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NOTES OF THE WEEK

Sir Wilfrid's departure has shown the country what sort of a house we would have should he resign the premiership. He left Mr Fielding in his place, who has demonstrated his inability to control the members on his own side or on the opposition benches. On two successive days debates ran riot and language used that degraded both the speaker and the assembly of which they are members. The subjects of these debates were really not connected with the business of the country. In the report of the insurance commission it is stated that the order of Foresters had a sub-agency to look after its investments, of which agency the Hon. G. E. Foster was president. In company with several other Conservative members, Mr Foster purchased a large tract of land from the C.P.R. on the strength of a pointer received from Mr Mann that the Northern railway would pass near to or thru it. The money to pay for the land was borrowed from the Foresters funds, Mr Foster making a loan to himself and his friends. Everything turned out well. The Northern railway was located where expected, the land jumped up to ten times what was paid for it, the Forester loan was repaid, and Mr Foster and his friends reaped a big dividend. The insurance commissioners condemned the transaction as a dangerous one, and an improper investment of money that belonged to widows and orphans. In so saying, Mr Foster contends the commissioners went beyond their duty and were actuated by a desire to ruin his political reputation and that of his friends. He, therefore, on Thursday denounced them in the style peculiar to Maritime province members and when the minister of justice, Mr Aylesworth, tried to put in a word for them he charged him with being the arch-conspirator. Next day Mr Fowler, the member who brought the charge of women, wine and graft against the ministers, had his say, recklessly assailing all whom he does not like, but singularly careful not to give proof as to the vague charges of misdoing he hurled across the floor. All this is lamentable and the more so that it will not be the end, for the bad feeling evoked will lead to similar scenes. Mr Foster's plea, that as the land deal and loan from the Foresters were personal transactions which the insurance commissioners had no right to investigate, he should extend to the country, and not be occupying the time of parliament with his personalities.

In the senate on Thursday, while the tariff bill was being considered, Mr Gibson asked that the duties on building paper be struck out, and its importation thrown open to the world. His reason for asking that was, that the manufacturers of such paper in Canada, fifteen in number, had formed a combine and doubled the price. Paper now entered largely into not only walls but roofs, more especially in the Northwest where lumber was dear and the increased price bore heavily on poor settlers. In proof that he alleged, Mr Gibson read a copy of the manufacturers' agreement, their private circular to dealers, and compared their present price-list with that before the combine was formed. Sir Richard Cartwright said this was the first time the attention of the government had been called to the building paper combine. He intimated that it would be looked into.

Once again a charge has been made in parliament that a valuable section of the Northwest has been transferred to a political supporter under suspicious circumstances. The site of the future town of Blairmore, valuable from its proximity to the coal beds of Alberta had been located by two squatters, Malcolm Mackenzie bought

ed the department for a title. An inspector was sent to the spot to investigate, who reported against the squatter claim. Mackenzie was not daunted, and had influence enough to have another inspector sent, who reported the claim under the squatter's transfer was valid, and so the department deeded the land to Mackenzie on his paying \$1400. To-day he would not take \$100,000 for it. The charge is, that the second inspector worked in collusion with Mackenzie, and the department knowingly gave him a valuable piece of property for a mere song. To say so the head of the department, with much violent speech, declared the other night is a slander. If it be, Mr Oliver should have no difficulty in producing evidence to it.

Just at the time when immigration is reaching to flood height the railways in the Northwest prove inadequate. Chief fault is found with the Northern between Winnipeg and Edmonton, over which no train passed for 9 days. While snowstorms that have buried tracks out of sight, and frost that has bedded cuttings in ice are the leading causes, there is also insufficient rolling-stock. The hard-bodies immigrants have endured in being stalled in town and city, awaiting transportation to their future homes, may be conceived. Settlers from the east and the States, taking live-stock with them, have had serious losses.

Of all railway accidents the most painful to contemplate are those when the wrecked cars take fire and passengers are burned. That was the nature of an accident on the C.P.R. on Wednesday of last week. The regular train was speeding its way from Montreal to Vancouver, when it passing over the lake Superior section, a tall broke and two cars containing immigrants and the long train broke loose and tumbled over a ten-foot embankment, landing on a frozen lake. It was about noon and the immigrants were busy cooking dinner. The upset stoves set the cars on fire and so quickly did the flames do their work that in 15 minutes the cars were consumed. Many of the passengers were rescued, but 15 were so pinned in the wreckage that they could not be loosened before the flames reached them. One man seriously burned was got out, and 49 was the only one. About 49 escaped with slight injuries.

