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TELEGRAPH SERVICE

Extension Contemplated by the C.P.R. this Season.

OVER FOUR THOUSAND MILES OF WIRE TO BE STRUNG.

That the telegraph business of Canada is growing by leaps and bounds is evidenced from the fact that the Canadian Pacific Railway Telegraph contemplates this summer the construction of 610 miles of new pole lines and 4,088 miles of wire, 1,966 of which will be copper.

The principal new work to be undertaken is as follows: A copper wire will be erected from Montreal to Winnipeg, which will be worked duplex (two circuits); this will make four double circuits in use between these points.

A heavy iron wire will be erected between Brandon, Man., and Strassburg, Sask. Also a copper wire between Minnedosa, Man., and Sheho, Sask.

Two iron wires from Reston, Man., to Brandon, Man., are to be placed, and a heavy iron wire from Brandon, Man., to Regina, Sask., via Assiniboia, while a copper wire will be erected from Regina, Sask., to Ashcroft, and an iron wire thence to Vancouver completing the third duplex wire between Winnipeg and Vancouver.

The construction of a pole line carrying two wires between Guelph and Goderich will be completed, while the construction of a pole line carrying two wires will be proceeded with on the new Toronto-Sudbury route.

The construction of a pole line and one wire over the new railway branch between Reston, Man., and Wolseley, also a pole line carrying one iron and one copper wire along the extension of the railway from Sheho, Sask., west.

East of Saskatoon a new pole line carrying three iron wires will be placed, and west of Saskatoon a pole line carrying two iron wires, and from Daysland (near Edmonton) east two iron wires, are to be laid.

A pole line carrying two iron wires from Strassburg west, while another with one wire over the extension from Winnipeg Beach to Gimli, will be placed in position.

A pole line with one wire over the extension north from Teulon, Man., and another with one wire on the extension of the Lander branch will be built.

In all, there will be a total of 610 miles of new pole line and 4,088 miles of wire, 1,966 miles of which will be copper.

In addition to the above new work there will be a large amount of reconstruction and general overhauling of the older lines.

The reconstruction of telegraph lines to be carried out this year by the C.P.R. will be as follows: Nova Scotia, 10 miles; New Brunswick, 26 miles; Maine,

27 miles; Quebec, 41 miles; Lake Superior division, 263 miles; Manitoba's main line, 103 miles; branches, 241 miles; Kootenay, 36 miles; total, 747 miles.

It is the intention of the company to rush this work so that it may be completed by early autumn.

FISHERIES QUESTION

NEGOTIATIONS OPENED FOR A BETTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

Ottawa, March 27.—At the request of the United States Government negotiations have been opened for a definite understanding between the United States and Canada upon fisheries questions in border waters that have occasioned local friction between the two countries.

The United States have been for some time past anxious that Canada should impose stricter measures for the preservation of the fisheries in Missisquoi Bay at the northern end of Lake Champlain. On the Pacific coast, too, the state authorities professed a desire for steps to prevent the valuable salmon fisheries at those waters from extinction.

Canada answered that she was ready to consider fisheries disputes whenever they occurred in contiguous waters, but that it was better to deal with these all together on a basis of mutual compromise.

Canada for her part was not going to be drawn into a discussion of only those cases in which the shoe pinches Uncle Sam. After due consideration the American Government has accepted this proposal and this country has accordingly been asked what points she desires to take up.

It is safe to assume that Uncle Sam is not going to introduce into the negotiations the subject of the Atlantic fisheries, and the expectation is that the negotiations will be confined accordingly to such minor disputes as have arisen in Passamaquoddy Bay, the St. John river, the St. Croix River, Lake Champlain, the St. Lawrence River, the great lakes, Lake of the Woods, and on the Pacific coast. Preliminary arrangements are now being made for the negotiation of these questions.

THE TABAH INCIDENT

SATISFACTORY SOLUTION HOPED FOR IN A FEW DAYS.

Constantinople, March 27.—The Tabah frontier incident is engaging the earnest attention of the Turkish Government and the opinion prevails that a satisfactory solution will be arrived at in a few days.

Great Britain demands the withdrawal of the Turkish troops from Tabah, on the Egyptian frontier of the Sinai Peninsula, which she claims to be Egyptian territory. Turkey on the other hand holds that Tabah is part of the Ottoman Empire.

CURRENT WAS TOO HEAVY

Parsonage at Lachine Narrowly Escaped Being Burned Down

MEN THAWING HYDRANTS FORGOT TO CUT OFF ELECTRIC POWER.

The Methodist parsonage at Lachine narrowly escaped being burned down yesterday afternoon, as the result of a high voltage of electricity being turned on to the lighting wire entering the house.

About three o'clock the Rev. A. W. Williamson was in his study when suddenly the incandescent globe beside his desk exploded with a loud report and a flash that caused him very natural concern as to the source of the trouble and the probable results.

On inquiry he learned that some men were thawing hydrants on the street by means of electricity. They had notified all those in the vicinity connected with that district except Mr. Williamson, who had been forgotten.

When one of the men turned on the current at the transformer for use on the thawing apparatus the parsonage wire got more power than it was intended to. Fortunately, the other man noticed the flash in Mr. Williamson's study and went to see if any harm had been done and have the line cut off.

For this purpose they went upstairs to a clothes closet in which the meter had been placed. On opening the door a volume of smoke poured out in their faces and it was found that the place was on fire.

Water was soon procured and the incipient blaze extinguished without the aid of the firemen, but not before a quantity of clothing had been ruined.

JUDGE FRASER ACCEPTS

Will be the New Lieut.-Governor of Nova Scotia

Halifax, March 27.—Judge D. C. Fraser was today offered the position of Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, made vacant by the death of Lieutenant-Governor Jones, and has accepted. He will be sworn in about the end of this week.

Duncan Cameron Fraser, barrister and legislator, was born at New Glasgow, N.S., in 1845. He was educated at Dalhousie College, Halifax, receiving the degree of B.A. in 1872, and was called to the bar in the following year. He became a member of the Legislative Council in 1878, and entered the government but resigned the same year to become a candidate for the Assembly.

He was again called to the Legislative Executive and Executive Councils in 1888, and was leader of the government in the former body. Three years later he was elected to the Federal Parliament, to represent Guysboro'. He has been Mayor of New Glasgow on two occasions, grand master of the Free Masons of Nova Scotia, president of the Alumni Association of Dalhousie University, and commissioner of schools for Pictou County. He is politically a Liberal and free-trader, and in full accord with the Laurier Government. Two years ago he was raised to the Supreme Court Bench of Nova Scotia.

PRISONERS SENTENCED.

Belleville, Ont., March 26.—In the County Court this morning, Alexander Patterson, found guilty of assault with intent to do bodily harm to his wife, was sentenced by Judge Deroche to six months in the Central Prison. Robert Mitchell, who pleaded guilty to stealing clothing and other things from the unoccupied house of C. Merriday, now absent in the Old Country, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

OLD BOND WILL BE REDEEMED.

Clinton, Mass., March 27.—Herbert F. Morgan has learned from the United States Treasury Department at Washington that his \$20 government bond of the year 1870 will probably be honored by the United States and compound interest paid for 126 years. Mr. Morgan would then get about \$12,086. The bond bore on its face no stated time for redemption.

MUST PAY THE PENALTY.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 27.—Morris Buck, who shot and killed Mrs. Canfield, the wife of the oil millionaire, was yesterday sentenced to be hanged on June 1.

A SERIOUS FIRE

Montreal Biscuit Company Burnt Out Early This Morning

FOUR-STORY BUILDING WRECKED, WITH A LOSS OF SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

The large four-story building occupied by the Montreal Biscuit Company, at 1, 18 and 20 St. Monique street, is today a total wreck, fire having damaged it to the extent of \$75,000.

The fire broke out a few minutes before three o'clock this morning and within a few minutes had assumed such threatening proportions when the firemen from No. 4 station arrived that it was found necessary to send in a second alarm. By this time smoke and flames were pouring out from all parts of the building. The company carried a large and heavy plant, and as the flames gained headway it was not long before the roof fell in, carrying with it the two top floors. This happened at a critical moment, when the ladders and windows were crowded with firemen. Despite the roar of flames and the intense heat the men heroically stuck to their posts and no one was injured.

The building was recently purchased by Mr. John G. Turfiff, M.P., and is valued at \$25,000. It was fully covered by insurance.

The Montreal Biscuit Company was carrying a \$50,000 stock, with an insurance of \$33,000. The company will move into their new quarters at St. Henri about May 1.

FIRE AT NEWPORT

FALL RIVER LINE STEAMER BURNED AND MORE THAN A MILLION DOLLARS DAMAGE DONE.

Newport, R. I., March 27.—The Fall River line's big side-wheel steamer 'Plymouth,' was burned to the water's edge, the freight steamer 'City of Lowell' was damaged, a long pier shed, hoisting shears, paint shop and old railway station were destroyed and the pain was scorched off three other steamers, the 'Puritan,' the 'Priscilla' and the 'Naugatuck,' by a fire which burned for nearly three hours early to-day, and which at one time threatened to wipe out the entire repairing plant of the owners of the line, the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railway Company.

The loss is estimated at more than a million dollars. No lives were lost, but thirteen caretakers, watchmen and firemen on board the 'Plymouth' were nearly hemmed in, so rapid was the rush of the flames through the vessel. The five steamers were all undergoing the regular spring overhaul preparatory to the summer season, and the burned pier shed contained a considerable quantity of material for the work.

J. Howland Garner, who is in general charge of the construction department of the New England Navigation Company, said today that he expected the 'Plymouth' would be rebuilt as she was not absolutely a total loss. He was unable to form any theory as to the origin of the fire, and said an investigation into the cause of the fire had been begun.

ONTARIO ALLIANCE

DR. CARMAN ATTACKS THE LOCAL OPTION CLAUSES IN NEW LICENSE BILL.

Toronto, March 27.—The Rev. Dr. Carman made a hot attack on the local option clauses of the new License Bill at the Ontario Alliance Convention in Association Hall. About four hundred delegates were present and many more are expected this afternoon, as the convention will last two days. Dr. Carman presided owing to the absence from the city of the president, Mr. G. F. Marter. In his address, Dr. Carman said: 'It is strange that, when one government had been wrecked in a great measure by a proposal in the nature of a three-fifths majority, that another government should risk the wrath of the people by such a proposal. Prominent delegates spoke of the success of local option in their districts, and a number of committees were appointed.'

MUTUAL LIFE DIRECTORS

BILL LEGISLATING THEM FROM OFFICE READ A THIRD TIME IN NEW YORK LEGISLATURE.

Albany, N.Y., March 27.—The Assembly today advanced to a third reading without debate the bill of the Armstrong committee legislating from office the president, and directors of the Mutual Life Insurance Company in this state on Nov. 15 next, and providing for the election of their successors, under the direction of the state superintendent of insurance.

CANADA AND ITALY

THE MARQUIS RORIA SAYS THERE IS A GREAT OPENING FOR LUCRATIVE TRADE.

Toronto, March 27.—The Marquis Roria, who has been appointed by the Italian Government as a special commissioner to visit Canada and inquire into conditions, with a view to establishing trade communications between Italy and Canada, arrived in the city last night, and is the guest of Dr. Harvey Smith.

In conversation with a reporter, he declared that there was a big opening for Canadian products in Italy, as well as in the surrounding principalities. Italy was a large importer of wheat. Last year that country purchased lumber to the value of \$12,000,000, in which trade this country should share largely. There was also a big opening for dried fish. The Marquis also thought that cattle could be exported from this country to Italy with advantage to the Canadian farmers. Speaking generally, he was of the opinion that Canada possessed in abundance the very articles that Italy required. In respect to the volume of exports from Italy to Canada, it was difficult to speak, as they all came via Liverpool and New York.

The Marquis Roria spent yesterday in Hamilton, where he visited a number of the factories in the Ambitious City. He feels that Canadian makers of machinery will be standing in their own light if they overlook Italy as a market for their wares.

THE PACIFIC CABLE

A PREJUDICE AGAINST IT IN AUSTRALIA OWING TO STATE MISMANAGEMENT.

Ottawa, March 26.—Important reports have been received by the Department of Trade and Commerce from Messrs. Larke and Ross, Canadian agents in Australia. Both allude to the present position of the Pacific cable project. Mr. Larke says that the Australian business of the cable appears to be threatened from the fact that it is a publicly-owned line. A royal commission has been taking evidence on the subject whether the government of the Commonwealth should inaugurate its own steamship service around the coast of Australia and to New Zealand. Incidentally one of the most important witnesses was asked about the Pacific cable, and he declared that there was a strong prejudice against it in Australia, because it was mismanaged as a state-owned institution. Mr. Larke goes on to say that this mismanagement is not the fault of the Pacific Cable Company, but is the outcome of the mis-handling of the business at the Australian end of the line by the Commonwealth Telegraph Department. The department has totally failed to adopt means to secure business for the cable, whereas the rival concern, the Eastern Extension Company, is hustling for it all the time.

The general manager of the Pacific Cable has arrived in Melbourne from London to urge the Commonwealth Government to extend the same facilities to the All Red Line for direct and separate land lines between the capitals of the Eastern States, a concession which is now held by the Eastern Extension Company only.

PLAYED IN A TENT

FIVE THOUSAND PERSONS SEE MME. SARAH BERNHARDT IN DALLAS.

Dallas, Tex., March 27.—For the first time in her long career, Mme. Sarah Bernhardt last night played in a circus tent. The play was 'Camille.' The audience numbered five thousand persons, from all parts of the south-west. The performance was carried out smoothly, and was received with intense enthusiasm. Mme. Bernhardt responded to many curtain calls. She expressed her delight at the reception given her. Mme. Bernhardt will also appear in a tent at Waco and Austin, Texas, and at Oklahoma City, O.T. In other Texas cities on her itinerary large halls have been secured for the performance. Mme. Bernhardt's managers say that they have been unable to make arrangements for the use of regular theatres in many places, hence the tent and concert halls.

THE PUEBLO WRECK

CORONER'S JURY FIND THAT NEGLIGENCE OF OPERATOR WAS NOT WILFUL.

Canyon City, Colo., March 27.—A coroner's jury which has been investigating the Denver & Rio Grande wreck, between Pueblo and Adobe, on March 14, yesterday returned a verdict as follows: 'That the collision was due to the carelessness and negligence of S. F. Lively, operator at Swales; that said negligence was not wilful or malicious; that said Lively was asleep when Number three passed his station and failed to so report when asked by the chief dispatcher; that the night operator, Vandusen, should not have deserted his post of duty; that no criminal prosecution should lie against Lively or the railway by reason of said collision; that a change in signal method should be adopted to require trains to remain at message stations until stop signals are changed and the engineer has ascertained from the agent that there are no orders for him; that a block signal system be installed or that the Denver & Rio Grande system double-track its roadway.'

NEWS IN BRIEF

According to yesterday's despatch from Algiers, Germany has threatened to withdraw from the Moroccan Conference if the control of the proposed Franco-Spanish police is not given over to the powers, and Article 14, the Austrian proposal on behalf of Germany giving the policing of the port of Casa Blanca to the Franco-Spanish police, has been withdrawn. An Associated Press despatch of the same date from Washington says a cable from Mr. White, the United States delegate, states that the Conference has on this point practically reached an agreement, but what the agreement was no hint was given.

The United Mine Workers of America have presented to the operators in the executive session of the Joint Scale Committee of the central competitive district their ultimatum on the wage scale dispute. This is a demand for the restoration of the wages scale of 1902, which is an increase of 5.55 per cent. There was said last night to be little prospect of an agreement.

Four firemen were killed and a score of firemen and others injured yesterday in a fire which destroyed a six-story factory building at Bedford and Downing streets, New York. The damage is estimated at from \$300,000 to \$400,000, and would have been far greater but just as the flames had got beyond control, and were threatening to sweep the entire block, an explosion occurred shattering the building and crushing the blaze beneath tons of debris.

A regimental order has been issued to the bandmaster of the Governor-General's Footguards, of Ottawa, instructing him that in the future the band must not play in uniform in any procession where the Union Jack or Canadian National Ensign is not displayed. This order was issued following the St. Patrick's Day procession in Ottawa in which no British flag was carried.

Queen's University is to have a new gymnasium by next fall. The students themselves have subscribed \$10,000.

The Provincial Board of Health has drawn the attention of the City Council to the number of insanitary buildings now being put up in the newer wards of the city, and against the city's well-known laws. One individual alone, it was shown, had built during the last two years sixty tenements or flats of which the only bedroom each flat contained was a dark room, and this same individual it was said, was planning to erect during the coming year twenty-seven more houses of the same type.

