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YOUR MONEY OR YOUR LIFE

Further Outrages by Highwaymen.

BANKS AND MONEY MARTS TO BE SPECIALLY LOOKED AFTER.

The number of robberies or attempted robberies and assaults almost assume the proportion of an epidemic.

Details of burglaries are almost constantly received by the police, while, since the assault upon Mr. Charles Drinkwater, several citizens have been accosted by rough-looking fellows who have threatened violence, if they were not supplied with money.

On Sunday night Major A. H. Sims, as he was turning the corner of Sherbrooke and University street, was accosted by two men, one of whom made a grab at his raccoon coat. Fortunately, he eluded the grasp of his assailant, and quickly made his way out of the reach of the two footpads, who probably feared to follow, lest discovery and possibly arrest might overtake them.

Details are also given of an attack made on Friday night last upon a local physician, whose name has not transpired. The latter was walking down Bisson street to St. Antoine street, about ten o'clock at night. A rough-looking fellow accosted him. 'Say, I'm hungry and desperate; if you don't give me a quarter I'll take it from you by force.'

The doctor speedily found the required coin and passed on. Lower down two fellows barred his progress. One of them made a rush to seize him while the other made a clutch at his watch. The doctor now showed fight, and shouted, and the assailants decamped.

Complaint has been made to Constable Payne of the Windsor street station that both ladies and gentlemen have been recently accosted on Dorchester street west, not far from the Windsor Hotel, by hulking fellows who complain of hard times, and, assuming a threatening look say they must have money to relieve their necessities, even if they have to resort to force. In almost every instance money has been given to escape assault.

So secure have our business men felt in the centre of the city that it has been no infrequent thing to notice well-known citizens, during banking hours, proceed from one bank to another with large rolls of bills held carelessly in their hands; while, on the part of our ladies the habit has been almost universal of carrying the purse, we'll filled for the shopping expedition, plainly in the view. This affords a temptation which is not likely to be resisted. The move of the chief detective in affording a measure of protection to business men and brokers by keeping a couple of detectives in the neighborhood of the banks and our local Wall street, is to be commended. The men employed in this duty should be of more than the average intelligence. They should be men of some education and experience, because the duty is a delicate one, requiring great judgment and circumspection. It is in the heart of the city, where business men congregate, that the lawless elements learn something about the means and the standing of our citizens. Detectives assigned to this duty should be able not merely to watch the movements of criminals, but to prevent concerted action, by breaking up possible combinations in their incipiency.

It may be stated that Mr. Charles Drinkwater, who, as told in the 'Witness,' was the victim recently of the attack of footpads, is recovering from the effects of the shock and the wounds received upon that occasion. He is able to attend to the duties of his office at his own home, but will not return to business till his face heals.

Rumors were current this morning that a citizen had been sandbagged last evening on Drummond street, near Sherbrooke, but the police authorities disdain all knowledge of the affair. Another similar occurrence was reported to have taken place on Mansfield street, but Chief Detective Carpenter says there is no truth in it.

The chief detective informed a 'Witness' reporter this morning that he visited Mr. Drinkwater last evening and as soon as that gentleman is able to leave his residence his first journey will be to the detectives' office where he will endeavor to recognize two men who are at present under arrest, strongly suspected of theft and robbery of which he was the victim, being implicated in the outrageous affair.

ASHANTEE AN ELDORADO.

GOLD USED FOR BOLTS AND HINGES OF DOORS.

King Prempeh of Ashantee and his suite were brought from Elmira to Sierra Leone by the steamer 'Bakona.' It is said that in payment of the passage of the King Prempeh's suite gold dust to the pieces of gold were given. The gold is said to London. Some of the pieces are said to have been used as hinges and bolts for doors, whilst other pieces are said to indicating that there was plenty of gold at Kumassi, and that it had been used for the most ordinary purposes.

A PATIENT MULCTED.

The runner of a private ambulance containing a patient, got caught in a 'frog' on the street railway track this morning, close to the Grand Trunk station, and was snapped in two. A demand was made upon the patient for the amount of the damage done the vehicle. The latter protested that he was not responsible, and several carters who were attracted, insisted that it would be unjust to charge the patient with an accident which was due to careless driving. However, the driver was obdurate, and the patient paid the money, the cabmen remarking that if any of their body had made such a demand, his number would have been taken and he would have been reported to the police.

LUCK AGAINST THEM.

The cabmen say their business is being killed by inches. First it was the introduction of the electric street car service; now it is the weather. There has been only one fall of snow this winter. The street railway has had a picnic. The sleighing has been the worst on record. About the only thing left to tempt the public to make use of the cabmen would be the prospect of a sleigh ride. 'Even the elements favor the street railway,' as one of the officers of the Hackmen's Union remarked this morning, 'and kill us completely.'

R. T. GRAND COUNCIL.

ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE GRAND COUNCILLOR.

ATRIBUTE TO THE LATE REV. A. M. PHILLIPS.

Oshawa, Feb. 16.—After the opening ceremonies of the annual convention of the Grand Council of Ontario, Royal Templars of Temperance, here this morning, the annual address of the Grand Councillor, Ex-Ald. Geo. H. Lees, of Hamilton, was delivered. The Grand Councillor in the course of his address said:—In welcoming you to this our fifteenth annual convention I congratulate you on the peace and harmony that prevails among us. In the closing days of 1896 our Order suffered a severe loss by the death of our beloved brother, the Rev. A. M. Phillips, who for many years was an active member of this Grand Council. He was a public man, filling many positions of honor, usefulness and trust; a leading man fostering every undertaking for the benefit of his fellows; a helpful man, a dear friend, an elevating acquaintance, pure in thought and word. In our work especially he was sincere, consistent, earnest, active and useful. Let us perpetuate his memory by adopting the message he sent us at the last Grand Council: 'Do as Christ would do if he had your chance.'

Referring to the efforts of the Grand Council to have the number of licenses in Ontario reduced he referred to the cordial reception accorded the deputation which waited on the government on Feb. 28, 1896, by Sir Oliver Mowat and the members of his Cabinet, and also to the subsequent deputation from the Dominion Alliance which was so cordially received on Nov. 18 last, by Mr. Hardy and his Ministers. He also spoke encouragingly of the coming plebiscite granted by the Laurier administration and of the decision of the government respecting the prohibition of the sale of intoxicating liquors in the bar of the House of Commons.

Respecting the political platform of the Royal Templars, Mr. Lees said:—'At the 1895 session we adopted the platform of the Montreal convention of 1894, and reaffirmed our stand in 1896, and if it will make our position any stronger, let us again declare our allegiance to its principles, and may we hope that the day is not far distant when no Royal Templar will choose a lower standard but will support only known, avowed and reliable prohibitionists. When temperance men are all prepared to stand on this platform the problem is solved and the battle won.

The Grand Secretary, Dr. C. P. Emory, reported:—From Feb. 1, 1896, to Feb. 1. 1897, we have instituted seventeen new Councils and resuscitated one. Thirty-one Councils have become dormant or surrendered their charters. We have instituted four Select Degrees during the year. Our membership, according to the last report, is 10,289. Of this number only 10,222 actually reported on Jan. 1, 1896.

THE POPE AND THE MANDEMENT

THE 'TIMES' SAYS HE HAS THE MATTER IN HAND.

(London 'Times.')

Our Vatican correspondent has been informed on undoubted authority that the French-Canadian bishops were prepared with a joint pastoral on the Manitoba school question, in which they stated that the sacraments would be refused to those accepting the terms offered by the government; but the pastoral was not issued because the English-speaking bishops were not prepared to accept it. The Pope has now taken the matter in hand.

MR. RHODES ON THE RACK.

DECLARES HE WAS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RAID ON JOHANNESBURG.

London, Feb. 16.—The parliamentary committee recently appointed by the House of Commons to inquire into the causes and circumstances of the trouble in the Transvaal began its sittings today. The committee room was crowded with privileged persons, among whom was the Prince of Wales, who showed great interest in the proceedings. Mr. Cecil Rhodes, formerly prime minister of the Cape Colony, and the active director of the affairs of the British South Africa Company, was sworn, and took the stand as the first witness examined. Mr. Rhodes read a long statement detailing the occurrences in British South Africa and the Transvaal prior to the raid led by Dr. Jameson into the Boer territory, and dwelt at some length upon the general feeling of discontent which had arisen as a consequence of the corrupt management of the Transvaal Government and its refusal to concede the rights of the Uitlanders. He was in sympathy with the Uitlanders in their grievances and to assist a movement designed to obtain for them their constitutional rights he had placed on the Transvaal frontier under the orders of Dr. Jameson a force of troops with instructions to act should certain events arise. Mr. Rhodes admitted that he had not communicated with the directors of the Chartered Company a notice of all his actions, which, however, were made in perfect good faith and under the influence of his belief that it was the intention of the Transvaal Government to introduce into the Boer republic the influence of a foreign power.

At this point Sir William Harcourt interrupted Mr. Rhodes and asked: 'Was your object to overthrow the Transvaal Government?'

Mr. Rhodes replied that the overthrow of the government was not his object, but merely to bring about a change. He admitted the probability of his having done wrong in placing Dr. Jameson with his men on the frontier, but Jameson's invasion of the Transvaal he was not responsible for, as Jameson had gone into the Boer territory without his (Rhodes) authority.

Witness was asked whether he had informed the British High Commissioner in South Africa, Sir Hercules Robinson (now Lord Rosemead) of his designs, and he replied that he had not.

Sir William Harcourt asked why he had not informed the British High Commissioner, and Mr. Rhodes answered, 'You had better get the answer to that question from Lord Rosemead.' Mr. Rhodes would not say that the measures he had taken had brought about the revolution in the Transvaal. He admitted, however, that he had supplied some of the funds used in preparing and carrying out the Jameson raid, but he could not say who supplied the rest. He denied that he had pressed the Johannesburgers into acts of insurrection. What pressure there may have been was not from the outside, but from within. It was impossible, he said, for the present state of things in Johannesburg and other parts of the Transvaal to continue. The people would not cease their agitation until they obtained their civil rights.

THE REV. W. J. McCAUGHAN.

PASTOR-ELECT OF ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, TORONTO.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—The Rev. W. J. McCaughan, pastor-elect of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, made his first acquaintance with his future congregation here on Sunday, Aug. 3 last. The appointment was made for him by Dr. Oronohyatekha, Supreme Chief of the Order of Foresters, and the Rev. Mr. McCaughan's sermons were given largely in connection with that organization. Owing to the announcement then made of his great and pre-eminent natural ability the church in which the late Rev. D. J. Macdonnell for so long ministered was crowded at both services. As a result a large proportion of the church session immediately fixed upon him as their choice for the pastorate. After a series of meetings to consider the question Mr. McCaughan received a practically unanimous call to the pastorate, the salary of which is four thousand dollars per annum and a manse. His fellow workers in Belfast sent letters containing the highest encomiums attesting his wonderful success in attracting, holding and organizing for aggressive Christian effort an immense congregation.

In Belfast he has been identified with many phases of philanthropic public work, more especially in connection with the Young Men's Christian Association, and he is looked upon as certain to be a tower of strength to that organization in Canada. As a young man, speaking to young men, his sermons arouse the greatest interest and zeal and his welcome to Toronto will be of the heartiest character for his personal worth and work's sake, although practically speaking but few facts of a biographical nature are generally known by St. Andrew's congregation of their new pastor. It is regarded as unquestioned that with his arrival next month a renewed era of progress and prosperity will be ushered in for Toronto's leading Presbyterian church.



THE REV. W. J. M'CAUGHAN.
Pastor-Elect of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Toronto.

ELECTION APPEALS.

ELEVEN OF THEM BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT.

MASKINONGE PROTEST DISMISSED.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 16.—There was quite a distinguished gathering at the opening of the Supreme Court this morning, including the Hon. C. A. Geoffrion, Q.C., Sir Hibbert Tupper, Q.C., and Messrs. F. H. Lemieux, Q.C., J. H. G. Bergeron, M.P., F. H. Chrysler, Q.C., E. L. Newcomb, Q.C., Deputy Minister of Justice; Benj. Russell, Q.C., M.P.; A. Ferguson, Q.C., H. M. Howell, Q.C., Stewart Tupper Q.C., and John A. McGillivray, Q.C., ex-M.P. There were eleven election appeals on the list, as follows:—Maskinonge, Winnipeg, Assiniboia, Montreal, Marquette, Lunenburg, Beauharnois, West Prince, Selkirk and Restigouche. The Maskinonge election appeal, Voisard vs. Legris, was dropped and was struck off the list. This leaves the Liberal member, Mr. Legris, M. P., secure in his seat.

Argument was heard in the Winnipeg election case, Macdonald vs. Davis. Mr. Stewart Tupper appeared for the Hon. Hugh John Macdonald, the appellant, and Mr. H. M. Howell for the Liberals. The appeal was from the decision of Mr. Justice Dubuc, who dismissed the preliminary objections to the petition filed by Mr. Macdonald. The trial revealed bribery and corruption and Mr. Macdonald was unseated. His appeal on the preliminary objections, however, was carried on and came up to-day in the Supreme Court. Like all preliminary objections they were highly technical. The petitioners' name was on the voters' list but the petition did not properly show it. The certificate of the clerk of the Crown-in-Chancery did not read according to the form provided in the statute and so forth. Mr. Howell replied very effectively, judging by some remarks which fell from the bench. The argument is in progress.

The next two cases are also from the North-West, and then Dr. Roddick's appeal comes up.

ATTACKS ON MR. TARTE.

CURIOUS ABERRATIONS OF PARTY CORRESPONDENTS.

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—The Ottawa correspondents of two Toronto newspapers attribute the reported freezing of the hydrants on Parliament Hill to Mr. Tarte's having displaced a competent official in order to find a place for a party friend. This is something like the accusation against him of having organized an orgy in Manitoba when he accepted an invitation from a number of Manitoba public men, many of them abstainers. The worst of it is they will keep up this slander after it is shown to have no vestige of foundation. As a matter of fact, Mr. Tarte asked Mr. Ewart, the acting chief architect, who, if any one, should be supposed to know, who was in charge of these hydrants, and Mr. Ewart reported that they were supposed to be in charge of the city, that being part of the consideration for the money granted to the city for fire purposes. If the department, however, had charge of the hydrants the person whose duty it was to look after them was Mr. Smith, the engineer, who was there under the late government as he is now. Furthermore, although it was commonly reported on Thursday that the hydrants were frozen, it turns out that they were not. One of them was turned off so as not to reduce the pressure on the other, which did good service.

FOR DIFFERENT REASONS.

THE 'LAKE OF THE WOODS' AND THE OGILVIE ELEVATORS ARE TO BE CLOSED.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 15.—Mr. F. W. Thompson, manager for the Ogilvies here, announces that all the company's elevators in Manitoba and the North-West are to be closed at once. He explains that this action is considered necessary because of the uncertainty regarding the duties on wheat and flour. The Ogilvies will not take further risk of a change in the duties.

The above was confirmed in the Montreal office of the firm this morning. Mr. Ogilvie's representative was emphatic in his declaration that all of the firm's elevators were to be closed forthwith, and that the reason was the uncertainty respecting the tariff of the present government.

The 'Lake of the Woods' Milling Company has also closed some of its elevators, but this has nothing to do with the tariff. Mr. Meighen said this morning that the elevators of his company were being closed simply and solely because it could not afford to keep them open with the present light deliveries. The farmers are holding their wheat for higher prices and the amount coming out now is not sufficient to pay the men in charge of the elevators. Where the amount of business is sufficient the elevators are kept open. In the meantime, the 'Lake of the Woods' Company has plenty of stock in store, and its mills are running at their full capacity.

WAR ON TAX EXEMPTIONS.

Toronto, Feb. 15.—At the regular meeting of the City Council held last night Alderman Carlyle, on behalf of the sub-committee on tax exemptions secured concurrence in a proposal to call a convention of municipalities of Ontario for the purpose of taking united action for the abolition of all tax exemptions. The alderman hopes thus to be able to bring pressure to bear on the government.

CHAMPLAIN BY-ELECTIONS

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—The Hon. C. A. Geoffrion says that the Liberals are going to make a fight in the Tory stronghold of Champlain made vacant by the election court. The writ for the new election will be issued almost immediately.

LORD AND LADY ABERDEEN.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—The Earl of Aberdeen and party left Chicago last evening for Nashville, Tenn., going by way of Louisville.

SNOW BLOCKADE IN THE WEST.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 16.—The Great Northern Railway is again blockaded by snow and storms in the Cascades.

THOSE RAILWAY SUBSIDIES.

OBJECT OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT FOR CONVERTING THEM INTO CASH.

INTERESTING FACTS IN THE POSSESSION OF THE DOMINION RULERS.

Quebec, Feb. 16.—In connection with the rumor that the Laurier Government intend to disallow the law passed last session by the Quebec Legislature for the conversion of the railway land subsidies, it is now stated that Mr. Laurier and his colleagues will not do so without first instituting an enquiry, which will be moved for and granted on the opening of parliament at Ottawa. It is said that the government is in possession of facts going to show that the Flynn Government's chief object in getting this law passed is to raise an electoral fund of at least two hundred and fifty thousand dollars and that the interested railway companies are being squeezed and blackmailed for this purpose to such an extent that some of them have 'kicked,' while complaints on the subject have been laid before the Ottawa Government by Liberals forming part of them. It is also stated that the Federal Government's right to interfere and demand the proposed investigation is based on the fact that it has also largely subsidized most of the railways affected, which gives it an equal interest in their completion. Moreover, a precedent for such intervention was created by the Conservatives themselves both at Ottawa and Quebec when they encouraged and allowed the Senate to institute an enquiry into the expenditure of the Baie des Chaleurs railway subsidies in the late Mr. Mercier's time.

LEVEL OF THE GREAT LAKES.

INTERESTING PROPOSAL BY CHICAGO MEN FOR MAINTAINING IT.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—The Lincoln Club yesterday discussed the improvements necessary to maintain the water commerce of Chicago. It was represented that the water in Lakes Michigan, Erie and Huron had receded more than two feet during the last ten years, and resolutions were passed urging Congress to adopt improvements in the direction of damming Niagara river, to retain the proper grade of water in the lakes. A committee was appointed to interest other cities in the movement. Mr. J. S. Dunham, superintendent, said last night that he believed the water in Lake Michigan had fallen at least eighteen inches in the last ten years, and possibly more.' The scheme of the Lincoln Club for dams in the Niagara river is one that I advocated myself twelve years ago. I believe the plan to be a good one.'

SALMON TRAPPING.

SHARP PRACEICE OF UNITED STATES' FISHERMEN.

Vancouver, B.C., Feb. 16.—A couple of British Columbia members of the Canadian Parliament representing the salmon canners are over in Washington state trying to persuade the State Legislature to pass a law prohibiting salmon trapping at Port Roberts, just over the line. The traps used by the United States fishermen cost as high as twenty-five thousand or thirty thousand dollars. They are placed in the way of the salmon as they swarm up the Fuca Straits, heading for the British Columbia rivers. Millions of them are captured in this way and taken to the American canneries. As a consequence the British Columbia fishermen are seriously handicapped and the more so as they are allowed to use only big mesh nets in their own operations.

SIR CHARLES TUPPER BACK.

Halifax, N.S., Feb. 16.—Sir Charles Tupper and Lady Tupper, who arrived from England on the mail steamer 'Mongolian' last night, drove at once to the residence of the Hon. Dr. Parker, Dartmouth, where they will be guests for a few days before leaving for Ottawa. Sir Charles told your correspondent that he was in the best of health, and had enjoyed the voyage and his trip in England very much. Sir Charles will remain a day or two in Halifax before proceeding west.

THE BONAVENTURE VACANCY.

Quebec, Feb. 16.—Mr. F. X. Lemieux, M.P.P. for Bonaventure will likely be the Liberal candidate for the vacant federal seat for that county. Strong pressure is being brought to bear upon him to accept the nomination.

GENERALLY FAIR AND MILD.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Feb. 16.—11 a.m.—The following are the minimum temperatures: Calgary, 18; Edmonton, 6, Qu'Appelle, zero; Winnipeg, 6 below; Port Arthur, 6 below; Toronto, 20; Ottawa, 11; Montreal, 20; Quebec, 16; Halifax, 26. Probabilities for the next twenty-four hours: Generally fair; not much change in temperature.

Readings by Hearn & Harrison's standard barometer at noon to-day: 29.75. Yesterday: 29.88. To-day: Temperature: Max. 31; min., 23. Yesterday: Max., 35; min., 21.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

Notices of births, marriages and deaths must invariably be endorsed with the name and address of the sender, or otherwise no notice can be taken of them. Birth notices are inserted for 25c, marriage notices for 50c, death notices for 25c prepaid. The announcement of funeral appended to death notice, 25c extra; other extension to obituary, such as short sketch of life, two cents per word extra, except poetry, which is 50 cents per line extra—prepaid.

Annual subscribers may have announcements of births, marriages and deaths (without extended obituary or verse) occurring in their immediate families, free of charge, in which case name and address of subscribers should be given.

BIRTHS.

PELLEY—On Feb. 13, at 16½ Vallee street, to Mr. and Mrs. H. Pelley, a son. 15

MARRIED.

REID—THOMPSON.—On the 13th inst., by the Rev. D. Winter, pastor of Western Methodist Church, Ottawa, James Reid of Chelsea, Que., to Emma Thompson of Ottawa. 15

STONEMAN—WILLIAMS.—On Feb. 11, 1897, in the Methodist Church, Listowel, Ont., by the Rev. William Williams, D.D., assisted by the Rev. T. Albert Moore of Palmerston, and Rev. W. Cooper of Listowel, Mr. John G. Stoneman of Kirkton, merchant, to Mary Evelyn, only daughter of the Rev. Dr. Williams of Listowel, Ont. 16

DIED.

AMIOT.—In this city, on the 15th inst., in her 63rd year, Mrs. Domithilde Contant, widow of the late Mr. Antoine Amiot, and beloved mother of Messrs. Oscar, Ovide, and Albert Amiot, and of Mrs. Fred C. Lariviere.

Funeral from her residence, No. 446 Berri street, between Cherrier and Sherbrooke streets, on Thursday the 18th inst., at 7.30 a.m., to the Church of St. Louis de France, thence to Cote Des Neiges Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation. 15

ALMA.—At Toronto, on Feb. 13, 1897, after a short illness, Julia E. F. Alma, dearly beloved wife of Pedro Alma of the Department of Crown Lands, Toronto, and granddaughter of the Hon. John W. Willson. 16

TTERELL.—On Feb. 13, 1897, at 386 O'Connor street, Ottawa, Henry A. Botterell, second son of Edward Botterell, Distribution Office, House of Commons, in his 38th year. 16

ACK.—At the residence of his brother, (Ernest A. Black) No. 10 Dalhousie street, Ottawa, on Feb. 12, 1897, Arthur William Black, general storekeeper Pacific Division C. P. Ry., Vancouver, B.C., in his 36th year. 15

CLARK.—At his late residence, Hawkesbury, on Feb. 8, George Clark, aged 81 years, a native of Biggar, Lanarkshire, Scotland, and for 25 years an elder in St. Paul's Church, Hawkesbury.

Lanarkshire papers please copy. 16

CAMERON.—Suddenly, at 505 Cooper street, Ottawa, on Feb. 11, 1897, Elizabeth S. Truman, beloved wife of A. W. Cameron, Esq., Department of Railways and Canals. 15

DUMONTIER.—At Quebec, on Feb. 12, 1897, F. X. Dumontier, cooper, at the age of 86 years and two months. 15

GRANT.—In this city, on Monday, the 15th inst., of bronchial pneumonia, James Church, youngest son of Alexander Grant, aged one year and seven months.

Funeral private. 16

GALE.—At Quebec, on Feb. 11, 1897, Martha Goldsworthy, widow of the late John V. Gale, in her ninety-first year. 15

HOPE.—On the 11th inst., at Lachute, P.Q., suddenly, of heart failure, Jane Innes, dearly beloved wife of John Hope, aged 48 years, deeply regretted.

Morayshire (Scotland) papers please copy 15

LITTLE.—At her residence, 'Woodlands,' Westmount, Montreal, on the 12th inst., Anne Little, widow of James Little, formerly of Caledonia, Ont., in her 93rd year.

Funeral private, by request. 15

LANGLEY.—At Ottawa, on Feb. 15, 1897, Rebecca Graham, widow of the late Jas. Langley, aged 80 years. 16

MACDONALD.—In this city, on the 16th inst., in his 88th year, Duncan J. Macdonald, grocer, of 73 Wellington street.

Funeral from his late residence, No. 89 Prince street, on Thursday, 18th inst., at 2.30 p.m. Friends will please accept this intimation. 16

MACKENZIE.—At Melbourne, on the morning of the 15th inst., Jane Mackenzie, relict of the late Roderick Mackenzie, (Hudson's Bay Co.), in the 70th year of her age. 16

MORRISON.—At Tryon, P.E.I., on Jan. 24, 1897, Janie A. Lord, aged 37 years, beloved wife of R. P. Morrison. She lived to adorn the doctrine of her Saviour, and her end was peace. 15

McARTHUR.—At Montreal West, on Sunday, Feb. 14, Thomas Ritchie, infant son to Mr. and Mrs. John McArthur. 15

McNAUGHTON.—At Dewittville, P.Q., on the 13th inst., Jean Booth, relict of Alexander McNaughton, in the 80th year of her age. 15

O'CONNOR—At the General Hospital, Water street, Ottawa, on Feb. 14, 1897, Maud Cave, beloved wife of J. F. O'Connor, P. O. Inspector's Office, in her 28th year. 16

PELLEY.—In this city, at 16½ Vallee street, on Feb. 13, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Pelley. 15

PFEIFFER.—At Quebec, on Feb. 12, 1897, Mr. E. A. Pfeiffer, senior, aged 58 years. 15

PORTEOUS.—At 560 Bourgeois street, on Feb. 13, Helen May, infant daughter of James Porteous, jr.

Funeral private.

Safe in the arms of Jesus.