An exhibition of automobiles, or as they are now more generally styled motor cars, was held in Montreal last week and attracted great crowds. There were entries from many countries and cars were exhibited varying from \$6000 downwards. Dear as they were, purchasers were found for 45, which meant at least \$100,000. The most significant purchase was that by the Canada Sugar Refinery, which bought a truck, warranted to carry a load of 3 tons at the rate of ten miles an hour. Its cost was \$590. Supposing the car to answer, it fore-shadows the supplying of heavy horses in the city, and it is not likely the refinery would sink so much money unless satisfied it would be a saving over the lorry hauled by a team of Clydesdales. Several delivery vans were bought by firms to supersede their present express wagons.

Medical inspection of the boys and girls who attend the elementary schools in Montreal was provided for last fall and a report of the doctors comes as a cold douche to those who gloat over the prosperity of Canada. Take the single fact, that they found 95 scholars suffering from insufficient food, and we have a glimpse of a degree of poverty that ought not to be found in a new country. 175 scholars had worms, whose parents did not know how to pay for them. 900 were found to have tumors that required removal. What of the children who do not attend school and who did not pass thru the hands of the doctors?

The petition, that Thomas Robidoux be relieved of serving the balance of the sentence passed upon him, ought not to be signed by any one who desires the security of society. There are instances where, after conviction, evidence comes to light that justifies release, but Robidoux's conviction was

not one of these. The evidence that he had, on three occasions, forged other men's names to notes, and pocketed the money he raised upon them, was so conclusive that his lawyer dropped defence and pleaded the mercy of the court, which was bestowed, for he only got 3 years in penitentiary, where nine was his due. To release him will be encouragement to others to forge notes, for the risk of a year's imprisonment will frighten no one capable of such a crime. It is a reflection on Judge Saint Pierre to ask the minister of justice to review his sentences, just as if our respected judge was unduly severe, which he is not. The sentence he pronounced ought not to be meddled with, and it is to be hoped Mr Aylesworth will not entertain the petition.

The Standard Oil company was tried at Chicago on the charge of receiving rebates from railways. The defence of the company was, that it was ignorant there was such a law as forbade rebates. On Saturday, after a prolonged hearing, the jury brought in a verdict of guilty, rendering the company liable to fines on over 1400 shipments. It looks as though the combines were about to be cornered.

Heartrending reports come from Russia and China as to suffering from famine. The cause of distress in Russia is bad crops coupled with the disorganized state of society. Millions are affected and the distress has been increased by the breaking out of typhus fever and scurvy. The government, so far, has contributed little as relief and that little has been tolled by the officials. A proposal to give eleven million dollars now being considered. The government, while pleading poverty as an excuse for doing so little, is spending enormous sums on its police and military forces to crush out revolutionists, of whom it is officially stated over 1300 have been executed since the new year. In China, the famine is due to a peculiar cause. The Yellow river, one of the largest in the world, has its origin in a lofty mountain range of the western frontier. As it rolls towards the sea it passes thru most extensive and fertile plains. When the snow melts on the mountains the river rises to flood height and its waters are thick with sediment, which is deposited in such quantities that bars are formed at the mouth. In some years these bars are so formidable, that the river is backed until new outlets are forced. Last summer the flood was unprecedented, the river rising fifty feet above its usual level. This drowned the country along its banks for a width of fifty miles. The people had to fly and crops were lost. The result is twenty million destitute people, of whom tens of thousands have perished from hunger with a prospect of increasing mortality. Contributions have poured in from America and Britain and the Chinese authorities are, at last, doing something effectual. Control of these floods could be obtained by restoring the forests that once covered the mountains. Stripped bare of trees, the snow melts suddenly and the water pours in a resistless flood downwards on the plains. How this is, dwellers along the Chateauguay are learning in a small way. As the Adirondacks are being denuded of everything in the shape of pulpwood, the river rises with a suddenness and to a height unknown a generation ago.

ORMSTOWN
James Groer of Upper Ormstown concession has bought from John Blackett his dwelling-house and property on Depot-st. The above property belonged to the late John Cottingham. Mr Groer also bought the adjacent vacant lot from John Macdonald.

THE present staff of academy teachers with the exception of Mr Huntingdon the principal, have been re-engaged.

Mr Huntingdon is willing to stay if an increase of \$100 is added to his salary.

Domina Beaulieu, blacksmith, of St-Freux, has bought from John A. Cavers of Upper Ormstown concession, a Clydesdale stallion, rising three, named Sir Thomas, sired by Fyvie Gold; dam Nellie McClaws.