Mr. Godfrey Langlois, M.P.P. for St. Louis Division, in an address before the Lemieux Club last night, said the present educational system in the Province of Quebec could be sufficiently improved without any destructive or reactionary reforms, but urged the advisability of appointing a Minister of Education in order of holding a formal investigation into the educational conditions of the province.

A LABEL SUIT

ACTION AGAINST THE TORONTO 'GLOBE' BY A COLBORNE APPLE DEALER.

Colborne, March 27.—The action for libel against the Toronto 'Globe' brought by Robert Coyle, an apple dealer, of Colborne, came before Mr. Justice Clute and a jury at the Assizes here yesterday. Plaintiff is claiming \$10,000 damages, and asking for an injunction restraining the defendants from repeating the publication. Defendants plead that the statements which reflected on plaintiff's conduct in connection with a shipment of apples to the Old Country, the apples being shipped as first grade, which were faulty, were true in substance, and in fact, and moreover, that they were issued by the Department of Agriculture. Plaintiff, however, says that his son, James, was the owner of the apples, and all that he had to do with the shipment was to look after the shipment. His son James was convicted under the Fruit Marks Act in regard to the apples.

Plaintiff and other witnesses on his behalf swore that he was only acting on behalf of James, and said that the apples were not rushed on to the car to be shipped away after the inspector who had started inspecting them had gone to dinner, as stated by the 'Globe.' The case for the defence will open this morning.

CLOUDY AND COLDER

Dar's allers sunshin' watin'. Ef you'll travel fur enough, Jes' gib de laugh ter trouble. Ebry time he mak' a bluff; Jes' keep right on a sargin'. No odds how great de pain; Fer dar's sunshin' eh' ter toller. In de footstepes of de rain. Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Toronto, Ont., March 27.—New Westminster, 58.4; Calgary, 50.24; Battleford, 38.34; Qu'Appelle, 36.28; Winnipeg, 36.30; Port Arthur, 38.24; Toronto, 42.39; Ottawa, 46.38; Montreal, 40.36; Quebec, 38.28; St. John, 40.34; Halifax, 42.30.

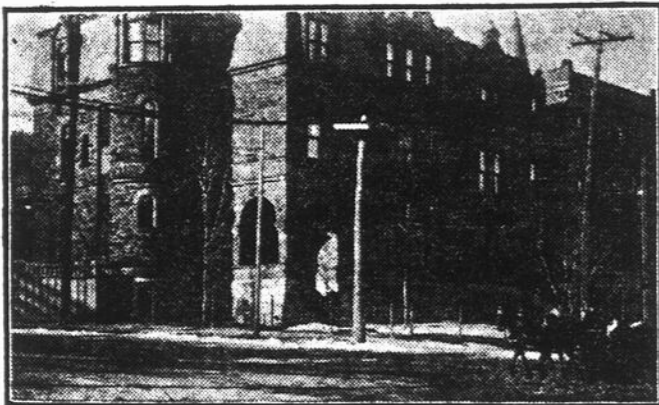
Rain to-day. Wednesday, north-west wind, cloudy, with a little lower temperature.

1625 Notre Dame street, Montreal, March 27, 1906.—Readings by Hearn & Hartley's Standard Barometer at noon: Yesterday, 30.38; 11 a.m. to-day, 29.55.

Temperature: Max. Min. To-day, 45 35. Yesterday, 45 35.

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DO YOU KNOW THIS CORNER?



If you think you recognize this picture, telephone Main 4090. The names of those sending correct answers will be published in to-morrow's 'Witness.'

Yesterday's picture showed the northwest corner of McGill and Wellington streets. It was more difficult than most of them have been and nearly half those answering were mistaken. Nearly every corner along St. Paul street was suggested; some said St. Peter street and others thought it Place Youville. One young man thought it looked like Cathcart street, near Phillips square.

Mr. Egg got in the first answer again, but he was a block or two astray this time. The first correct answer came from Mr. W. Sharpe, 904A Cadieux street, and then came M. Hyland, 1836 Ontario; F. J. Cunningham, 88A Shuter; M. Beaudry, No. 3 fire station; M. Began, 88 Duke; H. W. Forsyth, C. P. R. Tel. P. E. McNally, C. P. R. Tel. M. Barnewell, 459 Magdalen; Mr. Wilkes, 4

Hospital; J. L. Morrissey, C. P. R. Telegraph; John Phillips, 27 St. Martin; F. A. Johnston, Cathcart street; A. Ansell, 767 Hutchison; A. Weir, 1037 Esplanade avenue; A. Griffin, 35 Cathcart street; C. Small, 926 St. Denis; Thos. Potter, Jr., 25 Bossett; D. Sadler, 479 St. Antoine; G. Gee, G. T. R. Billing Office; A. Jackson, 289 Hibernia; Ida Shore, 627 Wellington; R. H. Morris, 3 Tara Hall avenue; B. Hoffman, 677 Lagachetiere; G. C. Evans, 727 Notre Dame; Mr. Adamson, 59 Tupper; E. W. Dickson, 506 Mentana; R. Thompson, 76 Coleraine; May Craven, Outremont; F. Corners, 174 St. Catherine road, Outremont; Miss Gertrude Hazeltine, 129 Congregation; C. R. Cook, 2496 St. Catherine; Frank Johnston, 2496 St. Catherine; Harold M. Small, 278 Metcalfe avenue; S. A. Edy, 2496 St. Catherine; F. W. Taylor, 1 Woodyard; J. H. Locke, 48 Conway; H. Perrigard, 298 Lourgeois; N. J. Thompson, 301 Charron; H. Green, 819 Lagachetiere street east.

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE CO. OF CANADA.

EVIDENCE BEFORE COMMISSION EMPHASIZES

Its Strong Position and Conservative Methods.

ABOUT TWO MILLION DOLLARS BETTER OFF THAN IT CLAIMED TO BE.

Comments by the Company.

As some time may elapse before the companies will be heard before the Insurance Commission, the managers of the Sun Life Assurance Company desire to refer briefly to points regarding that office which have been brought out in the examination of the officers of the Insurance Department.

INVESTMENTS OUTSIDE OF CANADA.

In 1903 and 1904 extended negotiations took place between the Finance Minister, the Superintendent of Insurance and the United Canadian companies, with regard to extension of their investment powers. The minister expressed his willingness to eliminate the restrictions on the amount of investments outside of Canada, if certain other changes were made, and it was fully believed that a bill to this effect would be introduced by the government in the session of 1904. For reasons brought out before the commission, however, this bill was postponed from time to time, and has even now not been brought forward. Acting on the belief that the law was about to be changed, the Sun Company increased its American holdings. This, of course, it should not have done, although under the circumstances it perhaps was slightly excusable. When the session passed without the expected bill being brought in, the company wrote to the Minister of Finance, expressing its regret, and frankly stating that it had been led into increasing its American holdings in view of the expected amendment. The officers of the commission stated that they would endeavor to reduce the excess of American securities, although this would probably result in their having a large amount of uninvested funds on hand, as Canadian securities that are thoroughly safe, and at the same time profitable, are somewhat scarce. How the company fulfilled its promise may be seen from the following figures given in his evidence by Mr. Fitzgerald:

Dec. 31, 1904, excess of foreign investments over legal limit.	\$467,100
Dec. 31, 1905, margin with legal limit for foreign investments.	112,087
Cash in banks Dec. 31, 1903.	145,000
Cash in banks Dec. 31, 1904.	424,000
Cash in banks Dec. 31, 1905.	890,000

SECURITIES WRITTEN DOWN.

The company has been so remarkably successful with its investments of recent years that we have felt that it can afford to be unusually conservative. We have always considered it our duty to make good terms as possible when purchasing securities, and in this way, besides securing handsome cash profits, have obtained large amounts of bonus stocks. At the end of 1904 some of these had become sufficiently valuable to justify placing them in our published list of assets. We were thus in a position to increase both our published assets and surplus by large amounts. The question arose whether we should not take a conservative course, and while transferring some of the new securities from the inactive or contingent list to the published list, at the same time transfer from the published list to inactive list some others, which, while not bad, were yet not really undervalued. In other words, instead of taking credit for the entire amount of these new securities, as an addition to our assets, we proposed to use them in part to write down some other securities by merely substituting the new assets for the old to that extent in the published list. This was beyond question a prudent and conservative course, and its effect was to reduce our published surplus by at least \$300,000 below what we could have claimed had we acted otherwise. The criticisms which have appeared in this connection upon the evidence so brought out by the commission, are

due to an entire misconception. The course followed was merely in keeping with our ambition to be at all times better than we actually claimed to be. From the fact that the securities named were 'written down,' or rather, transferred to the inactive list, it must not be supposed that they are bad debts. On the contrary, arrangements have already been made to sell about two-thirds of the entire amount at prices which will save the company from any loss whatever. Mr. Blackadar distinctly stated in his evidence that these securities were not necessarily bad debts at all.

But in any case there is nothing new in all this. To refer to it as a 'disclosure' brought out by the Commission is an error. The facts have all along been open to the public. Any one who turns to the Insurance Blue Book will find on page 369, in the company's annual statement, under the heading of 'Synopsis of the Ledger Accounts,' the whole transaction clearly set forth in unmistakable language.

SUPPOSED SALE OF ILLINOIS TRACTION STOCK TO DIRECTORS.

This is a mare's nest. There was no such sale as supposed at all. The facts are as follows:—In December, 1904, the company had an opportunity to buy \$580,000 of this stock on very favorable terms, the proceeds to be paid in bonds. The company already owned a very large amount of this same stock, and it was not desirable to materially increase its holding, even though the terms were attractive. Some of the directors had expressed a desire to take a portion of the stock on precisely the same terms as the company, and it was understood that the block would be divided. By error, however, the directors were not told when the transaction was about to be completed, and the company took up not merely its own share, but those of the directors. This was on December 31, 1904. The error was discovered within a few days, and was immediately corrected by the directors taking from the company their shares, and merely reversing the entries. This was not a sale, but a mere correction of an error, which had inadvertently been made a few days previously. It did not involve any question of either profit or loss to the company. These facts are not disputed, but on the contrary, were clearly stated by Mr. Blackadar in his evidence. No injury whatever accrued to the company, which had merely parted with some of its bonds for a few days, holding the stock instead thereof for that time. Absolutely no change whatever took place during those days in the value of the stock. As far as known, not one share of stock had been sold in the interval, and no development of any kind had occurred. Of the \$580,000 of stock, \$223,100 was taken by the directors and \$356,900 remained with the company. In extension of this error, it should be remembered that it happened on December 31, when the staff are more busy than on any other day of the year. We emphatically reiterate that the entry was a mere correction of a mistake, and nothing else, and that the directors derived absolutely no advantage beyond what they would have received had they taken up their stock ten days previously, as intended.

It must also be remembered that just at that time the company was being criticised by the Insurance Department for holding too large an amount in American securities, and was endeavoring to

reduce the value of such holdings in order to comply with the law.

INACTIVE ASSETS. We have been reproached with having 'silent assets,' or bonus stocks. We certainly have them, and are very proud of having them, and our policyholders also should be remarkably well satisfied that we have them. Their possession merely shows that we occupy a vastly stronger position than we have ever publicly claimed.

While these inactive assets have not been advertised or included in our published lists, no secret has been made of their existence, and Mr. Blackadar testified that detailed lists had been furnished to him both last year and this year, and that these securities had been checked exactly as the other securities of the company. He produced statements of these securities, which had been furnished by the company to the department. He admitted that to the extent of their value the company was that much better off than it claimed to be, and that a valuation of this contingent fund made for the department by the company in November last amounted to \$1,993,000. The par value of the securities exceeds \$5,000,000.

STRENGTH OF THE COMPANY. In the year 1905 the profit made by the company from all sources amounted to \$1,344,371.80. Of this amount, \$166,541 was paid to policyholders whose policies were entitled to participation in that year. Of the balance, \$616,541 was set aside to complete the placing of all reserves on the three and a half percent basis, and \$561,252.30 was added to the published surplus, bringing the total all liabilities and capital stock even on this severe standard of valuation. The evidence before the commission has now brought out that even these figures, splendid though they are, tell but part of the story, for the company is really about two million dollars better off than even it claimed to be.

This highly prosperous condition has already benefited our policyholders both as regards security and profitability. The large surplus makes the company one of the most powerful financial corporations on the continent in proportion to its size, and when to this we add the two millions of inactive securities it is seen to be a veritable tower of strength. In regard to profitability, the company has been able to make the change to the three and a half percent basis with comparatively little hardship to the policyholders. The total amount which has been set aside for the increase of its reserves on old policies since the passing of the act of 1899 has been \$1,186,111.41, and less than one-sixth of this amount has been raised by reduction of the profits of policyholders, more than five-sixths having been obtained from profits on the company's investments. Moreover, the basis for the distribution of cash profits in 1905 was higher than for 1904, and that for 1906 in its turn higher than for 1905, so that the profits being paid are already back on a highly satisfactory basis, even after complying with the change in the law, while the present strong position of the company warrants some enthusiasm as to what the future profits will probably be.

The management consider that the facts brought out before the commission, when understood, reflect the highest credit upon the company, and are the subject of legitimate pride. The probing into the affairs of the Sun Life has but revealed greater strength and very conservative methods.

ALBANI

In a most attractive popular programme, Madame Albani and her English concert company, last evening, delighted a great concourse of people, who crowded into the Monument National to hear them. The opening number, the first movement and scherzo from Beethoven's Sonata in F, was somewhat marred by the late arrival of a small part of the audience, and the management would have acted with more propriety if it had postponed showing people to their seats until the number was ended. Thereafter, however, all was joy. The diva was welcomed most enthusiastically, and all she did throughout the evening was rapturously, not to say thunderously, applauded. Every member of her company also received a warm welcome, and fully deserved the appreciation. The more the company is heard, indeed, the more it must be admired, and Madame Albani is to be congratulated heartily in the happy choosing of her support. It is an aggregation far and away in advance of which ordinarily trail in the wake of a singing celebrity. Mlle. Eva Gauthier has a fresh young voice whose purity and other charms never fail, and her bright presence upon the stage is altogether delightful; Miss Adela Verne is a pianist that one could listen to for hours at a time, such distinction is in her playing, such adequacy, no matter what the theme; Mr. Albert Archdeacon is an artist to the finger tips, and all he does is most acceptable, although his voice cannot be classed among the great ones; last, but not least, Mr. Haydn Wood has a mastery of the violin that greatly attracts by its thoroughness, and he is always good to hear even when he is most protechnical. The programme sung and played last night has already been published, and need not be criticised in detail. Suffice it to say nearly every number was not merely well done, but exceptionally well done, and that the audience insisted upon many encores to mark its joyful satisfaction. There was again, however, the old difficulty in getting out of the building, and for some reason or other the doors at the back of the orchestra seats were closed, and could not be opened, although some of those who tried to get out that way kicked them violently. The building inspector should certainly have some one present during performances to examine all exits and see that they are kept open or can be easily opened by any of the audience. It is not an agreeable task to find fault and predict disaster, but if fire or the cry of fire ever occurs while

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'FAREWELL' CONCERTS.

(To the Editor of the 'Witness.') Sir,—Last night several thousand people crowded into the Monument National to hear Albani sing. Hundreds of these were willing to suffer the inconvenience of having a conspicuous seat on the platform, or, worse still, no seat at all, because they had accepted the statement of the management, made in the advertisement in the 'Witness' last Saturday, that this was to be Mme. Albani's 'farewell to Canada.' Had not those who paid good prices for 'standing room only' just cause of grievance against the management, when they found at the foot of the programme the announcement that 'owing to the great demand for seats for this concert, arrangements have been completed for a third grand concert at popular prices?' I concede the right of the management to have as many 'farewells' as they like, or as they think the public will stand, but in all fairness they should, at least, have made the announcement when the last seat for last night's concert was sold.

MINERS AND OPERATORS DIS-AGREE.

Indianapolis, March 27.—The joint scale committee of the bituminous coal operators and miners of the central competitive district, after being in session one week decided to-day to report a disagreement to a session of a joint conference of miners and operators to be held at two o'clock.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Col. Buchan has gone to Ottawa. Mr. Oscar Gladu, M.P., was in the city yesterday. Hon. L. J. Forget and family are in Paris. Mrs. E. Garth Bulmer is in Kingston, the guest of the Misses Rogers. Lady Tait returns to-morrow from spending a few days in Ottawa. The Hon. Clifford Sifton and Mrs. Sifton are leaving for Nassau at the end of the week. The Bishop of Ontario and Mrs. Len-

nox Mills have returned to Kingston from Preston Springs.