ROBERTSON.—At Westmount, on Sunday morning, Feb. 14, Margaret Murray Robertson, daughter o the late Rev. James Robertson, of Sherbrooke.

Funeral private. Friends kindly omit flowers. 15

SIMONS.—At No. 14 St. Andrew street, Upper Town, Quebec, on Feb. 11, 1897, after a lingering illness, borne with Christian fortitude, Helen Kelly, aged 70 years, beloved wife of John Simons. 15

THOMAS.—On Feb. 14, in her 98th year, at the residence of her son-in-law, Rev. Ade Morgan Hensley, Haileybury College, Hertfordshire, England, Frances, widow of the late Rev. Francis Wolferstan Thomas, Rural Dean and Rector of Parkham, Devonshire, England, and mother of Francis Wolferstan Thomas of Montreal. 16

TUGGEY.—On the morning of the 15th inst., at his mother's residence, Notre Dame de Grace, after along illness, William Alfred, third son of the late C. H. Tuggey.

Funeral private.

WYATT.—At Dexter, N.Y., on the 7th inst., G. B. Wyatt, formerly of Hull, Que., in his 55th year.

Funeral took place at Danville, Que., on Wednesday, 10th inst. 16

EARLY CLOSING.

Our stores will close during February at 5.30 p.m., instead of 6 p.m., except on Fridays. The public are kindly requested to do their shopping before that time.

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(1). The design to measure 12 x 9 inches.

(2.) Design must be adaptable to printing in two colors only (red and black on white ground preferred), but other colors or ground may be employed by any competitor.

(3.) A design is required that shall harmonize with the requirements of such catalogue and that shall group well with the words in section 5 given below, making the whole striking and thoroughly effective.

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(6.) Designs to be stamped with a 'nom de plume' by their authors and a sealed envelope giving designer's name and address in full to accompany each.

(7.) Designs to be sent in not later than Feb. 28.

(8.) Designs to be sent flat or rolled, not folded.

(9.) Designs will be submitted to competent authorities for judgment and their decision shall be final.

(10. The amount of the prize will be forwarded to the successful competitor, immediately upon receipt of the judge's award, but The S. Carsley Co., Ltd., do not bind themselves to adopt the prize or any other design submitted.

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WARLIKE PREPARATIONS.

New York, Feb. 16.—A special to the 'Herald' from Panama, says: A letter received by an official here from La Paz, Bolivia, states that the Bolivian Congress will declare war upon Peru. The letter also says there is great activity in military circles in Bolivia. The army is being placed on a war footing, and recruiting has begun throughout the Republic. The general staff is studying the topography of the disputed Peruvian provinces and the Bolivian press publishes documents to plainly show that this territory is undoubtedly a part of Bolivia.

The Daily Witness.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON, FEB. 16.

A CRYSTAL WEDDING.

PLEASANTLY CELEBRATED AT ST. ETIENNE DE BEAUHARNOIS.

St. Etienne de Beauharnois, Feb. 16.—The home of Mr. Anderson, Pine Grove, was the scene of a brilliant entertainment on the evening of Tuesday, the occasion being the celebration of the crystal wedding of his son, James, when the local friends of the family turned out in force, reinforced with large contingents from Beauharnois and Chateauguay, with a complement from Montreal. After a sumptuous supper, with old-time dance and song a joyous evening passed too swiftly away. Amongst those who contributed to the evening's entertainment were Mr. Robert Anderson, violinist; and Mr. Robert Crawford, Montreal; Mr. Berry, eBauharnois, while Miss Wilson, Beauharnois, and Miss Alice Anderson, and Mr. Geo. Edward, Montreal, in turn presided at the piano. The piano duets and solos so well rendered by little Nina and Jamie Anderson showed that musical abilities and training are no longer confined to our cities. The health of bride and bridegroom and the 'Roof tree of Pine Grove' was proposed by Mr. James Smith, Westmount, and Mr. Adam Anderson, Montreal, with musical honors, and feelingly replied to. The presents were numerous and embrace nearly every form and variety which crystal assumes in domestic utility. With 'Auld Lang Syne' and many hearty good wishes, too, soon the rousing cheers and merry sleigh bells of the departing guests broke the still air. The grey dawn of morning announced that another pleasant social reunion had been brought to a close.

MAISONNEUVE TEMPLARS.

Maisonneuve Lodge, I.O.G.T., held a successful meeting last evening under the chairmanship of their Chief Templar, Bro. A. S. Walker. Three new candidates were initiated and two more proposed for membership. Bro. F. Davis was appointed P.C.T., Sister A. Bentley treasurer, and Sister L. Walker deputy marshal for the current term, and Sister Mrs. Walker and Bro. Roche recommended for commissions as Lodge Deputy and Electoral Deputy respectively. Delegates were appointed to represent the lodge at the provincial prohibition convention and at the public meeting in connection with the Grand Council, R. T. of T. The Electoral Deputy called the attention of the brothers to the revision of the voters' lists now in progress, and promised to forward to each a list of the commissioners to whom applications for registration should be made.

SHORTAGE OF THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Butler, Ind., Feb. 16.—Mr. Ernest has filed a report of his examination of the books of De Kalb County, and finds several officials short thirty thousand dollars. Of this sum, the ex-treasurer, Fair, is charged with nearly $12,000; the ex-auditor, Coffin Berry, $5,400; the ex-clerk, Moody, $2,700. The names of the others who are short have not yet been made public.

JUDGMENT ON A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT.

Judge Gill rendered judgment, yesterday, in the case of the Corporation of the Village of Verdun vs. McGarvey. This was a claim for $547, as special assessment for the cost of the dyke, constructed by the municipality. The defendant did not plead and judgment was rendered in favor of plaintiff.

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On Wednesday evening next at 8.15 o'clock Prof. Carus-Wilson will lecture in the lecture room of St. Andrew's Church. His subject will be 'Christianity in Central Africa,' with special reference to the work of the British and Foreign Bible Society in Uganda. It will be remembered that he has already lectured on that interesting country to the members of the Montreal branch of the Gleaners' Union, and also at the annual missionary meeting in connection with the Montreal Diocesan Synod. The series of fine stereopticon views which were prepared for those two lectures will again be shown on Wednesday evening, and further information, just received from Uganda, of the eagerness and enthusiasm with which the Scriptures are studied there will be given. The chair will be taken by the Rev. J. Edgar Hill.

We understand that at the request of Canon Dixon, Prof. Carus-Wilson has also promised to lecture on Uganda in St. Jude's parish room on the evening of Friday, Feb. 26. Very great interest in Uganda has been awakened in St. Jude's parish by the fact that one of its church-workers and Sunday-school teachers hopes to go out to Uganda with the next party of C. M. S. missionaries.

FREE LECTURE COURSE.

A course of popular talks on homeopathy in its relation to the dominant school pertaining to the following subjects, will be given at the Montreal Homeopathic Hospital, 44 McGill College avenue, weekly, beginning to-day (Tuesday), Feb. 16, at 8.30 p.m. These lectures will be short and informal, and with a view to bringing the public in closer touch with the tenets of modern medicine will consist of a resumé of the entire field in plain every-day language. The following programme has been prepared, subject to change. Lectures will be given every Tuesday evening during the course.

Homeopathy in its relation to medicine—Tuesday, Feb. 16, Dr. William McHarrie.

Homeopathy in its relation to pathology—Tuesday, Feb. 23, Dr. E. A. Grafton.

Homeopathy in its relation to eye, ear, nose and throat—Tuesday, March 2, Dr. E. M. Morgan.

Homeopathy in its relation to obstetrics and diseases of women and children—Tuesday, March 9, Dr. A. R. Griffith.

Homeopathy in its relation to surgery—Tuesday, March 16, Dr. H. M. Patton.

Homeopathy in its relation to the development of girls and women—Tuesday, March 23, Dr. Laura Muller.

LICENSE OR NO LICENSE.

MONTREAL WEST COUNCIL WILL VOTE UPON IT.

A notice of motion was introduced yesterday by Mr. C. McClatchie in the municipal council of Montreal West prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within the town limits. The motion will be voted upon next Monday. The matter is exciting a great deal of interest in the town, as the members of the council appear very evenly divided upon the question, and as the passing of such a by-law would close up the 'Half-way House.'

MASONIC 'AT HOME.'

ELGIN LODGE CELEBRATE ITS FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

The members of Elgin Lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M., Q. R., celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of its formation by a very enjoyable 'At Home' at the Masonic Temple last evening, when about a hundred and thirty members of the craft and their lady friends attended. Blasi's orchestra furnished the music. Supper was served at midnight, Mr. Griffin being the caterer. Among distinguished Grand Lodge officers present were M. W. Bro. Fred. Massey, Past Grand Master; M. W. Bro. I. H. Stearns, Grand Treasurer, and M. W. Bro. J. H. Isaacson, Grand Secretary. The hall was very prettily decorated for the occasion. The committees who carried out the admirable arrangements were:—

Reception committee—W. Bro. J. S. Jellyman, W.M.; W. Bro. E. H. Blurton, R. W. Bro. H. S. Couper and W. Bro. Chas. McLean.

Floor committee—W. Bro. R. I. Griffin, W. Bro. W. Paterson and R. W. Bro. W. M. Briggs.

Supper committee—W. Bro. J. P. Griffin, Bro. W. T. Goffe and Bro. H. B. Lamb.

Last evening's celebration was in honor of the first election of officers of the lodge on Feb. 15, 1847, the official celebration of the installation ceremonies and completion of the lodge's inauguration taking place on Nov. 16 next.

The officers and members of Zetland Lodge, No. 12, Q.R., will give an 'At Home' in Stanley Hall, St. Catherine street, on Thursday evening, Feb. 25.

RETALIATING AT WINDSOR.

Windsor, Ont., Feb. 16.—Detroit bands and orchestras have been competing with Windsor's talent so much this winter that local musicians asked the customs to enforce some old standing regulations. In these times of retaliation caused by the proposed immigration bill the Customs Department have duly acquiesced. Previous to this several bands had been allowed to bring musical instruments over without duty. Now they have to deposit the value of the instruments with the customs officers when entering the country. Only ninety percent of the amount paid is refunded when they leave here.

THE HAMMOND MURDER TRIAL.

Bracebridge, Ont., Feb. 16.—A special assize for the trial of W. J. Hammond, who is charged with the murder of his wife, Katie Tough Hammond, and which was held over from the regular assizes last June, opened here last evening after the arrival of the five o'clock train from Toronto, before Mr. Justice McMahon. The trial is exciting much interest and a large number of people from the neighboring towns and surrounding country arrived in town to-day to hear the trial. There are over forty witnesses for the Crown and the case will be a very long and interesting one.

The special services which were in progress in the Point St. Charles Baptist Church all last week, will be continued again this week. Much interest is taken in the services.

THE ONTARIO OPPOSITION.

A CHANGE IN THE LEADERSHIP ADVOCATED BY A TORONTO ORGAN.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—The 'World' is out advocating another change in the Opposition leadership in Ontario using the form of a supposed interview with some prominent Conservative. Mr. Clarke Wallace is proposed as the new leader and has been warmly backed for some time by Mr. W. F. McLean, M.P., editor of the 'World.' That Independent Conservative paper says:—'Mr. Wallace might not advocate the abolition of separate schools in Ontario but he would certainly declare for a policy to make them as good as the public schools and to give separate school supporters the same rights, (the ballot, for instance) as the supporters of public schools. The name of a prominent Roman Catholic was mentioned as ready to join Mr. Wallace in attacking the Hardy stronghold. 'But where Mr. Wallace would be strongest of all,' said one gentleman, 'would be in advocating and, if sustained by the electors, in carrying out a vigorous and honest administration of public affairs and a genuine policy of developing the great resources of the province.'

ABDUCTION OF A PRINCESS.

STRANGE STORY FROM BEYOND THE CAUCASUS.

Tiflis, Feb. 16.—Trans-Caucasian society is excited over the abduction of the young, beautiful and rich Princess Marie Tzulukidze, daughter of Prince Samson Tzulukidze of Kutais, one of the wealthiest of the old Georgian families of that part of the Caucasus. The young princess is only seventeen years of age, but notwithstanding her youth had many aspirants for her hand among the impecunious sprigs of nobility of the Province of Kutais. A short time back the young lady with her mother went to a fete given by a member of the family who had a hand in the plot. The usual gaiety of a Georgian fete prevailed, and toasts drunk in the light wine of the Trans-Caucasus added animation to the occasion. But amid the clinking of glasses to the pledge—'Allah-ver-di'—God give you health—and the singing of the Georgian bacchanalian refrain, 'Mraval jamierre,' with which it is the Georgian custom to accompany each toast, neither mother nor daughter had a suspicion of what was coming. Towards the end of the entertainment the lady of the house, under pretence of a headache, left the company, followed by the other ladies present, the young princess straying to a part of the house by herself. Suddenly one of the more audacious of her admirers appeared, and in spite of her cries and struggles, carried her off to a carriage that was in readiness and sped away with her, his flight being covered by his accomplices. The mother, almost beside herself at the loss of her child, started in pursuit, but up to the writing of the news had found no trace of her. The Princess Tzulukidze, mother of the young Princess Marie, is a charming woman of high attainments, speaking English, German and French with fluency, besides Russian and her native Georgian.

A SANITARIUM ON FIRE.

Warsaw, N.Y., Feb. 16.—The Warsaw Sulphur Baths were discovered on fire this morning at ten o'clock. The fire originated in the fourth story of the Sanitarium proper. The Warsaw Fire Department were promptly on hand. The building is a frame structure with dormer windows in the roof. The house was well filled with guests, who were enabled to get their belongings out. The bath-houses and cottages of the sanitarium are detached and are not in danger. The main building is doomed, however. The annual report in January shows the assets of the corporation as worth at least a hundred thousand dollars.

THE TORONTO CLUB SCANDAL.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—Mr. Newsome, ex-president, spoke vigorously at the Conservative Club last night against the report of the executive censuring him for calling the club a rum hole. He positively refused to withdraw any of the charges and asserted that they were true. The upshot was the adoption of a resolution censuring Mr. Newsome, but at the same time praising him for his services to the Club and the Conservative party. Mr. Newsome and his friends treated the resolution with contempt, refusing to go through the form of voting against it.

A TRAIN ROBBER RUN DOWN.

Flagman, Ariz., Feb. 16.—Footsore and weary with his tramp of many days through canyons and over mountains and deserts, and weakened by a fast of fifty hours, James Parker, the bandit who figured in the robbery of the train near Navajo last Monday, was captured yesterday near Apache Springs. Parker offered no resistance, as he was completely played out. His feet had been frozen and were badly blistered. The bandit will be taken to Prescott to-night, where he will be tried under the territorial law which makes train robbery a capital crime. Parker has nothing to say, and refuses to implicate others.

BUSINESS TROUBLES.

Joseph Juneau, contractor, has assigned at the demand of Maurice Barsalou, with liabilities of about $6,000.

WILL COST THREE MILLIONS.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 16.—According to Mr. Chase S. Osborne, who has just returned to the 'Soo' from Washington, a syndicate has been organized to complete the St. Mary's Falls Water Power Company canal, at an estimated expense of three million dollars. It will be 250 feet wide and have 60,000 horse-power. The old company got the right of way for a canal three miles long and spent about four hundred thousand dollars, but were stopped by the hard times. Mr. F. H. Clerque bought out the bondholders at a nominal figure, and has now succeeded in making contracts with the Cramps of Philadelphia, the Shipley Trust Company, the Chicago Gas Company and other big concerns which were to have factories on the canal. The Cramps will establish a shipyard. Contracts for the completion of the canal will be let this spring. There is a company on the Canadian side called the Lake Superior Power Company, which is running a large pulp mill, and it is proposed to have one on the American side also, and also transmit power. It is estimated that the stream represents 190,000 horse-power at that point. It has a fall of eighteen feet in 3,000 feet of distance at the rapids.

A WATER SUPPLY CASE.

Judge Pagnuelo rendered judgment this morning in the case of Walter Wilshire vs. the corporation of the village of St. Louis du Mile End, and the corporation of St. Louis vs. the Montreal Water and Power Company. The principal plaintiff, a florist, brought out the present action to recover $4,225 damages on account of loss sustained through the municipality not having furnished him the water necessary to cultivate his flowers and plants and carry on his business generally. The corporation of St. Louis, in their turn, called in the Montreal Water and Power Company, with whom they had a contract to furnish water to the residents of the locality. The amount claimed was made up of different items, and the Court held that the plaintiff was entitled to recover $2,500 damages from the municipality, which amount the Montreal Water and Power Company were in their turn obliged to reimburse to the corporation of St. Louis du Mile End.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY MISSION.

COMMENCEMENT OF ANNUAL MEETINGS TO-DAY.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Montreal Woman's Auxiliary opened to-day at the Synod Hall on University street. There was an opening service in Christ Church Cathedral at eleven a.m., at which His Lordship Bishop Bond delivered an address.

The first meeting was held this afternoon in the Synod Hall at three o'clock, the president of the Mission, Mrs. Albert Holden, occupying the chair.

A public missionary meeting, with a lecture on China, illustrated with limelight views, by Prof. Steen of the Diocesan Theological College, will be held in the Synod Hall to-night at eight o'clock, to which the public are cordially invited. The meetings will extend over to-morrow and Thursday.

AN INSTANTER JUDGMENT.

Judge Archibald rendered an instanter judgment this morning in the case of L. F. Larose vs. Emery Fauteux. Plaintiff and defendant had been employed jointly by the municipality of St. Henri in valuing properties in cases of expropriation, and Larose claimed $150 from his co-worker as the amount due him by virtue of an arrangement between them, as he had done nearly all the work. The Court held that plaintiff had failed to prove his claim, and the action was dismissed.

A BOOK SOCIAL.

The Young People's Society of Bethlehem Congregational Church, Westmount, had a well attended meeting last night at which a very instructive paper on electricity was read by Mr. Hill. The book social of the society has been postponed till Tuesday of next week, when a very pleasant entertainment will be provided. The admission fee will be a book suitable for the Sunday-school library to be presented at the door. All are invited.

WAS INJURED IN A TRENCH.

An action for $400 damages has been taken against the Standard Light and Power Company by A. Loignon. The plaintiff was employed laying the conduits of the company defendant on Notre Dame street, and he alleges that while working in a trench four feet deep, where the sides were not protected by boards, the earth caved in and he sustained injuries for which he now claims the abovementioned amount of damages.

A FARMER WANTS INDEMNITY.

Emery Campeau of St. Clet, has entered an action claiming $500 damages from the Ontario & Quebec Railway Company on account of his property having been flooded in consequence of the construction of the railway.

DOMINION ALLIANCE.

A special meeting of the executive of the Quebec Provincial Branch of the Dominion Alliance is called for Thursday afternoon at four o'clock at the Alliance office, 214 St. James street, the special business being to complete arrangements for the Provincial Convention next week. Every member is requested to attend.

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AN EAST INDIAN KNIGHT.

HIS BRAVE AND NOBLE ACT.

Major-General Younghusband writes to the London 'Times': 'May I hope that you will find space in your columns for the following extract of a letter received by last mail from Captain Leslie Younghusband, Inspecting Officer Imperial Troops:—

'That poor boy of the Central India Horse, Cadell, died here (Jodhpur) in the house of enteric fever. These men here did what I suppose no other natives in India of their class would have done, when there was not any absolute necessity for it, and for almost a stranger, simply because he was a soldier. Sir Pertab Singh, his brother, and two other officers helped Mayne and I to put Cadell into his coffin and to carry the coffin down stairs to the carriage, and again at the cemetery. You know what this is for a high-caste Hindu to do.

'We had an escort of cavalry. Mayne read the service.

'The Resident and one or two more who belong to this place were away in camp.'

The Sir Pertab Singh above-mentioned is Maharajah Pertab Singh, K.C.S.I., the regent of the Jodhpur State, Rajputana, and uncle of the ruler, who is a minor. He is a man of the highest caste and bluest blood in India, the genealogy of the family going back to before the Christian era.

Lieutenant Cadell was not a British official employed at Jodhpur, he was not a personal friend of the Maharajah, but he was a brother soldier. Those who have lived in India know how powerful must have been Sir Pertab Singh's resolutions when he broke through the laws of his caste in th action he took. Putting this aside, I do not think we can withhold our admiration from the Regent of a State who, with his brother, personally aids in the last sad offices to a British officer. There is a thrilling incident related by Lord Roberts in his Life (page 458, second volume) of an encounter on foot with a wild boar and the author and Sir Pertab Singh, where the latter was severely wounded.

LESSOR AND LESSEE.

Judge Doherty rendered judgment this morning in the case of Mrs. John Foley vs. Dr. Edward J. C. Kennedy. The plaintiff claimed from defendant the sum of a hundred and twenty dollars, being the yearly rental, from May last, of a room in her house on Ottawa street. The action was based on the ground that the doctor not having given due notice that he wished to discontinue the occupation of the premises, the lease was tacitly renewed. The defendant pleaded that he had given the required notice, and that, moreover, the plaintiff was indebted to him in a sum of fifty-five dollars for professional services. The Court held that defendant had failed to establish the allegations of his plea and plaintiff proved the tacit continuation of the lease. However, as at the time when the action was taken only two months' rent was due, and a resiliation of the lease was not asked for, judgment must go in favor of plaintiff for twenty dollars only, her recourse for any future claim being reserved.

WAR ON VAGRANTS AND LOAFERS.

THE BURLY BEGGAR MUST MOVE ON.

Chief Detective Carpenter's war against loafers knocking around the city still continues and his intentions are clearly shown by the work accomplished by his men last night.

James O'Keefe, alias Young, was arrested on St. Antoine street west on the charge of accosting persons on the street and demanding money. Mr. Lafontaine, in the Police Court, condemned him to two months' imprisonment.

A stranger named Thomas Kelley, arrested by Constables Picard and Logan on the charge of vagrancy and suspicion of larceny, was allowed two hours to leave the city.

Joseph Boileau, a carpenter, of no fixed place of abode, was sent to jail for two months for vagrancy.

William Evans received one month for the same offence. He was found loitering on Tupper street and he is well-known to the police as a bad character.

LOSS OF A FINGER.

Miss K. Rush has entered an action claiming $1,000 damages from the Chanteloup Manufacturing Company for the loss of a finger, which was crushed by a punching machine at which she was working in defendant's service.

A SUSPICIOUS DEATH.

A STRANGE CASE ON RIVET STREET.

Mrs. Favreau, living at 10 Rivet street, was found dead in her house at about six o'clock yesterday evening under somewhat suspicious circumstances. The body was discovered with a broom in its hand, although it did not appear that the house required sweeping; there were, moreover, marks of violence on the face. Mrs. Favreau's neighbors state that on Saturday last a strange man called at the house of the deceased and asked for something to eat. On being given some bread he refused to accept it and abused Mrs. Favreau for offering it to him. He then left the house. Mrs. Favreau used to be quite alone during the day, her husband being out at work, and it was quite easy for any one to enter the house from the rear. The coroner was communicated with and will hold an inquest to-morrow morning at ten o'clock; meanwhile, Dr. Wyatt Johnson will make an autopsy on the remains.

THE CORONER AND THE CRANK.

Coroner McMahon, in his capacity as Recorder of Westmount, had a strange individual brought before him this morning by the police of that municipality. He had been found concealed in a hayloft at the rear of a grocery store at the corner of Metcalfe and St. Catherine streets. He was unable to give any satisfactory account of himself beyond that he was called 'Castor Oil,' and came from Ottawa. In age the man was about fifty and either is or was pretending to be insane. As nothing coherent could be obtained from him Mr. McMahon remanded him to jail for a few days where an examination will be made as to his mental condition.

ACCIDENT AT MILE END.

The Notre Dame Hospital was called yesterday afternoon to 113 Casgrain street, Mile End, for Frank Touchy, a mason who had had his head caught between a waggon and the wall of a shed, sustaining a very severe scalp wound. The skin of his head was cut from the back of the head to the front, and a great number of stitches had to be made in the dressing of the wound at the hospital. He is now making very fair progress towards recovery.

HOPE OF THE FOREST CIRCLE, 117.

On Thursday, the 18th instant, this Circle will celebrate their fourth anniversary in Unity Hall, 1149 Notre Dame street, by partaking of a dinner. When this circle was instituted, the Companions of the Forest, were only a recognized part of the Ancient Order of Foresters in name. During the past year a change was made; so that to-day the members of the Companions are part of the A.O.F.; the Executive Council have the responsibility of the Ladies' branch added to their burdens. Court Unity is the tree from which this branch sprung, as a branch; and as a natural consequence they have a lively interest in the welfare of the circle. In the celebration of this anniversary, part of the committee is from the Court, the rest from amorg the ladies of the circle. They are working energetically to make it a success, the ladies vying with the gentlemen, as to who can do the most toward this end.

PROFANITY IN RAILWAY CARS.

It is very important that the duties and powers of railway conductors in cases of the use of indecent and profane language in railway cars, should be clearly defined. In a case decided by the court of last resort in the State of Maine, the court held, that the use of indecent or profane language by a passenger in a railway car, is a breach of the peace and a crime, for which a person may be punished by fine and imprisonment. And the conductor of the car may immediately arrest any person guilty of such a breach of the peace and hold him, until a warrant can be obtained or he can be placed in custody of the proper officers of the law. Or the conductor may remove a person guilty of such a breach of the peace from the car. And in the exercise of this right the conductor acts as a police officer, and whenever indecent or profane language is used in his car, it is his duty to check it at once, and he will be guilty of a breach of duty if he fails to do so. It is his duty to vindicate the authority of the law which forbids the use of such language in a street car or any other public place.

SHIPPING.

The SS. Fulda, from New York, arrived at Gibraltar this (Tuesday) morning.

The SS. Alcidos, from St. John, N.B., passed Malin Head, yesterday, for Glasgow.

The SS. Empress of Japan arrived at Yokohama, yesterday, morning, from Vancouver.