A village creamery, under the management of the new owner, Henry Winter, opened for the season on Monday.

St. MARTINE
Sugar-makers are getting weary of making syrup, but, the make is large, they keep their price at 90c per gallon and sugar 11c a pound.

Every farmer is busy preparing to commence sowing and it is likely they will be at it next week, for the land is drying quickly.

Nap. Archambault of this village is buying a large number of horses. He ships a car load every week either from here or Howick. He buys heavy horses and pays big prices.

Mr Edouard McGowan opened his creamery in the lower village last week, and is now getting daily a fair quantity of milk. Farmers are drawing milk over three miles.

There is a prospect of a good summer for painters. Clophas Dupuis of this village has already undertaken ten large contracts in painting.

CHATEAUGUAY
The pulpit, during the past two weeks, has been filled by the Rev. Mr McLeod of Billings Bridge near Ottawa, and by Mr MacDonald, a student of the Presbyterian college, Montreal.

The social club wound up its events by a sugar party in Mr Goodfellow's bush at Woodlands on Thursday evening, April 5th. A pleasant time was spent in the shanty for a couple of hours, when all walked home again down the railroad track to the Basin.

The result of a visit by government engineers, to see what can be done to prevent the flooding of river each spring, was advice to the effect, that the river be crossed by booms at intervals that will be placed in the fall and allowed to freeze as the ice forms. This, it is expected, will hold the ice in the upper part of the river until the Basin ice breaks, when all will go out together.

A proposition by Mr Roberts of Beauharnois, made to the council at the April meeting, to light the village by electricity, was opposed by a member who brought forward a counter proposition. It was, that a company of stockholders, who would be composed of Chateauguay residents, should offer to buy from the Grey Nuns the right of power of the old Nun's mill, better known as Cuchon's mill, and make their own electricity. That they offer the nuns \$3000 for the power, and, also, that they build a concrete dam, nine feet high, which would do away with the necessity of booming the river as the engineers proposed, to prevent flooding. N. R. Laberge was deputed by the council to approach the Grey Nuns on the subject.

Licenses have been granted to Harry Sampson, who has bought the Crepin hotel, to Mr Deparis, who has rented the Lecroix hotel, and to Alex who bought the Mallette hotel last winter.

Already every available hour has been rented by summer visitors, and building operations are being pushed forward rapidly so that houses may be ready by May 1st.

St. STANISLAS
The sugar season, despite all reports to the contrary, has been fairly successful, and the trees are still running. Some claim that the sugar and syrup are dark in color, which is true, but I never knew of finer flour. 120 cans are retailing in the stores for 75 cents.

The roads are in a desperate state, and nothing short of love or murder would take a man out on them at present. However, the cool, dry days and frosty nights will soon improve them.

Most of the butter factories have commenced operations for the season.

HEMINGFORD
The Rev. C. Haughton was inducted minister of St. Andrew's and Knox churches on April 18th. Rev. James Patterson presided as moderator, while the service was conducted by Rev. McAllister of Russellton, and the minister addressed by Rev. Mr Stevenson of Beech Ridge, and the congregation by Rev. Mr Kinnear, of St. Mark's, Montreal.

A pleasant feature was the presence of so many from the other congregations of Hemmingford, all the churches being represented in the choir. We hope that the good feeling heretofore existing between the different churches will continue under the pastorate of Mr Haughton. The manse has been thoroughly repaired and renovated.

The sugar season is practically over as two there may be a fair sum of two of sap yet, the make will be inferior and the price low. A moderate estimate places the make marketed here (this takes in Gove's Hill, Vigne, and Roxham) at from 25,000 gallons to 30,000 gallons. Of this, the Maple Tree Produce Association of Waterloo handled about one-third. The season was a protracted one, and fairly representative.

VALLEYFIELD
Joseph Leduc, representing the McCormick Agricultural Implement Co. at St. Timothy, has been appointed special agent on the European continent, and left St. Timothy at the beginning of last week to enter on his new duties. His work will be principally in France.