Madame Albani received a few friends informally in her apartments at the Windsor on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stephen and the Misses Stephen, who have been on a trip through Spain, are now back in London. They will return to Montreal in May.

Mr. and Mrs. James Elmsley have returned to town from their wedding trip, and are at 228 Peel street until taking possession of their flat in 'The Sherbrooke,' in May.

Mrs. Hunter Ogilvie, of Kingston, who has been in town visiting her aunt, Mrs.

Patterson, at the Windsor Hotel, is now the guest of the Misses McLimont, University street, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Hope, Mountain street, have returned to town from Bermuda. Mr. and Mrs. Hope will occupy their residence at St. Andrew's, N.B., in May.

Mrs. L. Roeber, formerly Miss Annie H. Sumner, of Mexico, is at present on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Geo. Sumner, 865 Dorchester street, and will be at home on Wednesday next, and every Wednesday in April.

Their Excellencies the Governor-General and the Countess Grey gave a small skating party at Government House on Saturday afternoon. Among the guests was Miss de Lery Macdonald, of Montreal.

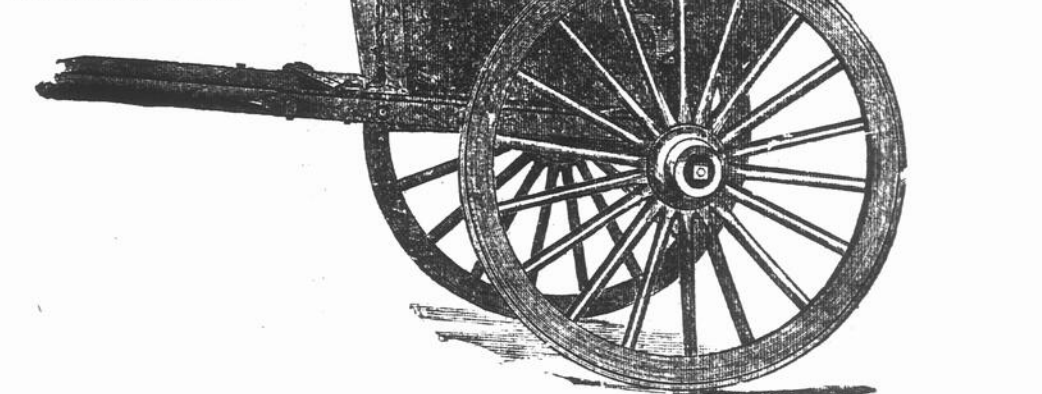
The engagement is announced of Miss Birdie Sharpe, third daughter of Mr. John Sharpe, of Ottawa, to Captain R. Gordon Stewart, eldest son of Mr. Robt. Stewart, M.P. The marriage will take place on April 25. Captain Stewart is an officer in the 43rd Regiment, and held a commission in the first Canadian contingent to South Africa.

REV. P. H. HUTCHINSON ILL.

The Rev. P. H. Hutchinson, of Huntington, who was to have delivered the address to the students of the Presbyterian College on the evening of convocation, April 4, is ill with pneumonia, and will be unable to attend. It has not yet been decided who will take his place. At a meeting of the board some weeks ago it was decided to confer the degree of D.D. upon Mr. Hutchinson, but in view of his illness it will have to be granted 'in absentia.'

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS.

(We invite questions on all possible subjects of general interest, to which we shall do our best to obtain correct answers, and shall insert such queries and replies as we can make room for. This must not be used, however, as an advertising column or as an enquiry bureau for matters not of public interest. Every query must be accompanied with the name and postal address of the sender, and no notice will be taken of anonymous communications.)

GENERAL

HONORARY TITLE. C.L.M.—Is a provincial premier entitled to be styled 'Honorable' after retiring from office? Ans.—He retains the title only by courtesy.

CANADIAN SILVER MONEY. J.H.S.—Where is the Canadian silver money minted? Ans.—At the British mint, Tower Hill, London. Canada has not yet established a mint of her own.

THE 'LIL BRACK SHEEP. Mrs. A. E. W. asks for the verses, 'The Lil Brack Sheep.' This negro version of 'The Ninety and Nine' was recited at some of the song services held by Mr. Alexander. It is as follows:

For 'lil' sheep dat strayed away. Done los' in de win' an' de rain— And de Shepherd he say, 'O hie-lin', Go an' brack sheep an' de rain. An' de hie-lin' say, 'O Shepherd, Dat sheep an' brack an' de rain. But de Shepherd he smile, like dat 'lil' brack sheep Wuz de onliest lamb he had.

An' he say 'O hie-lin' hasten, For de win' an' de rain an' de cold, An' dat 'lil' brack sheep an' loneome, Out dere, so far 'fum de fold.' Just de hie-lin' frown, 'O Shepherd, Dat sheep an' de rain an' de cold.' But de Shepherd he smile, like dat 'lil' brack sheep Wuz fair as de de brack ob day.

An' he say, 'O hie-lin' hasten, Lot dere, way off from de sheepfold, Is dat 'lil' brack sheep ob mine? An' de hie-lin' frown, 'O Shepherd, De res' ob de sheep an' de fold.' But de Shepherd he smile, like dat 'lil' brack sheep He hol' it de moeste' dear.

An' de Shepherd go out in de darkness, Where de night wuz col' an' bleak, An' dat 'lil' brack sheep he see it, An' lays it again' his cheek. An' de hie-lin' frown, 'O Shepherd, Don't bring dat sheep to me! But de Shepherd he smile, an' he hol' it close. An'—dat 'lil' brack sheep—wuz—me!

VIVE LA CANADIENNE. H.C. Vermont.—Please publish the little French-Canadian song, 'Vive la Canadienne':

Vive la Canadienne, Vole, mon coeur, vole, Vive la Canadienne, Et ses joies sont douces. Nous la menons aux noces, Vole, mon coeur, vole, Nous la menons aux noces, Dans tous ses beaux atours. Nous faisons bonne chère, Vole, mon coeur, vole, Nous faisons bonne chère, Et nous avons bon goût. Ou danser avec nos blondes, Vole, mon coeur, vole, Ou danser avec nos blondes, Nous changeons tout a tout. Alore toute la terre, Vole, mon coeur, vole, Alore toute la terre, Nous appartenent en tout.

MA'AM. O.C.—What are the uses of the word 'mam' in speaking to a lady is it correct to say 'Yes, mam,' or 'No, mam?' Would it be correct to say 'mam?' instead of 'beg pardon,' when one has not heard distinctly something which has been said, and wants to have it repeated? Ans.—The word is 'ma'am,' a contraction of 'madam.' The uses of the word, which I suggest, are colloquial, but not incorrect, when used towards a lady much older

than the speaker, or one in a position demanding special respect. The word is not used between persons of equal position. Say, 'Yes, Mrs. Brown,' 'No, Mrs. Blank,' not 'Yes, ma'am,' 'no, ma'am.' Do not say, 'beg pardon,' either use the whole sentence, 'I beg your pardon,' or express yourself in some other way.

TEACHING IN THE WEST. V.B., Nova Scotia.—Kindly inform me what are the requirements in order to teach in either of the new provinces, Saskatchewan and Alberta. What is the length of the Normal School term? Or, can you tell me to whom to apply for full official information. Ans.—Write to the Minister of Education, Edmonton, Alta.; also, to the Commissioner of Education, Regina, Sask.

ACRE AND ARPENT. Quebec.—Will you please give the number of linear yards in an acre; also in the arpent as used in this province? Ans.—An English acre contains 4,840 square yards, or very nearly 70 yards square. The French-Canadian arpent contains 3,600 French square yards, or 60 French yards square. The French yard is 35 English inches in length, consequently, the arpent is sixty-three and one-third English yards in length.

THE ANNEXATION MOVEMENT. M. Mc.—Will you give a brief history of the annexation movement which took place about the middle of last century? Did the late Hon. J. J. C. Abbott sign the manifesto? Ans.—The question of a possible separation from Great Britain and annexation to the United States was being discussed quite freely in 1849, following the change of imperial policy from Protection to Free Trade. To this change, by which was withdrawn the wanted protection of the colonies in the markets of Great Britain, was ascribed the great depression of material interests in Canada, while the United States seemed to be enjoying the benefits of free trade. A great deal of animosity between political parties and factions in Canada, and general unrest throughout the province. A meeting was held at Montreal for the purpose of forming an association to promote annexation. It was resolved that, for the ill with which the country is afflicted, the ready remedy is a friendly and peaceful separation from British connection and a union upon equitable terms with the Great North American Confederacy of Sovereign States. The manifesto was signed by several hundred citizens. Mr. J. J. C. Abbott was one of the signatories. A counter manifesto was circulated in Upper Canada, setting forth that the commercial depression complained of was only local, and that annexation, so far from opening up lines of progress for Canada, would have just the opposite effect. The movement in the Province of Ontario, then in Montreal, also receded some three hundred signatures. This protest dissented from the conclusions set forth in the annexation manifesto, and declared the belief that 'there is nothing in the present depressed condition of Canada which may not be promptly and effectively remedied by the adoption of a well considered system of legislation, without having resort to a measure repelling to our feelings, etc.' The annexation movement fell flat, and the government turned its attention to the revision of the tariff, the extension of railways to open up the country, the encouragement of industries, etc. In 1854 a treaty of commercial reciprocity was made with the United States.

CONCERNING CHURCH WEDDINGS. W.S.C.—1. What is the correct style of dress for the bridegroom at a church wedding which takes place in the morning? The bride and groom leaving on their wedding trip? 2. Is it usual for the bride and groom to be unattended? 3. When is the fee given to the clergyman? 4. Please give a few rules that obtain at church weddings. Ans.—1. At an early morning wedding the bridegroom would wear a dark morning coat, and light waistcoat and trousers. A black coat with light, or medium, grey trousers and waistcoat, but of the best quality, and pearl grey gloves constitute a correct costume. Sometimes the frock coat and high hat are worn at a morning wedding. If the bridal party are returning afterwards to the house to change their costumes for travelling, a frock coat must be worn with its accompaniment, the high hat, of course. 2. There is no rule in the matter. The bride and groom may have attendants or not, just as they choose. Even when the bride elects to have no maid, it is just as well that there should be a 'best man,' to attend to the little duties which the groom may be too nervous or too preoccupied to bear in mind himself. 3. The best man attends to the fee. He hands an envelope to the clergyman at a suitable moment in the vestry, and without attracting unnecessary attention. 4. At a church wedding, the front seats are reserved for members of the family and invited guests. Two or more of the guests as they arrive, to their seats. Just before the time appointed for the ceremony, the clergyman takes his place at the altar, the groom and his best man enter from the vestry and stand facing the altar, towards the right. The best man stands at the groom's right hand. The bride enters, and proceeds up the aisle, leaning on the right arm of her father or other male relative, who is to give her away. When she reaches the altar, she is escorted to the church porch by the best man, and then forms a procession preceding her up the aisle, or following her, whichever way she prefers to have it. At the altar the bride stands at the bridegroom's left, and the maid at her left. At the conclusion of the ceremony the bridal party go to the vestry where the register is signed. Going down the aisle to the church door, the bride and groom walk first, after them the best man and ushers escorting the bridesmaids.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE

BASKETBALL—Heathers vs. McGill. BASEBALL—Toronto signs on players—Commercial League meeting. CRICKET—Y.M.C.A. Club to be re-organized. WRESTLING—Another tournament in Montreal.

SPORTING NOTES

Joe Lally, of Cornwall, wants the C.L.A. to give the referees power to impose a fine of ten dollars on players who roast the referee, says the Toronto 'Telegram.' Joe says that when the referee is wrestling with the difficulties of the job, and trying to deal out even-handed justice, and runs twenty to forty miles an hour at the same time, and hot-headed players occasionally turn on him and orate in the most picturesque language. Of course, that player can be sent to the fence to cool off. But Joseph has discovered that it is only a temporary cure for the habit. He wants something more lasting, and has concluded that at ten dollars a talk the players would find cratory too expensive a pastime.

Still the lacrosse situation in Montreal is delightfully indefinite. Rumors and contradictions of rumors, and contradictions of contradictions of rumors are going the rounds. Some people say that Toronto and Tremblay really mean to make application; others that Toronto and Tremblay are not contemplating anything of the kind. The uncertainty of the ruling of the C.A.A. in the matter of the playing of professionals with and against amateurs is also a factor in the general uncertainty.

An article of motion is down that at the next general meeting of the Union, the amendment made to the amateur rule for the benefit of the Shamrock and St. Catharines matches last season be rescinded entirely, and the amateur rule be allowed to stand as it originally. Meanwhile, the Western papers make their usual preseason remarks at the amateur standing of players in the N.A.L.U.

An Ottawa despatch says—Representatives of C.L.A. clubs already have been invited to Ottawa's professional. High salaries than paid in previous years are being offered, as well as better positions. Apparently lacrosse is expected to boom again in the West, and none of the clubs is sparing expense in its efforts to gather winning twelves. Brantford are after John Powers, a Cobby Getman, Tommy Blith, Billy Fran, and others, while Jack Powers's services are again desired in Toronto. Billy Baird, who figured in professional hockey in the United States, playing for Pittsburgh, is also in demand. Baird is also an excellent lacrosse player. Western despatches have been holding out inducements to Bones Allen, of the Cape. Allen, it will be remembered, was offered \$70 per week last year. He has a good position in the Civil Service, and will hardly leave Ottawa. President Tassé and Secretary Foran, of the Capr, also are expected to be lured to the States. Do not anticipate desertions from the Senators.

The New York Jockey Club has obtained possession of a section of land, 160 acres in extent, at St. Laurent, on the edge of the city. The land is owned by George W. Boudreau, L. Lapierre and P. Lapierre, at a price that is understood to have been in the neighborhood of three hundred dollars per acre. Some important preparations have already been made on the country, which will be extended to a mile in length. Grand stands are to be erected around the track, and a new hotel in connection will be built in the immediate neighborhood. The stables will contain stalls for six hundred horses. A good service to the grounds will be provided by the cars of the Park and Island Company, and a branch of the C.P.R. will be built to connect with the grounds. It is understood that the arrangements have been made by a group of New York horsemen.

STANLEY CUP

An Ottawa exchange, speaking of the Stanley Cup, says:—The old basin has hardly a square inch of blank space on its sides, bottom or exterior. During its long sojourn in Ottawa it has been handled by many well-known people, who took the opportunity of scratching their names on some portion of the historic bowl. On examination one of the first names carved on the interior that catches the eye is that of the late James MeGill, the celebrated Rugby exponent. On another portion is that of Mr. Denis Murphy, M.P. The name of A.M. Sim, Roosevelt occupies a conspicuous place along the rim. On the outside in small characters, right under the spot where the Rat Portage game is recorded appears the following: 'Thomas Stanley MacKee, Feb. 25, '05.' White but one year old, this prospective rover may see the day when he himself following in the footsteps of his pater, may be one of the challengers or defenders of the trophy.

Other names which appear are—E. Kennedy, Jack Satchell, Miss Lily Murphy, Ottawa Social Club, P. D. Ross, C. Hubbard, Geo. Barret, E. M. Scoper, and a hundred others. The original inscriptions on the cup are known only to those who have inspected it closely. On one side appears: 'Dominion Hockey Challenge Cup.' On the reverse side is the name of its donor around its crest. It reads:—'From Stanley of Preston.' The cup is not worth much in intrinsic value, being only plated, but in hockey lore it is priceless. When the Wanderers and their friends inspect it there will probably be some change in its diminutive appearance and numerous inscriptions that deface it. It is probable in a couple of years a new pedestal will have to be added on account of the congestion of shields which appear on the present one.

WRESTLING

The management of the Canadian Athletic Club have received two entries from Paris, and two from London, for the heavy weight tournament which is to commence at Sohier Park on April 16. In addition to these, Goch also has forwarded his entry. The two Paris entries are from heavy-weights who have taken part in the recent Casino tournament, both finishing well. The London entries are those of Franz Joseph, an Austrian, and Petersen, a Swede. Next Friday Eugene Tremblay will meet Montoux, an Indian, who is claimed by his supporters to be a first class man.

YACHTING.—'Maple Leaf' to compete in Trans-Pacific race. STANLEY CUP. RACQUETS.—Club championship entries close on April 1. MCGILL ATHLETICS. SHAMROCK A.A.A.—Annual meeting.