The Thomson Line SS. Iona, from Portland, on Jan. 26, passed Dover on the 12th instant and reports her shipment of live stock (352 cattle and 159 horses), in good condition, except three horses, which died on the passage.

The Allan Line R.M.S. Mongolian, which arrived at Halifax, N.S., yesterday (Monday) evening, from Liverpool, brought out the following cabin passengers:—Mr. C. W. Bradley, Mr. G. M. Bullen Smith, Mr. R. Bickerdike, Mrs. L. A. Hamilton, Mrs. and Miss Mitchell Innes and maid, Mr. G. E. Mulichamp, Mr. Hector McNeil, Capt. G. H. Rook, Mrs. Reeves, Miss F. Reeves, Mr. J. D. Shields, Sir Charles Tupper, Lady Tupper, Mr. R. H. Williams, and twenty-seven intermediate and fifty steerage passengers.

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At a large meeting of the quarterly board of the Mount Royal Avenue Methodist Church, it was moved, seconded and carried, enthusiastically, that this board, realizing the success which has attended the labors of our esteemed pastor, the Rev. W. J. Wood, extend to him a cordial invitation to return to us for another year, feeling assured that we have just entered on a year which promises large things and we trust that the conference may concur in the invitation.'

MOCK PARLIAMENT.

The subject of debate at this evening's session in the Natural History Rooms will be certain resolutions indicating the government's policy respecting the live question of Imperial Federation. The public are welcome and invited to attend as usual.

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Opening service with Holy Communion and address by the Bishop in the Cathedral, on Tuesday, 16th. First day, at 11 a.m., Public Missionary Meeting, with Lecture on China illustrated by Lime Light Views by Professor Steen of the Diocesan Theological College, in the Synod Hall, at 8 p.m. (same day.) All are invited. 15

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By order of the Companion in Command.

W. BENTON, Scribe.

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Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Canada Accident Assurance Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, No. 20 St. Alexis street, Montreal, on WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of Feb. instant at 12 o'clock noon, for the transaction of such business as may properly come before the meeting.

T. H. HUDSON, Secretary and Manager

February 5th, 1897.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18.

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

IN CONNECTION WITH

THE McGILL NORMAL SCHOOL.

The February Meeting will be held in the Normal School on Thur., 18th, at 8 p.m.

Programme.

Part Songs—a. 'Now May Again' .. ..
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LADIES' QUARTETTE.
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MONDAY

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The Daily Witness.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1897.

MELANCHTHON.

Four hundred years ago to-day was born the man who, on the high authority of Hallam, has been called 'far above all others the founder of general learning throughout Europe.' Not for that, however, but because he was the constructor of their theology, of their church polity and to a large extent of their educational system, the Germans, with their notable love of commemorative festivals, are celebrating the day. Philip Melanchthon's father, who was a godly and prosperous armorer, might be looked upon, in view of his calling, as the impersonation of the age then passing away, while his mother's uncle Reuchlin, whose disciple he was, was the very genuis of the Renaissance. The Renaissance was the rediscovery of the classics, as the Reformation was of the Scriptures. Reuchlin had learned Greek from some of those refugee scholars who were scattered from Constantinople when that capital of the eastern empire was occupied by the Turks, and had bribed certain Jews to teach him Hebrew. It was he who in the spirit of the time changed the name of his young relative Schwartzerd into its Greek form of Melanchthon, both words meaning black earth. It was under his tutelage that the wonderful boy took his degree of Bachelor of Arts at Heidelberg at the age of fourteen, and having already published at Tubingen a Greek grammar, was appointed to a Greek professordship in the University of Wittenberg as the junior of Dr. Martinus Eleutherus, or in simpler words, Martin Luther. A layman, feeble of body and stammering of tongue, he soon became the centre of European scholarship and the shaper of the theological thought of Germany, and not of Germany only. He was in his first years an editor of Greek and Latin plays, and had he not found himself so near to Luther might have been no more. Hating nothing more than controversy, but, unlike Erasmus, loyal to and valiant for the truth, as far as he was convinced of it, he was at the age of twenty-two at Luther's side when he first publicly defended his doctrines in debate with conservative theologians at Leipsig, and at the crisis of the Reformation appeared as its champion at Augsburg. He acted St. John to Luther's St. Peter; his gentle courtesy was in effective contrast to his impetuous leader's savage polemics. The Augsburg confession, the authoritative standard of the Lutheran churches, which clergymen, professors and other state officials have to sign to this day, was his crowning work. It was prepared for the protesting princes, to be presented by them to the Emperor Charles V., in reply to his demand upon them to show cause why they disputed papal authority. That declaration was essentially an irenicon, like everything that fell from Melanchthon. It made for peace, and brought on him the condemnation of radical reformers. It went no further than a conservative and gentle soul thought absolutely necessary, and probably resulted in a more complete adoption by nations than had it broken more completely with the past. Though sought to by scholars from all over Europe as one of the greatest lights of a great age, Melanchthon declined even university honors and scholastic preferments. He married Katherina Krapp, and had a holy and happy home. Pictures of him survive by both Cranach and Durer, his contemporaries and neighbors.

A DOUBLE BATTLE.

Thirty-seven Prohibitory Alliance candidates were elected to the New Zealand Legislature as a result of the prohibition battle there in December on the same day that the no-license plebiscite was taken. As we recently noted, the temperance vote recorded had increased in two and a half years from forty-nine thousand to ninety-six thousand. This, however, was not the most significant outcome, for out of a total of seventy seats only twenty-nine candidates of the so-called Liberty League were elected, as against thirty-seven Alliance candidates and four who are not claimed by either side. Had it not been for the overconfidence of a section of the prohibitionists in one constituency (Wellington), who ran an independent candidate and thus divided the temperance vote, the Liberty League would have had another defeat. The remarkable success of the Prohibitory Alliance in the election of prohibition candidates to the New Zealand Legislature is further emphasized by the triumphant return of Sir Robert Stout, president of the Alliance. It will be noticed that the contest was a double one. The prohibitionists set out to elect a majority to the new legislature and at the same time to outlaw the liquor traffic. They based their hopes of success upon the phenomenal enthusiasm of the temperance meetings throughout the colony and upon the supplementary fact, which they considered made complete triumph assured, that in New Zealand women have the right of suffrage. The prohibitionists did not fight on party lines. The election of thirty-seven of their candidates fully justified the expectations of the Alliance leaders and safeguarded the temperance legislation of the past which provides for a plebiscite on the temperance question at every general election until the liquor traffic shall have been voted out of existence by a three-fifths majority or the law shall have been changed. To Canadian prohibitionists such an object lesson abounds with interest and instruction.

AN AUTHORITATIVE OPINION.

Mr. Blake's opinion of the Manitoba school settlement should be read by every person who for any reason entertains a doubt as to its wisdom or whether it should stand. Mr. Blake was the author of the Dominion Act which provided for the appeal of the minority of Manitoba from the educational legislation of its own province to the Dominion Parliament, and he was the senior counsel for that minority before the Privy Council. His opinion should therefore have not only the weight of a great authority in general, and of a paramount authority on this particular question, but should have consideration on the part of the bishops and on the part of the minority as the counsel of a friend. Mr. Blake has convinced the world of the judicial character of his mind. He is on the parliamentary committee which will inquire into the Transvaal raid, and he was chosen by the government and railway companies of New Zealand to arbitrate between them, and his decision was accepted without a murmur of dissent on either side. Of the rare independence of mind and disinterestedness of character he has given ample proof in his career, especially at the time he severed his connection with the Liberal party of Canada and when he joined the Home Rule party of Ireland. It will be admitted, therefore, we suppose, even by Archbishop Langevin and his most extreme supporters that Mr. Blake's opinion is an honest, disinterested and authoritative one.

Now, what is Mr. Blake's opinion? The bishops claim that according to the decision of the Privy Council the Province of Manitoba or the Dominion Parliament by remedial legislation was bound to restore the separate school system, and that that was the only constitutional remedy. Now, what does Mr. Blake, who argued their case before the Privy Council, say? He quotes the Privy Council's decision in an exactly opposite sense and, moreover, declares that he did not and could not have attempted ever to convince the Privy Council that they ought to make any such decision in the case. Here are Mr. Blake's words:—

So far from indicating any impression that the Roman Catholic minority are entitled to be restored to the old position, the judgment says: "It is certainly not essential that the statute repealed by the Act in 1890 should again be made law." And I am sure that, if in order to succeed in the appeal, I had found it necessary to maintain such a position, I should have failed in my attempt.

Not only does Mr. Blake declare that no such decision was ever given or could have been given by the Privy Council, but he gives it as his opinion that the Dominion Parliament would have been extremely unwise had it attempted the restoration of the separate school system by remedial legislation. In fact, Mr. Blake approves of the settlement of the question reached between the Dominion and Provincial parliaments, and says:—

And having considered the provisions of the settlement now under discussion, I think them infinitely more advantageous to the Roman Catholic minority than any remedial bill which it is in the power of the Parliament of Canada to force upon the Province of Manitoba.

Surely, the bishops of the Roman Catholic Church ought to pay some attention to the opinions of men like Sir Donald Smith and Mr. Edward Blake on such a question. That the Governor-General in his position as the supreme magistrate of the Dominion, the representative of Her Majesty, should also, in order to the peace and good government of Canada, have persuaded his advisers to seek a friendly agreement with Manitoba rather than resort to coercive remedial legislation which might loosen the bonds of confederation, ought to go some way in convincing the Roman Catholic hierarchy that, as Mr. Blake says, a friendly settlement is infinitely more advantageous to the Roman Catholic minority than any remedial bill. If the Roman Catholic bishops were wise they would issue a mandement ordering Mr. Blake's opinion to be read in all the churches. If they wanted the true character of the settlement to be understood and peace to prevail that is what they would do. And it is in order to prevent their creating further trouble, which can only be fruitless, by declaring in the churches that the Privy Council ordered one thing and the Laurier Government did something else, that the government is trying to induce the Pope to prevent the bishops from taking the mistaken course they are doing in the name of the Roman Catholic Church. The government is not submitting the settlement to the decision of the Pope. The settlement is reached and will stand no matter what the Pope may do or the bishops either. But the Pope can, by exercising his authority, prevent the bishops from resorting to a holy war in this province which would set race against race in the end and retard the prosperity and progress of the Dominion. The English Opposition organs which misrepresent Mr. Blake's opinion and encourage the bishops are acting an unpatriotic and infatuated part.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

PATRONS OF INDUSTRY AND GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—The question of the abolition of Government House will be brought up at this session by the Patrons. It will be remembered that an agitation began two years ago, and at that time an investigation committee was appointed, but the report was presented too late for any discussion. Mr. Haycock has put on the order paper a question asking what has been done about Government House, and will urge that some steps be taken at once.

Yesterday afternoon the committees of the Legislature were appointed, and a new committee to be called the Legal Committee, added to the list. The chairmen will be as follows:—Private Bills, the Hon. J. M. Gibson; Railways, the Hon. Mr. Bronson; Public Accounts, the Hon. Mr. Davis; Standing Orders, Dr. Mackay; Printing, Mr. Stratton. The Hon. Mr. Harcourt will probably be chairman of the Legal Committee, and there may be some difficulty about the Municipal Committee. Mr. Hardy has always been chairman, but it is the custom that the Premier shall not act as chairman. There is no one else on the Liberal side, however, especially qualified for the position, and the Premier may have to take it.

A bill was introduced which has for its purpose the lessening of the number of town councillors. The bill provides that in towns of over four thousand inhabitants the council shall consist of a mayor and two councillors to be elected by general vote, and two councillors for each ward. The council of towns of four thousand and under is to consist of a mayor and six councillors to be elected by general vote, and the council of every incorporated village of a reeve and four councillors to be elected by general vote, and the council of every township is to consist of a reeve and four councillors who shall be elected by general vote where the township is not divided into wards, and where the township is divided into wards, of a reeve who shall be elected by general vote, and one councillor to be elected from each ward.

MR. MORGAN CHOSEN.

Sorel, Que., Feb. 16.—The adjourned Conservative convention took place yesterday at the Hotel Brunswick. A large number of delegates were present. Three names were brought before the meeting, resulting in the following vote:—Mr. E. A. D. Morgan, 31; Mr. J. B. Vanasse, 16, and Mr. L. Morin, 21. A second vote gave Mr. Morgan, 44, Mr. Morin, 23; and Mr. Morgan was declared chosen.

NEW PARSONAGE AT MANSONVILLE.

THE OPENING CELEBRATED IN AN INTERESTING MANNER.

Mansonville, Que., Feb. 16.—A most auspicious occasion in the history of the Methodist people of Mansonville, was the opening of their new parsonage, on the evening of Tuesday last. An oyster supper, with accompanying refreshments, served to suit the taste of a fastidious epicurean, was partaken of by a goodly number in the basement of their pretty church, after which the parsonage was opened for inspection, entertainment and profitable conversation. A fair representation of the circuit was present. In the parlor, the old hymn, 'Oh, think of the home over there,' was sung, after which the report of the building committee was read by the pastor, the Rev. C. A. Sykes, appended by some congratulatory remarks upon the way that committee had performed its duty.

The Rev. R. Corrigan, the former pastor, under whose ministry the inauguration of the building was set in motion, followed with an address, concisely put, relating an account of the counsel for the obtaining of the building plans, and their procuration, with small expense; and casting a retrospective glance upon the past five or six years, during which time a debt of $1,600 had been paid upon a church, subsequently destroyed by fire, and replaced by a handsome new edifice, with freedom from debt; and, notwithstanding this financial burden, this second attribute of their zeal, generosity and self-sacrifice had been added to their church property at the cost of $1,200, with the expense almost covered by their subscriptions. In balancing the record of their difficulties and achievements, he felt that they had great cause for encouragement.

Mr. Nelson Boright, Mayor of the town, in a few stirring words, laudatory of Mr. L. J. Bourne, inspector of the building, said that the heartfelt gratitude of the people was due to that gentleman for his diligent and unselfish oversight of the parsonage during its process of erection. He had devoted his entire time to the work, and had asked small recompense, with this result that the total cost was much less than the original estimate.

The Rev. Mr. Dixon, Baptist minister, in a few words complimented the people on the result of their endeavors.

During the evening some instrumental selections fell lightly from the fingers of Mrs. W. Ives of Georgeville, Quebec, and Mr. and Mrs. Corrigan led the thoughts of the people to God by singing sweetly the praises of the master whom they love to serve.

The happy company of about a hundred persons dispersed at about eleven p.m. The parsonage has a fine situation on the church plot, and commands a fine view of the surrounding country. It has a cottage roof, is a two-storied house, well-finished throughout and contains the latest improved furnace and waterwork conveniences.

LAWLESSNESS IN MONTREAL.

(To the Editor of the 'Witness.')

Sir,—As it appears Montreal must suffer from lawlessness and violence as the price of want of competent police control, it is well that the victim—as victim had to be—occupies a position of prominence and is not some poor or unknown person, whose wrongs can be safely 'hustled' out of sight. Very possibly Mr. Drinkwater wishes he had not been the prominent person, but if this, that might well have been a fatal attack, arouses the very laggard sense of the rich and more powerful amongst us to the danger rich and poor are alike in when following their ordinary avocations through the streets of our city, it will prove a blessing, even if in disguise, and result ultimately in placing the right men in authority. 'VERITAS.'

Knowlton, Feb. 11, 1897.

C. M. S. GLEANERS' UNION.

The fourth monthly meeting of the Montreal branch of the Gleaners' Union will take place on Friday next, Feb. 19, in the Synod Hall. The chair will be taken at eight o'clock punctually by L. H. Davidson, Esq., Q.C., and a lecture on North-West Canada will be delivered by Dr. Frank Adams, Professor of Geology at McGill University. His account of the missionary work of the Church of England in the most remote parts of the Dominion will be illustrated by stereopticon views, many of which have just been brought to Montreal by members of the Geological Survey. The music will, as usual, be under the direction of the Ladies' Choir of the Gleaners' Union. By special request this meeting will be open, without tickets, to all interested in Anglican missions.

THE MUSIC OF 'RUDENS.'

The music of 'Rudens,' the Latin play to be performed by McGill College students, this week, has been greatly written for the harp, and to Mrs. Parratt has been allotted this part of the accompaniments. Mrs. Parratt played the harp parts in the orchestra at the last Handel and Haydn concert, and received much praise for her performance, so the harp music of the play is in capable hands.

WOMAN'S ART ASSOCIATION.

The third lecture of the Woman's Art Association course will be given by Mr. Ames, on Thursday, at 4.30 p.m., in the Y.M.C.A. Hall. Mr. Ames has already lectured on the same subject, 'Japan,' but having made a thorough study of the country, he does not need to repeat himself. His lantern views have proved a most interesting addition to the lecture.

COMMERCIAL.

WITNESS OFFICE, Tuesday, Feb. 16, 1897.

WHOLESALE PRICES.

Cable advices to the Board of Trade this Feb. 15th, 57.—Cargoes off coast, wheat and maize, nothing doing; cargoes on passage morning were as follows:—London, Tuesday, wheat steady, maize rather firmer; English country markets, wheat steady. Liverpool spot wheat steady, spot maize firm; Minneapolis first bakers' flour, 23s. Futures, wheat quiet, 6s 3d Feb., 6s 3¼d March, 6s 4½d May, 6s 3¼d July; maize quiet, 2s 6½d Feb., March, 2s 7¼d April, 2s 7¾d May, 2s 8d June, 2s 8d July. Paris, wheat, 22.25 Feb., 22.40 March; flour, 46.75 Feb., 46.60 March; French country markets quiet.

In Milwaukee wheat opened at 72⅝c Feb., 74⅛c May.

In Duluth wheat opened 74½c May.

In Detroit wheat opened 85⅞c Feb., 86¼c May.

In St. Louis wheat opened at 85c May.

In Toledo wheat opened at 86¾c Feb., and 73¾c July.

In New York wheat opened at 80½c to 80½c May and 77¼c July.

Grain—The market is dull and steady. We quote:—

Peas, per 60 lbs.	47c to 48c
No. 2 oats, per 34 lbs.	22½cto 23c
Corn	38c to 39c
Barley, feed, nominal	33c to 34c
Rye, nominal	41c to 42c
Red winter wheat, per 48 lbs.	34c to 34½c

Flour—The local situation continues to be one of extreme dulness. We quote:—

Winter patents	$4.45 to $4.70
Spring wheat patents	4.75 to 5.00
Straight rollers	4.15 to 4.30
Straight rollers, in bags	2.05 to 2.10
Manitoba strong bakers	4.25 to 4.75

Meal—Prices continue at the late range. We quote as follows to-day:—Rolled oats, per barrel, $3.20 to $3.30; $1.60 to $1.65 in bags.

Feed—Leading Manitoba millers are asking the extreme of $19, but offers are still around $18.50. Ontario bran is higher at $18.50 to $19. We quote:—

Bran, Manitoba bags included	$9.50 to $10.00
Bran, Ontario, in bulk	9.50 to 10.00

Provisions—The market is very dull at about same range of prices. New packed Canadian pork is worth about $1 a barrel more than old. We quote:—

Canadian short cut, clear	$10.00 to $10.25
Canadian short cut, mess	10.50 to 11.00
Hams, city cured, per lb.	00.08½to 00.10½
Lard, Canadian, in pails	00.06 to 00.06½
Bacon, per lb.	00.09 to 00.10
Lard, com. refined, per lb.	00.04¾to 00.05½

Eggs—We quote new laid 16c with some sales as low at 15c, and Montreal limed at 11c to 11½c.

Butter—All deliveries of finest creamery are absorbed locally at 19½c to 20c. Roll dairy is quoted at 12c to 13c.

Hay—Market is easy. We quote No. 1 at $9.50 for car lots on track, and $8.25 for No. 2.

Ashes—Values are unchanged and business is very light. We quote as follows to-day: First pots at $3.40; seconds at $3 to $3.05; pearls at $3.35 to $4.50.

Potatoes—Potatoes are slow at 35c to 40c per bag in car lots, and steady at 45c to 50c in smaller quantities.

Beans—The market is easier at 60c to 65c in car lots, and 70c to 75c in smaller quantities.

Poultry—The market is dull and steady. We quote to-day: Turkeys at 9c; fresh young chickens at 7½c; ducks at 8c to 8½c; geese at 7c to 7½c.

Honey—White honey in comb at 10c; white extracted at 8c to 9c; dark extracted at 5c to 6c; dark in comb at 7½c to 8c.

MOVEMENTS OF GRAIN AND FLOUR.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
At Chicago—		
Wheat, bush	21,000	28,000
Corn, bush	384,000	117,000
Oats, bush	751,000	172,000
Flour, brls	10,277	13,202
At New York—		
Wheat bush	18,535	8,095
Corn, bush	71,175	10,000
Oats, bush	190,800	2,000
Flour, brls	11,682	260
Flour, sacks	12,330	645
At Milwaukee—		
Wheat, bush	23,000	2,000
At Duluth—		
Wheat ,bush	40,000	nil.
At Detroit—		
Wheat, bush	6,000	nil.
At Minneapolis—		
Wheat, bush	134,000	25,000
At St. Louis—		
Wheat, bush	13,000	29,000

RECEIPTS IN MONTREAL.

	C.P.R.	G.T.R.	C'n'l
Peas, bush	2442	....	2442
Oats, bush	7060	3000	10060
Flour, brls	2000	750	2750
Meal, brls	....	420	420
Ashes, brls	....	1	1
Butter, pkgs	283	28	311
Cheese, bxs	....	19	19
Eggs, cases	....	100	100
Ham, bacon, bxs	....	3	3
Tinned meats, pkgs	....	2	2
Dressed hogs	103	292	395
Leather, rolls	79	52	131
Raw hides	....	5	5

CHEESE.

Cable was quoted steady this morning at 50s. The English market has not the snap it had although there has been no actual change of prices. On spot, there are no goods upon which to form a basis for business and there will be little if anything of interest to report until the arrival of the new make. As we reported a week ago, a little fodder cheese is being made, but there will be none coming forward to this market until about the middle of April or beginning of May. This cheese is being made by creameries that had been making butter and turned their attention to cheese in expectation of bigger profits. A large make of fodder cheese is expected this season, but it will not commence until about the middle of April, as milk in sufficient quantities will not come forward until then. In consequence of the lack of milk and the necessity of heat in the manufacture of cheese, the only creameries now making fodder goods are those that have been open all the winter, engaged in the manufacture of butter. The creameries now closed will begin to open with the advent of April.

LIVERPOOL MARKET PRICES CURRENT.

Liverpool, Feb. 16, 1897.—Spring wheat, 6s 4½d; No. 1 Cala., 6s 6½d to 6s 7½d; corn, 2s 6¾d new, 2s 9½d old; peas, 4s 5d; pork, 45s; lard, 29s 6d; tallow, 18s; bacon, 25s 6d to 25s 6d; light, 24s 6d; cheese.

CONSOLS.

London, Feb. 16, 12.30 p.m.—Consols.—Money 112 1-16, account, 112⅛.

WHOLESALE GROCERY MARKET.

Sugar—In New York the market has been decidedly better and has advanced ⅛c for granulated and bright yellows. The European position was strong also. On spot there is a firmer feeling in sympathy with foreign advances and any further improvement will probably cause an upturn in values here. In the meantime prices are strong at 3⅞c to 4c for granulated and 3⅜c to 3¾c for yellows.

Syrups.—Business is quiet and steady at 1⅝c to 1⅞c per lb., at the works according to quality.

Molasses.—There is some diversity of opinion concerning the value of molasses locally, some asking 28c to 29c and some declaring that they would sell as low as 25½c. This disparity is caused by the fact that quotations at the island are now only 10 cents, the cause being it is said that a quantity of New Orleans molasses has been offering at 10c per gallon below the figures of last year at this time.

Coffee.—There is no change to report in this market, and we quote Maracaibo at 17¼c to 18½c; Java at 23c to 27c; Mocha at 23c to 26c; Rio at 15c to 17c; Santos at 15c to 16c.

Rice—The market is dull and steady. We quote Japan at $5 to $5.25; standard B. at $3.70; Patna at $4.50 to $5.25; Carolina at $6.75 to $7.75; choice Bermuda at $4; and Java kinds at $4.25.

Spices—We quote Singapore pepper at 4¾d cost and freight here, and black at 2¾d cost and freight.

Tea—The recent heavy failure has had a depressing effect upon the market and business for the week has been slow. Five hundred half chests of Japan at 15½c to 17c seems to have been about the only sale of importance.

FISH.

The near approach of the Lenten season has made business better in all lines of fish, fresh frozen fish being especially in demand. Green cod continues scarce and dear. We quote:—No. 1, green cod at $4.75 to $5; No. 1 large at $5.25 to $5.50, and No. 2 at $3.40. No. 1 green haddock is worth from $3.40 to $3.50. There are no genuine Labrador herrings at present in this market. No. 1 N.S. herrings are worth $3.75 to $4.00. Labrador salmon is quoted at $13.00 to $13.50 per barrel, and No. 1 B.C. salmon at $12.50 to $13.00 per barrel. We quote haddock and cod at 2¾c per lb.; steak cod at 3½c.; smelts at 3c to 5c; salmon at 11c to 12c; Manitoba pike at 3c to 3½c; dore at 4½c to 5c; white fish and trout at 6c; fresh herrings at 75c for N.B., and 65c to 90c for Nfld.; tommy cods at $1.00 to $1.30 per barrel. A small jobbing trade is passing in smoked fish and we quote haddies 5½c to 6c; Yarmouth and Bay bloaters, 85c to $1.00 per box; kippered herrings $1.25 to $1.50 per box; smoked herrings 10c per box. For dried and boneless fish we quote $4 per cwt. for cod; $5.10 to $5.25 per 100 lbs. for skinless cod; 5c to 6c per lb. for boneless cod;; other boneless fish 3c to 4c per lb.

HIDES.

We hear of no change in this market, values being firm at our last quotations. Several cars of No. 1 buffs, free of brands and grubs, have sold in Chicago at 8½c. We quote 7c for No. 1; 6c for No. 2, and 5c for No. 3. Selling price to tanners is 8c for No. 1; heavy steers, 7c; calfskins, 7c for No. 1; 5c for No. 2; lambskins, 75c to 90c each.