A case of child desertion is now the topic of conversation in English speaking circles. Some time ago a young woman arrived in Valleyfield in charge of a weeks' old child, which she handed over to the father of the child, who had recently reached Valleyfield. The circumstances of her being in possession of the wife she explained as follows: She was met on board the steamer en route from Liverpool to Canada by a woman who claimed to be the mother of the child, who requested her to take care of the child until her return, claiming she had to go ashore for a few minutes on a special errand. The heartless mother got off the boat, leaving the child in possession of the young woman. Falling to return, the time of departure arrived and the vessel left, carrying both the woman and child to this side. In general conversation the mother told the young woman she was on her way to Valleyfield, where her husband was residing. Good care was taken of the child and on landing in town the father was sought out, and the baby was placed in his charge. By the next mail the father was apprised by his wife of the circumstances of the case and telling him she should never meet again. The man, who had forwarded funds to the heartless woman for her passage to Valleyfield, a few days later suddenly disappeared, probably in search of the unmotherly woman, leaving the child in the hands of compassionate strangers. Mr J. A. Robb, mayor, is endeavoring to find a home for the unfortunate wail, who is thus singularly deprived of mother and fatherly care.

The elite of our French-Canadian population were entertained at a progressive euchre party in the Cercle Emard hall Wednesday evening.

Much inconvenience is felt from the tardy opening of spring season. The ice shows little desiring of an early break up. A few streaks of open water above the Grand Trunk bridge are the only indications that give some hope that lake St. Francis is giving way. Even the bay ice is solid as in winter, and many venturesome persons are using it as a thoroughfare.

We are pleased to note that Bishop Emard is favorably recovering.

The council has adopted a new by-law concerning the sale and distribution of milk.

The Bell Telephone Co. has added a free service phone in the treasurer's and one also in the city clerk's office. This act of courtesy is due to the request of Mayor Robb, who is the business manager of the Bell system in Valleyfield.

The city intends constructing asphalt sidewalks on St. Lawrence and Bunlin streets, on Alexander and Grand Eglise avenue, Market, Larocque, Ellice, Bergevin, O'Connell street and Cathedral square, also Nicolson, Jacques Cartier Academy, and Victoria streets.

The pupils of the Gault Institute organized a foot-ball team for the coming season.

We regret to learn that Mr Bieson, prophontary, is very ill.

Two cases of sudden death within a week has greatly shocked our community. O. Leduc and a Mrs Gull-borne were the victims.

Dr J. M. Lefebvre has resigned his position as president of La Societe St. Jean Baptiste. He has removed to Montreal to take charge of his new position as provincial sanitary officer. O. Cossette was elected in his stead.

Elie Poirier has been appointed fish and game warden with jurisdiction over lakes St. Francis and St. Louis.

We read in *La Presse* of the 15th that a demand has been made by the Southern Counties railway for permission to enter the city of Montreal by an electric railway system, reaching the city over the Victoria bridge. The proposed new line will cover the counties of Chambly, Verchere, Rouville, St. Hyacinthe, Laprarrie, St. Johns, Iperville, Miesesbrook, Bromes, Sheford, Stadesand, Sherbrooke, Beauharnois, Chateauguay, Huntingdon, and Napierville. Any scheme that will increase shipping facilities and bring about cheaper passenger and freight rates of transportation should be met with open arms.

At a meeting of the city council, held on the 10th inst., notice was given that at the next meeting of the council a by-law will be submitted to the taxpayers for a loan of \$1,000 to be utilized for the construction of

permanent sidewalks and road improvements. Liquor store licenses were granted Mason & Gauthier, J. A. Bourassa, and Simon Beaudin.

A series of evangelistic meetings were held last week in the Presbyterian, Anglican, and Methodist churches, under the conduct of Rev. Mr Craig of Ottawa. The meetings were well attended.

HUNTINGDON VILLAGE COUNCIL
Met Tuesday evening; Rice absent. Mayor Philips said he was satisfied all the bonds would be taken by residents. Secretary MacLaren said \$5000 would be exchanged for their notes by those who had lent the village.

The mayor reported that the previous (Monday) evening, a young man from Hinchinbrook, after driving recklessly along the front street, had gone across the new bridge at break-neck speed. Were the councillors favorable to making an example of him?

All agreed that he should be prosecuted unless he settled at once with the secretary.

Coun. Kyle wanted authority to build 400 yards of cement sidewalk. A long conversation took place over what sidewalks needed most to be replaced. Finally it was agreed to leave the selection with the road committee, who would take tenders for the work. Coun. Kyle was also authorized to buy all the stone he could get, and to complete the approaches to the bridge as soon as the weather would permit.

Coun. Will urged the undertaking of filling up the ditches at the sides of the road. There was need for them at one time to drain cellars, but that time was passed.

The council agreed filling was desirable, but it would cost more than could be spared at present.