BASKETBALL

HEATHERS DEFEATED MCGILL IN LEAGUE GAME. Heathers of Westmount defeated McGill last night in a scheduled game of the City Basketball League by 25 points to 20. Rowell replaced Forbes, who was hurt in the first half. The teams were: Heathers: Home McGill. Finnie Home Tremblay. A. Brophy Centre Forbes. M. Snowdon Centre Locke. W. Snowdon Defence McCalkum. Small Defence Smith.

GOLF

NEW VICTORIA CLUB PROFESSIONAL ARRIVES. Alex. Robertson, the new Victoria Golf Club professional, late of St. Andrew's, arrived in the city yesterday morning. Mr. Robertson is twenty-two years of age, but has had a large experience, and has created for himself considerable reputation as a teacher. He is anxious, he says, to try the links at St. Lambert, and it is hoped that if present weather conditions continue, he will have an opportunity shortly. Until he takes up his duties in earnest, Mr. Robertson will live under the protection of Mr. James Black, the Beaufield professional of the same ken and country.

SNOWSHOEING

The Taque Bleue Snowshoe Club held its 66th annual banquet at La Corona Hotel, a small attendance, mainly of old-timers, was present. Mr. Fred Rogers was in the chair, and among those present were: Messrs. James Macdonald, L. J. Desrochers, J. W. Fulton, Victor C. Buchanan, A. K. Starke, Horace Swift, D. R. Hymaley, R. Hymaley, W. G. experience, and Carmichael, A. Lamalick, T. H. Skelcher, W. Doyle, J. O. Simard, G. C. Bowie, T. R. Fulton, George Sully, W. H. Schmidt, L. D. Bentley, H. W. Wadsworth, J. W. Patterson, Jr., Fred Dalby, W. N. Fenson, E. H. Brown, J. Davidson. Speeches were made by Messrs. Lema-Hemley, W. G. Burland, S. Carmichael, for St. George's; T. Skelcher, for the Hoilies; W. G. Burland, for the Aleris; and Captain Sully, for the guests. Songs were contributed by Messrs. Kelly, Simard, J. L. Woods and Lamalick.

GYMNASTICS

NEW GYM. FOR QUEBEN'S UNIVERSITY. Kingston, Ont., March 25.—The students of Queen's University have subscribed \$50,000 for a new gymnasium, and the Alma Mater Society has ordered its construction. The building will be completed by next October. The site chosen is east of the curling rink, and fronting on Union street. It is expected that the gymnasium will be 150 by 90 feet, and the proposed cost, \$16,000. To meet the extra expense of maintenance, \$50 athletic fee will be raised from \$2 to \$3 per year.

BASEBALL

TORONTO SIGNING PLAYERS. Toronto, Ont., March 25.—Manager Barrett of the Toronto Baseball Club, received a wire from Manager Condie Mack, of the Philadelphia Athletics, releasing outfielder Riggs to Toronto, and recommending him as a coming outfielder. Riggs is now with the Athletics in the South, playing on the regular team. Last year he led the indoor swimming championships of Canada is being applied for, and if the permission is granted, there seems every reason to believe that it will be the tournament will be the best of its kind ever seen in Canada. Special events will be arranged for ladies.

SWIMMING

The committee of the Swimming Club of the M.A.A.A. is making arrangements to hold a big swimming tournament in the early part of May. Permission to hold the indoor swimming championships of Canada is being applied for, and if the permission is granted, there seems every reason to believe that it will be the tournament will be the best of its kind ever seen in Canada. Special events will be arranged for ladies.

ROWING

(Canadian Associated Press.) London, March 25.—Harroed Burke, of Tasmania, has arrived in England with a view to competing in the Diamond Sculls at Henley. Burke won the Australian and Tasmania amateur championships. Mr. Roy Adams, of Melbourne, who will compete on the Viking Rowing Club race at Berlin, will also compete in the Grand Challenge Cup race at Henley.

RACQUETS.

Entries for the club championship of the Montreal Racquet Club close on April 1. It is expected that the games will start soon after the above date although this has not yet been definitely decided.

FOOTBALL

The annual general meeting of the Montreal Football Club is to be held at the M.A.A.A. buildings on Friday night.

SHAMROCK A.A.A.

MR. HARRY TRIHEY ELECTED HONORARY PRESIDENT. A deficit of \$474.87 on the hockey club during the past year, and a contribution of \$2,132.11 from the lacrosse club to the general fund, leaving the surplus earnings shown by the directors' report at the thirtieth annual meeting of the Shamrock Amateur Athletic Association last night. A surplus of \$146.27 in the funds of the Young Shamrock Lacrosse Club was also reported. The lacrosse club had won the championship and having retained possession of the Minto cup.

The Rugby Football Club had been withdrawn from the Q.R.F.U. After having obtained top rank in the Intermediate series it had been decided that the club should apply for admission to senior ranks. The application had been refused and, consequently, it had been deemed advisable to withdraw from the Q.R.F.U. altogether. The grounds had again been rented to the Montreal Baseball Club.

The source of water supply from a well having failed, negotiations had been opened with the Montreal and Water Company for a permanent supply from the company's mains. Pat Rooney, caretaker and trainer, had resigned, and it had been decided to engage a trainer for the particular periods during which lacrosse and hockey were played and to make separate arrangements for a caretaker. Percy Quinn had been elected a life member. The revenue during the season amounted to \$3,934.38. The expenditure, including interest on mortgage, debts and notes, amounted to \$2,643.67. The deficit reported was \$1,290.71, leaving the surplus earnings for the year \$158.69. The annual statement was as follows:

Assets: \$15,998.79 Liabilities: \$11,842.80 Ordinary claims 13,930.01

Net capital April 1, 1906. \$2,068.78 The following officers were elected for the coming season: Hon. president—H. J. Trihey. President—W. J. Hinchey. Vice-president—P. Kenehan. Directors—John P. Kavanagh, P. Murphy and John O'Brien. Auditors—M. R. Cuddihy and R. J. Hart.

YACHTING

CANADIAN BOAT TO SAIL IN TRANS-PACIFIC RACE. Ottawa, March 25.—The 'Maple Leaf,' the yacht of Mr. Alex. MacLennan of Buckingham, will take part in the Trans-Pacific race from San Francisco to Havana. Mr. MacLennan leaves here for British Columbia to-day, and while there will complete all necessary arrangements. The race has been arranged by the Harbord Yacht Club, which offers a gold silver trophy, valued at \$500, to the first yacht to arrive. Provided three yachts enter, a second prize will be offered, but all yachts participating will receive a silver souvenir. The Royal Victoria Yacht Club, under whose auspices the yacht will enter, has secured a royal warrant permitting the 'Maple Leaf' to fly the blue ensign of Her Majesty's fleet. The Vancouver yachtsmen are sanguine that the Canadian yacht will lift the trophy.

CRICKET

An enthusiastic meeting was held at the Y.M.C.A. last night for the purpose of organizing a cricket club. Cricket has been allowed to drop at the Y.M.C.A. A few years ago the Association had a team in the City League; this year readmittance to the League has been granted conditional on the Association putting a strong team in the field. The work of organization of the club will be commenced immediately, and a meeting will be held next Monday with this object in view.

CENTURIES IN 1906 SEASON.

The report of the secretary of the Canadian Cricket Association, which will be delivered at the annual meeting on Friday, will show the following scores of over 100 made during the season 1905, the largest being that of H. Ackland, of Ottawa, who scored 161 not out against Montreal. The following is the list:

Player	Score
H. Ackland, Ottawa	161
F. Perella, Ottawa	110
F. C. Evans, Mimico Asylum	137
F. C. Evans, Mimico Asylum	124
Q. H. Warden, Victoria	165
W. H. Whitaker, Mimico	141
C. Evans, Rosedale	106
S. W. Mossman, Toronto	112
Lieut. J. P. King, Halifax Garrison	137
L. Gurney, Brandon	121
F. C. Evans, Rosedale	152
F. W. Terry, Mimico	108
C. Hill, McGill	106
Willett, Halifax Wanderers	101
H. G. Davey, Wanderers	102
H. G. Davey, Wanderers	112
Dr. J. J. Cameron, Rosedale	105
F. W. Terry, Rosedale	138
J. A. Barnacle, against Single vs. Married, at Victoria, B.C.	118

MCGILL ATHLETICS

ALMA MATER SOCIETY TO CONTROL COLLEGE ATHLETICS. A movement is on foot at McGill which has for its object the vesting of all powers to control athletics in the Alma Mater Society, Athletic bodies, which exist at present as separate organizations, would, according to the proposed change, constitute committees, the chairman of which would be expected to report to the Alma Mater Society at least once a month. It is thought that in this manner all the athletic societies would be given a degree of solidarity, which they do not now possess, and the change will tend to the creation of a college spirit, rather than the competition of clubs, which many contend are at present too numerous. Owing to the examinations and the general disruption of classes due to the pressure of work on the part of the students towards the close of the term, it is unlikely that the matter will take final shape this year. In the autumn, however, it will probably be brought up for discussion. A large number of the McGill undergraduates are in favor of such a measure, and it is not unlikely that it may be adopted.

CHATEAUQUAY BOATING CLUB

The first annual outdoor dance of the above club, was held on Thursday evening last in the New Stanley Hall, and was a decided success. Euchre was played until

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Send your name and address to Wells & Richardson Co., Limited, Montreal, P.Q., and you will receive free of cost new Dye Book, Card of Dye Cloth Samples and Booklet in verse, entitled 'The Longjohns' Trip to the Klondike.'

The club and its executive are to be congratulated on the success of their first entertainment, about 140 persons being present, and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The enthusiasm stimulated through this medium will certainly prove beneficial, the opening of the summer work being so close at hand.

Among those present were the following:—Miss Jean Allan, Miss M. Auld, Miss B. Auld, Miss Asplund, Miss E. Brown, Miss Bolt, Miss E. Barry, Mrs. A. J. Bowles, Miss E. Bennett, Mrs. J. W. Creighton, Mrs. C. M. Carter, Mrs. M. A. Carson, Miss H. Evans, Mrs. W. Perry, Mrs. F. Gooding, Miss E. Grumdale, Miss Hartwood, Miss Henderson, Miss F. Lockhart, Miss Lincoln, Miss McCutcheon, Miss E. Maybury, Mrs. D. D. Munro, Miss L. MacGill's, Miss M. Paterson, Miss Russell, Miss Clara Russell, Mrs. J. F. Ripert, Mrs. Scanlan, Mrs. C. Sonne, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. J. A. Eider, Mrs. A. Cunningham, Mrs. Marr, Mrs. George A. Robinson, Mrs. H. Wood, Miss Josie Cooper, Mr. A. D. Bain, Mr. G. Pain, Mr. C. Blackford, Mr. A. J. Bowles, Mr. J. W. Creighton, Mr. W. A. Creighton, Jr., Mr. Campbell, Mr. P. F. M. Fisher, Mr. J. Donaghy, Mr. D. C. Inyon, Mr. D. H. Evans, Mr. D. C. Harvey, Mr. W. W. James, Mr. W. King, Mr. H. Lockhart, Mr. McCutcheon, Mr. C. McCudden, Dr. McKee, Mr. Archie McAlister, Mr. Wm. C. McAllister, Mr. P. D. Munro, Mr. P. Alex. McFarlane, Mr. F. McKenzie, Mr. M. Russell, Mr. E. Russell, Mr. A. Russell, Mr. J. F. Ripert, Mr. Fred. Rogers, Mr. W. H. Schmidt, Mr. A. Scanlan, Mr. Seath, Mr. J. Sonne, Mr. C. Sonne, Mr. Taylor, Mr. J. A. Eider, Mr. J. A. Ryan, Mr. George A. Robinson, Mr. A. G. Wood, Mr. P. Martel.

NEW ELECTRIC LINE

LONGUEUIL TO BE CONNECTED WITH MONTREAL VIA VICTORIA BRIDGE. The Longueuil Electric Railway Company will immediately begin to construct lines in various sections of the County of Chambly as the result of a decision of the Longueuil Town Council yesterday granting a thirty years' franchise for the electric railway, which will reach Montreal by way of Victoria Bridge, and on the city side connections will be made with the Montreal Street Railway. This line is expected to be in operation before autumn.

LETTERS FROM Y. M. C. A. SEVERAL TARIES.

The Longueuil Electric Railway Company, led by the secretary of the Mc McGill Y.M.C.A., one from Mr. G. H. Cole, a former president of the Association, who was present in China engaged in the study of the Chinese language, preparatory to prosecuting mission work, and the other from Mr. Chauncey Adams, senior and foreign secretary of the McGill Association, who is carrying on a branch of Y.M.C.A. work in the city of Columbia, Ecuador. The letters contain interesting accounts of the work being done in those countries and optimistic forecasts of the future development of foreign work.

BISHOP BERNARD VISITS HIS NATIVE PARISH.

On Saturday last Mr. Bernard, Bishop of St. Hyacinthe, paid a visit to Bellefleur, his native parish. His Lordship called at the different educational and religious institutions of the village, and on Sunday officiated in the parish church. After the service he was presented with an address by the citizens. In the afternoon His Lordship visited the old home, which was inhabited by his father, and also visited his brothers and other relatives living in the parish.

MUSICAL TRIUMPHS.

All Canadians feel a just pride in the successes of Mme. Albani. All who attended her last concert were also stirred with patriotic pride by the art of Mrs. Eva Gauthier. The marvellous tone of the superb Heintzman & Co. piano, also a source of legitimate satisfaction to all Canadians. The Heintzman & Co. piano (made by the old firm) is sold only by C. W. Lindsay Limited, 2366 St. Catherine street, East End Branch, 1622 St. Catherine street, Ottawa warooms, 141 Sparks street.

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PAPOUSES ARE PROTECTED

PLEA THAT WHITE CHILDREN BE GIVEN EQUAL BENEFITS WITH THOSE OF INDIANS.

Mr. T. G. Weston was the speaker at the weekly temperance meeting in the East End Methodist Church Sunday afternoon. Mr. Weston is the grand organizer of the Royal Temples in the Province of Quebec, and his address on "Legalized Wrong" was a powerful and convincing one.

Just 110 years ago, said Mr. Weston, the Indian child's reasoning the steady effects of fire-water on their "braves," waited on the government and said, "You must stop the sale of liquor to our people—and the government duly passed a law prohibiting such sale, which is in force to-day."

DAMAGES CLAIMED FOR ALLEGED UNCLE INTERDICTION.

Four actions, aggregating \$19,000, have been entered by J. B. Coakler, through his attorneys, Messrs. Beaudry & Beaudry, against persons who were instrumental in securing his interdiction, and having him placed in the St. Benoit L'Abbe Asylum.

CLAIMS \$1,000 FOR FINGER.

Mr. Justice Piquette on Saturday granted the petition presented by Leon Segal, through his attorney, Mr. H. Weinfeld, asking to proceed in forma pauperis in a \$1,000 action of damages against the Imperial Button Works Company, Limited.

THAT OVER WORKED, PLAYED OUT FEELING AMONG WOMEN

There are thousands of females all over our land who are broken down in health and dragging out a miserable existence, overburdened with diseases peculiar to their sex, apparently growing old while yet young.

Palpitation of the heart, nervous prostration, smothering and sinking spells, shortness of breath and the sensation of pins and needles are all indications of a weakened condition of the heart or nervous system, and should any of them be present we would strongly advise the use of

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They bring health to the broken down, energy to the weakened constitution, tone up the tired, overstrained nerves, and strengthen the weak heart.

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RUSSIAN CONDITIONS

Counsel for Mile. Spiridonovo Tells of Girl's Terrible Sufferings

STRIKING EMPLOYEES OF A BAKERY SENT TO SIBERIA

Moscow, March 26.—M. Felinko, counsel for Mile. Spiridonovo, the 17-year-old girl who shot M. Luzhenofsky, chief of the secret police at Tamboff, has returned here from Tamboff, where his client was found guilty of the charges brought against her.

Tiflis, Caucasasia, March 26.—The Governor-General has deported to Siberia five employees of a small bakery who recently struck work.

THE CZAR RECEIVES PEASANTS.

St. Petersburg, March 26.—The Emperor Nicholas in receiving a deputation of peasants from Kazan province to-day, employed a new and stronger tone. He said nothing about satisfying their lead hunger, and spoke only of the inviolability of property, informing the peasants that a recurrence of agrarian disorders and the destruction of property would not only be punished in the most severe fashion, but the communities participating in the disorders would be deprived of the assistance of the peasant banks.