NAVAL STORES.

The market is dull and steady at values last reported. We quote turpentine at 41c to 42c; resins, $2.85 to $5, according to brand; coal tar, $3 to $3.50; cotton waste, 4½c to 5½c colored; and 7c to 8c for white; oakum, 5c to 7c, and cotton oakum, at 9c to 11c. Cordage—Sisal, 7c for 7½ and upwards. Pure Manilla, 8¼c to 8¾c, and upwards, and 8¾c to 9¼c for smaller sizes.

CANNED GOODS.

There is little change since our last report. Corn, peas, and lobsters continue scarce and firm. We quote in a jobbing way:—Lobsters, tall, $8.50 to $8.75 and flat $9.50 to $10.50 per case; French sardines, extra brands, $10.25 to $11.00; ordinary brands, $8.00 to $9.00; Canadian brands, $4.25; salmon, $1.30 to $1.40 per dozen; mackerel, $1.25; tomatoes, 70c to 75c; corn, 75c to 90c; marrow-fat peas, 80c to 90c.

FISH OILS.

The market is very firm on account of general scarcity and, as we remarked last week, values will probably appreciate in the near future. We quote 30c for Gaspe cod oil and 32½c to 35c for Nfld. Cod liver oil by Norwegian process we quote at $1.30 per gallon and by ordinary process $90c to $1 per gallon. Steam refined seal oil we quote at 47½c to 48c per gallon net.

LEATHER.

Business has been quiet since our last report although there continues to be some export trade passing and the market is firm to strong in accord with the markets across the border. The largest sale of the week has been the sale of about one thousand sides of No. 2 B.A. sole at 20½c. We quote: No. 2 manufacturers' sole, 20c to 21c; jobbers' do., 21c to 22c; slaughter, 22c to 24c; waxed upper, 24c to 30c; grained do., 24c to 30c; buff, 11c to 13c; splits, Ontario, 17c to 20c; Quebec, 15c to 18c; pebble, 11c to 13c; glove, 10c to 12c; Dongola, 7c to 25c per foot; sheepskins, 5c to 7c per foot; calfskins, colored, 18c to 20c per foot.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Union Stock Yards, Chicago, Feb. 16, 1897.—Hogs—To-day's estimated receipts, 33,000; yesterday's receipts, according to official returns, 31,927; shipments, 8,408; left over, 3,500; estimated to-morrow, 39,000. Light mixed, 3.45 to $3.60; mixed packing, $3.40 to $3.57½; heavy shipping, $3.25 to $3.75½; rough grades, $3.25 to $3.30. The receipts of cattle were 3,500, quiet at yesterday's prices. Sheep, 12,000, steady.

TORONTO CATTLE MARKET.

Toronto, Feb. 12.—The cold weather made a slightly firmer tone in the butchers' cattle line, and there was a fair demand for cattle for export. There were quite a few buyers on the market from Buffalo, but the reports from there are not quite so encouraging as they were. Their operations are being mostly confined to stockers. Receipts at the western cattle yards here to-day were 60 car loads, including about 900 sheep and lambs and 1,200 hogs. Hogs are holding their own in spite of depressing reports from other markets. About 12 car loads of butchers' cattle were taken for Montreal. Exports to Buffalo were about 26 car loads, including both stockers and butchers' cattle. Some lots of cattle were delayed by the storm.

Butchers' Cattle—There were quite enough in for the demand, one or two lots remaining unsold at the close of the market. Prices ruled firm at from $3 to $3.20 per cwt. for good to choice cattle, $2.70 to $2.80 for medium and down to 2c and 2¼c for common cattle. Buying for Buffalo was steady, but not quite so lively as it was last week.

Export Cattle—Demand was fair and prices held well up at from $3.50 to $4.20 per cwt. Not many of the best class of cattle offered. Several bulls sold for 2½c to 3½c per lb.

Stockers and Feeders—For Buffalo there was a good demand, but local men are not doing much in this line. Good stockers sell from $2.50 to $3 per cwt., or perhaps a little better for some that are extra choice. Feeders are in slow demand, one or two head being picked up to fill vacancies in byres at from 3c to 3½c per lb. Stock bulls are quiet at from 2½c to 2¾c per lb.

Sheep and Lambs—Quiet. Shipping sheep are dull at from $3.25 to $3.75 per cwt. Lambs are perhaps a little stiffer than sheep going at from $4.25 to $4.75 per cwt. Butchers' sheep are dull at $2.50 per head.

Calves.—All in sold. Good veals fetch $6 to $6.50 per head, and good calves from $4 to $5 each.

Milch Cows and Springers—About ten head offered and all sold. They are firm at from $20 to $35 per head.

Hogs—Prices firm and market steady. Choice selection of bacon hogs are selling at from $4.40 to $4.50 per cwt., weighed off the cars. Thick fat hogs are firm at $3.60 per cwt. Stores are not wanted, nor are they likely to be for some time, as Toronto is included in the 'prohibited' district.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKETS.

Edinburgh, Feb. 1.—Messrs. John Swan & Sons' weekly report says: — Fat cattle have been offered in rather fewer numbers. For bullocks and heifers a good trade was experienced at prices from 10s to 15s over those current last week. Fat cows, which were scarcer, met the dearest trade for some time. There have been large supplies of American cattle at Yorkhill, which owing to the smaller show in the open market, made rather more money. Englishmen are not nearly so keen customers as is usual at this season of the year. Fat sheep have been rather scarcer, the quality of which was generally good, and they met a quieter trade at about 1s a head less money. Fat calves made exceedingly high prices. Pigs met a trade about similar to last week. Store cattle, if of good quality, got fairly well sold. There have been large supplies of store sheep, and they have just been the turn cheaper. Best class of milk cows met a good trade, but there was no improvement in the price of secondary classes. Best beef, 7s 9d to 8s per stone. Best mutton, 7d to 8d per lb.

London, Feb. 1.—Shorter supply of beasts, and poor show as regards quality. Trade for primest showed more life with slight hardening of rates; second and middling descriptions slow. : Fat bulls and rough cows rather lower; fat butchering cows shade dearer. Top value—Primest Scotch, 4s 6d; Norfolks, 4s 2d to 4s 4d per 8 lbs. British arrivals—110 Scotch; 120 Irish; 590 Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex, 570 midland, home and western counties; 40 Devon. Smaller supply of sheep, including fair number of lambs; for wedder sheep trade ruled very slow at decline of 2d per 8 lbs.; best ewes firm. Pigs, slow. Beef, 2s 4d to 4s 6d; veal, 3s 6d to 4s 10d; mutton, 3s 4d to 5s 4d; pork, 2s 6d to 3s 6d. Total supply beasts, 1,430; sheep and lambs, 10,960; calves, 5; pigs, 65.

Liverpool, Feb. 1.—Beasts, 1,488; sheep, 3,152. Best beast, 6¼d; second, 5½d; third, 5d; best Scotch sheep, 6½d and 6½d; other sorts, 7½d and 5½d. An increase of 460 beasts, and a decrease of 1,486 sheep. Fair demand for all classes at about late rates.

Butter—Manchester, Feb. 3. — The supply of Irish shows no increase, and business yesterday was of a merely nominal character. Arrivals of Danish and Swedish were larger, and the market was unsatisfactory and disappointing. The steadiness exhibited last week was not maintained, buyers holding off in the hope of getting a reduction in prices, and the market closed by no means cleared. For Colonial there was a fair inquiry at last week's rates. Finest Danish quoted at 110s to 114s; fine, 104s to 108s; Colonial, choicest, 100s to 104s.

AMERICAN CATTLE MARKETS.

New York, Feb. 12.—Beeves, — Receipts, 106 cars, or 1,828 head—100 cars consigned direct to exporters and slaughterers, and 6 cars for the market. Counting 4 cars already in the yards, there were 10 cars on sale. On very light receipts the market ruled active and firm and 10c higher on everything but bulls. The yards were cleared. Medium to fair steers sold at $4.60 to $4.85 per 100 lbs; tops at $5.25; oxen and stags at $2.75 to $4.50; bulls at $2.60 to $4.00; cows at $1.75 to $3.30 for poor to good. There was a light trade in city-dressed beef at steady prices. Latest cables from London and Liverpool markets quoted American live cattle lower, at 10c to 10¾c, dressed weight; American sheep easier at 8c to 8¾c, dressed weight; refrigerator beef selling at 8½c to 9c per lb.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 16½ cars, or 3,501 head—4 cars direct to butchers and 12 cars for the market; and 1 car was held over yesterday. Market firm for sheep and also for choice lambs, with the under grades steady. Three cars were held over. Good to choice sheep sold at $4.40 to $4.65 per 100 lb.; good to prime lambs at $5.50 to $5.65; 1 car very choice at $5.70. Dressed mutton firm, at 6½c to 7½c per lb.; dressed lambs 7½c to 9c. Country-dressed spring lambs steady at $3 to $7 per carcass. Hogs—Receipts, 21½ cars, or 4,236 head, including 134 head for sale. Market quoted steady at $3.70 to $4.10; pigs, $4 to $4.30. Country-dressed in light demand at 3¾c to 6¼c per lb., for heavy to light weights.

East Buffalo, Feb. 12.—Cattle—The total offering consisted of 22 head of fat Canada cows, averaging 1,040 lbs., which sold at $2.75. Sheep and lambs—45 cars on sale; a good portion of the offerings were weather-beaten and bedraggled; opened steady; closed quiet, with some of the stock in poorest condition; not marketed amongst the offerings was a lot of heavy Canada sheep, weighing 176 lbs. which sold at $4.25; a few bucks in the lot brought $3; best dry fat lambs of 90 to 100 lbs. sold at $5.30 to $5.35; good to choice 75 to 88 lbs, $5.10 to $5.25; fair, $4.75 to $5.00; mixed sheep, good to choice, $4.10 to $4.25; fair to good, $3.50 to $4.00; a few choice handy wethers, $4.25 to $4.40; a fancy lot of 120 lb. yearlings brought $4.75; feeders bought a few light to fair weight feeding lambs of 55 to 70 lbs. at $4.50 to $5.05. Hogs—Receipts, 25 cars; steady; choice pigs and handy Yorkers, $3.75 to $3.80, mostly $3.75; mediums and packers, $3.65; good heavies, $3.55 to $3.60; plain heavy, $3.40 to $3.50; prospects for the choice kind of stockers and feeders on next week's market are fair to good.

TRADE IN THE UNITED STATES.

New York, Feb. 11.—Bradstreet's Saturday will say:—The more favorable features of the business week include sales of 300,000 tons of steel rails on the collapse of the pools, which promise work for the mills for months to come, the advance in the price of print cloths following the sale of 750,000 pieces from accumulated stocks and the starting up of a number of important metal and other industrial establishments throughout the Eastern and the Middle States.

American purchases of wool at the last London sale amount to 45,000 bales; the heaviest total at one such sale since the speculative buying there by Americans prior to the going into effect of the McKinley tariff.

January gross railway earnings reflect the quieter trade in that month than in January, 1896, while showing the effect of reduced grain tonnage and severe storms in the North-West. Total earnings of 114 railway companies for January aggregate $34,560,827, a falling off of 6.8 percent from a year ago.

CANADIAN LUMBER.

The arrivals from British North America during the past month have been six vessels, 4,602 tons, against seven vessels, 2,450 tons during the corresponding month last year, and the aggregate tonnage to this date from all places during the years 1895, 1896, and 1897, has been 10,064 7,395 and 15,895 tons respectively.

Canadian Woods—Pine Timber—Of Waney Pine the deliveries from the yards have been large, and the stock is now moderate; a fair business on contract for the coming season has also been arranged at satisfactory rates. Square Pine continues dull of sale, and the stock is too heavy. Red Pine is almost neglected, and the stock is ample. Oak—There is a fair demand for first class wood, of which very little now remains in the market; inferior quality is dull of sale even at low rates. Elm is more enquired for; prices are firm, and the stock is not excessive. Pine Deals have moved off more freely and at hardening rates, the stock is now reduced to a more moderate compass.

New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Spruce and Pine Deals—Of Spruce the arrivals have been in excess if the same period during the past few years; this to a certain extent has checked any further advance in value; the demand, however, has been fairly active, and the stock is modorate; for next season's business contracting has been on a more extensive scale than for many years past, and if shippers act with prudence the prospects for a steady market are encouraging. Pine Deals have been more enquired for, and values have advanced.

Birch—Of logs several parcels have arrived from St. John by steamers, and have realized very low rates; the stock is ample, and more moderate supplies are necessary before any improvement in value can be expected. Of Planks the import has been light; the demand has been fair, and the stock is moderate; still values rule very low and unsatisfactory to shippers.

Pitch Pine—The arrivals during the month past have been one vessel, 1,456 tons against one vessel, 1,722 tons during the like period last year. The consumption has been considerably in excess of corresponding month last year; the import has been small, and we are left with the light stock for years past. Of hewn there has been no import, and the stock is reduced to 185,000 feet, against 256,000 feet last year at this time. Of sawn the import consists of the above mentioned cargo from Pensacola, leaving a stock of only 430,000 feet against 753,000 feet at this time last year. Of Planks and boards the import consists of a small parcel by steamer; there has been a good consumption and stock is very moderate, consisting of 140,000 feet against 287,000 feet at this time last year.

Oregon and British Columbian Pine—The deliveries have been on a larger scale, and the stock is now reduced to a more moderate compass, values continue unsatisfactory, and owing to the depression of freights on the west coast of America, extremely low rates are at the moment being quoted for forward delivery; this, however, is probably only temporary, and an advance may reasonably be epected when freights return to their normal condition.

HAMILTON MARKET.

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 13.—White wheat per bushel, 78c to 79c; red wheat, per bushel, 78c to 79c; spring wheat per bushel, 75c to 78c; peas, per bushel, 45c to 47c; barley, per bushel, 23c to 27c; oats, per bushel, 23c to 27c; oats, per bushel, 18c to 20c; corn, per bushel, 30c to 33c; clover seed, per bushel, $4 to $4.50; Timothy seed, per bushel, $2.15 to $3; white wheat flour, per bbl., $3.50 to $4; strong bakers' flour, per brl., $3.75 to $4; dressed hogs, per cwt., $4.75 to $5.10; apples, per bushel and half, 25c to 40c; dried, per lb. 2c to 3c; potatoes, per bag of 90 lbs., 35c to 40c; butter, in rolls, per lb., 10c to 12c; butter, in firkins, per lb., 10c to 12c; eggs per dozen, 14c to 16c.

INGERSOLL MARKETS.

Ingersoll, Ont., Feb. 15.—White wheat, 76c to 80c per bushel; red fall wheat, 80c; spring wheat, 80c; barley, 32c to 35c; peas, 42c to 43c; oats, 17c to 18c; corn, 45c to 50c; bran, $9 to $11 per ton; shorts, $11 to $13; potatoes, 30c to 40c per bag; onions, 60c to 75c per bushel; live hogs, $3.60 to $4 per cwt.; dressed hogs, $5; flour, $2 to $2.25; cornmeal, $2 to $2.50; apples, 25c per bag; dried apples, 2c to 2¼c per lb.; butter, 14c to 16c; eggs, 12c to 14c per dozen; ducks, 50c to 60c per pair; chickens, 35c to 50c per pair; geese, 40c to 60c each; turkey, 10c per lb.; hay, $7 to $7.50 per ton; hides, 4c to 5c per cwt.

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THE HAMMOND MURDER.

ACCUSED PLEADS NOT GUILTY—EVIDENCE-TAKING BEGUN.

Bracebridge, Feb. 16.—When the court opened this morning there was a big rush for seats in the stuffy little court room to hear the beginning of the Hammond murder trial. Many people were present from Gravenhurst and other adjacent towns, and great interest is being taken in the proceedings. There are forty witnesses for the crown, four of whom come from the United States. When the prisoner was brought in he looked very pale and worried, but pleaded not guilty in a steady voice.

The first witness was Mr. Wm. Galbraith, a surveyor. He produced and swore to plans of the Tough and Hammond residences and the spot on the road where the expiring Katie Tough was found.

Ida Campbell said she was acquainted with Katie Tough. On the night of March 6 she had heard some one groaning in the snow, but did not know what it was and went away to give the alarm. Returning, they found it was Katie Tough, not dead but frothing at the mouth. Miss Campbell was cross-examined, but her testimony was unshaken.

END OF A DRINK TRAGEDY.

A MILLIONNAIRE EXECUTED FOR KILLING HIS WIFE AND CHILD WHILE INTOXICATED.

Union, Ohio, Feb. 16.—Arthur Duestrow was executed here at one o'clock this afternoon.

Duestrow shot and killed his wife and only child, a boy aged eighteen months, on the afternoon of Feb. 13, 1894. For some time the millionnaire medical student had lapsed from duty to his young wife, and was spending much time and money upon an inmate of a disreputable house. On the day of the tragedy he spent several hours at the house of his mistress in drinking, and from there went direct to his home, 1724 South Compton avenue. He had an engagement to take his wife sleigh riding that afternoon, and when he drove up to his door, Mrs. Duestrow sent a servant to inquire if she could prepare for a ride. 'You have not any right to speak to me before I get into the house,' he shouted to the servant, and made a motion as if to strike her. He was inflamed with drink and staggered up the stairs where his wife met him. 'If you want to strike some one, Arthur,' said she, 'don't strike a stranger; strike me.' 'All right, I will,' he said, and struck her a blow that felled her. He then took up the boy, aged eighteen months, and went downstairs, but returned soon with a pistol in his hand. 'Don't shoot, Arthur, you're drunk,' said his wife. 'I'll show you who is drunk,' he said, and fired two shots into her body. He then held the shrieking baby by one arm to the wall and fired a shot into his brain. From the day of the tragedy until the drop fell to-day, a notable legal battle had been fought by Duestrow's attorneys to save their client from the gallows. By the terms of his father's will Duestrow received a life income of $10,000.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 16.—Peter Schmidt and Samuel Foster, a negro, were hanged at Clayton, a suburb of this city, this morning, for the murder of Bertram A. Atwater, an artist of Chicago, on Jan. 3, 1896.

JOHN S. JOHNSON ILL.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—John S. Johnson, the skater and bicyclist, is lying dangerously ill at Bradford with congestion of the lungs. While driving he caught a severe cold. Johnson has several contracts to sign in Minneapolis, but it will be some time before he will be able to leave for that city.

BAD FIRE IN TORONTO.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—Fire this morning destroyed the retail establishment of Messrs. Sanderson, Pearcy & Company, dealers in oils, varnishes, glass, paints, etc. The building was valued at $20,000 and the stock at $50,000. The origin of the fire is unknown. The insurance amounts to about $35,000.

ATTEMPT TO BURN A LADIES' SCHOOL.

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—Three different attempts were made to set fire to the Harmon Ladies' School building last night. One of the lady pupils was sent away after the second fire but a third attempt was made afterwards, and so far the guilty party or parties have not been found.

CHEVIGNY-PERRAULT.

Doctor Jules A. Chevigny of Newport, P. I., was married this morning to Miss Rosanne Perrault, daughter of Mr. Urgel Perrault, retired merchant, of this city. The ceremony took place in St. James's Church, the Rev. Abbe Maillet officiating. After the marriage the wedding party were entertained at the residence of the bride's father, after which Dr. and Mrs. Chevigny left on their wedding tour through the United States.

VICTORIA BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION.

Mr. Hays and Mr. Wainwright of the Grand Trunk Railway had an important conference with the Hon. Mr. Flynn yesterday. The subject under discussion is understood to have been the reconstruction of the Victoria Bridge. Though nothing is known officially it is stated that the company asked the Quebec Government for a hundred and fifty thousand dollars and intend to ask the Dominion Government for an equal amount. The total cost is estimated at a million five hundred thousand dollars.

A COSTLY COLLISION.

THE MOTORMAN SHOULD HAVE STOPPED THE CAR.

Judge Pagnuelo rendered judgment this morning in the case of Ludger Taillon vs. the Montreal Street Railway Company. The plaintiff claimed damages for injuries received by his wife under the following circumstances: Mrs. Taillon was driving along Notre Dame street when, near the cotton factory, at the corner of Desery street, she had to pull up her horse on account of two buggies blocking up the way in front of her. At that moment a street car was coming behind Mrs. Taillon's vehicle, at a moderate speed. The motorman sounded the bell, but the noise of the factory prevented Mrs. Taillon from hearing, and it was only when the car had almost reached her that she noticed it. She then at once tried to get out of the way, but the car struck one of the wheels of her vehicle and she was thrown out on the road, receiving a very serious shock. A doctor had to be summoned and the present action was instituted to recover the damages resulting from the accident. The Court held the company responsible, as it would have been an easy thing for the motorman to stop his car and thus prevent the collision. Judgment in favor of plaintiff for a hundred dollars damages.

A PLETHORA OF LIQUOR.

WHAT A LANDLORD DISCOVERED IN A TENANT'S HOUSE.

One landlord made a very peculiar discovery yesterday in going over a house from which his tenant had suddenly flitted with the rent in arrears. It was a five-roomed house and every room was almost full of empty gin and beer bottles. He estimated by actual count that there were fully eight hundred empty flasks. His men in removing them discovered two full flasks which had never been opened and half a dozen bottles of beer. The people had been in possession only six months and how they could have got away with so much liquid in that space of time is a mystery, as none of the neighbors saw anything wrong with the inmates, who appeared respectable.

STE. CUNEGONDE BURGLARS.

In the Court of Special Sessions this morning before Judge Desnoyers Adelard Verdon, Chas. Linguet, Isaac Plumb and a woman whose maiden name is Eleanor Vanier, the wife of one De Repentigny, pleaded not guilty to the charge of burglary. It will be remembered that the Ste. Cunegonde police had a severe encounter with the gang before an arrest was effected on the evening on Jan. 8. In the melée Chief Hebert was badly hurt but he has now recovered. Hundreds of dollars' worth of goods were found at 2 Fautaux lane in a house occupied by Linguet, which has since been identified by the owners. The accused preferred a summary trial, which was fixed for Tuesday next.

AN ELECTION REMINISCENCE.

An action for $5,000 damages has been taken by T. A. Trenholme, vs. W. C. Fyfe. Plaintiff and defendant supported different candidates at the last elections in Montreal West, and the present action is based on alleged libellous remarks made by Mr. Fyfe against Mr. Trenholme during the campaign.

A COTTON MILL THIEF.

Last evening Constables Rivet and Narbonne arrested George Merineau, who claimed to come from Hull, near Ottawa, on the charge of being implicated in the series of robberies at the Hochelaga Cotton Mills. The prisoner pleaded guilty this morning in the Police Court, and Mr. Lafontaine, the presiding magistrate, sentenced him to four months' imprisonment.

FIRES AND THEIR CAUSES.

The insurance men are feeling somewhat easier since the first of the month, as in comparison with January the fire losses have been almost infinitesimal. There has not been a fire causing a loss of over fifteen dollars. The cause of eight of the fifteen fires investigated has been traced to coal oil lamp explosions.

CONTRABAND WHISKEY.

Revenue Officer Braband and Detective Cinq-Mars returned yesterday from a tour in the parishes of St. Marc, St. Antoine and St. Denis. In the St. Antoine district a large quantity of contraband whiskey was found. The matter has been reported to the government and a few arrests are expected.

The visiting governors to the Montreal General Hospital for this week are Messrs. J. P. Cleghorn, John Thomas Molson, Edwin Hanson and Clarence J. McCuaig.

AUTONOMY FOR CRETE.

THE POWERS DECIDE TO GRANT IT.

THE ISLAND TO BE UNDER THEIR OWN SUPERVISION.

London, Feb. 16.—The 'Standard' today prints a despatch from its Athens correspondent saying that the powers have decided to supervise the execution of a new charter for Crete, the chief feature of which is the autonomy of the island under the joint rule of the powers. The 'Standard's' correspondent further says that he has been assured by a Greek official of high position that the Emperor William of Germany used his influence very largely to effect this solution of the matter, which is hailed with delight, and the crisis is considered over.

Canea, Feb. 16.—A hundred men each from the Russian, French, British and Italian fleets at Canea and fifty Austrians have been landed under command of an Italian officer and have occupied the city, the Turkish officials having given their assent to the step. The flags of the nations represented by the occupying force have been hoisted upon the ramparts of the fortress.

Athens, Feb. 16.—When the announcement was made here that the corps of occupation under command of Colonel Vassos, chief aide-de-camp to King George, had landed in Crete, demonstrations of wildest joy were indulged in by the populace. A despatch from Canea states that Colonel Vassos has issued a proclamation to the Cretans and has demanded that the Turks surrender.

Paris, Feb. 16.—In the Chamber of Deputies yesterday M. Hanotaux, Minister of Foreign Affairs, replying to an inquiry by M. Jaures regarding the situation in Crete, said that the status of affairs in that island was such as to render a public explanation impossible. M. Jaures expressed his dissatisfaction with the reply of the Foreign Minister to his request for information, and demanded that the Cretan affair be discussed at once by the Chamber. Thereupon M. Meline, the premier, declared that such action was impossible, as the discussion demanded would necessitate the divulging of secrets which were not France's alone, and demanded that the consideration of the matter be adjourned, and this course was adopted by a vote of 382 to 70.

THE DEPOSED KING PREMPEH.

The British and African Company's steamship 'Bakona,' which has reached Liverpool, called specially at Elmina to take the ex-King Prempeh and his chiefs down to Sierra Leone. She arrived on Feb. 1. With the ex-King were two of his wives, his mother, father, brother and ten chiefs, each of whom had two wives. Of the ten chiefs, six had been princes of Ashanti. Prince Koffi Ente was sent by the government with the King as interpreter. Prince Koffi Ente is son of the late King Koffi. Prempeh was sent in a surf-boat to the 'Bakona' in charge of Commissioner Kelly and Capt. Parmenter.