Coun. Crawford said a man visited the village last week and went from house to house trying to sell furniture from a specimen book. He wanted to know if such visitors could not be required to take out a license?

The mayor said they could not, and the secretary confirmed him.

A letter was read from Arthur Chambers, who has charge of the waterworks, offering to take over the electric plant and run it for what he could make out of it. If the council granted him a ten-year franchise he would not only do so but light the streets free, and make a contract for the same length of time to supply the village with water for \$1500 a year. He would furnish a light of 110 voltage.

Coun. Crawford said there was no use in blinking the fact that patrons were disappointed with the light as supplied by the present contractors. He was sure they were doing their best but could not help it, not having the power necessary to supply a good light. Patrons were not getting the light to which they had a right and the majority were disgusted with what they had been getting during the winter. Sixty lamps had already been cut out.

Coun. Kyle—And some 60 more will go out if the light does not improve.

The Secretary—By the by-law establishing the electric light, the council binds itself to supply ratepayers at a fixed price. It would be well to take advice before disposing of the franchise.

Mayor—Tache held the franchise and when he sold to the village, the franchise came back to it. He could see no difficulty in the way of renting the plant to anybody who would take it for what they can make it pay, provided the rates are not raised.

Coun. Will—The ratepayers have been long suffering and it is time the council was doing something to better the light. We cannot be worse off with Chambers than we are now.

Cogland moved, seconded by Kyle, that the proposal of Chambers be received and left over until next meeting for consideration. Carried unanimously.

Coun. Kelly asked authority to renew the filters, which was given.

The intention of Chambers, should he get the lease he asks, is to run the electric light by steam.

TATEHURST
John McGerrigle has sold two young stallions, namely, Perfection, 3 years old, to A. Scharf, Cummings Bridge, Ont. and Gold Mine two years old, to Donald Cumming, Lancaeter, Ont. Both are sired by Fyvie Gold, and are full brothers. Samuel McGerrigle has also sold an imported mare, Lady Gertrude, Donald Cumming, Lancaeter, Ont. Her sire is Country Squire and dam by Baron's Pride.

Judson Ryan has sold his farm to Clifford Sweet of Bombay, and has purchased the Hollenback house in Fort Covington.

THE SILVER MEDAL FIRST PRIZE FARM

JOHN DUNCAN (94.70 points)
Riverfield, on the east side of English river. In a fine agricultural country with a rich and productive soil. This is not the farm of a poor devil of a habitant, toiling from morning till night in his fields and sleeping in a country shanty. The buildings proclaim the gentleman farmer and the dwelling-house resembles a handsome suburban villa. The plantations, the lawns, the mounds of flowers, the fences, everything has the aristocratic stamp and shows the distinguished tastes as well as the wealth employed with skill and intelligence. It is a dairy farm kept on a model footing. The system of farming, the division of the land into regular fields divided by a good central farm road, crops, the stabling, feeding and care of the milk cows, everything tends to the production of an excellent milk, treated according to all the rules and science of the dairy. No miserable small cows are seen here without any udder, bellowing for grass and water and sleeping in dark hovels where they dirty themselves to the very root of the tail. All the crops are growing well. The excellent work done honor to the skill of Mr David, the manager of the farm.

Mr Duncan bought his farm in 1900. It is since this time that he has made all the farm improvements and the fine buildings which are at once the wealth and beauty of the place.

Mr Duncan is a rich trader in milk and dairy products, having his business in Montreal. He is very favorably known by business men of the city as well as by farmers of his native place who have been witnesses of his humble beginning and of his success. He commenced without any money as a farmer's boy. He farmed for 18 years for Mr Smith in Fertile creek. The commencement of his fortune was the sale of milk at Montreal. This business, commenced on a small scale and carried on with prudence, calculation and skill, has always prospered to the point of its present extent and importance in building up the handsome fortune of its author. Mr Duncan has therefore every reason to like good milk and everything that tends to its production. Well cultivated farms, good and rich grasses, good cows, well stabled and well kept nourishing food and perfect care of the milk, etc. And his farm is the expression of his tastes as well as a demonstration of his farming and commercial knowledge. Mr Duncan's prosperity is favorable to that of his farm-er friends from whom he buys the milk. Their well being appears in the beauty of their farms and their herds.

Mr Duncan is only 52 years old and his robust constitution may allow him to look forward to many years of enjoyment of his handsome fortune acquired by intelligent and energetic work. The silver medal will not reward a more deserving success.