UNITED STATES TARIFF REVISION

MR. PAYNE REPLIES TO MASSACHUSETTS DELEGATION IN CONGRESS.

Washington, March 26.—What may be regarded as the final pronouncement against tariff revision at the present session of Congress is contained in a letter from Mr. Payne, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, in reply to a communication sent him by Representative Mitchell, on behalf of the Massachusetts delegation in Congress.

STREET RAILWAY STRIKES

TROUBLE BREWING AT WINNIPEG AND LONDON.

Winnipeg, March 26.—The question of a street railway strike is still hanging in the air. The dismissal of F. Robbins, president of the union, and Fred. Wager, secretary, by the company on Saturday morning has precipitated matters.

Common Ills You Can Avoid

Indigestion, constipation and torpid action of the liver and kidneys are known in every home. Both on account of distress and discomfort which accompanies them, and as a cause of other illis of a more painful and deadly nature, these derangements require prompt attention.

ONE ACTOR SHOTS ANOTHER.

Syracuse, N.Y., March 27.—A quarrel between Clarence Heritage and Charles E. Graham, actors, during the performance of "Arizona," at the Bastable Theatre, last night, was followed after the audience had left the place by a shooting affray, with Graham as the target.

GIRL ENDED HER LIFE.

Winnipeg, Man., March 26.—The post mortem examination on the body of Annie Peterman, who was found dead behind McDougall Methodist Church on Saturday morning, shows the girl met her death by a dose of carbolic acid. The case evidently was one of suicide.

FOUR FIREMEN PERISH

Series of Explosions Cause a Disastrous Fire in New York

COMPLETE COLLAPSE OF BIG FACTORY BUILDING SAVED SURROUNDING PROPERTY.

New York, March 26.—Four firemen were killed and about a score of firemen and citizens were injured to-day in a fire, accompanied by a series of explosions, that demolished a six-story factory building at Bedford and Downing streets, in the Greenwich village district on Lower West Side.

The dead are: John Walsh, foreman, and George C. Christman, Thomas L. Halpin and J. Healy, firemen, all of Engine Company 14.

Three hundred men and women were in the factory during the lunch hour, when a slight explosion occurred on one of the upper floors, and almost instantly the whole structure was enveloped in flames.

A moment later the flames shot across the street, setting fire to a row of buildings. Hardly had the flames enveloped the building, which occurred within a few minutes after the outbreak, when a terrific explosion occurred, followed in rapid succession by four more, the last of such violence as to shake buildings for blocks around.

SAFE-BLOWERS CAUGHT

TWO MEN ARRESTED IN TORONTO BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN CONCERNED IN RECENT ROBBERIES.

Toronto, March 26.—Some of the members of the gang of safe-blowers who have been operating successfully through Ontario for a year past, and who blew open the safe of the Toronto Carpet Company, and also robbed the Puritan knitting mills and Young & Company's sack and door factory in Toronto, are believed to be in the hands of the police.

A DYNAMITER MORAN PLEADS GUILTY.

New York, March 26.—A plea of guilty to the charge of placing and handling dynamite without a permit was made to-day by Chas. Moran, a member of the Housemiths and Bridgemen's Union.

FIRE AT WRANGELL

ALASKAN TOWN SAID TO HAVE BEEN ALMOST DESTROYED.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 26.—A cablegram dated Juneau, Alaska, March 26, from United States District Attorney Boyce, says that the town of Wrangell, Alaska, has been almost destroyed by fire. Total loss, \$100,000.

HAVE YOU A HORSE?

If so, you will be interested in knowing about Nerviline.

ALLIANCE FRANCAISE.

The fifth meeting of the season of the Alliance Francaise will take place on Thursday next in the Fraser Hall at 3.15 p.m. The programme will include a lecture by Dr. F. Monod on his reminiscences as a surgeon of the field hospital during the Greco-Turkish war, and the rendering of Offen's one-act comedy 'Le Peasant' by Misses J. Mackay and J. Turgeon.

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HOLSTEIN ASSOCIATION BRANCH FOR THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC ORGANIZED YESTERDAY.

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READABLE PARAGRAPHS

NATIONALITY DID NOT COUNT. A mother went into a shoe store to buy a pair of shoes for her little son who accompanied her, says 'Lippincott's.' A clerk came briskly forward and, learning that shoes were wanted for the boy, looked at him intently for a moment.

DISPELLING A HALLUCINATION. The Widow—'Now, gittin' right down ten cold, habd facts, Mosee, what am yo' prospect?' The Sultor—'Mah dear, I've got a good job as managhe ob a laundry in sight.'

'Did you ever know Birkins to keep his word?' 'Once.' 'What was that?' 'I lent him \$5, and he said he'd be eternally indebted to me.'—Cleveland Leader.

Uncle Jerry Peebles was looking over the list of 'amended spellings' recommended by the reformers. 'Why,' he exclaimed, 'I don't see nothin' strange in them words. That's the way I've allus spelled 'em.'—Chicago Tribune.

DELICATE INSINUATIONS.

(From the London Chronicle.) No M.P. is permitted to say bluntly and directly that another is drunk, but he may hint at the fact in periphrasis, as when Mr. Gladstone, replying to an unconventional speech of Disraeli's, remarked:—'The right hon. gentlemen have evidently had access to sources of inspiration that are not open to me.'

Mrs. D'Aubrey Brown—'Well, how did they hang your picture?' Mr. D'Aubrey Brown—'How? They lynched it.'—Life.

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Calendar for March 1906 showing days of the week and dates from 1 to 31.

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 1906.

The 'Witness' was yesterday informed, from a police source, that a well-known gambling house in University street was again in full blast. This place has been raided several times, and, curiously, has always been found with a new proprietor, who, as it was always his first offence, got off with a minimum penalty.

The proceedings for the extradition of Gaynor and Greene from this province to the state of Georgia gave rise to much unfavorable comment on the delays of the law.

of the Standard Oil Company in that state. To secure his presence it was necessary to extradite him from the state of New Jersey. Proceedings were accordingly begun, but before these were completed Mr. Rockefeller quietly crossed over into another state and the whole process had to be begun over again...

The Russian revolutionaries take a horrible delight in everything that hinders the development of parliamentary government in Russia. It is a little hard to believe that they think Russia could be made by one somersault into a successful democratic republic.

THE CANADIAN CATTLE QUESTION.

An interesting account of the British embargo upon Canadian cattle appeared recently in the Dundee 'Courier'. The embargo was started in 1806, the year, as it happened, when the Laurier administration came into power, and has never been removed.

Scottish and English commercial farmers, however, do not see why the Irish monopoly should be continued to their despite. It appears that the Irish Agricultural Department gets subsidies from the government to purchase bulls and the farmer in Ireland can go to England or Scotland and bid two hundred dollars for a bull and only have to pay a hundred dollars of the sum.

of sobriety outside parliament now find themselves within the walls of Westminster Hall. Among these are Sir William Collins, Sir E. A. Cornwall, the Hon. Geoffrey Howard, Dr. V. H. Rutherford and Mr. Charles Roberts. No less than thirty-four Welsh members are supporters of the local vets.

BRITISH ELECTIONS AND THE BREWER.

An observer of the late general election in England has described it as 'essentially a battle fought over moral and religious issues'. In nothing has this aspect of the struggle been more noticeable than in its relation to the liquor problem.

THE LACHINE BACHELORS

The Lachine Young Men's Amateur Athletic Association are giving a bachelors' social this evening in the Wire Works' club room. A very attractive programme has been provided and refreshments will be served by a committee of young men.

CHARGED WITH BALLOT STUFFING.

Prince Albert, Sask., March 29.—James Sinclair, deputy returning officer in Prince Albert district at the elections, was committed for trial yesterday on the charge of ballot stuffing and conspiracy laid by the Provincial Rights party.

NEW QUEBEC SOUTHERN LINE.

Mr. Culver, vice-president of the DeLaurier & Hudson Railway; Mr. C. Martin, Mr. Hubbard, manager of the Quebec Southern, and Mr. Anthony, the new chief engineer of the latter road, passed through the city yesterday en route for Plessisville.

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The North of England is noted for its hard-headed and business-like way of looking at things. Here 'sentiment' is said to have little sway, but here the success of the temperance propaganda has been pronounced. In the last parliament it was represented by twenty-one members favoring temperance legislation and twenty-two supporting the 'Trade'.

LAKE ELIA.

In a silent drift of uplands, Half in gloom and half in gleam, Little Elia Lake the lonely, Lies adream.

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RAILWAY PERSONALS.

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A POST-OFFICE ROBBERED.

Hartney, Man., March 26.—The post-office here was robbed last night, the safe having been blown up. The registered mail was all rifled, but the exact amount secured is as yet unknown.

OLIVET BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Rev. J. L. Gilmour, pastor of Olivet Baptist Church, will, this evening, give a lantern lecture review of next quarter's Sunday school lessons. All are most cordially invited.

WESTMOUNT W. C. T. U. ADDRESSES ON USE OF OPIUM AND ALCOHOL IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

Yesterday afternoon being 'World's Missions Day' the Westmount W.C.T.U. held an open meeting. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Rickert, and a paper was read by Mrs. Radford on the religious, scientific and national aspects of the Sabbath observance question.

At the close of this interesting address a pretty ceremony was performed. Mrs. McLachlan, county superintendent, tied a white ribbon around the wrist of Baby Geraghty, thus making her the first member of the W.C.T.U. 'Baby Band'.

Speaking of Japan, Mrs. Nichols said: 'We have seen drink and cigarettes in that country. Japan has made a law that no cigarettes shall be sold to minors. The Mikado abstains from both liquor and tobacco and many hundreds have joined the ranks of the W.C.T.U. through the influence of his example.'

TO ABOLISH DEBT LAWS

SUCH IS THE PROPOSAL OF MR. M. GADD, OF BULLION BANK FAME.

Mr. Montgomery Gadd, who has come to Canada for the purpose of promoting his scheme for the establishment of a Bullion Bank, had a word to say to 'Witness' representative this morning in connection with the recommendation of the Grand Jury at Toronto that municipal or government pawnshops should be established for the purpose of protecting the poor.

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MONSIEUR THE DEPUTY HOW THE FRENCH DEPUTY SCORES OVER THE BRITISH M.P.

As a return for all labor and cost involved in procuring a seat at Westminster the British M.P. enjoys two privileges—a seat in St. Margaret's Church, and a reader's ticket for the British Museum Library without the formality of getting a London householder to act as his sponsor; and, if he feels that the compensation is not quite adequate, he has the consolation of knowing that there are 689 other legislators who are not better off than himself.

He must, however, have a singularly contented mind if he does not occasionally cast an envious eye on his legislative brother across the English Channel, who spends much less on his dignity and certainly gets much more out of it. For 'Monsieur the Deputy' is comparatively a most enviable man. Look for a moment at the privileges he enjoys. To begin with he is paid 9,000 francs a year—little less than £1 a day the year through—for his labor as a law-maker, and for an insignificant annual payment he can travel where and when he will over the thousands of miles of French railways. Not as an ordinary passenger either, be it noted; for wherever he travels he is accompanied by his legislative brother with the most luxurious seat or even a first-class compartment all to his lordly self.

Whatever his normal social standing may be, the moment he qualifies as a Deputy society flings open her doors to him and greets him with smiles of welcome. He is an honored guest in exclusive salons and at fashionable functions; he sips his tea in the company of great ladies, and dines in houses where, in many cases, he would certainly find an admittance card from his legislative cachet. In his own district he is a very important personage, and if he cares for 'feting and fussing' he can have his fill of it. And the reason of it all is not far to seek, for every French Deputy is a medium through which offices and government favors and concessions may be obtained, and it is thus a desirable thing to be in his 'good books.'

If he honors a theatre with his presence, one of the best seats is always at his disposal; while if he cares to take a few friends with him, Monsieur 'honors' the management by accepting a box. If he is a sportsman and wishes to shoot, the mere fact that he dispenses with a license does not matter at all, for if the man who makes the laws cannot break them when he pleases, who can? If, too, he seeks a well-dowered bride, and many a great French minister has owed his position to this sensible precaution—he need not look long for a wife with a substantial dot.

In our own benighted country, one might pass a dozen M.P.'s in the Strand without recognizing one of them as a legislator; but the Deputy carries his official medal with him, and there is no excuse for not knowing his quality, while on all occasions of ceremony he adorns his evening suit with a gold sash of the national colors, which invests him with dignity and splendor.

Inside the Chamber, too, as outside of it, he is a much more important person than our own member of parliament. Today he is a Deputy and no more; next month—who knows?—he is the shuffling of the political cards in France—he may be a powerful minister; and so he is a man who is treated with becoming courtesy and so precious to the French Chamber that it is of the highest importance for the government to conciliate and secure the allegiance of every possible Deputy. To make an enemy of one may well upset the balance by which they hold office.

What kind of a man, then, is the French M.P., whose position is so enviable? Speaking broadly, he is a man of a very different social position from the British legislator. He is, in four cases out of five, a worker whose capital is his brains and pushfulness, and who finds in political life the best arena for exploiting it. Not infrequently he comes, like President Loubet, President Faure, and the present President, from the laboring classes. He may be—and often is—a tinker or tailor, a valet, or a barber; while many of the most successful politicians in France have been school teachers, journalists, or lawyers.

But, however humble may have been his start in life, the goal is the same for all; and the richest prizes of the profession (for such it is in France) are perhaps more likely to fall to the lot of the 'noblesse'—London 'Titbits'.

THE S. CARSLY CO., LIMITED.

The adjourned annual meeting of the S. Carsley Co., Limited, was held in the board room of the company, on March 26. The volume of trade for the past year showed the usual increase. The following were elected directors for the ensuing year:—Messrs. S. Carsley, W. F. Carsley, S. Carsley, Jr., and C. L. Carsley.

DEAD AT 106.

Albany, March 26.—Lacking just one month of being 106 years old, Mrs. Bridget Coleman died today at her home in this city. She was born in Ireland in 1800, and came to America in 1849.

FELL INTO THE HOLD.

St. John, N.B., March 27.—Thomas Palmer, one of the officers of the C.P.R. steamer 'Montezuma,' fell from the deck of the steamer into the hold last night, a distance of twenty feet. His skull was fractured, and he was taken to the hospital, where his death is expected at any moment.

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AN ULTIMATUM Miners Present Their Demands on Scale Question to Operators

MR. DAVID WILLCOX, OF THE D. & H. R., MAKES A STATEMENT.

Indianapolis, March 26.—The United Mine Workers of America, through President John Mitchell, Vice-President T. L. Lewis, and Herman C. Perry, president of the Illinois Miners, to-day presented to the coal operators in the executive session of the joint scale committee of the central competitive district their ultimatum on the dispute over the wage scale.

The demand is for a restoration of the wage scale of 1903, which is an increase of 5.55 percent. The operators secured an adjournment of the committee until to-morrow when a definite report will be given by them.

It is anticipated that this reply will be a refusal by the operators and in that event the committee will report a disagreement to the joint conference of miners and operators. In that case the question will be debated before the joint convention.

To-night, according to those concerned, there is little prospect of a settlement. After the noon adjournment President Mitchell said he had been informed that there were rumors that the operators believed that if they would stand firmly by their position and prolong the sessions of the joint scale committee, the miners would agree to sign the present scale and recede from their demand for an increase in wages.

Vice-President Lewis said: 'I know what a suspension of work means to our people; I know what it will probably be to millions of other people who are not directly interested in these questions. I have hopes that we may be able to find a solution of our present difficulties but that solution will only come when both sides are ready to sign a wage agreement, carrying with it the prices paid in 1903.'

Mr. Herman C. Perry, president of the Illinois Miners, said he had heard it rumored that different interests had been attempting to use their influence to bring about a strike, notably the small operators and the coal dealers, who he had been informed, were supporting a lobby in the hope of influencing the operators to force a disagreement. He added that there would be no division of the Illinois miners, and no mine would be allowed to run even with an advance in wages unless all the union mines in Illinois were given the same advance.

Reports are coming to the miners' delegates from their local unions that the coal companies are taking preliminary steps to get on a strike basis. They are calling in the miners' account books and withdrawing credit at company stores, pressing collections and in some cases threatening eviction, and the mines are being put in the best possible condition for a shutdown. Even should an agreement be reached for all fields, the bituminous and most of the anthracite mines will close Saturday night, many of them to remain closed sixty days.

MR. WILLCOX'S STATEMENT.