The King, when he knew he was going to be deported from his country, expressed his intention to commit suicide rather than suffer such an indignity. He had threatened to jump into the sea, but was well guarded when taken to the ship, and he made no attempt to take his life. Once on board the steamer, he was very quiet, and made himself comfortable. His interpreter said the King was not aware that a steamship was so large, and that people could be made so comfortable on board. He took great interest in the fittings of the vessel, and particularly is the engines and electric light.

Prempeh begged hard to be allowed to go back to his country, and promised never to do anything against the English, or, as he expressed it, against the 'Great White Queen.' He had no idea that the white men could do such great things as they did. In speaking of this he said he now believed the white man could bring the top to the bottom, meaning that he could bring down the sky to touch the earth. He said he was sure, if he got back to his country, he would be very obedient, and would make everybody open up the country to British trade. He was also willing to pay the indemnity the British wanted. The King and his people were in charge of a superintendent of civil police, with a Houssa sergeant and six Houssas.

One of the chiefs gave it out that there was plenty of gold buried in Coomassie, but it could never be found, he said, except by themselves. They certainly had plenty of gold with them.

The King went ashore at Sierra Leone in a most gorgeous costume. The gold ornaments, anklets, bracelets and other articles displayed about him were estimated to be worth a thousand pounds. He also wore a number of charms, the chief of these being suspended round his neck. Probably for the first time in his life he wore trousers. These were of yellow brocaded satin. A white and blue mantle-like cloth was thrown over his shoulders, and he wore leather sandals. He was very cheerful on board the steamer, and seemed sorry to leave it.

A house has been appointed for the residence of the late King and his followers in Freetown. It is understood that he will have more freedom than he had at Elmina, but he will be under the daily observation of the authorities.

Prempeh was received at Sierra Leone by the inspector of police and conveyed to his new quarters, a very large house. Little notice was taken of the King on his arrival at Freetown.

Altogether there were about thirty people in the party. King Prempeh, while on the 'Bakona' showed he appreciated good wines, but his preference was decidedly for Benedictine.—London 'Standard.'

WILL LABOR IN LONDON.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 16.—The Rev. W. A. Foster, pastor of the First Christian Church of this city, has accepted a call from the West London Tabernacle of London, Eng. He will sail on March 6. Mr. Foster was born at Scipio, Indiana, forty years ago.

LOCAL STOCKS.

A SCALPING BUSINESS—SOME RECOVERY OF VALUES.

WITNESS OFFICE, Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1897.

The tone of the London Stock Exchange at the opening this morning was quiet and firmer and similar conditions are said to have prevailed at the opening of the Continental bourses. The local market was also firmer and recovered from the declines of yesterday from one to two percent, the business, however, was in the nature of a scalping one.

The sales at the morning board were:—25 Cable at 165, 50 at 165¼, 10 at 165, 25 at 165⅛, 50 Gas at 192½, 350 at 192¼, 105 at 193, 50 Montreal Street Railway at 223½, 25 at 223¼, 50 at 223⅛, 140 at 223, 50 Toronto at 70½, 5 at 70¾, 14 Telephone at 157½, 100 Richelieu at 89½, 10 Electric at 140¾, 7 Union at 105, 15 Merchants at 170, 6 at 169¼.

The afternoon market closed strong. The sales were:—25 Cable at 165¾, 25 Gas at 193½, 50 at 193¾, 100 at 193⅞, 250 at 194, 50 M.S.R. at 223¼, 375 Gas xd at 190½, 25 at 190⅝, 75 at 190½, 40 Molsons at 188¾, 1 Bank of Montreal at 229.

Reported by Messrs. Nichols & Marler.
Between Banks.

	Buyers.	Sellers.	Counter.
New York Funds	1-16 prem.	⅛ prem.	⅛ to 3-16 prem.
Sterling, 60 days	9⅛	9 3-16	9⅜ to 9½
Sterling, demand	9½	9⅝	9¾ to 9⅞
Sterling Cables	9⅝	9 11-16	9⅞ to 10

Reported by Messrs. Nichols & Marler, Stock Brokers, Corner Notre Dame and St. Francois Xavier streets.

Stocks.	Sellers per $100.	Buyers per $100
Canadian Pacific	56	54½
do. do. Land Bonds	....	....
Duluth S.S. & Atlantic	4⅛	4
Do. do. pref.	10	8
Grand Trunk 1st Pref.	....	....
Do. do. 2nd Pref.	....	....
Commercial Cable	166	165¾
Montreal Telegraph	167	165⅞
Richelieu & Ont. Nav. Co.	....	....
Montreal St. Railway Co.	223½	223¼
Montreal Gas Co.	194½	194
Bell Telphone Co.	160	156½
Do. do bonds	....	....
Royal Electric	141	140
Bank of Montreal	231	229
Ontario Bank	....	....
Bank of British North America	....	....
La Banque du Peuple	....	....
Molsons Bank	195	....
Bank of Toronto	231	....
La Banque Jacques Cartier	100	....
Merchants Bank	171	169
Do. do. of Halifax	....	....
Eastern Townships Bank	....	145
Quebec Bank	....	....
La Banque Nationale	....	....
Union Bank	110	105
Canadian Bank of Commerce	128	127
La Banque Ville Marie	100	72
Hochelaga Bank	....	....
Intercolonial Coal	....	....
Do. Pref. Stock	....	....
North-West Land	....	....
Canada Shipping Co.	....	....
Canada Paper	....	....
Champlain and St. Lawrence Bonds	....	....
Montreal Cotton	130	124
Can. Col. Cot. Mills Co.	50	....
do. do. Bonds	....	....
Merchant's Manufacturing Co.	140	....
Dominion Cotton Mills Co.	90	84
Do. do. Bonds	....	....
Loan & Mortgage Co.	....	....
Toronto Street Railway	71	70¾
Postal	98	97¼
Halifax Tram	91	87

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

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Opening and Closing Prices—10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Atchison	14⅛	14⅛
Can. Pacific	....	....
Can. Southern	44⅝	44½
Chicago, Burington & Quincy	74⅝	74¾
Clev. C. C. & St. Louis	....	....
Com. Cable	....	....
Del. & Hudson	107	107
Del. Lack & West	152⅝	152⅝
Erie	....	....
Ill. Central	....	....
Louis. & Nash.	49½	50
Lake Shore	151½	154
United States Leather	....	....
Manhattan Consolidated	87½	87⅜
Missouri Pacific	21⅝	21⅝
North American	....	....
Nor. Pacific	37½	37⅝
Nor. Pac p'd.	....	....
New Jersey Central	99¾	99
N.r. West.	103½	103½
N. Y. & N. Eng.	....	....
N. Y. Central	93½	93⅜
Omaha, Common	48¾	49
Pacific Mail	23⅝	23⅛
Reading, Philadelphia	24¾	23⅞
Richmond Terminal	....	....
Rock Island, Chico. & Pac.	66¾	67
St. Paul, Chico. & Min.	....	....
St. Paul, Minn. & Man.	76¾	76
Texas Pacific	....	....
Union Pacific	7⅛	7⅛
Wabash Com.	....	....
Wabash p'd.	15¾	16⅛
Western Union Tel.	81⅞	83⅝
Sugar	112	114⅞
Lead	22	22
Gas, Chicago	76	76⅞
Gen. Electric	34⅜	34⅞
Toledo, Ann Arbor & Nor. Mich.	....	....
Rubber	19	20

CHICAGO MARKETS.

The following table shows the range of prices in Chicago to-day, and the closing quotations as compared with those of yesterday:—

	Yesterday's Close.	To-day's Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—					
Feb.	73¾	....	....	....	72½
May	75½	74½	74⅝	73⅝	74
July	71¼	70⅝	70¾	70	70¼
Corn—					
May	23⅞	23¾	23¾	23½	23½
July	25⅛	24¾	24¾	24⅝	24⅝
Oats—					
May	17½	17	17	16¾	16⅞
July	17⅞	17¾	17¾	17½	17½
Pork—					
May	8.05	7.92	7.95	7.87	7.87
July	8.20	8.05	8.05	8.00	8.02
Lard—					
May	4.00	3.92	3.92	3.90	3.92
July	4.07	4.00	4.02	4.00	4.00
Short ribs—					
May	4.12	4.05	4.05	4.00	4.02
July	4.20	....	....	....	4.10

CHICAGO MARKETS.

ALL THE MARKETS LOWER.

On the local stock exchange this morning wheat opened lower, losing the gain of yesterday and closed 1¼c lower at 72½c Feb., 1¼c to 1⅜c lower at 74c b. May and 1c to 1⅛c lower at 70¼c July. Corn, oats and provisions were lower.

The closings were:—Milwaukee, 72¼cFeb., 74½c May; Duluth, No. 1 hard 75c cash. No. 1 Northern, 72½c Feb., 74c May; Toledo, 86½c Feb., 87c May; New York, 80¾c Feb. 79⅞c b. May, and 77⅛c b. July; corn, 28⅝c Feb. and 30⅜c July.

CROW'S NEST COAL.

WONDERFUL IN QUALITY AND QUANTITY.

The New Year edition of the 'Fort Steele Prospector,' thus deals with the coal fields in the district, known as the Crow's Nest Pass, which lie in a south-easterly direction from Fort Steele, the distance to the nearest available coal is about 60 miles. These coal fields in the near future will have a world wide reputation both on account of the quality and the quantity to be extracted, and are without doubt the best coal fields in America undeveloped. The western outcrop of the field in on the side of a mountain in the valley of Elk river, 'one of the largest tributaries of the Kootenay river;' on the eastern side the coal seams have been traced a distance of 50 miles, with surface crosscuts made at intervals showing the seams and walls. The lowest known seam is some 1,500 feet above the drainage level of the valley, and is 30 feet in thickness; 100 feet higher there is another seam 30 feet thick; then comes a seam 15 feet thick; then a small 3-foot one; then a 7-foot one; then another 30-foot seam and above these are five more workable seams from 4 to 10 feet in thickness, 11 seams in all, making a total of 148 feet in thickness of coal exposed. These seams dip at an angle of 30 to 35 degrees, the upper seams having the least dip. There are three large creeks cutting this coal field, and the seams are exposed on the banks of those creeks, and openings can be made to mine the coal without much preliminary expense; the cuts made by the creeks being more valuable than so many tunnels to prospect the coal because there is room to operate the mine on both sides of the creek, and the mines are proved to be permanent without any cost in fact, nature did the prospecting. In addition to the coal on Elk river, further east on Martin's creek, and other tributaries of Mitchell creek, 'which is the fork of Elk river,' there is another large body of coal above the Elk river field but of smaller area, a large amount of the field having been carried away by natural causes through the different ages since the coal was formed. The aggregate of the depth of the seams of coal in the upper basin is somewhat more than on Elk river, so that if a shaft be sunk through the whole field there would be found 200 feet of coal in workable seam. It would be hard to find another field of coal with so much to the acre, and so easy and cheap to work. The eastern outcrop of this field is near the summit of the Rocky Mountains, the average distance from the western crop being 10 miles, showing a coal field 40 miles north and south, by 10 miles east and west, with an area exceeding 250,000 acres. The coal in this field differs, owing, no doubt to the different ages of the coal, there being three different qualities, the lowest seams are anthracite in their nature, while the upper seams are the bituminous coals; in between both above and below the bituminous coals are a number of seams of coal different from anything heretofore known; it is similar to cannel coal, but superior to any cannel coal known. These coals have been analyzed and treated by different parties, among them Professor Hoffman, government assayer at Ottawa, for the geological department, and the results as shown in the department reports prove that these coals would lose nothing by comparing them with the best coals of the same variety in Pennsylvania.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE DISORGANIZED.

A SEMI-PANIC AT PARIS, BERLIN AND VIENNA

London, Feb. 15—The Stock Exchange was disorganized throughout the day and closed heavy, though prices were generally above the lowest figures of the day. Consols showed a decline on the day of ⅝ and Turkish securities fell 1½ to 2, Italians ⅞ and Ottoman bank shares ½.

Advices from Paris, Berlin and Vienna show that a semi-panic prevailed on the bourses in those cities.

TORONTO PROVISION MARKET.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—Market, dull. Flour, better feeling, prices unchanged. Straight roller quoted at $3.75. Bran, quiet; quoted outside west at $7 to $7.50; and shorts at $9. Wheat quiet, rather steadier. Red winter quoted at 75c, and white at 76c. No. 1 Manitoba hard, dull, at 75c. Fort William, and at 86c to 87c, Midland. No. 2, hard, 84c Midland. Buckwheat, dull, car lots quoted at 25c to 26c outside. Barley, unchanged, No. 1 quoted at 31c, No. 2 at 26c to 27c, No. 3 extra at 24c, and No. 3 at 22c. Oats, unchanged, sales of white at 17½c west, and mixed quoted at 16½c. Peas, steady, sales at 39c, north and west, and at 40c middle freights. Corn unchanged, now quoted at 19c to 20c west. Rye dull, offering. Sales at 33c east. Oatmeal, quiet, prices unchanged. Car lots $2.85 to $3.00.

DRESSED HOGS.

The only approach to activity is in light goods weighing 150 lbs. and under, for these the range is $5.25 to $5.50 in car lots and from $5.50 to $5.90 in jobbing quantities. Medium weights are also in some demand, but heavy goods are neglected. We quote light medium $5 to $5.25, and heavy goods at $4.30 to $4.40 in car lots.

EXPORTS OF BUTTER AND CHEESE.

The exports of cheese for last week were 11,074 to Liverpool, and 9,221 to London, a total of 20,295, and the exports of butter 689 to Liverpool, making the total to date since May 1, 1896, 1,975,146 packages of cheese and 187,827 butter, against 2,000,000 odd cheese and 77,189 butter, for the corresponding period last year.

SONS OF SCOTLAND.

THEY SPEND A PLEASANT EVENING TOGETHER.

A most enjoyable musical social was given by the officers and members of Camp Invergordon, Sons of Scotland, in their hall, on Elm avenue, last night. This was the first public social given by the Camp, and its success reflects great credit on the energy and ability of its officers. A programme of unusual interest was rendered by the following ladies and gentlemen, and highly appreciated by the audience: Song, Miss Forrester; piano selections, Miss Russell; song, Mr. Robinson; humorous readings, Mr. Cowan; banjo selections, Dr. Skeene; Highland Fling, Mr. R. B. Hutcheson. During the evening a stirring address was delivered by Mr. S. S. Bain, president of the Caledonian Society, in which he urged upon all the necessity and advantages of belonging to such an order as the Sons of Scotland. Dainty refreshments were served by the members during an intermission in the programme. Camp Invergordon can only boast of a few months' existence, but already it has a large and influential membership consisting of many of our prominent Scottish citizens. Pipe Major Matheson was in attendance, and with his pipes added considerably to the evening's enjoyment.

DAMAGES FOR FALSE ARREST.

Judge Pagnuelo rendered judgment this morning in the case of M. A. Sinquet vs. M. B. Giguere. This was a claim for damages on the ground of false arrest on a capias. The Court held that the action was well founded and granted plaintiff $100 damages.

THE INDIAN IS ADVANCING.

Many reasons are grouped by the St. Paul 'Pioneer Press' in support of the belief that the Indian is advancing. The physical decadence of the race, so noticeable a few years ago, is said to have practically ceased. Instead of decreasing in numbers the Indians in the Indian territory in the North-West are increasing. It is an old story that the number of them engaged in agriculture in steadily increasing. Liquor is losing its attraction among them, and total abstinence is practised by multitudes of them. With many the wigwam has been succeeded by a rude house, the schools find more favor, and civilized methods of living are followed. The conclusion drawn by the 'Pioneer Press' is that it is not lack of capacity, but want of application, which has kept the Indian at the rear. It expects to see him in time take his place by the side of the whites, a good live Indian. It presents two interesting bits of evidence—one the spectacle recently seen in South Dakota of an Indian ploughing his field at five o'clock in the morning; the other, a letter written by an Indian maiden attending a seminary and informing a friend in St. Paul that her standing in Latin (Virgil) was '96,' a beautifully written letter, the 'Pioneer Press' says, of choice phraseology, perfect grammar and faultless spelling.

MR. GLADSTONE CAN DISCERN.

One little incident at the Armenian gathering at Hawarden has escaped notice. The presentation of the portrait of the Armenian Patriarch took place in the library of Hawarden Rectory, and as soon as Mr. Gladstone arrived he was taken to see the portrait. He at once remarked that the Patriarch was a Russian Armenian, and pointed out the crown on the Patriarchal arms, which signified that the wearer was under the protectorate of the Russian Czar. This incident showed that Mr. Gladstone's powers of observation are as keen as ever.—'Westminster Gazette.'

BIRTHS.

DICKSON.—At 246 Elm avenue, on the 16th inst., the wife of R. A. Dickson, of a daughter. 16

MARRIED.

KINCAID — STANBURY. — On Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1897, at 7 a.m. at the home of the bride's father, by the Rev. J. A. Jewell of Hastings, W. F. Kincaid of Madoc, to Miss Rebecca Stanbury, sixth daughter of Ed. Stanbury of Seymour, Ont. 16

DIED.

BURLAND.—On Feb. 15, 1897, of heart failure, Bennetta Rowe-Burland of Carbonear, Newfoundland, eldest daughter of the late Edward Rowe of the same place, and widow of Capt. John Burland of Dublin, Ireland.

Funeral at her late residence, 528 Sherbrooke street, Montreal, at 2.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 17th inst.

Newfoundland and Boston papers please copy. 16

LOURIE.—At Bean River, Chateauguay, on Feb. 9, 1897, William Lourie, only surviving son of the late John Lourie, a native of Lanarkshire, Scotland.

Interred in Mount Royal Cemetery. 16

McLENNAN.—At Dalkeith, Ont., on Feb. 14, 1897, Finlay McLennan, a native of Glenelg, Inverness-shire, Scotland, aged 96 years. He was father of John McLennan, post-master at Dalkeith. 16

McFEE.—At 571 Cadieux street, on Feb. 15, Coll McFee, aged 76 years.

Remains will leave his late residence at 6 a.m. on Wednesday for Bonaventure Depot, thence to Hemmingford, P.Q., for interment. Funeral on Wednesday at 10.30 p.m., from the Presbyterian Church, Hemmingford. 16

MURRAY.—At Westmount, on Feb. 16, William George Murray, son of the late Wm. Murray.

Notice of Funeral hereafter. 16

Miscellaneous Advertisements.

(RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE CLASSIFIED).

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SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

CURLING.

The long postponed friendly match, Montreal vs. Thistle, began last night with five rinks, two on the Thistle and three on the Montreal ice. There was a good deal of quiet excitement at both places, much good play and many spectators, ladies being largely represented. Judge Archibald and Mr. G. H. McHenry, besides being ably supported by their teams, played excellently themselves and received applause three times at one end when they in turn punched shot three times through. There were many other very good shots and a lucky fluke sometimes, so that a high standard of play was handled on all the rinks.

Rink No. 1.

Montreal.	Thistle.
S. Howard	D. Robertson
[illegible]	F. Robertson
[illegible] Brown	C. McLean
C. W. Dean (sk.)	W. J. Cleghorn (sk.)
10	14

Rink No. 2.

C. P. Sclater	W. Fair
J. F. Mundle	Major Freeman
Lieut.-Col. Miller	John Harcourt
T. Williamson (sk.)	G. W. Cameron (sk.)
12	16

Rink No. 3.

H. B. Brown	F. C. McIndoe
H. R. Brainerd	Dr. F. C. Wilson
E. B. Ibbotson	A. G. Walsh
H. E. Suckling (sk.)	Capt. Clift (sk.)
20	18

Rink No. 4.

J. Alexander	Js. Cleghorn
W. Gardiner	J. H. Mitchell
E. S. Shepherd	J. D. Anderson
G. H. McHenry (sk.)	Judge Archibald (sk.)
16	9

Rink No. 5.

W. F. Bailey	C. D. Morris
C. F. Christmas	Dr. Gentles
A. W. Roberts	W. McCaw
H. E. Smith (sk.)	Dr. Finnie (sk.)
20	9
78	56

Majority for Montreal, 22 shots.

A long standing challenge from two Caledonian teams, skipped by Messrs. W. Young and H. Robertson to two St. Lawrence teams, skipped by Messrs. J. Johnston and W. H. Cairns, was put through on St. Lawrence ice last night. Mr. Young's score was 12, Mr. Robertson's 11. Total for Caledonia, 23. Mr. Johnston made 8 and Mr. Cairns 15. Total for St. Lawrence 23. Result, a tie. Both visiting teams and their hosts enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

SHERBROOKE VS. THISTLES.

Sherbrooke, Que., Feb. 16.—The curling match on Saturday afternoon last between the Thistles of Montreal and the Sherbrooke Club, at the rink here, was keenly contested, resulting in a victory for the Thistles by five points. A large number of citizens visited the rink during the afternoon and were entertained to lunch by Mrs. Judge White. In the evening the members of the Thistle Club were entertained at St. George's Club by His Worship Mayor H. R. Fraser.

HOCKEY.

ROSEDALES VS. SILVER LEAFS.

On Saturday afternoon the second team of the Rosedales and the Silver Leafs played a friendly game of hockey, the Rosedales winning the match by three games straight.

HOCKEY AT LONGUEUIL.

A friendly game of hockey was played on Saturday at Longueuil between the Longueuil Protestant School and Douglas Church boys. The match was well played and won by the Longueuil boys. The return match will be played on Thursday afternoon from 5 to 6 o'clock on the White Star rink, St. Catherine street west.

ORIENTS VS. ST. LAWRENCE.

A well contested hockey match was played on the East End rink on Saturday night between the Orients and the St. Lawrence clubs. The score was: Orients, 3; St. Lawrence, 2. The teams were as follows:—

Orients—Goal, Jessup; point, Logan; cover point, Cowper; forwards, Spicer, E. Upton, Humphries, Bacon.

St. Lawrence—Goal, Richards; point, Hill; cover point, Richardson; forwards, Simon, Wilson Slater, Brown.

Referee—Mr R. Lewthwaite. Umpires—Messrs. R. A. Tarlton and H. Hill.

MONTREAL VS. OTTAWA.

The match between the Montreal and Ottawa hockey teams which will be played tomorrow is the most interesting topic of conversation in sporting circles. The result of the championship of the league seems to depend upon this game. The team will be chosen from the following players:—Collins, Murphy, James, Baird, Barlow, Dawes, McKerrow, Horsfall, Fernie and Hough. Mr. Gordon Lewis of the Victorias will act as referee.

LILIES VS. ST. JAMES.

The Lilies and St. James met in a friendly game of hockey in the Prince Arthur rink. Although the St. James were much larger and heavier they were completely outclassed by the Lilies, who defeated them to the tune of 9 goals to 0. Following were the teams and officials:—

Lilies—A. Dawson, goal; J. Mellis, point; H. Grier, cover point; C. Lunan, C. W. King, F. Wilkes, C. Mackinnon, forwards.

St. James—J. Fraser, goal; A. Bastien, point; J. Hight, cover point; E. Earle, G. Boone, F. Adams, J. Browning, forwards.

Referee—Mr. Arthur Wheeler.

Umpires—Messrs. R. Dawson and W. Douglas.

A CLOSE GAME.

The Princes and the Mount Royal School met in a friendly game of hockey on Saturday afternoon on the National rink, and after a well contested game the Princes won by 7 goals to 5.

SNOWSHOEING.

The Pastime Snowshoe Club will hold a tramp to-night, starting from McGill College gate at 8 o'clock sharp. All up Pastime!

THE WHEEL.

THE LOW ELEMENT WANT SUNDAY RACING.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 6.—The Missouri division of the L.A.W. is ripe for revolt against the ruling of the parent body upon the matter of Sunday racing, and home rule is demanded upon matters touching racing days, track events and classification of prizes. It is there is a nucleus here for the [illegible] to rally round. The league of [illegible] wheelmen, a growing organization [illegible] started here a year ago. They [illegible] Sunday racing. A one-third mile track [illegible] by the L.I.W., and when the [illegible] they expect to receive a large [illegible] from the older association.

San Francisco, Feb. 16.—The L.A.W. leaders in Northern California are badly divided on the subject of secession from the league because of the Sunday racing decision. While many prominent men favor a withdrawal, others are just as strongly against it. Warren, vice-consul for the division, is strongly in favor of the organization of a new league, and of severing connections with the L.A.W. He says that the league membership last year cost California $598 from which not one cent's worth of benefit was derived. George Stratton of the local racing board, and Stanley Sciveren, secretary-treasurer of the California division, agree with him. On the other hand A. P. Swain, president of the California Associated Cycling Clubs, and G. C. Strong, the first league member in the state, are as strong for maintaining the league intact. Swain declares that if the matter was submitted to a vote the L.A.W. members would decide to stay with the old organization. The racing men generally favor secession. No immediate action is expected.

BASKET-BALL.

Those who go to O'Brien Hall on Friday evening, 26th inst., to see the much-talked-of basket ball matches between the Y. M. C. A. and the P. S. C. G., and the burlesque match, will undoubtedly have a good evening's entertainment. The committee who have arrangements in hand are doing everything possible to make this event successful. The Y.M.C.A. are sending down a strong team to compete with a picked team of the P.S.C.G., and it is expected that it will be a well-fought battle. This is a splendid chance for the people of the Point to see what this game of basket ball really is. After this comes the burlesque match, which will be a notable event. The committee are thinking over the advisability of engaging the services of two ambulances and several McGill students who have not taken their diplomas for the last two years; the matter has not yet been decided upon, but in the meantime both sides are practising hard. The referee can depend upon it that he will have his hands full. From present indications there is not the slightest doubt but that the gallery of O'Brien Hall will be well filled on this occasion, as the tickets are selling like hot buns.

FOOTBALL.

The concert given under the auspices of the Point St. Charles Institute Football Club in the Gymnasium was a great success. The Rev. D. S. Hamilton occupied the chair. Miss Lee opened the concert with a pianoforte solo, which was followed by a very pleasing song by Miss Jarvis. Mr. Frith, Miss M. Reed, Miss Louise Daly, Mr. A. D. Cibbon, Mr. Alfred May, Mr. Geo. Smith, Mr. R. O. Thicke, Miss Checketts, Mr. A. Barlow and Miss Wiley contributed excellent selections to the programme.

