrs. T. Moulton, Chantry, is visiting J. W. Simmons. Mr. and Mrs. T. Simmons are spending a few days at Kingston. Mr. and Mrs. William Simmons, Smith's Falls, have returned home after calling on relatives and friends in this locality. Miss Etta Howard has returned from Newboro.

Mr. John Waddell, Earl street, will be hostess at a not-out and cabaret dance, this evening. Mrs. Percy Stevenson, Stuart street, will entertain the junior bridge club on Monday. Dr. E. A. Ferguson, who for the past year has been in South Africa, has been staying with Mrs. Joseph Haggerty, King street. He has now come on to his home in Lanark. Friends went out to the station to see the Bishop of Montreal and Mrs. Farthing, who were on their way to Toronto. Very kind sympathy has been expressed for the latter in the

and bereavement which has come to her. Mr. Hugh Farthing left for Toronto on last night's train. Miss Mabel Dalton, who has been staying at "Bishopscourt," in Montreal, has returned to her home in Toronto, and will be the guest of Miss Macaulay, King street, for a few days. Mr. Herbert Horsey, King street, has returned from Montreal. Mrs. Benjamin Tett, of Bedford Mills, has been in town for a few days. Her visits are always welcome. Mrs. Herbert Patton, of Prescott, and Mrs. C. F. Erench, of Tweed, accompanied their clerical husbands to town, and have been staying with friends for a few days. Miss Elsie and Miss Marjorie Pense, King street, are spending the carnival week in Montreal with Mrs. Maitland Hamford. Mrs. Frederick Dennistoun was called hurriedly away to her home, yesterday, as a telegram came saying that her house and all belonging thereto, had been burnt down. Mr. Dennistoun was in Toronto at the time. Her children have stayed here, with Mr. Joseph Power, Sydenham street. All her friends here are very sorry for Mrs. Dennistoun. Miss Margaret Carr-Harris has volunteered for Dr. Grenfell's grand mission service on the Labrador coast, and will, with another trained nurse, leave in May for duty, without salary. The much-lamented Kingston nurse has been uncommonly successful in her profession, and her service is a real sacrifice and splendid offering. Mrs. Oliver, widow of General Oliver, was today, by error, was stated yesterday. Mrs. William Abernethy returned, today, after a three months' visit with her daughter, Mrs. H. N. Pannons, East Orange, N.J. Miss Annie Haggarty left, for Toronto, on Friday. Mrs. William Hart, Sydenham street, has gone up to Toronto to the wedding of her sister, Miss Nadine Kerr. Mrs. G. Shore, Sydenham street, is visiting Janet Galbraith, of Toronto, the guest of Mrs. Henry Cunningham, Earl street. Mrs. W. P. Wilgar arrived in Ottawa on Wednesday and will be the guest of her parents, and Mrs. Edward Low, for a few weeks. Mr. Wilgar has been staying for some months at Umbagog post, north of Lake Nipigon, where her husband is stationed as one of the divisional engineers on the Transcontinental railway.

TO APPEAL TO PEOPLE. London, Feb. 13.—J. A. Pease, the chief liberal whip, in a speech at Plymouth, said the government had no appeal to the country before many months on the question of abolishing the right of veto held by the House of Lords. ANNUAL REPORT. The Toronto General Trusts Corporation. In another column of this issue will be found the report of the proceedings of the twenty-seventh annual meeting of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, held at its head office, corner Yonge and Colborne streets, Toronto, at noon, on the 3rd inst. The profit and loss statement shows gross profits for the year of \$275,150.69, which, together with a balance of \$22,168.78 brought forward from 1907, makes a total credit of \$297,319.47. Against this is charged the total expense of management, etc., amounting to \$11,968.81, leaving a balance to carry down of \$183,350.66. Out of this sum the directors paid in dividends \$75,000; wrote off the balance at debit of safe deposit vaults, \$5,933.50; increased the reserve by \$50,000, and carried forward a balance to the credit of profit and loss of \$22,417.16. The assets under the control of the corporation have been increased during the year to the extent of about two million and a quarter, making a total volume of business under the care and management of this corporation of over \$35,000,000. An analysis of the assets and liabilities statement would seem to make very clear the fact that, while the corporation in the matter of investments, keeps strictly within the terms of the trustee investment act, not only with regard to the trust funds under its control, but its own capital account, it secures at the highest possible revenue return, as shown in the very large percentage the mortgage investments bear to the total amount invested by the corporation. In looking over the list of directors of this corporation one is impressed with the statement made by J. W. Langmuir, the managing director, in his address, that the estates under the care of this trust company receive the benefit of the best judgment and experience of a large number of the leading business and professional men of the country, at a charge which is no greater than is allowed by the courts to private executors and trustees.