New York, March 26.—Mr. David Willcox, president of the Delaware & Hudson Company, made a statement to-day, in which he said that though the 'out' men in the coal regions are asking for an 'eight-hour day' the 'inside' miners generally work far less than eight hours, thus leaving the breakers idle. Mr. Willcox suggested that further agitation of this point might result in the operators asking that the inside men be called upon to work a full eight hours. Mr. Willcox said:

'There seems to be some apprehension in regard to the scope of the demands of Mr. Mitchell's committee with reference to hours of labor. The paper submitted by that committee to the operators provides that eight hours shall constitute a full day's work for all persons covered by this agreement.'

'It does not provide that the persons covered by the agreement shall work eight hours per day. This obviously is because the employees now average less than eight hours' work per day. This fact was found by the strike commission. It said that "For the contract miners, the hours worked certainly do not exceed on the average eight hours; and that for the remaining employees, taking the region on the whole, in the year 1901, the hours worked per annum averaged 1,000, distributed throughout 258 days, so that the average day's work was 7.6 hours. All classes of employees were thus found by the commission not to average eight hours per day; the facts are the same at present. The commission, accordingly, overruled the demand now made for an eight-hour day, because the employees were already working a less number of hours.'

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The facts are the same at present. In the case of the Delaware & Hudson Company, during 1905, the average number of hours worked per day by the employees, other than the miners, was 7.246 hours, or an average of about seven and one-quarter hours per day; the average number of hours worked per day by the miners was 6.656 hours, or an average of slightly over six and one-half hours per day.

The present suggestion is, therefore, no part of a general movement in Pennsylvania, it does not mean any diminution in the hours of labor, because they are already less than an average of eight hours. Not more than forty percent of the employees covered by this demand work underground. But in any case it cannot be seriously contended that the labor is unduly excessive or exhausting, which is limited to but 7.6 hours per day during but 258 days in the year. The effort to secure an advance in wages beyond the standard fixed by the strike commission. If the wages of this class of employee should be fixed at the present figure for eight hours instead of nine hours, the result would not be to shorten hours of labor, as these do not, at present exceed eight hours, but to increase the wages per hours 12.5 percent.

According to the official figures of the secretary of the international miners of Pennsylvania, the daily wages of the men affected are approximately 2.8 percent. If the proposed increase be applied to this daily rate, for each hour the rate would be thirty-six cents, instead of thirty-two cents, as at present. The increase would thus be four cents per hour, and thirty-two cents per day, making 12.5 percent. The aggregate wages of the employees affected are not less than fifty million dollars per annum, and 12.5 percent thereon would be \$7,250,000—the increase demanded under the form of an eight-hour day. This alone would increase the cost of production of the domestic sizes about fifteen cents per ton.'

OBITUARY

MR. D. S. BOOTH.

Brookville, March 26.—Mr. D. S. Booth, ex-mayor of Brookville, and one of the best-known men in Eastern Ontario, died to-day. He was born in England fifty-six years ago, and came to Brookville half a century ago, with his father. He held the contract for building the half-mile tunnel under this town for the old B. & O. Railway, now the C. P. R. He also built the Brookville and Cobourg armories, and a portion of the G. T. R. At the time of his death he held a government contract at Guelph. His wife died five years ago.

EX-ALD CRANE, OF TORONTO.

Toronto, March 26.—Ex-Ald. James Crane died at his residence, 11 Oxford street, early this morning of a stroke of apoplexy. Last night, while hanging up his hat in the hall after returning from church he was seized with a second stroke. Mr. Crane was a builder by trade, and was in the council from 1884 to 1903. He was a bachelor.

JEAN BAPTISTE MILLET.

Paris, March 26.—Jean Baptiste Millet, the artist, brother of Jean Francois Millet, the famous painter, is dead.

CAPTAIN LEWIS ANDERSON.

Halifax, N. S., March 26.—Captain Lewis Anderson, inspector and surveyor for the marine underwriters, died suddenly this morning.

ESTEEM AND SYMPATHY.

At the last meeting of the Protestant Hospital for the Insane at Verdun, the following resolution was passed unanimously:

'The board of management desires to place on record its sense of the loss both to the Verdun Hospital and to the whole community in the death of Mr. James Moore. Mr. Moore's quiet, unobtrusive life and his generous interest in the philanthropic institutions of Montreal made him a valuable and greatly respected citizen. The board is glad that Mr. Moore's name lives in one of the city's admirable institutions, and hopes that Mr. Moore's life will bear fruit not only in the actual good that his generosity has accomplished, but also as an incentive and encouragement to others to follow his example. The board desires to express its warm sympathy with Miss Moore in her bereavement.'

KASPIAN SENTENCED.

Brantford, Ont., March 26.—Kaspar Kaspien, an Armenian, who last summer attempted to shoot his daughter for marrying without his consent, and then turned the revolver on himself, was today tried before Judge Hardy on two counts—shooting to do grievous bodily harm, and attempt to commit suicide. The prisoner pleaded guilty. A number of Armenians were called to testify to Kaspien's good character heretofore. He was sentenced to four years in Kingston penitentiary.

DEATH OF MR. D. SINCLAIR.

Mr. David Sinclair, formerly prominent in business circles in Montreal, has passed away in London. He was born in Montreal 66 years ago, and was educated at the High School. After completing his course there, he went into business with his father in the wholesale grocery firm of John Sinclair & Co., afterwards Sinclair, Jack & Co. Later, he became general manager of the Redpath sugar refinery.

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WILL BEGIN IN MAY C.P.R. SUMMER SCHEDULE WILL BE A MONTH EARLIER THIS YEAR. The general superintendents of the Eastern lines of the C.P.R. have just concluded a conference for the purpose of having decided to put the schedule into effect about a month earlier in May. This will be about a month earlier than last year. Otherwise there are no changes of any importance.

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THE BANWELL CASE WHAT HIS DEFALCATION COST THE CROWN BANK. Toronto, March 26.—In adjusting accounts with the police department to Mr. O'Grady, Jr., the inspector of the Crown Bank, received on behalf of the bank, \$36,428.33 in cash and \$2,100 in jewellery. Banwell carried away with him \$40,350.33, which leaves \$1,578.66 spent on the trip to Jamaica. It cost about \$6,000 to bring the runaway couple to justice. The police authorities, on the advice of Judge Winchester, having declined to hand over to the bank the wearing apparel bought on the trip by Banwell and wife, it probably will be donated to charitable institutions. The bank solicitor will ask the Toronto jewellers to take the jewels at the price paid by Mrs. Banwell. ADDRESSED MCGILL Y. M. C. A. Dr. A. A. Carman, general superintendent of the Methodist Church, addressed the McGill Y.M.C.A. in Strathcona Hall on Sunday afternoon, talking for his subject 'God in Knowledge.'

PUTTING DOWN GAMBLING

Police Raided No. 20 University Street Last Night

GAMING TABLES WERE SEIZED, AND TWO MEN ARRESTED.

The Criterion Club, 20 University street, a magnificently furnished resort, which was reported in the 'Witness' yesterday as being a gambling house, was raided by the police last night; and, although no gambling was in progress at the time of the raid, Chief Carpenter stated this morning that he has evidence which he thinks will be sufficient to secure a conviction in the Police Court.

Last night more gambling tables, wheels and chips, worth several hundred dollars, were seized and conveyed to police headquarters. James P. Simpson and William Ealey were the only two men found in the house. The latter is described as the caretaker, and Simpson, while denying that he was the proprietor of the place, said he was willing to accept the responsibility, and accordingly he will be arraigned to-morrow before Mr. Lafontaine, as also will Ealey, the caretaker. Meanwhile, the two men are at liberty on personal bail.

Chiefs Campeau and Carpenter organized last night's raid, and they were accompanied by Sergeant Detective Charpentier, Detectives McCall and O'Keefe. When they arrived at No. 20 University street, about half-past ten o'clock, the place was in darkness. Chief Campeau with Charpentier and O'Keefe, went to the side door in the lane off University street. The chief rang the bell and the door was opened by Simpson and the three officers were admitted to the club-rooms.

Meanwhile, Chief Carpenter, receiving no answer to his summons at the front door, instructed McCall to force the door open, and when this was done they entered the place and were met by Chief Campeau and the other officers.

POLICE FOUND TABLES COVERED

When the lights were turned on, it was seen that the gaming tables had been carefully covered. Sergeant Detective Charpentier called a patrol wagon from the Young street police station, and the tables and other gambling paraphernalia were taken to police headquarters.

A number of receipts were found bearing the name 'A. D. Maloney,' but Simpson would not admit that the house had anything to do with the house.

The building was formerly occupied by Messrs. Castle & Son, painters and decorators.

THE HOUSE'S PAST RECORD.

No. 20 University street was raided by the police on Thursday night, Dec. 28 last, and one of the seven men arrested in the house was Andy Maloney. The next morning he was charged before Judge Choquet with having kept the place as a gambling resort. He said he was not guilty of having kept the house, though he was prepared to admit he had frequented the club.

Afterwards the charge was amended, accusing Maloney of being a frequenter, and John Williams, expressing his willingness to meet the charge. Williams was fined \$50 and Maloney was fined \$20, as were also the following, who were charged as frequenters:—W. H. Brown, John Cameron, Charles Smith and Jas. Simpson.

CHINAMAN FINED.

Quong Lee, a Chinaman, was to-day fined by Judge Choquet \$100 or in default six months' imprisonment, for keeping a gambling house on Lagachetiere street.

NO LIFE, NO SHADOW

REMARKABLE EXPERIMENT WITH NEW RAYS DISCOVERED IN WASHINGTON

London, March 24.—In the course of a lecture before the Psycho-Therapeutic Society, Dr. Ward announced that Professor Elmer Gates, of Washington, D.C., who has been experimenting with light rays, has found about five octaves above violet a form of waves similar to X-rays. Under these rays living objects throw a shadow which exists only as long as there is life in the object. A live rat was placed in a hermetically sealed tube and held in the path of the rays in front of a sensitized screen. So long as the rat was alive it threw a shadow. When it was killed it became suddenly transparent.

'Here,' said the lecturer, 'there was a strange phenomenon. At the very instant the rat became transparent a shadow of exactly the same shape was noticed to pass, as it were, out of and beyond the glass tube and vanished as it passed upward on the sensitized screen.'

ESCAPED CONVICT

Napoleon Drouin, who escaped from the penitentiary at St. Vincent de Paul on Sept. 30, 1904, and was recaptured recently at Plattsburgh, was arraigned before Judge Desnoyers to-day, and after evidence of the man's escape under circumstances already reported, prisoner was remanded for sentence on Thursday.

STREET NAMES

Aldermen's Names Handed Down to Posterity as a Free Gift by Roads Committee

CITY MAY HAVE PLACE GUAY, LAPORTE AVE., AND MEDERIC STREET.

The sub-committee on the changing of street names met this morning, the chairman, Ald. Riviere, presiding. The sub-committee considered a letter from the city surveyor, Mr. J. R. Barlow, in which he showed that there are a number of names of streets in the newly annexed wards of St. Henri and Ste. Cunegonde bearing the same names as some streets in Montreal, and recommending that changes be made. The streets so duplicated are: William, Lewis and Napoleon, in Ste. Cunegonde; and St. Elizabeth, St. Paul, St. Alphonse, St. Margaret, St. Philippe, St. Peter, Metcalfe, Park avenue, Park Terrace, St. Jean Baptiste, Annie, Laurier, St. John, Barre, Lacroix, St. Emily, St. Augustin, St. Anne and Richelieu, in St. Henri.

The committee suggested the following changes to be considered as tentative only, following the rule of preserving the name of the most important street: William street, to be continued throughout Ste. Cunegonde, it being a continuation of the same street in Montreal; Lewis street to be maintained in Ste. Cunegonde, and De Lewis street in Montreal to be changed; Napoleon street in Ste. Cunegonde to be changed under the name of Charlevoix; Laurier ave. and St. John street in St. Henri to be continued under the name of Green avenue, of which they are the continuation; St. Elizabeth street in Montreal recommended to be changed, and to be retained in St. Henri; St. Paul changed to Leroy in St. Henri; St. Alphonse changed to Lacombe in St. Henri; St. Philippe in Montreal recommended to be changed, and to be retained in St. Henri; St. Margaret likewise; St. Peter in St. Henri changed to Decarie, and retained in Montreal; Metcalfe changed to Workman in St. Henri; Park ave. changed to Laporte ave. in St. Henri; Park Terrace changed to Place Guay in St. Henri; Ald. Guay, ex-mayor of that city, recording his dissent; St. Jean Baptiste changed to Medic in St. Henri; Annie street changed to Irene street in St. Henri; Barre street in St. Henri changed to Dore; Lacroix street changed to Bedard in St. Henri; Emily street in Montreal to be changed, and St. Emile street in St. Henri to be retained; St. Augustin street in Montreal changed to St. Henri; St. Philippe in Montreal recommended to be changed, and to be retained in St. Henri; St. Anne in St. Henri changed to St. Cecile, and Workman street changed to Richelieu, of which it is the continuation.

The committee will be grateful if the public will communicate to them any objections to the changes proposed above, in order that such objections may be considered before the report is made to the Roads Committee and by them to the council.

DISSATISFIED MOULDERS

C. P. R. CONTENDS THEY ARE WELL PAID FOR THE CLASS OF WORK THEY DO.

The local iron moulders' union is agitating for an increase of pay to the moulders who are employed at the Angus shops, and it is not improbable that the agitation may result in a strike.

The scale of wages paid by the C.P.R. to the moulders varies from \$1.75 to \$2.85 a day. Four hundred and fifty out of the six hundred moulders of the city have met to consider this scale, and have decided to demand a minimum of \$3 a day. The matter will be laid before the meeting of the International Union, to be held in Cincinnati, on April 12, and if the recommendations are endorsed a demand will be made to the C. P. R. for \$3 as the minimum rate.

A prominent official of the C.P.R. said to a 'Witness' representative this morning that he did not think the rate of wages paid at the Angus shops was lower than that paid by other iron-founding concerns in the city. There was, however, a much greater range of work at the Angus shops than in an ordinary foundry, and consequently a greater range in the scale of wages. The best work was paid for at the best prices, but where only a low degree of skill was required it was natural that the wages should be lower. On the whole he thought the men were as well paid as any moulders in the city.

DETECTIVE GALLAGHER IMPROVING.

Detective Thomas Gallagher, of Chief Carpenter's staff, is seriously ill of pneumonia, at his home, 29 Bastian street. Last night his condition was regarded as critical, but this morning he was reported to have benefited from a good sleep, and that he was improving. Detective Gallagher was in his younger days one of the best known athletes in the country. He always took a keen interest in sporting events, and has been a prominent figure at the annual games of the Montreal Police Amateur Athletic Association. He joined the police department on March 11, 1884, and has been connected with the detective office since Chief Detective Carpenter took charge and reorganized the department.

A WOMAN DISTURBER.

A crowd surrounded a woman and several policemen on the St. Catherine street side of Phillips square this morning and wondered what it was all about. The woman screamed hysterically and those on the fringe of the crowd were told that she had been creating a disturbance in a store. A patrol wagon thundered up and, desperately resisting, the woman was lifted in and driven off. She lived on Ahlmer street, and by breaking windows and otherwise creating a disturbance had made life miserable for the other people in the house. She was fined by the Recorder.

INSURANCE MEN TO BE ARRESTED

Warrants Issued for Apprehension of Three Life Officials

ACTION SAID TO BE THE OUTCOME OF COMPANIES MAKING POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

New York, March 27.—Warrants for the arrest of three prominent life insurance officials were obtained to-day by District Attorney Jerome from Magistrate Moss, of the Tombs Court. It was said at the time the warrants were issued that the men named in them were in the criminal courts building, and that their attorneys at the same time were in the Supreme Court arranging for writs of habeas corpus in connection with the proceedings.

After he had obtained the warrants, District Attorney Jerome declined to say for whom they had been issued. His action in asking for the warrants is believed to be an outgrowth of the sharp discussion between Judge O'Sullivan, of the Court of General Sessions, and himself last week over the question whether officers of the insurance companies could be prosecuted for making contributions to political parties.

A few weeks ago Mr. Jerome presented to the grand jury certain evidence bearing upon such contributions which was brought out in the legislative inquiry under the name of Judge O'Sullivan, a long series of hypothetical questions as to whether under certain circumstances the insurance officials had committed larceny by giving political contributions. Several days later Mr. Jerome informed the jury that the officers were not guilty of larceny unless intent to defraud were shown, and expressed the opinion that it was not shown in these cases.

Last week, however, Judge O'Sullivan notified the jury that it was for the jury to say whether or not intent to defraud were shown by the insurance men, and that if the jury found out that it was shown the crime of larceny would have been committed.