THE DAIRY PROSPECT
James Alexander, one of the leading butter and cheese exporting houses in the Dominion, has just returned from a seven weeks' trip to the Old Country, during which he visited all the principal points in the United Kingdom, being asked by the Gazette for his views regarding the dairy produce situation in Great Britain and the prospects for Canadian dairy produce during the coming season. said: The cheese situation is rotten, if I may use the expressive word. Cheese, as a matter of fact, can be bought in England to-day one cent per pound cheaper than it can in Montreal, with the result that there must be heavy losses somewhere. The reason is that cheese had been put at such an awkward price that the retailer can hardly get cost by cutting, and, therefore, instead of putting his cheese on the counter, he puts it under the counter, and is not trying to sell except when compelled to do so. In fact every shopkeeper I met in the United Kingdom would make no money in cutting cheese, and, therefore, was not trying to sell. While stocks are not large, they are large for the present demand and are much larger than is generally supposed. We will have to get cheese down to a price that will stimulate consumption and get the people back to the article again before we have any healthy trade. At present, as a matter of fact, 64c per cwt. is being freely accepted in England for Canadian, and as much of the cheese cost 70c per cwt., with carrying charges included, it will readily be seen what the position is. Then the quantity of New Zealand cheese is about one-third more than last year and as the quality is very good, it will close up to Canadian. The de-

mand for canned meats is gradually coming on again, and we cannot hope to have any scare in that respect this season, so that it will readily be understood how important it will be to stimulate consumption of cheese by getting the price down to a reasonable basis.

What about butter? Mr Alexander was asked.

Canadian butter to export to England to-day, is worth about 13 cents a pound, and I see that it is selling here at over 31 cents. Until we come down there will certainly be no exporting of Canadian butter. The world is producing more butter, and the stock of butter in England is high, and people will naturally protect themselves against any extravagant prices on this side. Danish butter, I may mention, is being retailed throughout England to-day at one shilling a pound, something that has not occurred for years. The supplies are much larger than usual. Australia, Queensland, New Zealand, Siberia and the Argentine are all supplying butter, and as a result the Canadian article will meet with an active competition.

CANADA
Sweetsburg, Que., April 13—legal decision of considerable interest to farmers was rendered here by Judge Lynch, with regard to the right of killing a dog when found pursuing sheep. Of recent years the farmers of the Eastern Townships have been keeping sheep, and more and more they are finding the keeping of sheep to be profitable. One great drawback, however, to the industry is the fact that sheep are easily frightened, and for this reason are frequently chased by dogs, and if not actually killed or mangled sheep, once thurly chased by dogs never thrive as well afterwards, but remain in a nervous and frightened condition. During the past year or two many sheep have been killed in this district, and many owners of dogs have had to pay heavy damages. Frequently, however, sheep have been found dead and no trace of the dogs that killed the sheep could be found. Sheep keeping farmers, therefore, are much incensed over this state of affairs and have been anxious to know their rights with regard to sheep-killing dogs. The facts of the case decided are as follows: William Miltime, farmer of the township of Dunham, discovered a dog chasing one of his sheep and about to kill it. He secured a gun, he ran toward the dog and fired. The dog was injured. Thereupon, Mr Miltime once followed the dog to a neighbor's house, a short distance away, and as it stood in the yard. The owner of the dog thereupon took action for the recovery of the value of his dog. In rendering the decision the Judge decided that although the law of the province allows a person to kill a dog which, without his master's dominions, pursues or is known to pursue and strangle sheep, yet as this law is an exceptional provision it must be strictly interpreted and confined within the narrowest possible limits. The general law is that anyone who causes a loss to another person by his positive act must pay the damages caused. In shooting the dog in the neighbor's yard a positive act had been committed, and Mr Miltime must pay the damages. Had Mr Miltime shot the dog while it was pursuing the sheep or while it was still on his own land, he would have been acting within his legal right. But the law did not protect him when he followed the dog beyond his own land and shot it while it was resting in its master's yard and no longer pursuing the sheep. The value of the dog was proven to be about \$40 or \$50, as it was a valuable collie dog, but as a dog that once chases sheep develops a bad characteristic, which takes away to a great extent the value he might otherwise have, the value of the dog was placed at \$5, which the court ordered the defendant to pay the owner of the dog.

Mr Elford, poultry manager of the Macdonald farm, at Ste. Anne de Bellevue, addressed a meeting of poultry farmers last evening, taking for his subject, "How many hens can profitably be kept on a hundred acre farm?" He entered right into the middle of things, declaring that he would recommend 100 hens on a 100 acre farm, as "which should be one-year-olds and the balance pullets, as the latter are better for laying purposes. Roughly speaking, the revenues would be \$300.