CHESS.

HEATHER VS. Y.M.C.A.

The Y.M.C.A. Chess Club was short three players for their match with the Heather Club on Saturday night, and had to supply their place with three juniors, Messrs. Watson, Darling and Pepler. As these inter-club matches have progressed, the Heather and Montreal clubs, more particularly the former, have considerably strengthened their teams; the Cercle St. Denis have been content, except for an occasional absence, with the eight who were their first selection; the Y.M.C.A. alone not only did not bring up any reserves but allowed half of their front rank to slip away. The result is that on an adjourned game between Messrs. Midgley and Short depends whether the Dominion Square Club will take last place in the four-club league. Saturday's players and score were as follows:—

First Four.

Y.M.C.A.		Heather.	
J. Fish	½	R. Short	—
H. E. Midgley	—	W. Hall	½
F. Fyfe	0	T. R. Davies	1
E. G. Smyth	0	K. Boissevain	1

Second Four.

S. M. Munn	1	E. C. Pratt	0
B. S. R. Watson	0	W. Vaughan	1
T. S. G. Pepler	0	E. B. Kirkham	1
R. Darling	½	J. A. Johnson	½
	2		5

To win first place in the second round of the series the Montreal Club have only to tie with the Cercle St. Denis on Saturday next, the score now standing: Heather, 13½; Montreal, 10; St. Denis, 8½; Y.M.C.A., 7. The total score to date is: Montreal, 27½; St. Denis, 23; Y.M.C.A., 18½; Heather, 18. It will thus be seen that the Montreal Club are reasonably sure of first place, as the Cercle St. Denis would have to beat them by 6½ to 11½ on Saturday next to deprive them of that honor.

ST. JEAN BAPTISTE SOCIETY.

The St. Jean Baptiste Society held their annual meeting last evening in the Monument National. The chair was occupied by the Hon. Judge Loranger, Mr. Philip Roy acting as secretary to the meeting. The gentlemen who were present included Mr. Justice Ouimet, of the Court of Appeal; Hon. Joseph Royal, Messrs. D. Parizeau, M.L.A.; L. O. David, L. E. Morin, jr., A. de Martigny, G. Boivin, Aldermen Laporte, Grothe and Brunet, ex-Aldermen Beauchamp and Cresse, J. Dufresne, L. E. Boivin, L. C. Lapointe, O. Tourgeon, J. Yon, J. J. Beauchamp, Arthur Gagnon and others.

After some opening remarks from the president, the financial statement of the Monument National and the St. Jean Baptiste Association were both read. They were both of a very satisfactory nature, the former showing a surplus of $1,343.840. The election of officers resulted as follows:—Mr. Justice Loranger, president; J. X. Perrault, 1st vice-president; L. E. Beauchamp, 2nd vice-president; Philip Roy, general secretary; Arthur Gagnon, general treasurer; L. E. Morin, jr., marshal. Directors, Hon. Jos. Royal, L. O. David, J. D. Rolland, Joseph Brunet, T. A. Grothe, and Adelard De Martigny, with Messrs. Tourgeon and Gauthier as auditors.

THE LATE MR. W. H. FROST.

The many friends of Mr. Wm. H. Frost, of Waterloo, Que., will regret to hear of his death, which took place on the 9th instant, after a short illness. Less than a week prior to his death he was seized with an attack of grippe, which rapidly developed into pneumonia, and he died on Tuesday morning. No sadder death has taken place in Waterloo for many years. The deceased was in the prime of manhood and was well and favorably known in the business community. He had succeeded his late father as station agent of the Central Vermont, and was an efficient and faithful officer. He ws a man of more than ordinary ability and force of character. In social as well as business circles he was deservedly popular, and was loved and respected by all with whom he came in contact. The community loses one of its best citizens by his death.

JOHN B. GOUGH.

MR. JOHN. B. CLARKE ENTERTAINS A LARGE AUDIENCE AT THE Y. M. C. A.

An interesting lecture on the great British-American temperance lecturer was delivered last evening by Mr. John R. Clarke at the Y. M. C. A., before a large audience. The Rev. W. H. Emsley, of the Sherbrooke Street Methodist Church, occupied the chair, and introduced the lecturer. The lecturer considered Gough to be one of the foremost orators of his day, and pointed out how great were his powers when he exerted them, and that popular opinion of him was not always correct, as some people were apt to misunderstand him and his methods. Mr. Clarke showed Gough's various styles of speaking, and mentioned several of his numerous anecdotes in a most racy manner. He touched upon the vastness of the work the great temperance reformer accomplished in saving hundreds of men from degradation. At the close of the lecture a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Clarke, for his deeply interesting lecture.

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WORLD'S W. C. T. U.

UNIQUE INTERNATIONAL TABLEAU TO BE A FEATURE ON THE PROGRAMME.

Toronto, Feb. 16.—Miss T. Wiggins, president of the World's W. C. T. U. Convention Committee, says that the notabilities who have arranged to attend the great international temperance gathering here in October will, in addition to Lady Henry Somerset and Miss Frances E. Willard, include Miss Agnes Weston, the celebrated worker among the blue jackets and marines of the British Royal Navy; Miss Hannah Whitehall Smith, authoress of the 'Secret of a happy life'; Miss Agnes Slack, secretary of the World's W. C. T. U.; Miss Anna Gordon, authoress of 'Loyal Legion Hymns,' and eminent as a leader in juvenile department work. Three hundred Toronto children are being trained for an international fancy drill tableau. They will march to the national airs of Great Britain, Canada, Australia and other portions of the British Empire, concluding by singing 'Rule Britannia.' Then the United States will be represented by a number of children who will march to a medely of United States patriotic airs. The first two representatives of Canada and the United States will then cross their flags and the children march under the crossed colors singing, with the audience, the hymn, 'Blest be the tie that binds.'

FELL DOWNSTAIRS.

Sherbrooke, Que., Feb. 16.—While going downstairs in the dark on Saturday night, Mr. Fisette, an old resident, fell and broke his neck. Death was almost instantaneous.

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The Boys' Page.

Anecdotes of Agassiz.

'I was in Brazil when Prof. Agassiz made his expedition there in behalf of the Harvard Scientific School,' remarked a friend lately. 'At that time I was associated with certain other engineers, English and American, who were directing the construction of Dom Pedro's railways. The Emperor, himself a lover of science, had given Agassiz a cordial reception, and when the expedition began its journey into the interior, I was one of the several engineers detailed by him for an honorary escort. We knew the country and the language, and bore the rank and uniform of Brazilian officers. This made it doubtless an agreeable arrangement for the professor, and I recall those several weeks in camp with him as the most delightful I ever knew. His quick nervous manner and bright talk rendered him a never-failing source of entertainment, and his general good nature and affability at once endeared him to every member of the party.

'The professor was particularly solicitous for a specimen of the horned frog, a broad flat lizard in fact, which is found in our own south-west country, but in Brazil attains unusual size. All of us were anxious to gratify him. One morning, just as the cook was serving breakfast, some one appeared outside with an immense frog of the kind desired. We were taking our places at table, and at a sign from me, the cook intercepted the bearer, substituted the frog for buckwheat cakes between two platters, and placed it covered before the professor. The tent was filled with the appetizing odor of the buckwheats, and, talking in his bright vivacious way, Agassiz turned the cover to attack his pile of cakes. Out jumped the frog upon the cloth, into the professor's lap. Agassiz, with a startled, delighted cry, was on his knees in a moment, scrambling under the table, where he triumphantly captured the prize. In the laugh which followed, none joined more heartily than he.

'A tank of water stood in the dining-tent wherein rare and curious fish were placed for the professors' examination. Among these one day was an uncommon specimen, somewhat like our pike or jackfish. It was a foot long and its mouth was armed with rows of sharp teeth. The professor, very near-sighted, was bending close down to examine this, when suddenly the fish struck up and seized him firmly by the nose. Here was a demonstration of its unusual characteristic. This fish was a treasure. It was now doubly valuable as a museum specimen. The professor was in ecstasy. In the midst of the next meal he was displaying his scars, proud as a German student, and nothing would do but that he must show us the teeth of the fish. But the fish was gone. "You have just eaten him, sir," the cook explained. The professor's disappointment was too apparent. He might possibly secure another specimen, but hardly one which would leap out of the tank to seize him by the nose, even if he cared to venture the experiment.—J. W. H., in N. Y. 'Post.'

A DOG EARNS HIS MISTRESS'S LIVING.

Among the many almost decrepit old women who earn a rather precarious livelihood by picking up and reselling the waste cotton that falls from the bales about the streets and warehouses, is one well known among the brokers and who goes by the whimsical cognomen of Mom Katrine.

Mom Katrine is a little bit of a wizened negress, almost too old to walk and quite too blind to see; but she owns an unfailing source of revenue in the shape of a little black-and-tan terrier, Voudoo by name, that is as expert a cotton picker as one would wish to see. Every morning by the time the sun has warmed the edge of the day, Mom Katrine and Voudoo appear on the street, the old woman usually to take her seat on the curbing, while the dog begins his daily task of cotton gathering. Voudoo's energy in this unwonted occupation is somewhat marvellous, so the warehousemen say, and it is certainly amusing to see the little fellow dodging in and out among the bales and under the feet of the porters, snatching a wad of cotton and darting with it to Mom Katrine, who stores it away snugly in her big sack, which she takes home full every evening.

Some of the porters think Voudoo is a nuisance, he is such a persistent picker; but, as they believe Mom Katrine to be a witch and the dog a participant in her black art, they are afraid to drive him away; and so the two have become regular institutions of the trade.—New Orleans Correspondence of Philadelphia 'Times.'

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There was much whistling in our yard one summer. It seemed to be an all-summer performance. Near the end of the season, however, our boy announced the height of our tall maple to be thirty-three feet.

'Why, how do you know?' was the general question.

'Measured it.'

'How?'

'Foot-rule and yardstick.'

'You didn't climb that tall tree?' his mother asked, anxiously.

'No'm; I just found the length of the shadow, and measured that.'

'But the length of the shadow changes.'

'Yes'm, but twice a day the shadows are just as long as things themselves. I've been trying it all summer. I drove a stick into the ground, and when the shadow was just as long as the stick I knew that the shadow of the tree would be just as long as the tree, and that's thirty-three feet.'

'So that is what you have been whistling about all summer?'

'Did I whistle?' asked Tom.

Chess Corner.

(From Staunton's 'Chess-Player's Hand-Book.')

(Continued.)

TECHNICAL TERMS IN USE AMONG CHESS PLAYERS.

EN PRISE.

When a Piece or Pawn is in a situation to be taken by the enemy, it is said to be 'en prise.' To put a Piece 'en prise,' is to play it so that it may be captured.

THE EXCHANGE.

When a player gains a Rook for a Bishop or a Knight, it is termed winning the exchange.

FALSE MOVE.

Any illegal move, such as castling when the King has been moved or is in check, moving a Rook diagonally, or a Bishop like a Knight, is called a false or an 'impossible' move.

FOOL'S MATE.

This is the simplest of all checkmates, being accomplished in two moves in the following manner:—

White.	Black.
1. K.Kt. P. to K.Kt's 4th	1. K. P.to K's 4th
2. K. B. P.to K. B's 4th	2. Q to K. R's 5th, checkmate.

It cannot possibly be given by the first player.

FORCED MOVE.

When a player has one only legal move at command, it is said to be a forced move.

GAMBIT.

This word is derived from an Italian phrase in wrestling, and signifies a movement by which the adversary is tripped up. In chess, this is attempted by the first player putting a Pawn 'en prise' of the enemy early in the game, by which he is enabled more rapidly and effectually to develop his superior Pieces. There are several gambits, but the most important, and one which includes many others, is the King's gambit, commenced as follows:—

White.	Black.
1. K. P. to K's 4th.	1. K. P. to K's 4th.
2. K. B. P. to B's 4th	2. P. takes K. B. P.

The Pawn offered by the first player here at his second move is called the Gambit Pawn, and when taken by the adversary the opening becomes a gambit.

The varieties of the gambits are often designated by the names of the players who invented or first brought them into vogue—as the Muzio gambit, the Salvio gambit, the Allgaier gambit, the Lopez gambit; while others obtain their names from the opening moves of the first player, as the King's Bishop's gambit, which begins thus:—

White.	Black.
1. K. P. to K's 4th.	1. K. P. to K's 4th.
2. K. P. B. to B's 4th.	2. P. takes P.
3. K. B. to Q. B's 4th.	

and is so called because the K's Bishop is played out at the third move instead of the K's Knight.

There is also the Queen's gambit, of which the opening moves are:—

White.	Black.
1. Q. P. to Q's 4th.	1. Q. P. to Q's 4th.
2. Q. B. P. to B's 4th	2. P takes P.

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2. K. Kt. to B's 3rd.	2. Q. Kt. to B's 3rd.
3. K. B. to Q. B's 4th.	3. K. B. to Q. B's 4th

TO INTERPOSE.

When the King is checked, or any valuable Piece in danger from the attack of an enemy, you are said to interpose a man when you play it between the attacked and attacking Piece.

ISOLATED PAWN.

A Pawn which stands alone, without the support and protection of other Pawns, is termed an isolated Pawn.

J'ADOUBE.

A French expression, signifying 'I arrange,' or 'I replace,' which is used by a player when he touches a man merely to adjust its position on the board, without intending to play it. (See the 7th law.)

MINOR PIECES.

The Bishop and Knight, in contradistinction to the Queen and Rook, are called minor Pieces.

THE OPPOSITION.

An important manoeuvre in playing the King, by which one player is enabled to occupy certain key squares, and thus compel the adverse King to abandon a favorable position.

PASSED PAWN.

A Pawn is said to be a passed one when the adversary has no Pawn to obstruct its march on the same file, or on either of the next files to the right or left.

TO QUEEN A PAWN, OR TO ADVANCE A PAWN TO QUEEN.

When a player has contrived to advance a Pawn to the eighth or last square of the file, it assumes the rank and power of a Queen, or any other Piece he chooses, and he is then said to have queened his Pawn. (See the 21st law.)

SCHOLAR'S MATE.

A checkmate occasionally given at the opening of a game by a practised player to one but little tutored in the science. The following are the moves:—

White.	Black.
1. P. to K's 4th.	1. P. to K's 4th.
2. K. B. to Q. B's 4th.	2. K. B. to Q. B's 4th
3. Q. to K. R's 5th.	3. Q. P. one.
4. Q. takes K. B. P., giving checkmate.	

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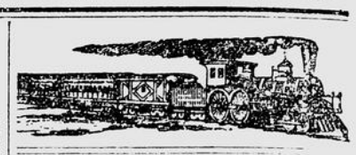
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CHAPTER IV.—THE GOLDEN CHAIN.

So the whole round world is every way
Bound by gold chains about the feet of God.

Diana was standing on the lilied terrace about a week later, and the morning light made sunshine and shadow about her. She had been cutting some flowers for the great vases in the hall, and had her basket well filled, when looking in the direction of the entrance gates she saw Miriam Gordon's little figure coming up the avenue towards the house. There was something a little quaint and attractive to Diana about this shy, almost shy, young girl, who, though only some three years younger than she herself, appeared to her such a child; and she welcomed her arrival right gladly. She ran down the white stone steps from the terrace, and met her visitor before she could reach the entrance door.

'How good of you to come and see me,' she said, disengaging one hand from her pretty burden of flowers and offering it to Miriam. 'Do you not think the garden is more pleasant than the morning room in such weather? Let us stay out among the flowers, unless you prefer going into the house?'

'Please let us stay in the gardens,' Miriam answered eagerly. 'I think it is so beautiful here; you have a very lovely home, Miss Calthorpe.'

Diana, from her superior height, looked down upon the glowing face and admiring eyes of her companion with some sense of quiet amusement. The rector's little daughter was a new study for her, and yet the simple girlish praise spoken with such genuine appreciation and delight was pleasant to Diana's ear.

'I am very glad you like Moorland Garth,' she answered. 'Loving it well myself, I like to know others are pleased with it also.'

'How can any one help being pleased and charmed?' Miriam said in the same artless way. 'I sometimes think it must be much easier to be good when surrounded by so many beautiful things than when everything about and near is commonplace and ugly; don't you, Miss Calthorpe?'

The expression upon Diana's face altered slightly. She looked startled.

'I have never thought anything about it at all,' she answered, frankly; 'but I imagine you must be right.'

Then Miriam blushed. She had lost momentary consciousness of her own identity, but with Diana's answer there had flashed into her mind what her father had said on the evening after their return from Moorland Garth. Then he was right, and this beautiful Diana, whom already Miriam with girlish impulsiveness was beginning to enshrine in her heart as above and beyond ordinary women, did not know the best of all knowledge—the personal love and goodness of God. She could almost have wept, the swift reaction from pleasure to pain was so great and terrible. The shock did something else for Miriam also; it reminded her of her special purpose in calling upon Diana that morning. She let her gaze fall wistfully upon the basket of sweet, glowing, glorious flowers in Diana's white shapely hands.

'Do you know, I have really come to ask a favor of you, Miss Calthorpe,' she began, hesitatingly; 'I do hope you will not think me presuming.'

Diana looked down upon her visitor curiously now. She had been quick to notice the shadow which had fallen across Miriam's bright face, and the quieting of her eager voice, and she wondered at the changes, the while she half guessed why.

'It will be a real pleasure to grant you a favor; of that I am positive. My only fear is that it will be far too small an one,' Diana said.

'Do you remember the blacksmith's house, about a quarter of a mile below the rectory? There is trouble in the home. A daughter has come back from a situation in a city shop, and she is very ill. Indeed, her friends almost fear she will die.'

'Really, that is very sad,' answered Diana, trying to think why Miriam Gordon should tell her of this. 'Can I do anything for the girl? Shall I tell cook to send some soup to her, or something of that sort?'

'Oh, no.' Miriam colored a little. 'They are not quite the kind of people one can send soup to. I—I mean mother only thought——.'

'What? I shall really be very glad to do anything Mrs. Gordon can suggest. Please tell me.'

'You have such lovely flowers, and so many of them, Miss Calthorpe, that mother thought you would spare a few perhaps for poor Rose Carter. She says flowers do more sometimes to brighten and cheer a sick person than anything else.'

'And I have no doubt she is right. Rose Carter shall certainly have some flowers, and I am very much obliged to Mrs. Gordon for sending to me for them. I am a very selfish mortal,' said this stately Diana, with a little laugh, 'but even I occasionally think it a pity such a crowd of blossoms should bud and burst almost without being seen. Now, which of all these pretty things shall we send to the blacksmith's daughter? What do you call her? Rose? Then, of course, she must have roses of all sizes and colors. Those are the first: white roses; do you think she will like white roses, Miss Gordon? And now for my conservatories.'

Diana's fingers were busy as well as her tongue, and blossom after blossom fell ruthlessly under her scissors until Miriam called a truce.

'And now I must find Robert, and send him with this gay basket,' Diana said, and she was turning away when Miriam stopped her, with pleading eyes and burning cheeks. The hardest part of her mission was yet to be accomplished.

'Oh, Miss Calthorpe, please do not send Robert with them. Will you not take them yourself? I will go with you to show you the house, and wait for you while you take them to Rose. She will like them so much better from your own hands.'

Diana stood still in amazement.

'But I do not know these people. I never spoke to them in my life. How very odd it would be for me to call at the house. I should not have the very faintest idea what to say, Miriam.'

In her astonishment she had even dropped the more formal title and addressed the rector's daughter by her familiar home name, and this Miriam noticed with a glow of pleasure.

'It will not seem at all odd. Rose is ill. They will all think it very kind of you to call and inquire about her,' she answered quickly.

'What is the matter with her?' asked Diana, thoughtfully.

'They do not quite know. The doctor says she has some trouble on her mind; but what trouble can Rose have?' said gentle little Miriam.

All this time they had been walking in the direction of the chocolate and gold colored entrance gates, and when they reached them, without pausing, Diana passed through and into the road. Miriam asked no questions, but followed with beating heart. Did this new friend of hers really mean to go to see poor Rose Carter and take the flowers herself? It seemed very like it. Diana walked on with her usual stately ease of manner. She carried her basket of flowers as naturally as if she had been accustomed to doing such things all her life. When they reached the rectory she made a little pause.

'I know the blacksmith's house quite well, Miss Gordon, or the locality of it, at any rate. Please do not come any further if you are at all tired.'

Miriam was not in the least tired. A walk with Diana had been too rare a treat for her even to think of such an outcome. But instinctively she felt that Diana might rather finish her mission alone, so little, unselfish Miriam smilingly disclaimed the imputation of fatigue, but perhaps if Miss Calthorpe would be so kind as to excuse her going any further, her mother might be wanting her at home. But when she entered the house, Miriam ran breathlessly upstairs to a tiny attic window, from whence she could see a long, long way down the road, and from whence she watched Diana's tall graceful figure, till, arriving at the door of the blacksmith's house, she saw her knock, and when the door was opened, enter, with her bright basket of flowers. Then Miriam almost flew down to the little cool room, where her mother usually sat to work or write in the early part of the day, and kneeling by the side of Mrs. Gordon's light, lounging chair, exclaimed eagerly, 'Oh, mother, is not Miss Calthorpe good? She has really taken the flowers to poor Rose her very own self! And such flowers, mother.'

For answer, Mrs. Gordon stooped and kissed the sweet, glowing face. It is possible she thought the little work of love was more Miriam's than Diana's, after all, but she was wise enough not to say so.

Meanwhile the rich man's petted daughter was having a new experience. The blacksmith's wife had answered Diana's knock at the door, and looked both puzzled and surprised when she recognized her visitor. But Diana, with quick tact, said she had heard that her daughter was ill, and had brought a few flowers for her. Would she accept them? She had just cut them herself, from the garden at Moorland Garth.'

It was very kind of Miss Calthorpe, poor Mrs. Carter said gratefully. Rose would be delighted, she was sure. Would Miss Calthorpe—and then she hesitated a moment—would Miss Calthorpe come in and see Rose?'

In an instant Diana's mind was made up. She had commenced this new work, and she would finish it without shrinking from the task. She went in. The sick girl was lying on a low cushioned couch, in a little room at the back of the house, away from all sight of the black angry forge, and with only the grand old hill slopes and heather-clad moorland stretching out far, far away in the distance. Little did Diana guess when she entered that room that sunny morning how familiar each detail about it would become to her in the days immediately following.

'Rose,' said the mother, hurriedly, 'here is Miss Calthorpe come to see you, and she has brought you some flowers with her own hands.'

Diana looked curiously, as a small, pretty brown head was slowly lifted from one of the chintz-covered cushions and two soft, large eyes were raised to hers. Did these belong to Rose Carter? With different surroundings Rose might have passed as one in Diana's own rank in life.

'You are very kind, Miss Calthorpe,' she began, but then her eyes fell upon the mass of beautiful blossoms in Diana's hands, and without another word she extended her arms, and drawing them towards her burst into a passion of tears and sobs.

'Why, Rose,' cried her mother, in distress and with a little anger in her voice, 'you haven't even thanked Miss Calthorpe. How can you behave like this? What is the matter?'

But Diana came to the rescue.

'I think she is thanking me in a way that touches me more than any words could do, Mrs. Carter. Now suppose, if you do not mind my suggesting it, that you leave us just a little while to have a talk? I daresay there is some little thing in the house which needs your attention, and I will be nurse while you are away.'

So saying, she seated herself by the side of the couch while Mrs. Carter went to tell her husband the astounding fact that the heiress of Moorland Garth was taking care of Rose.

The two were quiet for a few minutes after they were left together, then Rose lifted her flushed face from the sweet flowers, and taking one of the cream roses from its bed of ferns and moss nestled it in her bosom.

'Rose,' said Diana suddenly, with that abruptness of questioning that was sometimes natural to her, 'why do you lie here like this? Why do you not get well? What is the matter with you?'

The girl averted her face for a brief moment while her fingers played nervously with the delicate petals of the rose in her bosom. Then she suddenly raised her eyes to Diana's, and gazed earnestly into her face.

'I do not want to get well,' she said at length.

Diana felt bewildered, and a little startled; but she did not betray herself.

'Why not?' she asked, curiously.

'Because I have nothing to live for now.'

Rose spoke with smothered passion in her voice; and after a little pause she went on, still looking at Diana:—'People think I am ill; but I am not. No one knows what is the matter with me, because I will not tell them. Miss Gordon, do you know her? She comes to see me sometimes, and her mother comes, too, and they are sweet and good; but they are too good. They would not understand if I were to tell them. But you——are you good, Miss Calthorpe? There is something about you that makes me think you feel like I do sometimes. Do you?'

'I am not good,' answered Diana, abruptly, with a strange feeling at her heart. 'But how can I help you?'

'These roses have brought it all back to me in a great torrent; I do not know how to bear it,' Rose said with a sob in her throat. 'I used to have flowers brought me like these, and he said I was like the sweet, sweet roses.'

'He? Who?' asked Diana, sharply, as if the words stirred some remembrance in her own heart.

'I was in a milliner's shop at——. But never mind where, and I got to know someone who was kind to me. He told me he loved me, and I believed him for a little while, until one day he said he was going away, and that hard as it was for him to say it, he thought it would be better for me to forget him, as he was engaged to be married to a lady whom he had known a long time. He tried even then to make me believe that he loved me best; but I knew he had only been playing with me for his own amusement, and it made me hate him. Miss Calthorpe, I should never have dared to tell Mrs. or Miss Gordon that I hate any body; they would say it was wicked, and that I must pray to have such wicked feelings taken out of my heart. But I don't want to. He was cruel to me, and I want to hate him.'

The poor child buried her face again in the cushions, and the sobs came quickly, Diana was more startled.

'Rose,' she said, emphatically, 'you must not talk like this. You should mind what Miss Gordon tells you; she can guide you much better than I.'