A LIFE'S SAVINGS STOLEN

J. HERFALL SENT TO JAIL FOR A YEAR FOR ROBBING F. MATTE.

Joseph Herfall was to-day sent to jail by Mr. Lafontaine for twelve months for having stolen \$170 from Francis Matte, furnace man at Beclchem Asylum, on Richmond street.

On March 19 last prisoner called to see Matte, and when the latter was called out of the room he took the old man's life savings—\$170—out of the tin box in which he kept the money. When the theft was discovered the police were informed and Detectives Le Huquet and Samson traced Herfall to Quebec, where he was arrested while associating with an old penitentiary acquaintance. Herfall had a hundred dollars in his possession at the time, and this has been charged to Matte. Prisoner was discharged from the penitentiary on Sept. 2 last year.

THE JUNIOR BAR

MR. LAVERY ELECTED PRESIDENT AT LAST NIGHT'S MEETING.

At the meeting of the Junior Bar Association of Montreal, held last night at the club rooms, the annual elections took place, with the following results:— President—F. J. Lavery. Vice-president—Edmond Brossard. Treasurer—H. S. Orr. Secretary—Louis Gosselin. Committee—H. E. Audet, Leopold Guerin and T. M. Tansey. The report of the retiring treasurer, Mr. A. Huntley Duff, was read, and showed a substantial balance on hand. The next meeting of the association will take place on April 9, at which Mr. Guerin will read a paper on the question of the advisability of changes in the law of registration in this province.

MORE IMMIGRANTS

FINE LOT OF BRITISHERS ARRIVED IN THE CITY TO-DAY, ON THEIR WAY WEST.

A special train from Halifax brought another large batch of immigrants to the Windsor street station this afternoon. The party numbered five hundred and like the majority of the two thousand who passed through the city yesterday, was for the most part composed of strong, healthy-looking, well-set-up young Britons, who should prove themselves a distinct gain to the Dominion. A great many of them looked as though they had seen service in the army, and it England had been ransacked for hardy young men to go upon a campaign a better lot could not have been found. It is said that many of them were men picked by emigration societies, and certainly the work of the immigrants left later in the day for the North-West.

CHURCH WILL RE-OPEN.

The Church of Notre Dame des Anges, corner of Lagachetiere and Chenneville streets, which had been closed ever since the fire which took place there a few months ago, has been thoroughly renovated and will again be open for worship on the first Sunday after Easter.

SUDDEN DEATH.

Coroner McMahon this morning disposed of the case of Samuel Heney, who died suddenly at his boarding house, 671 St. Paul street. He was a waiter, out of work, and had been suffering from congestion of the lungs. A verdict to this effect was returned.

STREET IMPROVEMENT

THE BOARD OF TRADE MEMBERS WANT ST. PETER STREET WIDENED AT CORNER OF NOTRE DAME.

The recent fire which partially destroyed the old stone building situated at the corner of Notre Dame and St. Peter streets, has caused members of 'Change to agitate for the widening of St. Peter street at that point. The narrow streets leading to the Board of Trade are not any too pleasing to the members, who visit 'Change daily, and there is a feeling that immediate steps should be taken to make St. Peter street conform in appearance with its importance as a leading thoroughfare.

Again, the members claim that, in case of fire, the buildings in the district are far too congested, and any move that will tend to widen the streets will not only prove advantageous to general traffic and improve the appearance of the street, but will add to the safety of the locality. It is likely that a request will be made to the Council of the Board of Trade to take up the matter with the city in an endeavor to make one of the approaches to the Board of Trade building more inviting.

'A chance seems to have come,' said a member on 'Change this morning, 'to secure the removal of an old building which was almost completely gutted by fire the other day, and if it is taken away we will have a decent street by which to get to our building. Surely such a fine building as the Board of Trade should have a little consideration from our city fathers as the amount of taxes collected from it must be considerable. Then let them now buy the portion of this burned building which is necessary to make St. Peter street a uniform width or refuse any permit to rebuild on the old lines. Thousands of people pass through this street daily and it would not take a great architect to suggest several improvements, of which the one referred to is the most pressing.'

It was stated by an official of the city surveyor's staff, who was questioned regarding this street, that the width between the buildings on St. Peter street at the corner of Notre Dame street is forty feet. The new homologated line already fixed is on the east side eighteen feet back of the present line, and on the west side twelve feet; so that, when new buildings are erected on both corners the street will be seventy feet wide, as it now is in some parts. As to the walls of the Oak Hall restaurant which are still standing, it appears that the widening cannot be enforced at the present time.

PRINCE ARTHUR IN VICTORIA

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS LANDS IN CANADA IN BEAUTIFUL WEATHER.

Victoria, B.C., March 27.—The steamship 'Empress of Japan,' having on board Prince Arthur and suite, has arrived at quarantine. It has been arranged for the party to land at eleven o'clock. The weather is beautifully fine.

A RIOT IN BUCHAREST

ROUMANIAN NATIONALISTS OBJECTED TO PLAY BEING PERFORMED IN FRENCH.

Vienna, March 27.—Serious street rioting occurred at Bucharest, Roumania, last night, and culminated in a conflict between the rioters and the troops, during which two men were killed and over three hundred were wounded. The trouble arose over a demonstration of Roumanian Nationalists against the use of the French language in a performance at the National Theatre. The Ladies' Charity Society, which is under the patronage of the Princess Maria, wife of Prince Ferdinand, the heir presumptive to the throne of Roumania, organised the production of a play in French, and thousands of Nationalists gathered about the theatre and became so threatening that troops were summoned, and fired twice before the demonstrators were dispersed. Over a hundred persons were arrested.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY

TO BE CELEBRATED BY A DINNER AT THE PLACE VIGER HOTEL.

St. George's Society intends to celebrate the anniversary of its patron saint by holding a dinner at the Place Viger Hotel, on April 23.

NEW JESUIT PRIESTS.

Ten members of the Jesuit order will be ordained sub-deacon by Bishop Racicot, on Sunday next. A week later they will be made deacons, and on Easter Sunday they will be ordained priests.

VOICE PRODUCTION.

A lecture entitled 'The scientific principles underlying voice production, with some of their applications,' by Dr. T. Wesley Mills, Professor of Physiology at McGill, will be given to-morrow evening at eight o'clock in the Macdonald Physics Building (the first on the right entering the grounds from Sherbrooke street), under the auspices of the Conservatorium of Music. The lecture is free to all, without tickets of admission.

NEW PLACE OF WORSHIP.

On Sunday last the Rev. Abbe Lecours, parish priest of Longue Pointe, inaugurated a new chapel built at Terminal Park, on a lot given by the St. Lawrence Construction Company for the erection of a church, school and presbytery in that neighbourhood. Services will be held every Sunday in the new chapel.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS

GRAND CHAPTER OF QUEBEC IN SESSION TO-DAY.

The twenty-ninth annual convocation of the Grand Chapter of Quebec, Royal Arch Masons, opened to-day in the Masonic Temple, with Most Excellent Companion H. E. Channell, grand first principal Z, presiding. Among other present were M. E. Comps, John P. Noyes (Sweetsburg), W. H. Whyte (grand scribe), J. B. Tresidder and George O. Stanton, R. E. Comps, J. I. Phillips, G. Elliott, W. T. Anderson, B. A. Young, John McLean (grand H.), A. H. Holden, Freilighsburg, R. W. Williams, Three Rivers (grand J.), E. A. Evans, Quebec; W. T. Anderson and Alex. Ames, and A. R. Fraser (Quebec), V. E. Comps, C. McBurney (Granby), T. G. Hawthorne (Three Rivers), A. H. Windfald, H. R. Hale, R. H. Fulton, W. W. Williamson and J. Alex. Cameron, Montreal; and W. Darlington, Quebec; V. E. Comps, E. W. Brodie, Henry Willis, Quebec, and ex-Comps, W. F. Adair, H. B. Swinton, R. Stanley (Quebec), and W. F. Adair (Three Rivers), and W. A. Williams.

The Grand Z, M. E. Comp. Channell, in his annual address, reviewed the work of a most prosperous year, and the Grand Scribe's report progress both numerically and financially. This evening there will be an exemplification of the most excellent master's degree and the election of officers.

CITY EXPROPRIATION

COURT MUST KNOW WHICH RE-CORDER WILL ACT.

In the Practice Court this morning, Mr. J. L. Archambault, K.C., city attorney, presented a motion to have Messrs. Ferns and Langevin, city assessors, appointed commissioners to act on behalf of the city for the Lafontaine Park expropriations, in accordance with a resolution of the council, Messrs. Parent and Merrill having already been appointed to represent the proprietors interested.

The presiding judge, Mr. Justice Pagnuelo asked who was to be the fifth arbitrator, and Mr. Archambault replied that the charter provided that it must be one of the two Recorders. The learned judge said that he could not draft a judgment without knowing which of the two city wished to appoint in this special instance, and the motion was continued until to-morrow.

SHIPPING NEWS.

Table with columns: Name, At, From. Lists shipping companies and routes including Antwerp, Glasgow, Liverpool, New York, etc.

COMMERCIAL

Table with columns: Name, High, Low, Close. Lists market prices for various commodities like Wheat, Corn, Oats, Pork, Lard, etc.

THE WHEAT MARKET

Although a shade easier at the start, wheat rallied on covering. The tone of the market was steady all day. Corn recovered with wheat from an early decline, but the market was dull. Oats were easier, and lost about 1/2c during the day. In Winnipeg there was very little fluctuation, and closing quotations were 75c bid for cash options, 76c bid for April, 76c bid for May, and 78c bid for July.

CATTLE MARKETS.

East Buffalo, March 27.—Cattle.—Receipts, 100 head; fairly active and steady; prime steers, \$5.35 to \$6; shipping, \$4.75 to \$5.40; butchers, \$4.50 to \$5.25; heifers, \$4.50 to \$5.10; cows, \$3 to \$4.75; bulls, \$2.75 to \$4.65. Veal—Receipts, 100 head; slow; \$5 to \$5.25. Hogs—Receipts, 3,800 head; fairly active, shade lower; heavy, mixed and yorkers, \$6.65 to \$6.70; pigs, \$6.65; roughs, \$5.90 to \$6; stags, \$4 to \$5.50. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 1,200 head; steady; unchanged. Chicago, March 27.—Cattle.—Receipts, 4,500; slow; prices steady. Beaves, \$4 to \$6.25; cows and heifers, \$4.75 to \$5.10; steers and feeders, \$2.75 to \$4.35; Texan, \$3.75 to \$6.20. Hogs—Receipts, 12,000; 10c higher. Mixed and butchers, \$6.25 to \$6.45; good heavy, \$6.37 1/2 to \$6.45; rough heavy, \$6.25 to \$6.35; light, \$6.25 to \$6.50; pigs, \$6.90 to \$6.10; bulk of sales, \$6.35 to \$6.45. Sheep—Receipts, 17,000; steady; sheep, \$3.75 to \$5.20.

MONTREAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS.

Table with columns: Name, Between Bank, etc. Lists exchange rates for various currencies and financial instruments.

FINANCIAL

LOCAL STOCKS.

Reported by Gordon Strath & Co., Stock Brokers: Soo Com.—50 at 16 1/2; Street Ry.—50 at 27 1/2; 5 at 27 1/2; 27 1/2; 50 at 11 1/2; Tex. pfd.—5 at 10 1/2; Illinois Trac. pfd.—10 at 8 1/2; Power—50 at 9 1/2; Mackay pfd.—50 at 12 1/2; Ogilvie pfd.—50 at 12 1/2; Iron common—50 at 21 1/2; Tex. bonds—50 at 97 1/2; 200 at 97 1/2; 6 at 1,000 at 98 C. 500 at 98 C. 100 at 98 C. Merchants Bank—6 at 150.

MONTREAL CUBD MARKET.

United Securities reported by R. Mackay Edgar & Co., Board of Trade Building Stock Brokers: Rio de Jan.—Underwriting, 50 and 100 and 21 and int. stock, 45 1/2; 100 percent bonds, 80 1/2 and int. Elect. Dev.—5 percent bonds, 80 1/2; 5 percent bonds, 80 1/2; Shawinigan—20 bid.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Table with columns: Name, Op., Cl., etc. Lists stock market prices for various companies like Amal. Cop., Am. Sugar, Am. Smeltng, etc.

LONDON QUOTATIONS.

Table with columns: Name, etc. Lists London market prices for various commodities like Anaconda, Atchafalca, etc.

MCQUAIG BROS. LONDON CABLE.

Table with columns: Name, etc. Lists cable prices for various locations like Grand Trunk, Hudson's Bay, etc.

TORONTO STOCKS.

Table with columns: Name, etc. Lists Toronto stock market prices for various companies like Mac Paul, Mackay, etc.

DIED.

BRIDGE.—On March 26, 1896, Ellen S. Bridge, second daughter of the late Samuel Bridge, and niece of the late Frederick Griffin, Q.C. Funeral private.

FOR SALE, 'VOSE' SQUARE PIANO. \$125, payable \$10 deposit and \$4 monthly, rosewood case and carved legs. LEACH PIANO CO., 240 St. Catherine street, between Stanley and Drummond.

FOR SALE, NEW MASON & RITCH UP-RIGHT PIANO, price from \$400 upward, terms cash or \$10 monthly. See assortment latest styles. LEACH PIANO CO., 240 St. Catherine street, between Stanley and Drummond.

FOR SALE, \$195 CASH, BEAUTIFUL Leach Upright Piano (regular price \$250), rosewood case and carved legs. LEACH PIANO CO., 240 St. Catherine street, between Stanley and Drummond.

FOR SALE, \$148 CASH, BEAUTIFUL UP-RIGHT PIANO, celebrated maker, 100% new and every improvement in new piano. LEACH PIANO CO., 240 St. Catherine street, between Stanley and Drummond.

FOR SALE, 3 MODERN SQUARE PIANOS. Fischer, \$49; Emerson, \$50, and \$50. \$35 cash. LEACH, 240 St. Catherine street, between Stanley and Drummond.

FOR SALE, NEW MORRIS UPRIGHT PIANO, moderate price. Terms \$10 monthly. LEACH PIANO CO., 240 St. Catherine street, between Stanley and Drummond.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

PRICE MOVEMENTS CONTINUE NARROW

International Horizon Clearing but American Stocks Are Dull Everywhere

MARKET TRADING KEEPS INTEREST ALIVE ON LOCAL MARKET—OTHER STOCKS STEADY AND WELL HELD IN FACE OF DEPRESSION.

The prices of most of the speculative shares at the opening of the New York market to-day were unchanged from the night and of the remainder only a few changed more than 1-8. Small gains in the automobile and oil shares were the only notable feature.

The local market was again quiet, trading being restricted to the specialties. Power was again in evidence and was about steady at yesterday's range.

The directors of the Banque d'Hochebaga have secured the premises on the corner of St. Lawrence street and Boulevard St. Louis, Ville St. Louis, and will shortly open a branch there.

It was announced to-day that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph will build this summer over 600 miles of new pole lines and 4,000 miles of new lines nearly two thousand of which will be copper.

The Bank of Nova Scotia may have to withdraw from Boston, if a bill now before the Massachusetts Legislature becomes law.

MORNING EXCHANGES SALES. Telephone—10 at 15 1/4. Dom. Cot bonds—4500 at 97 1/2.

DOMINION COAL OUTLOOK

A Busy Summer Is Anticipated and Quality of Output Looks First Class

Mr. F. L. Wanklyn, vice-president of the Dominion Coal Company, who returned from Cape Breton yesterday, states that they are now getting out from thirteen to fourteen thousand tons a day, and where they had 15,000 tons on the bank this time last year, the quantity now above ground reaches 100,000 tons.

NEWS OF THE MINES

Nelson, B.C., March 24.—Total shipments of all districts of Yale Kootenay for last week were 32,834 tons, and for the year to date, 322,832 tons.

Granby Smelter received 15,152 tons ore, Trail, 7,620; Dominion Copper, 4,080; B.C. Copper, 3,370; Hall Mines, 547, and Marysville, 500.

MARKET OPINIONS

J. S. Bache & Co.—The market is in a strong technical position, as a good-sized short interest has been built up during the past two or three weeks, while the market has been irregular.

INSURANCE COMPANIES AND STOCKS.

It seems to me, said a broker this morning, that the bears on stocks are overworking the insurance investigation as a market factor, and that the papers are unwittingly lending themselves to it.