Sitting at Sherbrooke, Justice Hutchison has been decommenced the corporation of the township of Ste Edwidge de Clifton to pay the corporation of the township of Clifton \$26.50. A man named Carrier brought smallpox into the plaintiff's municipality from that of the defendant, and the \$26.50 award was spent in quarantining the dise-

case in a lumber camp in which it broke out.

Cowanville, April 13.—The district of Bedford's dairymen's exchange opened to-day for the season of 1907. Considering the bad state of the roads and the fact that most butter factories have been selling nearly every day the volume of goods offered was fair. A good number of Montreal buyers were present and prices were the highest for many years, the maximum price of 23.7-8c being paid for butter. Sales of butter: 168 boxes, 21c; 80 boxes, 21.5-6c; 27 boxes, 21.3-4c; 31 boxes, 21.7-8c; 9 boxes of cheese were offered and sold for 11.1-4c.

The Gazette's Ottawa correspondent writes: This has been a session of scenes. Following hard on the heels of the "women, wine and graft" episode there came Mr. Foster's dramatic defence, and lastly the intensely violent altercation, when for a few moments the house of commons took on the appearance of a cheap saloon. The storm sprang up with hurricane like velocity and before the house was aware, it was caught in the vortex of undignified behavior and decidedly unparliamentary language. The spectacle of an ex-minister, literally foaming with rage, hissing the word "conspirator" at a present minister of the crown, and the same minister, red with passion, shaking his fist in the faces of the Opposition, will not be forgotten readily. The tact of Mr. Marcell, the deputy speaker, was demonstrated, and his adroit ruling that "it being one o'clock, I do now leave the chair," saved the day, and screwed the lid on a disgraceful exhibition.

McGill was again visited by fire on Monday night, when the medical building was destroyed. It will take half a million to replace the structure.

THE CHANGES OF HALF A CENTURY

St. Stanislas de Kostka

A village situated in the sixth and seventh ranges of Ormatown, in the county of Beauharnois and District of Montreal. Distant from Montreal 48 miles, and from Beauharnois 19 miles. Mail tri-weekly. Population about 60.

Henry Bogue, general storekeeper

Olivier Bonnet, blacksmith

Francois X. Prevost, dealer in dry goods, hardware, groceries, &c.

St. Timothy

A village situated on the Beauharnois canal, in the county of Beauharnois. Distant from Montreal 36 miles.

Montreal \$1 and \$1.50 weekly. Population about 500.

Marie, baker

J. O. Archambault, Rom. Catholic

Beauregard, model school teacher

Narcisse Boudoin, carriage-maker

Champagne & Marcell, storekeepers

Alexis Charbonneau, M.D.

Convent of St. Timothy, Sister Marie

Alphonse, superior

Adolphe Desève, storekeeper

Charles Duguay, carpenter

Alexandre Emmond, blacksmith

Benj. Eustache, wood merchant

Jeun Bte. Filiatrault, balliff

Rev. Lucien Gariepy, Rom. Catholic

Louis Gervais, notary public

Jeremie Girouard, wheelwright

Joseph Gobell, butcher

Etienne Hainault, commissioner of small causes

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For over two years his health had been far from what his friends wished, but he kept on the road, and left Monday morning to make his usual week's trip apparently as well as usual. He was an old resident, having come to Huntingdon 40 years ago as clerk to Thirsk & Knox. After being with them for some time he started in business for himself, and for many years kept a grocery store. Receiving an offer from J. A. Mathewson & Co. to become a traveller, he disposed of his property here and went to live in Montreal. Having a liking for Huntingdon he, a few years ago, built a fine residence on the bank of the Chateaugay, where he expected to spend his remaining years. At the event of yesterday has shown, he delayed his retirement too long. No employer could be more zealous for his master's interests, and the Mathewson have lost a faithful representative. He was widely known and respected. Mrs. O'Neill and Miss O'Neill have the sympathy of the entire community.

Brockville, Ont., April 17.—George Q. O'Neill, a well-known representative of the Mathewson firm, died on the 16th inst. in wood's main sugar, 18 to 21c per lb.

HUNTINGDON

At Valleyfield, on April 5th, the wife of Patrick Hanley, of a son.

At Montreal, on the 16th April, the wife of Wm. J. Stewart, of a son.