'I do not want Miss Gordon,' said wilful Rose. 'I want you. Oh, Miss Calthorpe, do not be cross with me; but, indeed, I can't be good. Do you think,' and she lowered her voice to an awestricken whisper, 'do you think it is any good to pray?'

'Yes; a great poet says that prayer is like a golden chain binding the world to God, so that we cannot be lost to Him, Rose.'

'A golden chain? I like that. I have never thought of it like that before. I have never thought of it in any way but as something I do not like.'

If Diana had confessed the truth her confession would have been very much the same; but she did not make any comment. Instead, she rose to go, promising with strange interest to call again. And as she went she heard Rose whispering, 'A golden chain.'

(To be continued.)

THE SOUL'S INQUIRIES.

TUESDAY, FEB. 16.

Should I wait for the Lord any longer?—II. Kings vi., 33.

Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him.—Ps. xxxvii., 7.

The Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces.—Isa. xxv., 8.

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To stretch my hand and touch Him,
Though he be far away;
To raise my eyes and see Him,
Through darkness as through day;
To lift my voice and call Him—
This is to pray!

To feel a hand extended
By One who standeth near;
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'I want you to put down that book and be a little more sociable.'

'I will when I'm ready. You'd better stop that.'

Hugh persisted, and at length, with a quick movement, Phil caught his hand and held it as in a vise.

'Let go!' cried Hugh.

'I'm ready to be sociable now. Let's see you get away.'

Hugh tried with all his might. Several young cousins gathered about, laughing at the small contest.

'Pull away, Hugh. Make him let go.'

'Hold on, Phil. Well, you've got a good grip.'

'I have that,' said Phil, at length, with a good-natured laugh, letting go his hold on Hugh. 'I'm a regular athlete, I am! I'll take hold of your hands, and you can't one of you get away from me. I'll dare you all. Come on.'

'I can get away, I know,' said two or three of the party who were rather older and larger than Phil. But one or two trials of his 'grip' satisfied them of his muscular prowess.

'Come on,' he still challenged, 'my bones are iron and my muscles steel. Not one of you can make me let go my hold. Here, George, you're the oldest of all. Take hold.'

'I can get the better of you,' said George.

With all his strength, and with more than one attempt at a sleight-of-hand twist, he strove to pull his hand from Phil's grasp, but all to no purpose.

'Any one else to try?' asked Phil.

'I will,' said Lillian.

It was a slender girl who came with a bright smile on her face, holding out her hand. A shout of laughter went up.

'You, Lil! Well, that's a good one!'

'Why, Lily—I could mash that little paw of yours to a jelly,' said Phil.

'Don't try, Lil,' urged the others. 'It hurts like fury.'

'I don't believe Phil will hurt me,' protested Lilian. 'He said we could all try.'

'Come, then,' said Phil, taking her hand in a firm grasp. 'Now—let's see you stir.'

Lilian's smile grew into a merry little laugh. She looked into her cousin's eyes and said:

'Please let go, Phil.'

'Hey?' ejaculated Phil, gazing at her in comic bewilderment.

'Please let go of my hand, dear.'

'I say—now!' Phil laughed and flushed as a merry peal arose from the lookers-on. 'Lily, this isn't fair. Is it?' he appealed to the others.

'Exactly fair and square,' they vociferated in keenest delight. 'You dared every one of us to make you let go.'

'Oh, well, I could stand all the strength, all the pulling and wrenching and jerking—but when you come at me like that, Lilian, what could anybody do?'

And Phil loosened his hand.—Sydney Dayre in the N. Y. 'Observer.'

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A RANCHMAN'S STRANGE DEATH.

Winnipeg, Feb. 15.—F. Jerschki, a young ranchman, living near Dewdney, N.W.T., was found dead at his ranch on Friday with his gun beside him. The contents were lodged in his body. It is considered a case of suicide. He was young, healthy and wealthy, and on the decease of his parents, who lived in Holland, would have come into much additional property. He is supposed to have been drinking.

OBITUARY.

Goodwood, Ont., Feb. 15.—Mrs. B. S. Davidson, an old and highly-respected resident, was taking a short walk in company with her daughter last evening when she felt weak and went into a neighbor's house to rest. Continuing to get worse, Dr. Darling was summoned, but she died in about thirty minutes. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause of death.

Chatham, Ont., Feb. 15.—Mr. Hugh Francis Cumming, a highly influential and respected resident of this city for thirty-seven years, died to-day at his residence, Victoria avenue. He was a retired merchant, wealthy and universally popular. In 1885 he accepted the Reform nomination for West Kent, but was defeated. He was a native of Inverness-shire, Scotland, a member of the Presbyterian Church, and a kindly, beneficent, cultured Christian gentleman.

London, Feb. 15.—Prof. Charles Tomlinson, F.R.S., F.C.S., the well-known writer and lecturer upon scientific subjects, died at Highgate to-day in his sixty-ninth year.

AMERICAN IRON IN ENGLAND.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 15.—British makers of iron and steel products are alarmed by the invasion of their home markets by American manufacturers. It is stated that tin plate bars have been exported to the Welsh tin plate mills for several months and that some of the tinned plates imported recently were made out of American steel. Bessemer steel billets have been exported and one Pittsburg firm is reported to have been recently shipping on an order for 20,000 tons of billets, which have been landed on the west coast of England at a price twelve shillings below the local price. Other forms of iron and steel exported extensively are hardware mechanics' tools and various forms of machinery.

RICH FIND OF GOLD.

Los Angelos, Cal., Feb. 15.—Considerable excitement has been created by the discovery in Randsburg, of ore capable of producing $8,000 gold to the ton. The vein shows only about four inches on the surface, but widens to double that width at a depth of three feet, which is the greatest depth attained. The ore is fabulously rich and shows very coarse gold, the coarsest yet in fact ever found in the country.

THE ARBITRATION TREATY.

New York, Feb. 15.—The 'Herald's' Washington special says the general arbitration treaty will be rejected if pressed to a vote during the present session. There are not more than fifty senators who will vote for the treaty in its present form, ten less than the two-thirds necessary for ratification.

SUGAR TRUST INVESTIGATION.

New York, Feb. 15.—In the Sugar Trust investigation to-day, Mr. Searles testified that the original capitalization of the original Sugar Trust Company included fifteen companies, with an aggregate capital of $6,590,000. Although Mr. Searles had charge of the certificate books at the time, he had no knowledge of their whereabouts now; could not say of his own knowledge that the original certificate books were destroyed; they had been cancelled.

'Then,' said Mr. Lexow, 'the books that show an increase of $43,000,000 from a capital of $6,000,000 are not in existence, according to you?'

'That is so, sir,' replied the witness.

Mr. Searles also declared that he did not know the whereabouts of the trust deed, which showed the amount of certificates distributed among the fifteen companies; he could not recollect the amount of certificates that went to each company. His recollection was that the trust deed was placed in the hands of counsel for the company. At this point Mr. Lexow asked one of the counsel who was present if he had the deed, and he replied that he did not know, as he had not examined his papers.

Mr. Searles explained that there was no necessity for the certificates or books when the new concern was formed, and he did not think it singular that they had disappeared. He stated that the directors refused him permission to submit the minute book with the record book of the capitalization of the original companies. The witness said he did not consider Mr. Lawson N. Fuller an expert on sugar to-day. 'The manufacture has been revolutionized since Mr. Fuller's time,' said Mr. Searles.

The witness said that during the last nine years his company had distributed $1,500,000,000 worth of sugar in the United States. In reply to another question, the witness said the London market controlled the price of sugar all over the world.

'Is the increase of large corporations a disadvantage to the workingman?' asked the chairman.

'No, sir; but if we had less legislation we would be better off. If you will make laws that will invite capital to this state instead of driving it away it would be an advantage. But so long as investigations like this are fomented, it makes capital unsafe and uncertain and makes it act on the defensive as though it were the enemy of the workingman. There is a law far higher than the Legislature of the State of New York—the law of supply and demand, which controls all these things, and which no trust, however big, is able to violate.'

The Spanish Government expends $8,000,000 a year for the church and only $200,000 for education in public schools, the communities being expected to do the rest.

RATES ARE TOO HIGH.

Toronto, Feb. 15.—One of the aldermen has been making enquiries respecting cold storage rates in Chicago and Montreal, and has sent to the mayor a schedule of rates charged in these two cities. A comparison with the schedule of the rates agreed upon with the Dominion Cold Storage Company at the time of the leasing of the old Drill Shed, shows the rates proposed to be charged in Toronto are very much higher than in Chicago and Montreal. The alderman suggests that before the lease is transferred to the new company, the rates should be revised. As instances of the differences noted, apples and pears are charged in Toronto fifty cents per barrel per month, compared with twelve and a-half cents and fifteen cents in Montreal; lard per tierce, a dollar in Toronto, and twenty-five cents in Montreal.

SPRINGHILL STRIKE OVER.

Springhill Mines, N.S., Feb. 15.—Grand Secretary Drummond, accompanied by Grand Master Moffat, arrived in town to-day, and immediately after arrival held a meeting with the men. After the meeting, the committee and grand secretary had a long conference with the management and discussed the situation thoroughly. A second meeting was held with the men, and after a warm discussion certain compromises were agreed to. To-night the management and committee and the men signed an agreement which happily puts an end to the strike, which has now continued for five weeks. It is to be hoped, peace being restored, harmony will long continue.

ELECTED A LIBERAL.

Glasgow, Feb. 15.—The election to fill the vacancy in the House of Commons for the Bridgeton Division of Glasgow, caused by the retirement of Sir George O. Trevelyan, Liberal, was held to-day, resulting in the return of Sir Charles Cameron, Liberal, by 4,506 votes to 4,381 cast for Mr. Charles Scott Dickson, Solicitor-General for Scotland, who stood in the Conservative interest. At the last election Sir George O. Trevelyan received a majority over the Conservative candidate of 442, and the Labor candidate polled 609 votes.

MATAAFA STILL IN EXILE.

London, Feb. 15.—The Parliamentary Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr. George N. Curzon, in the House of Commons, to-day, answering a question put by Mr. James E. Hogan, anti-Parnellite member for the Middle Division of Tipperary, said that the Foreign Office had not heard that permission had been given to Chief Mataafa to return to Samoa nor at any opposition thereto upon the part of foreign powers. Mataafa, he said, was still at Jaluit, and there was no immediate prospect of his being permitted to return to Samoa.

A BAD QUARTETTE.

CHARGED WITH STABBING.

A peculiar story comes from Point St. Charles in which four men are implicated, and against whom very grave charges are laid. According to the information of a young man named Wilfrid Tranquil, residing on St. Patrick street, he was going home on Saturday evening when he was accosted by an unknown man, who was afterwards described as James McCarthy, aged twenty-five, of Ropery street. The unknown was covered with blood and his left eye was very black. He asked Tranquil to take him to some place where he could bathe his head. The complainant took him to his own home and there McCarthy washed himself. He then asked Tranquil to accompany him home as he was afraid he would be assaulted a second time. He did so, and on reaching 8 St. Patrick street, McCarthy invited Tranquil to enter and have a drink. When they got inside McCarthy immediately turned round and locked the door, apparently to prevent the complainant going out. Three other men were in the house and McCarthy, after a short conversation, made disgusting proposals to Tranquil, who turned to leave the premises, whereupon McCarthy seized a carving knife and deliberately stabbed him twice in the right arm, inflicting two ugly wounds. A scuffle ensued and during the melee Tranquil managed to escape. He went home and thence to Dr. Dosthaler, who dressed the wounds. Tranquil then visited the den accompanied by Constables McKeown, Lariviere, Robinson and Lanouette. McCarthy and three others, named James McGovern, thirty, laborer, Manufacturers street; Robert Maddox, eighteen, St. Patrick street, and Daniel Steel, thirty-two, laborer, Ropery street, were arrested. The quartette appeared in the Police Court yesterday and pleaded not guilty. McCarthy will be tried for stabbing and his companions as accomplices.

HALIFAX LOYALISTS.

On Thursday evening, Feb. 11, a meeting was held for the purpose of organizing a United Empire Loyalist Association in Halifax. It was resolved that a committee be formed with the object of making all necessary arrangements for the speedy formation of such a society. The following were appointed members of the committee: The Hon. A. G. Jones, Hon. Judge Weatherbee; Hon. Judge Townshend, Professor Fraser, of the School for the Blind; Mr. Harry Piers and Miss M. A. Fitche. The Rev. J. B. Pyke, archivist of the Montreal society, was requested to assist the committee in its work of organization.

DAMAGES FOR AN ACCIDENT.

In the case of Shaw vs. Rudolph, the plaintiff claimed $500 damages on account of injuries received by being struck by a carriage belonging to defendant at the corner of Windsor and St. Catherine streets. In rendering judgment yesterday Judge Archibald held that at the time when the accident occurred defendant's horse and vehicle were being driven at an imprudent rate of speed in turning from Windsor into St. Catherine street, at a moment when plaintiff was getting off one of the street cars. No negligence had been proved on the part of plaintiff, and under the circumstances judgment must go against defendant for $75 damages, with costs of the lowest class in the Superior Court.

YOUNG IMMIGRANTS COMING.

(To the Editor of the 'Witness.')

Sir,—Our party of young people from Liverpool is expected to arrive at Knowlton at the end of this month or early in March. There will be between forty and fifty boys and thirty girls, from four years and upwards. Applications accompanied by rail fares and minister's recommendations will be supplied first; we cannot undertake to reply to any communications unattended by fares and other necessary information. If unable to supply applicants with such help as they require or little ones they wish to adopt, fares will be returned as soon as possible after arrival of party. Timely notice will be sent when to meet the children. Photos of those under ten can be forwarded on receipt of letter or post card.

(Mrs.) LOUISA BIRT.
Distributing Home, Knowlton, Que.,
Feb. 10, 1897.

NOTES AND NOTICES.

Methodism and Good Music.—The passing years which have brought so many improvements have seen the growth of music of the very highest character as an auxiliary to the services of our churches. Conspicuous among such is the Sherbrooke Street Methodist Church, where the musical portion of the weekly services is of the highest class. This is largely owing to the exertions and ability of the organist, Mr. Rodolph Picard. This gentleman has found it necessary for the successful carrying on of his musical studies to acquire a piano of the very highest character. After investigation his choice fell upon one of the celebrated Knabe parlor grands, as the artistic qualities of this instrument are alone capable of interpreting the delicate coloring of the works of the great masters. Mr. Picard placed his order through the house of Messrs. Willis & Co., of 1824 Notre Dame street, who are the sole agents for the Knabe Piano, and the instrument has just come to hand and has received the highest commendation from all who have seen it.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

HOW THE PATRONS STAND.

THE DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS.

(Special Correspondence of 'Witness.')

Toronto, Feb. 13.—The Ontario Legislature met this week for the despatch of business, under circumstances which imparted unprecedented interest to the occasion. Sir Oliver Mowat retired a few months ago from the Premiership which he had held continuously for almost thirty-four years. Some young men whose names on the voters' lists were not born when he became Premier, and a large proportion of the electors do not remember a time when they were not under a Mowat régime. For all practical purposes electors not over thirty-five have no recollections worth mentioning of what preceded it, and the great majority are under that age. His resignation having taken place during the recess there was naturally a great deal of curiosity to see how his successor would stand the test of his first sessional opening. Mr. Hardy is no unworthy successor of Sir Oliver Mowat, either in personal force, legal acumen, administrative experience, or debating power. Take him all in all he is quite as well equipped for the position as any one of his predecessors Mr. Sandfield Macdonald, Mr. Edward Blake or Sir Oliver. The ease with which he bore himself during the vote on the address was augury of a good working session, for it was proof that he has public business well in hand, and that he knows what he wishes to accomplish. It is quite evident that the ministry will not attempt to carry the country at next election by any very startling new departure. There is no chance for successful strategy of that kind. Sir Oliver Mowat was retained in office so long mainly because he was careful, cautious, painstaking and deliberate, and the members of the present ministry are quite well aware of this fact. Mr. Hardy will probably prove more audacious than his predecessor, but the difference will manifest itself only within narrow limits. There is no pressing or general demand for revolutionary departments: there is the strongest and most general desire for pure and efficient administration.

THE STATE OF PARTIES

In the Legislative Assembly is a matter of renewed interest just now. No change has taken place during the recess as the result of by-elections, and therefore the Ministerial majority over all remains a very narrow one. The Patrons are more than one-fifth of the whole chamber, and if they had happened to have the balance of power the interest in the fate of the Hardy Government could have been more engrossing. As a rule they have voted for two sessions with the Liberals, and there does not seem to be any good reason to suppose that for the next two they will do anything else. Mr. Whitney, the new leader of the Opposition, has never tried to cultivate them, but rather the reverse. His usual placid manner always changed for the worse when he had occasion to speak of 'the horde of political adventures let loose over the province,' and the members of the 'horde' are not likely to forget this style of remark. The Patrons, who are all farmers, have a great respect for the Minister of Agriculture personally and administratively, and this feeling tends to beget confidence in him politically. What two sessions may bring forth in the way of new party combinations cannot be just now foretold, but the chances seem to be favorable to the indefinite maintenance of the status quo.

THE DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS

was rather briefer than the average of such discussions. The government had wisely kept out of the speech all matters of a controversial kind, and the leaders of the Opposition and Patron parties said nothing to embroil their respective followers with those of the Premier. The mover and seconder of the address were Mr. Patullo, proprietor of the Woodstock 'Sentinel-Review,' and Mr. Auld, proprietor of the Amherstburg 'Echo,' and their long journalistic training showed itself in the tact and effectiveness with which they discharged a somewhat difficult and thankless task. Mr. Patullo is the successor of Sir Oliver Mowat in the representation of North Oxford, and Mr. Auld replaces his late business partner, Mr. Balfour, in that of South Essex. Both will easily take and win high places in parliamentary work, unless they prefer to sink into the role of indolence which seems so congenial to a large proportion of the private members. Each has had long and intimate acquaintance with the practical working of municipal institutions, which bulk up largely in the proceedings of the assembly, and each brings to bear on the discussion of educational questions that quality of savoir faire which comes only from actual contact with the masses who bear the expense of the school system. It does not follow that because nothing from the throne promises

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there will not be a good deal of it. On the contrary, the session bids fair to be more than usually active one. It is probable that the subject of mining will occupy a good deal of the attention of the assembly during the next session. The case of the prospector is very much in evidence, for there has been a great outcry on his behalf in connection with mining claims in the Rat Portage district. There is little likelihood of permanent wrong being done to him by the legislature, for public sympathy is very much with him, and no one feels keen regret at the disappointment of the mere speculator. Those who have the public ear are the discoverers of ore and the operators of mines; the middlemen who try to make money out of both have no friends. The question of improved access to the auriferous region is in itself important, and it is all the more so on account of the possibility of its leading to the establishment of a rival railway from Winnipeg to Port Arthur, where the Canadian Pacific has at present a monopoly. The probability of such an outcome is increased by the existence of a large tract of good farming land in the Rainy River valley, which lies far from the Canadian Pacific line, and by the general demand all over Manitoba for reduced freight charges. It is largely a question of subsidy. If the two provincial governments and the government of the Dominion wish to bring such a competing line into existence it will not be at all difficult to do so by some plan of equitable co-operation.

'THE EVOLUTION OF SELF.'

MR. BUXTON'S LECTURE ON SUNDAY.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. E. J. Buxton delivered a very interesting and thoughtful lecture before the Philosophical Society of Canada upon the 'Evolution of Self.' The audience was a fairly numerous one, and the discussion at the close of the lecture testified to the attentive and appreciative manner in which the lecturer had been followed.

The great lesson which Mr. Buxton brought out was, that the 'subjective' and the 'objective' co-related, and not unrelated entities:—Growth, development—the consciousness of growth in the individual, in the race, in everything, in every collection of things, and even in thoughts—this idea of growth is the central thought of the best philosophy of the day—growth, constant and certain. As a plant with its roots in the darksome earth reaches up to the air and sunlight, so humanity with its physical and material organism reaches up and aspires to the ethereal and spiritual.

To our early ancestors the consciousness of a universal being was impossible, thus they believed in many gods, good and evil; but as these savages grew in knowledge of nature, the numbers of their gods decreased until they arrived at the final belief in one Good God and one Prince of Evil.

Still we must grow, still we are growing—and we are but beginning to see that what our more recent forefathers mistook for evil, and the Prince of Evil, is after all caused by the imperfections arising from the friction due to various incomplete stages of development; we are just beginning to realize that there is no evil, with a capital E, denoting a being, an entity; that the dualism of the last century is but a relic of the barbaric past; that all nature is one—that its ruler is one—that all things, and all thoughts are bound up in one all-embracing 'Unity.'

Still we grow. Our consciousness of justice, of the order, and beauty and never-failing constancy of the laws of being, increases, and the shout goes up, re-echoed from far and wide:—'There is but one God, and he is good.' The river of life is uncontaminated from every source; there is but one spring, and it is only our blindness which prevents us from observing its crystal purity. All our great modern religions have realized more or less definitely these great truths of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

'The greatest idea of the age,' said Mr. Buxton, 'is the realization of the Unity of Being—not one atom in all the countless worlds and oceans of ether but is of infinite beauty and of indispensable utility—the trend of development being by evolution through involution—out of the low by the higher to the highest—and every one of the infinitely small cogs on the meanest wheel is absolutely indispensable to the well-being of the whole; for there is infinite nature flowing in the meanest soul.

Consciousness is self; and as one's consciousness grows, so we become more and more complete; our universe at first is small until it grows large enough to contain the infinite; and as human organisms we are simply "manifestations of God," and our range of consciousness is limited to the functions of such manifestation.'

'The habits and tendencies which generations of barbarous and semi-civilized ancestors, both, have bequeathed to us must be outgrown, but with each victory gained over our lower selves, the higher side of our nature becomes stronger (both in the individual and in the race) until in time, the limitations of the lower shall have been overcome, and the corruptible shall put on the incorruptible.'

With knowledge of self in the past and present, our faith in the possibilities of the future becomes strong indeed; and in the place of the lower form of self we shall arrive at the higher form, living for the larger good.

At the close of the lecture Mr. Buxton was awarded a hearty vote of thanks, and he replied to some dozen or more questions which his very able lecture evolved.

Next Sunday afternoon Mr. K. T. Takahashi will lecture on 'Religion in Japan.'

SWALLOWED HIS TEETH.

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 15.—William Robart, a baggageman at the G.T.R. station, swallowed a set of false teeth while masticating his food two days ago. The molars are still in his stomach and are causing him much pain and inconvenience, but nothing can be done to relieve him of them.

MONTREAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

'A Delighted Visitor' sends us the following account of a visit to a few notable conservatories:—

The second horticultural entertainment of the season took place on Saturday last and was taken advantage of by hundreds of enthusiasts. To have allowed such an opportunity to pass without partaking to the full in the enjoyment of the lovely flowers displayed in such amazing quantities at the several conservatories, would, to say the least, have been doing a great injustice to the kindness of the givers of such an estimable boon. Those who were fortunate enough to be present and admire the many horticultural treasures in the conservatory of Robert Meighen, Esq., at the former residence of Lord Mount Stephen, could not be otherwise than highly delighted. The magnificent display of azaleas indica, in all the newer and finer varieties, and in the most perfect stage of blooming, had only to be seen to be admired. The stately palms, the symmetrical auracaria, the sweet-scented hyacinths, the gaudy tulips, the golden narcissi, which shone forth in lovely contrast with the deep blue tints of hybrid cinerarias, made a picture most charming to look upon. The lovely fountain with its gold fish, the aviary with its many colored occupants adding their several charms to the little paradise. Many graceful and lovely forms decorated the spaces allotted to them in a most enchanting manner. The showy genista fragrans, with its beautiful golden-yellow broom-like flowers, and its pretty foliage was there in evidence as a plant worthy of being grown and admired. The old favorite camellia japonica has again taken its place in this conservatory, where it was well treated, in former times, and where it gave good returns for the care and attention bestowed upon it. It is a pity that such a beautiful class of plants should be shouldered to one side to make room for many other things very much their inferiors. For cool conservatory decoration the camellia japonica has no superior and very few equals. It is much to be hoped their turn will come again soon, as a fashionable cool-conservatory decorative plant, and be esteemed as they ought to be. Mr. Joshua Stanford, the agreeable and obliging gardener, was on hand as usual, dancing attendance, and answering innumerable questions plied by many of the visitors. The place next on the programme of our visit, was the handsome and well-furnished conservatories of H. Montagu Allan, Esq., of Ravenscrag. Here, too, stately palms, lovely orchids, graceful ferns in many beautiful specimens and varieties, Chinese primroses, double and single tulips, in great variety, sweet-scented hyacinths, with a forest of azaleas in bloom and camellias in bud, with magnificent climbing roses over head, covering a large space of the rafters with healthy foliage, and countless buds. Several of the specimen palms here deserve special mention, with some excellently flowered specimens of laelia anceps, and dendrobrium nobile; two varieties of orchids which deserve a more extended cultivation than has yet been accorded them by our local growers. Several well-flowered specimens of amaryllis, together with a large number of them to flower later, showing that a succession of beautiful bloom was being carefully provided for. The immense numbers of gold fish in the beautiful fountain seem perfectly at home, and are always an interesting study for our young natural philosophers. Mr. Dunbar, the gardener, deserves thanks for his assiduous attention and politeness to his many visitors.

The city conservatories at Logan's Park were next visited and found in perfect order. There were to be seen many fine specimen palms, ferns, and flowering plants revelling under the best of care. Azaleas, genistas, eupatoriums, hyacinths, tulips, roses, carnations; together with a host of bedding plants which have to be prepared for the different city squares and gardens, all looking healthy and in fine condition. At a future visit it is hoped, more particulars will be noted and given, of the many horticultural gems to be found in these gardens. It would not be fair to pass the cyclamens without a word or two of praise to Mr. Pinoteau for the very excellent way he grows these flowers, and for the beautiful strain of his own selection which he has preserved. Over one hundred west end visitors called at these conservatories on Saturday and were delighted. It is gratifying to observe a deeper interest is taken in this prince of hobbies, horticulture. Long may that interest be kept up.