LOANS TO DIRECTORS

February Statement Shows 11.40 Percent of Capital Placed in that Direction.

The February report of the chartered banks of Canada shows that the aggregate amount of loans to the directors and to firms of which the directors are partners, was \$9,011,032, against \$10,028,000 last year.

The following table shows the particulars in this connection. It will be noticed that there are only thirty institutions on the list, while there are thirty-four reporting to the government.

Table with columns: Bank Name, Capital Paid-Up, Loans to Directors and Firms. Includes Bank of Montreal, New Brunswick, Quebec Bank, etc.

AN INVITING FIELD.

Hog Raising in the West Offers Great Possibilities to the Enterprising.

Winnipeg, March 26.—The live stock industry, particularly hog raising, is a specially inviting field for enterprise in the North-West at present.

A LARGE HOLDER OF WESTERN LANDS.

Winnipeg, March 26.—The United States and Canada Land Company, of Minneapolis, has bought the entire holdings of the Moosejaw & Saskatchewan Land Company.

LIVE STOCK SHIPMENTS.

The shipments of live stock from Portland and St. John, N.B., for the week ending March 24 were:

Table showing live stock shipments: To Liverpool, To London, To Bristol.

BANK OF COMMERCE

The following branches of the Canadian Bank of Commerce have recently been opened: Glendon, Alta.—Mr. J. S. Hunt in charge.

CATTLE MARKETS.

Toronto, March 27.—Trade fair to good for good beef; draggy for medium to common; 17 1/2 to 18 1/2 for including 1,120 head.

THE BANK GETS

your salary whether you put it there or not. If you spend all somebody else deposits

YOUR MONEY.

It is better to do your own banking. We pay highest rates in our Savings Department. Interest credited quarterly.

THE SOVEREIGN BANK OF CANADA.

Put your money in a place where you can get it when you want it. MAIN OFFICE—232-236 St. James Street. UPTOWN BRANCH—2808 St. Catherine St., cor. of Guy St.

THE BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter. The Court of Directors hereby give notice that a dividend, free of Income Tax, of Thirty shillings per share will be paid on the 5th of April.

RAIL RECEIPTS. Wheat, bush 3,333. Oats, bush 3,333. Flaxseed, bush 1,200. Flour, bush 2,182.

DAIRY PRODUCE

The situation on the local market for dairy produce is unchanged. Cheese is quiet owing to light stocks and the market is firm and steady at the nominal quotations.

PROVISION MARKET

Packers report a brisk enquiry for hams this week and bacon and the other lines of smoked meats also in good demand. Prices for all lines are firm and higher than they have been for some time.

GRAIN MARKETS

The flour situation shows no special features to-day and beyond a moderate increase in the current demand the market is lacking in interest.

COUNTRY PRODUCE

The egg market is rather lacking in strength these days and the weather conditions are mainly responsible for the unsettled state of affairs.

We Loan Money at the Lowest Rates in The City. \$ on household furniture, pianos, ornate, horses and carriage, without publicity or removing the goods.

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W. J. HASTINGS. ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR, 798 Dorchester Street. MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED BY JOHN M. M. DUFF.

A Real Health Food, "GOLDEN WHEAT" BREAD. PHONE US FOR A TRIAL LOAF. R.S. AULD, 537 St. Antoine, cor. Atwater Ave.

EDWD. T. TAYLOR & SON. Insurance Agents & Brokers. ROOM 17 TRAPALOR CHAMBERS 40 Hospital St. Tel M. 2353

The Royal Trust Co. MONTREAL. CAPITAL \$1,000,000. Paid Up, \$500,000. Reserve Fund, \$500,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS Right Hon. Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, G. C. M. G. PRESIDENT. Hon. Sir George Drummond, K. C. M. G. VICE-PRESIDENT.

Office and Safety Deposit Vault, Bank of Montreal Building, 109 St. James Street. H. ROBERTSON, Manager.

MONTREAL WHOLESALE PRICES. FLOUR—Manitoba spring wheat patents, \$4.50; strong bakers, \$4 to \$4.10; winter wheat patents, \$4.25 to \$4.50.

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FROM 'WITNESS' FILES

Of Three Periods a Score of Years Apart.

846---1866---1886.

SIXTY YEARS AGO.

England was in a commercial panic. Eight principal petitions for the total and immediate repeal of the Corn Laws...

FORTY YEARS AGO.

Eminent physicians declared that alcohol was not a food and had no part in building up the tissues of the body...

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

The Duke of Connaught was appointed Major-General of the Bengal Army. Lord Dufferin was Viceroy of India...

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE

THE HON. A. G. MCKAY CONDEMNED LAW PERMITTING WATER-ED STOCK.

Toronto, March 27.—Further careful consideration was given to Mr. W. Hoyle's bill regarding prospectuses issued by companies...

A stiff fight was put up by Mr. A. G. McKay, Liberal, to have a clause inserted in the bill compelling agents of companies to show prospective subscribers a prospectus...

Mr. McKay said he was familiar with cases in which companies had increased their stock from about \$200,000 to \$1,000,000...

Mr. W. J. Hanna, Provincial Secretary, advanced the view that further amendments regarding commissions would only lead to more painful difficulties.

Mr. Whitney rather ridiculed Mr. McKay's contention, and said that they might as well compel land agents to show land titles to prospective purchasers.

The bill passed the committee stage, but the Premier informed Mr. McKay that if he so wished, it would be in order for him to move an amendment when the bill came up for third reading.

STEAMERS IN COBALT REGION

COMPANY FORMED TO TAKE OVER THE LUMSDEN LINE.

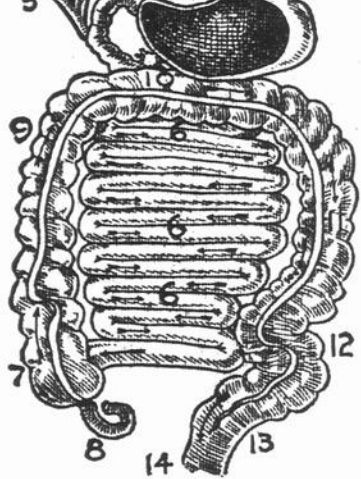
The Temiskaming Navigation Company is the name of a new company, which has just been formed to take over the Lumsden line of steamers which ply in the summer months on Lake Temiskaming...

SICK HEADACHE

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating...

Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

Your Thirty Feet of Bowels



THE ALIMENTARY CANAL. 1. Lower end of esophagus (meat-pipe) which conveys the food from the throat to the stomach...

YOU have thirty feet of Intestines! What makes food travel through them?

A set of Muscles that line the walls of these Intestines or Bowels. When a piece of Food rubs the walls of the Intestines these Muscles tighten behind it...

It should take about 12 hours to do this properly, so that nutritious parts of the food may have time to be digested and absorbed.

But,—if it takes twice or three times that period the food spoils in passing, and becomes as poisonous as if it had decayed before being eaten.

Now, the cause of delay (Constipation)

PUBLIC DISTINCTION

MR. G. LANGLOIS, M.P.P., GIVES HIS VIEWS ON QUEBEC'S EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM.

That the present system of education in this province can be sufficiently improved to meet all necessary requirements without destructive or reactionary reforms is the opinion of Mr. Godfrey Langlois, M. P. P. for St. Louis division, as expressed in an address on 'Public Instruction' before the Lemieux Club last night.

The importance of scholar training, Mr. Langlois observed, had not as yet been fully realized by governments, school commissions or ordinary citizens. He considered that the time had now arrived for the government to adopt such measures as would secure proper instruction to the children of the masses.

Mr. Langlois urged the advisability of having a Minister of Education, and of holding a formal investigation into the educational conditions of the province. He quoted statistics to show that the teachers of this province were the most poorly paid in Canada.

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Is simply Weakness, or Laziness of the Bowel-Muscles.

Want of Exercise, Indoor Employment, weakens these Bowel-Muscles, just as it weakens Arm and Leg Muscles.

Castor Oil, or Glycerine, will grease the passages for one load of Food at a time, but these lubricants can't help the Cause of Delay.

"Physic" like Salts, Calomel, Jalap, Phosphate of Soda, Mineral Waters, simply flush-out the Bowels for the one occasion only.

They do not remove the Cause of Constipation.

Moreover, they waste so much of the precious Digestive Fluids, in the flushing process, that it takes a bigger dose every succeeding time to move the Bowel load.

But it is different with Cascarets. Cascarets act on the Muscles of the Bowels and Intestines. They act just as Cold Water, or Exercise act on a Lazy man.

They act like exercise. A Cascaret produces the same sort of Natural result that a Six Mile walk in the country would produce.

The Vest Pocket Box is sold by all Druggists, at Ten Cents.

It should be carried constantly, because a Cascaret should be eaten when you first suspect you need one.

Be very careful to get the genuine, made only by the Sterling Remedy Co., and never sold in bulk. Every tablet stamped "CCC."

A sample and the famous booklet "Curse of Constipation" Free for the asking. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

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The large demand for Lactated Food is not due to extensive advertising, but to the fact that those who use it recommend it to their friends and neighbors. No one knows better than the experienced mother the importance of giving the proper food to a baby, and for this reason those who have used Lactated Food feel they are doing the greatest possible kindness when they recommend it to their friends.

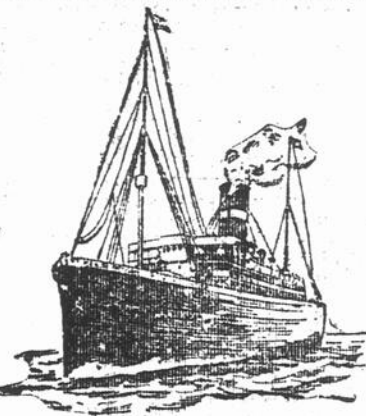
If mothers want their babies to be healthy and happy, let them stick close to a diet of pure Lactated Food. Specialists in children's disorders prescribe intelligent parents recommend it, and babies living upon it show how perfectly the food is adapted to infant life by their healthy condition, their plump, happy faces and their bright eyes.

had not heard that an addition to such butter of water added to its freshness. Mr. Dalziel, a member of the committee, remarked that he had heard some people prefer Canadian butter to English, including a number of members of the House of Lords and Commons.

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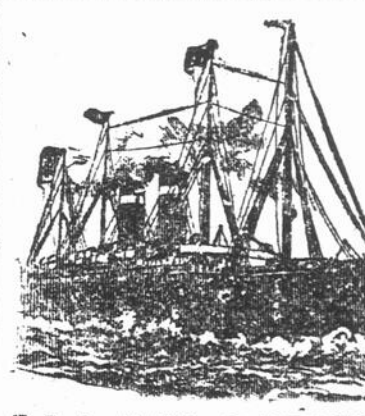
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DOMINION PARLIAMENT

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF INTEREST.

Ottawa, March 27.—Yesterday's sitting of the House of Commons brought out several ministerial announcements of more than usual interest. Mr. Hyman announced the government's intention of permitting the export of electrical energy to the states at Niagara, upon the understanding, however, that such permission may be revoked when the time comes that the energy in question is needed on our own side of the river.

At the evening sitting of the House Mr. F. D. Monk urged the desirability of recognizing the services of the Fenian Raid veterans by land grants. The government promised consideration of the subject and asked Mr. Monk not to press his motion to a vote.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. David Tisdale introduced a bill respecting the St. Clair and Erie Canal Company. The Minister of the Interior introduced a bill to provide for the establishment of forest reserves in the Northwest.

Mr. Sinclair, of Guysboro, reintroduced his bill of last session to allow of seagoing vessels carrying wood between their main and shelter decks, throughout the winter.

RAIN-MAKING IN THE YUKON.

Mr. George E. Foster proposed a motion of adjournment as a means of bringing to the government's notice the contract that the Yukon Council has recently made with an American 'rain-maker' named Hatfield, to ensure a sufficient supply of rain during this year's mining season in the Yukon.

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The Minister of the Interior remarked that the Yukon was an autonomous government and had full authority to regulate its expenditures according to its own judgment. The government at Ottawa was not even remotely responsible for the acts of the Yukon Council, whether they were well or ill-adviced.

The leader of the Opposition insisted that the Federal authorities were to some extent responsible for the acts of the Yukon Government, and owed an explanation to parliament of this extraordinary contract.

PELEE ISLAND.

Mr. Clarke, Liberal, of South Essex, called attention to the hardships that the residents of Pelee Island had suffered last season by being unable to get their products to market. Canadian vessels were not available and the coasting laws prevented foreign craft from performing the service of which the islanders stood so sorely in need.

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IN THE POPULAR PRINCESS STYLE

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It is made in the popular princess style and consists really of three flounces each showing the embroidery on the edge.

The bodice is trimmed with a wide insertion of the embroidered batiste in the way illustrated, and between these insertions are inset narrow inscriptions of Valenciennes lace.

MR. HYMAN LAYS DOWN A POLICY.

The Minister of Public Works, Mr. C. S. Hyman, expressed himself as satisfied that whatever doubt there may be as to the authority of the Ontario Government to issue charters for the utilization of power from Niagara Falls, there was no question that the Dominion Government has the authority to say whether the export of electric power to the United States should or should not be permitted.

The situation is very difficult in this way. There has been authority given for the development of a large quantity of horse power at Niagara Falls upon the Canadian side.

I think I may say that the government purposes laying down a policy in reference to the exportation of that power which for all time to come will give the Canadian Government full and complete control, looking always to the fact that our development is such that power will be required on the Canadian side.

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One is the real tailor-made article of Madras or linen with stiff cuffs, and buttons in front and with these stiff linen collars or simple stocks are worn and the other is the sheer blouse, elaborately trimmed and made with short sleeves and to button in the back.

These latter shirts may be as fancy and elaborate as one pleases, but to be correct and in good form the former should be as severely plain as possible, a few tucks on the shoulders being the only trimming used by smart shirtmakers.

The new linen collars are quite low, about two inches, and are of the turnover style with either round or pointed points, and with these are worn small bow ties.

Suitable stocks for wear with these plain shirts are made of heavy linen. Some cross in the back and have buttonholes in the ends which just meet in front, and through these a small silk tie is run and tied into a bow.

NIAGARA MUST BE PRESERVED.

Mr. Maclean has also referred to the preservation of the scenic beauty of Niagara Falls. That is a question of the gravest importance.

As to the question of jurisdiction, I have advised the Commission that while at present it might not be advantageous to raise that question, they should enter into negotiations with the Ontario Government and place before Mr. Whitney all the arrangements they may propose to make, and endeavor, in conjunction with him (if his government has jurisdiction), or in conjunction with the Federal Government (if this government has jurisdiction), to complete arrangements without at this stage entering into a discussion as to which government has jurisdiction.

LAND GRANT FOR FENIAN RAID VETERANS.

Mr. F. D. Monk moved that it is desirable that the government of Canada should recognize in some substantial manner the services rendered during the Fenian raids of 1866 and 1870 by our Canadian volunteers.

The Premier remarked that although it was forty years since the Fenian raids he had heard of no proposal until 1896 for any rewarding of their services.

THE MINISTER OF MILITIA'S REPLY.

Sir Frederick Borden answered that the work of the Fenian Raid volunteers deserved all the praise given it by Mr. Monk.

It was necessary to call out between 25,000 men in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec. In New Brunswick and Nova Scotia there were 10,000 called out under arms.

WASTE PRODUCTS

LECTURE BY PROF. HARRINGTON BEFORE THE WOMEN'S CLUB.

The pall of black smoke which hangs over the city was mentioned as a striking illustration of 'waste products,' by Dr. Harrington, of McGill University, in an interesting lecture before the Montreal Women's Club yesterday afternoon, in the Chemistry Building of the university.

Dr. Harrington, for this purpose of his lecture, selected a few illustrations of waste products from each of the three natural kingdoms, mineral, animal, and vegetable. A great waste in the mineral kingdom is the smoke from burning coal, which the lecturer characterized as a disgrace to modern civilization.

Salmon oil, for softening leather, treading kid gloves, etc., also fertilizer used in British Columbia, on the sugar plantations of the Sandwich Islands and elsewhere, come from the salmon canneries of Vancouver. It was long the practice to throw the offal from the salmon into the ocean, but later a building was erected, where oil and a so-called guano are extracted from the offal.

Cotton seed and products from cotton seed were taken as an example from the vegetable kingdom. Dr. Harrington showed a series of bottles containing the various products from the pods of the cotton plant—cotton down, seeds, lint, hulls, oil, soap stock, washing powder. These products, which long were wasted, are now utilized in some way.

The vote of thanks to Dr. Harrington for his lecture was a very hearty one.

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