MARRIED

At Valleyfield, on April 9th, by the Rev. Father Pilon, Emile Lemieux, formerly of St. Stanislas, to Miss Helen McAllister.

On the 9th April, at St. Agnes church Dundee, Que., by the Rev. Father Demers, Maurice J. Tehan to Hattie Rose Anna, daughter of the late Jas. Welch, both of Kilmarnock.

DIED

At Fulton Rock-co., Wisconsin, on March 23rd, William Biggar, aged 75 years, son of the late James Biggar, a native of Godmanchester.

At Valleyfield, on April 12th, Joseph Vachon, proprietor of the Salaberry hotel, aged 56 years.

At St. Stanislas, on April 7th, Damase Lalonde, in his 82nd year.

At Covey Hill, Que., April 10th, Lydia Ann, eldest daughter of James Barr, aged 13 years and 6 months.

At the Victoria hospital, Montreal, April 10th, Elizabeth Campbell, wife of James E. Curran, internist at Hemmingford.

At the 3rd concession of Charlottembourg, near Williamstown, on March 21st, Robert Robertson, in his 83rd year.

At Athelstan, on April 10th, Minnie, daughter of Angus McKillop, of St. Anicet, and wife of Joseph Dumouchel, aged 39 years.

At her residence, Huntingdon, on the 17th April, Jessie McBain, widow of the late William Walsh, Esq., and mother of Dr. R. Nelson Walsh, M.P., in her 81st year. Funeral will take place from St. Andrew's church on Saturday forenoon, at 10.30 o'clock.

Suddenly, at Brockville, on April 17th, George Q. O'Neill, late of Huntingdon. Funeral from his late residence on Friday, the 19th inst., at 2 p.m.

To be Sold by A. PHILIPS, Auctioneer on TUESDAY, April 30th, at the residence of the late ALEXANDER McNAUGHTON, Huntingdon: all the Household Furniture, together with a piano, organ, lace-curtains, silver-ware, cutlery, crockery, etc. Four months' credit. To begin at 2 p.m.

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UNITED STATES

Peter Gray, the Indian who killed his father at Hogsburgh Christmas day by striking him on the head with an axe during a drunken altercation, will be tried for murder at a special term of supreme court to convene at Malone on Monday, May 13th.

At the recent term of court at Malone Chas. F. Gratton charged Dr. Crippen of Trout river with assault. Gratton occupied a tenement house of the doctor's, and the alleged assault grew out of a dispute. Jury rendered a verdict of \$1 for plaintiff.

A contract has been made for an iron bridge across Trout river on the south road to Burke, 75 foot span, for \$1045.

New York, April 8.—Former Ambassador Andrew D. White, who returned yesterday on the steamship Bluecher, after a cruise in the Caribbean sea, said of Cuba, which he visited: "I regard the Cuban question as more serious than our Philippine problem. Cuba is a great negro state incapable of self-government. If Cuba were made a state of the union, it would in my opinion rapidly become a curse to itself and the nation.

The Chateaugay Pulp company has 40,000 logs on the ice at Chateaugay Lake awaiting to be floated to their mill.—Record.

Pekin, April 6.—A proclamation has been issued by the Chinese minister of justice, in the name of the Emperor, ordering the immediate release of all the women and children now kept as slaves. The proclamation orders the destruction of all the contracts entered into for the purchase of slaves, and provides severe punishment for any London, April 16.—The fourth conference between the premiers of Great Britain's self-governing colonies and the British colonial secretary, was opened to-day under the presidency of the Earl of Elgin, secretary of state for the colonies. Reporters are not admitted.

London, April 13.—At the Clerkenwell sessions to-day Lord Wm. Neville was found guilty of the charge of swindling a pawnbroker, and was sentenced to a year's imprisonment. Many fashionable women attended the trial. Lord Neville, who was stylishly dressed, bore himself with composure. The judge, in pronouncing sentence, said he should treat the case as that of any other prisoner, and would give him the same sentence as he would a workman.

The W.C.T.U. MEETING, announced for Friday, April 19th, is postponed until Friday, April 26th.

THE BAND OF HOPE

Meets to-morrow (Friday) evening, at 7.30 p.m., in the lecture-room of St. John's Church.

The Food Sale in the annex of St. Andrew's church will be held every Saturday from 3 to 5 P.M. Ladies of the congregation are invited to contribute supplies, which may be left at Mrs. Cameron's, or after two o'clock at the annex. Proceeds to go towards reduction of church debt.

The Y's will meet at Mrs. Alex. Anderson's, next Monday, at 8 p.m.

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