Many thanks are due Mr. Pinoteau for his courtesy, and great praise is due him for the neatness and good arrangements of his conservatories.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

At the regular convocation of Damascus Lodge on Friday last the rank of Esquire was conferred upon three Pages by the new officers in such a manner as to draw forth the warmest congratulations from some of the visiting brethren. Great interest was created when the committee presented their report in connection with the annual 'at home' celebration. Damascus lodge is famed for its entertainments, but the coming event promises to outshine all previous efforts. Friday, March 5, will witness one of the most brilliant gatherings ever given by the order in Montreal. A communication has been received which will give an additional attraction to the Knights of Pythias of Montreal, as in all probability the Supreme Chancellor Commander will send his representative, if he is unable to be present.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR DEPARTMENT.

CANADIAN C. E. HANDBOOK.

We have received from the publishers (The Endeavor Herald Company, Toronto, Can.) the Canadian C. E. Handbook for 1897. This little book is prepared by the Rev. J. S. Conning and contains, besides bright thoughts on each topic and hints to the leaders, much valuable information and statistics.

TOPIC, Feb. 21, 1897.

'OUR LITTLE WORRIES AND HOW TO GED RID OF THEM.'—Ps. cxxi., 1-8; John xiv., 1.

'Casting all your care upon Him, for He careth for you.'—I. Peter, v., 7.

An old lady who always seemed very happy and joyous in Christ, through all her trials and cares, was asked how she managed to keep so cheerful—what did she do with her cares? 'Why,' she said, 'doesn't the Good Book say "Cast thy burden on the Lord, and he shall sustain thee?" I just cast my burden on Him.'

'Oh, yes,' said her questioner, "of course I do that too, but I am always getting worried over little things. How is it that you are always bright?'

'Why, I just take him at his word,' replied the old lady—'when the good Lord tells me to cast my burden I just cast it, and I don't take it that He means me to pick it right up again and go on carrying and worrying over it. Why, I used to be a dreadful hand at worrying. I remember one night I was so much worried and nervous that I could not sleep thinking that the house might blow down or catch fire or something—the slightest little sound would make me sit up and worry me so I could scarcely breathe, though I knew I could not stop the wind from blowing, it just seemed as if I should go wild I was that anxious and worried. About three o'clock it seemed as though I heard a voice saying 'Hannah,' and I said, 'Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth,' and the voice said, 'Hannah, do you remember that day when you were out driving with those strange horses?' I remembered the time, it was once when I was down south and I had to go across the mountains. I was a good driver and I wanted to go alone, but they insisted on sending a guide with me. I would not let him drive because I could not trust the reins out of my own hands. We came to a very dangerous part of the road. The horses began to get unmanageable, but I held on to the reins for dear life. It was an awful moment. The guide tried to take the reins from me, but I held them tighter, he begged me, implored and commanded me to let go. We were on the brink of a precipice. With a great effort at self-control I loosed the lines and fell back into the carriage. Instantly the frightened horses felt the strong master hand on the reins and quieted down with the soothing familiar tones and steady guiding hand of their accustomed driver. All the rest of the way I did not offer to touch the reins but felt that perfect security and confidence which one can only give to a tried and trusted friend. Now, it seemed to me as though I heard the Lord, saying, "Hannah, you have taken me for a guide in your life, why not let me have the reins?' and then I saw it all so clearly. I did not trust him even as much as I had trusted that earthly guide. I was holding on tight to the reins, though I went through the form daily of asking him to guide and protect me. Oh, how ashamed I felt to think that I should have treated Him so—to think what little confidence and trust I had showed toward my best friend. And I cried for forgiveness. And I seemed to hear His voice saying, "My daughter, be of good comfort, I have taken the control of your life," and immediately I was filled with such peace and comfort and joy as I had never known before. I never could have imagined possible such peace as I now enjoy.'

The old lady's face was as that of an angel as she sat gazing upward in rapt adoration of Him who had borne all her griefs and carried all her sorrows.

Suggested Hymns.—'God holds the key,' 'I am not skilled,' 'Simply trusting,' 'I left it all with Jesus,' 'All my doubts I give to Jesus.'

JUBILEE AND RANSOM.

(To the Editor of the 'Witness.')

Sir,—Jubilee time, which occurred every fifty years in olden days, was a time of rejoicing to many a weary and heartbroken soul as captives were let free, debtors were released from their debts, and burdens were lifted from the oppressed. Would you not kindly advocate some well considered measure of relief in the line of the above as a most Christianlike and fitting way of commemorating the approaching jubilee in honor of our Gracious Sovereign Lady Queen Victoria.

HUMANITY.

Ottawa, Feb. 11, 1897.

HERRIMAN ACQUITTED.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 15.—R. B. Herriman, the Winnipeg deputy in the Macdonald election, who has been charged with ballot-box stuffing, was this afternoon acquitted. The Crown case against him failed entirely.

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DISTRICT R. T. OF T. OFFICERS.

The District Council of the Royal Templars of Temperance met in the Council Room of St. Lawrence Council, No. 6, R. T. of T., Unity Hall, on Friday evening, and elected the following officers:—Dominion Councillor, Bro. Munro of Metropolis Council; vice-councillor, Sister Ward of St. Lawrence Council; chaplain, Sister McBain of Union Council; secretary, Bro. Record of Metropolis Council; treasurer, Bro. Spicer of Orient Council; herald, Bro. Waters of the same council; guard, Bro. Ford of Victoria Council; sentry, Bro. Brown of Metropolis Council; Bro. Brown was also elected representative to the Grand Council; Bro. F. Smith of Metropolis Council, trustee.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

The present eleventh annual conference of the Woman's Auxiliary (Anglican) will, it is expected, be of unusual interest. The work has grown to such proportions that this year three days instead of two are to be given up to it, and the public missionary meeting to-night, with the illustrated lecture on 'China,' and the daily business meetings, with their hearty singing and many carefully prepared papers and reports of the work, will be of interest to outsiders, who are cordially invited, as well as the regular members.

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Notice is hereby given in pursuance of Article 770 of the Code of Civil Procedure, that on this day, I, JOHN McD. HAINS of Montreal, Chartered Accountant, was by order of the said Court appointed to be Curator to the property and effects, real and personal, of the said Insolvent in this matter, abandoned by him for the benefit of his creditors, who are hereby notified to file their claims with me, at my Office, Fraser Buildings, 43 St. Sacrament street, Montreal, within a delay of thirty days.

Dated at Montreal, this thirteenth day of February, 1897.

JOHN McD. HAINS, Curator.

PHILIP MELANCHTHON.

THE FOUR HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS BIRTH.

(George Wilson, in the 'Congregationalist.')

The Renaissance—that great revival of intellectual and imaginative life in the fifteenth century—developed itself, under various conditions, in many different directions and forms. A century later one finds, for example, a Christian theology, reborn indeed, but with little of the rich and genial quality of the new culture; and a school of culture with little or nothing of Christianity. But, from the first, there had also been, as in a vague and mystic way one finds it in Pico of Mirandula, a type of thought in which the spirit of the ancient wisdom is united with the spirit of Christ. In art the same union, but with deeper insight, is found in Albert Durer; in theological learning it is found, as in no other of that age, in Philip Melanchthon. It is Melanchthon, indeed, whose name, even in our own times, still rises in the mind as we think of the typical Christian scholar in whom the sunny humanities of Greece are blended with the divine philosophy of St. John.

Melanchthon was born exactly four hundred years ago—on Feb. 16, 1497—at the little town of Bretten, in the beautiful country which, eastwards from the Rhine, lies between Heidelberg and the skirts of the Black Forest. His father was an armorer—a kind of 'commissary of artillery'—to the Elector of the Palatinate; his mother was daughter of the Mayor of Bretten, and niece of the famous scholar Reuchlin. A charming picture of Philip's early days, as, indeed, of all his later life, is preserved in the affectionate biography of his friend Kammermeister (Camerarius). We see the little boy growing up so keen and clever, so sensitive and affectionate, that he becomes everybody's favorite. On Sundays he is in the choir at church, and sometimes in the afternoons, like many another incipient ecclesiastic, setting up an imitative service at home, when his mother and the servants decorously wait on his ministrations. On weekdays he is absorbed in lessons, and developing the abilities which afterwards made him the 'Preceptor of Germany.' A few years later his father died, and he went to school at Pforzheim, about twelve miles away. It was at Pforzheim that he came to know Reuchlin, who used now and then to come from Stuttgart to see his sister, Philip's grandmother, and soon marked the eager and brilliant boy. Reuchlin presented him with books—one of them a Greek grammar and lexicon bound in one—prophesied he would be a great man some day, and, as if in anticipation, gave him, according to the custom of the time, a learned equivalent for his plain German name, and Philip Schwartzerd became ever afterwards Philip Melanchthon.

This paper is not a biography, and the outlines of Melanchthon's later life may be given in a few sentences. After a distinguished student career at Heidelberg and Tubingen, he was called as Greek professor to Wittenberg, and at Wittenberg he remained, for more than forty years; till his death. Twice he visited the old home again; saw through his tears the gabled street of the little town; saw his father's workshops and the room and the garden where he used to play; saw his mother's kind face, and wept with her as he remembered the days that were no more. Not unfrequently, also, he made tours in the visitation of churches, or when he attended, often unwillingly enough, the many theological conferences of the time. But the old house at Wittenberg, which strangers still visit, was the local centre of the activities of his life, and, to a large extent, the intellectual centre of the Reformation itself. There, in his accustomed seat at the central study window, he conducted that correspondence, so voluminous and so varied, so full of good sense and tender piety, which now occupies ten quartos in the collected edition of his works. There he drafted those academic addresses which still attract and delight the scholar, and wrote the theological treatises which gave lucid expression to the new doctrines. There, in the Horsaal in the garden, now all but vanished, he lectured to the students, and gave those genial Postillae—those familiar and entertaining lectures on Scripture passages, which many will think the most engaging of his works. In the old house at Wittenberg also he died, and in the same room in which he had studied, laying himself wearily down in a little travelling bed within sight of his books; he would have the little bed once more, he said, for he was going a long journey. The sweet April season had come again—how sweet it must have been in the fields and gardens of the old home!—but his affections had long been set on the things that are above. 'Do you wish anything?' said his kind son-in-law, Dr. Peucer, as he bent over the dying face. 'Nothing—except heaven,' was the answer; and then, falling into his last and sweetest slumber, Philip received his heart's desire.

A German scholar has outlined an attractive picture, 'A Day in the Life of Melanchthon,' and under Dr. Volbeding's guidance we seem almost able to pay a visit to the Wittenberg home. The day began early, for Philip was seated at his table by two or three in the morning; it ended also early, for he retired about nine. But between these hours what a throng of engagements: messengers have brought urgent letters and are waiting their reply, lectures are to be delivered, strangers to be entertained, visits to be paid, new books are to be examined and often to be laboriously answered. The scene of so much and so incessant labor is delightfully varied when towards evening we see Philip with his gentle wife and among his children—Anna and Magdalena, Philip and George. The domestic history of Melanchthon, for all its intimate tenderness, was a deeply shadowed one; many letters of his later life still unseal in other hearts, as they did in his own, the fountain of tears. His children were very dear to him; but little George died when but two years old, and just when he had begun to awaken unusual hope; and Philip, who lived long, disappointed them all; Anna, her father's darling, was unhappily married and died early; only in the case of Magdalena, Dr. Peucer's faithful wife, were the affectionate longings of Melanchthon entirely fulfilled. But the beautiful aspect of the family history is the soft light of love and of gentle faith which always lay upon it, becoming ever more gentle towards its close, and turning all its bitterness into sweetness at the last.

Ever since Melanchthon's work and influence have been fairly measured his countrymen have recognized him as 'The Teacher of Germany'—'Praecepter Germaniae; and, from the most learned nation of the world, the tribute is one of high significance. It may be safely taken, at the same time, as one of the most entirely true. Going a little farther and in a direction of more interest to Englishmen, it may be added that Melanchthon has claims to be called, though in a less degree, the teacher of England, for in the critical period of Elizabeth no mind influenced English theology more profoundly than his. We owe much in all liberal studies to Erasmus: our debt is no less real to Melanchthon. But whatever may be said of other nations, his influence has been in the Fatherland as deep as the national thought. The Reformation divinity has long admitted its obligations to the author of the 'Loci Communes,' and the Augsburg Confession; it remembers how clearly he recognized and how resolutely he guarded the divine authority of the Scriptures, and with what comprehensive wisdom he explained and illustrated the principles of their interpretation. But after theologians have rendered so ready a tribute to Melanchthon, the philologists, the educationists, even the students of natural science, have to offer from their various departments of investigation testimonies equally willing. It is only its well-informed scholars who know how much classical learning is indebted to Melanchthon, how he reformed its grammar, how he recalled study to the nobler models of style, how he himself understood and how he diffused the spirit of true learning. In the sixteenth century the methods and many of the conceptions of modern science were impossible, but the text-books edited by Melanchthon did much to supersede the barbarous compends which had vexed and oppressed the faculties of previous generations, and to direct the thought not only to the beautiful mysteries of nature but to the creative mind which had conceived them all. Before Ray's 'Wisdom of God,' or the Bridgewater Treatises had illustrated a Christian natural theology, the conception was often expressed by Melanchthon and its expansive spirit exemplified. In medical science he was deeply versed, and the subject was a favorite one; even when a student in Tubingen he had Galen 'at his finger ends.' It is in the astrological astronomy of the day that mediaevalism still held most effectually the mind of Melanchthon, but there was in him, as in other minds of high order, a certain mysticism which he had caught perhaps from the author of 'De Verbo Mirifico,' and which seemed to find in the mysterious influences of stars and planets something of that strange touch through which earthly life feels itself influenced from heaven.

It is his many-sided culture, his tolerance of opinions and his sympathy with moods unlike his own, his liberal conceptions of life, his reverence for the unstrained absolute truth, his delight in directness and simplicity in word and manner, his sweet nature, his unaffected piety—it is these things mainly which must endear Melanchthon to many in every age. In the light of qualities so excellent as these the blameworthy things are easily judged: one wonders, indeed, thinking of his times, of the men he encountered and lived with, that he was so true to himself as he was, so unbiassed, so enduring, so heroic. We still need in English two volumes—one, his Familiar Letters, the other, his Academic Addresses. Were these but in our hands they should assuredly commend Philip to all those whose kind thoughts are perhaps of all others most to be valued—those who are of the school of sweet and liberal learning, and those who have the gentle heart.



PHILIP MELANCHTHON.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.

The service held in commemoration of the four-hundredth anniversay of the birth of Luther's great colleague brought a large gathering into St. John's Lutheran Church on Sunday evening. The church was crowded, and the unique and beautiful order of service which had been prepared was appreciated by all. The service included recitations on subjects relating to the Reformation by the Misses Bengough, Schoch, Bauer, Paschen, Vogel, Studer, Anna Schafheitlin and a violin solo by Miss Bengough. The pastor in his address referred to the heroic life and labors of Melanchthon. Speaking of his scholarship he mentioned that he was a professor of theology in his twenty-first year. He was known through all the universities of Europe as a man of science, and was the founder of the public school system of Germany. The service concluded by the choir and congregation joining in one of Luther's hymns.

CANADIAN NURSES.

REASON WHY THEY CANNOT ENTER THE UNITED STATES.

Buffalo, Feb. 15.—The editor of the 'Canadian Journal of Medicine and Surgery,' in order to obtain an authoritative interpretation of the Alien Contract Labor law passed in 1885 and amended in 1891, wrote a letter to the Commissioner of Immigration of Ellis Island last Friday. The commissioner referred the 'Journal' to Buffalo's Immigration Inspector, Mr. John R. De Barry. The inspector sent to the 'Journal' a letter in which he says: 'The Commissioner of Immigration at New York, having referred you to me for information on the subject of your letter of Feb. 9, I beg to say that, as nurses do not belong to a "recognized profession," they cannot come under contract to labor or "perform a service of any kind" in the United States. (Laws of 1885 and 1894.) The same laws place the medical and surgical fraternity in a higher sphere, i.e., "members of a recognized profession"; therefore they may come under contract and engage in their professional calling.

'There are no laws against Canadian nurses other than the laws affecting subjects of all nations, so there is no law forbidding a Canadian nurse emigrating to the United States, and when domiciled here she may present herself to any private family or hospital, and, if accepted, can enter into contract with the person or hospital desiring her services. Soliciting or encouraging the immigration of aliens to enter the United States to perform labor or service of any kind is a violation of law, and the penalty is $1,000 and costs in each case, no less.

'JOHN R. DE BARRY.'

The 'Journal' advocates the placing of nurses possessing a diploma on a level with the medical profession. Mr. De Barry thinks such action would be an insult to the profession.

THE PROVINCIAL CAMPAIGN.

THE HON. F. G. MARCHAND AND ENGLISH-SPEAKING LIBERALS.

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING AT THE EAST END.

A meeting of the English-speaking Liberal electors of St. Mary's Ward was held last night under the auspices of the Cartwright Club at the hall of the club, 110 Delorimier avenue, at which the Hon. F. G. Marchand enunciated the policy of the Liberal party in the province. The chair was occupied by Mr. S. Fitzpatrick, the president of the club, there being also present besides the Hon. F. G. Marchand, Messrs. G. W. Stephens, M.P.P., Dr. J. Guerin, M.P.P., E. Goff Penny, M.P., J. P. Cooke, M.P.P., C. R. Devlin, M.P., Robert Mackay, R. Greenshields, Robert Bickerdike, Charles Marcil and several other gentlemen.

After a few prefatory remarks from the chairman the proceedings commenced with an energetic address from Mr. George Washington Stephens, who scathingly denounced the Flynn Government and their methods. He claimed that since the time that Mr. De Boucherville came into power the Conservatives had not acted up to their promises. A quantity of the money that was said to have been squandered by Mr. Mercier had been spent in subsidies approved by the Conservatives. Mr. Stephens then treated his hearers to a few details respecting certain scandals, notably the notorious Laurendeau case, and following this he showed how heavily Montreal had been overtaxed by the Provincial Government. Coming to the Government departments at Quebec Mr. Stephens literally turned them inside out snowing them to be merely hot-beds of idleness and most glaring nepotism, and that by due economy sixty thousand dollars to eighty thousand dollars could be annually saved in this direction alone. After a few trenchant remarks upon the backward state of education in the province, Mr. Stephens concluded his address amidst much applause.

The Hon. F. G. Marchand, who was warmly applauded on rising to speak, was the next to address the meeting. He complimented the club on their name. It was that of a good fighter. They had resolved to go into the coming fight with determination and with their help hoped to win the day. He deprecated the indifference with which some people were disposed to regard provincial affairs. They were almost as important as federal inasmuch as the Provincial Government had exclusive jurisdiction over the civil rights of citizens and the education of their children. He would give them a general outline of the way in which affairs had been conducted by the party now in power, a way that people were not entirely satisfied with. Mr. Marchand then proceeded to make a complete exposé of the way in which the Conservatives had mismanaged the finances of the province since they first entered into power. They had promised strict economy and produced extravagance and waste. There had been yearly deficits and an increase of the public debt although from increased taxation and other causes there had been an increased revenue to the amount of $840,000 a year. As to restoring the equilibrium between expenditure and receipts, that had not been done at all. Mr. Marchand then disposed of the Conservatives' claim of having paid off debts incurred by the Mercier Government and showed how this could not possibly have been the case. They (the Conservatives) had spoken of abolishing taxes. If that could be done they should not have imposed them. After a few details of the Charlevoix and Baie des Chaleurs deal Mr. Marchand said a few words on education. If the Liberals were returned they would exercise economy in every direction, save that of education. (Cheers.) He would be prepared to grant a hundred thousand dollars or even two hundred thousand dollars if necessary. When Mr. Marchand had concluded, amid loud cheers, Mr. J. P. Cooke made a rousing speech, in which he made special reference to the Beauport asylum deal and the Paris loan.

Speeches were also made by Ald. E. Goff Penny, M.P., C. R. Devlin, M.P., Robert Mackay, Robert Bickerdike, Dr. Guerin and others of the gentlemen present, considerable enthusiasm being shown by the audience throughout the meeting.

MR. FLYNN IN STE. CUNEGONDE.

CONSERVATIVE MEETING LAST NIGHT.

A Conservative meeting was held last evening in the hall of the college at Ste. Cunegonde, under the auspices of the Club Taché, at which the Hon. Mr. Flynn addressed the electors there assembled.

Mr. F. X. Bessette, president of the club, occupied the chair, and besides the Hon. Mr. Flynn, there were also present:—Mr. McDonald, M.P.P. for Bagot; Dr. S. Lachapelle, ex-M.P. for Hochelaga; Messers. G. Lamothe, A. Plante, Ducharme, P. B. Mignault, Dr. Bernard, W. Baker, Elliott, Delisle and others.

After Messrs. Bessette and McDonald had spoken, Mr. Flynn, who was received with much applause, addressed the meeting. He spoke of French-Canadian loyalty to the British Crown, quoting the words of Sir E. P. Taché in connection with the subject, the statesman after whom the club was named. He affirmed that Mr. Marchand not only had no policy but that he was making use of his (Mr. Flynn's) programme. Mr. Flynn also said that the government's agricultural and colonization policy had prospered, and reviewed the work they had accomplished during the last session, and claimed that the Liberals had never criticised their measures in the House, because they knew them to be good. Mr. Flynn made reference to his Quebec speech at which Mr. Marchand had taken so much umbrage, and said he did not apply the allusion to all Liberals, but only mentioned newspapers condemned by the Church. Speeches were also made during the evening by Messrs. Ducharme, Plante, Cressé, Gendron and others.

THE SOONER THE BETTER.

Referring to Archbishop Langevin's clear language on the duty of Catholics at the coming election in his province, the 'Minerve' says:—'That well-defined position, as erstwhile in Belgium, is probably the one that must be assumed at an early date on the whole line. The sooner a demarcation takes place between the goats and the sheep in the Catholic flock, the sooner also the cause of justice and truth will know on whom it may depend and against whom it must defend itself. His Grace Mgr. Langevin will have well deserved from the French nationality and the Catholic faith for such perspicacious initiative.

TIME OF THE ELECTIONS.

Quebec, Feb. 16.—Although it has been given out by some of the Quebec government organs that the general elections will be fixed for March 29, a Provincial Minister stated here yesterday that they will not come off before June. As the Parliament, however, expires on March 15, it is thought that Lieut.-Governor Chapleau will not allow his advisers to persist in retaining office very long without appealing to the people.

Dr. Trudel of St. Stanislaus has been selected as the Liberal candidate for the vacant federal seat for Champlain.

Attorney-General Pelletier and the Hon. T. Chapais returned from Charlevoix yesterday morning, and report that the district magistrate, Mr. D'Auteuil, at Roberval, has been chosen as the Conservative candidate for the local election of that county. At the last election Mr. D'Auteuil was defeated by the Liberal sitting member, Mr. Morin.

CAMPBELLFORD WOOLLEN MILLS.

THE OWNERS HAVE ASSIGNED TO AN OTTAWA MAN.

Toronto, Feb. 15.—The wholesale woollen trade of the province is apparently in anything but a good shape at present. During the past month no less than three mills have been forced to the wall, and it is rumored on the street to-day that more failures in this line will follow shortly. A Wellington street wholesale merchant stated to-day that business had not been so unsatisfactory for many years. Dalgleish, Patterson & Barrett, owners of the Campbellford Woollen Mills, assigned this morning to Mr. A. P. Mutchmore, Ottawa. A statement of the financial position of the concern is not yet ready, but the trouble comes largely from a disastrous fire which visited the mills last March, and from a recent failure in this city.

U. S. TRADE IMPROVING.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 15.—There are indications of a revival of activity in the worsted mills in this section.

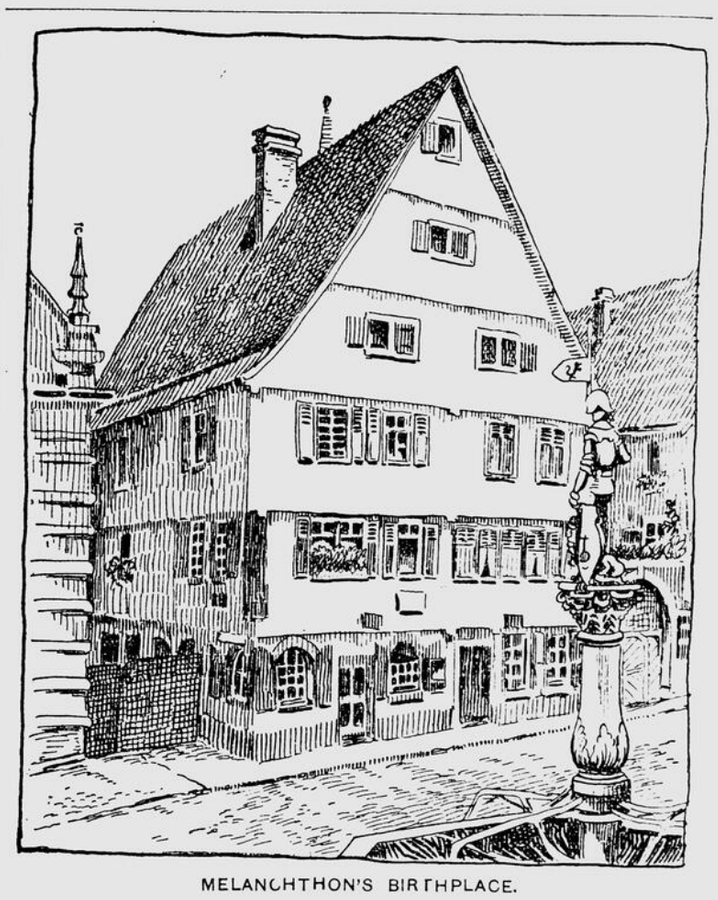
Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 15.—Two more rail mills were put in operation at Carnegie's Edgar Thompson steel works at Braddock on Saturday night, giving employment to 350 men. At Painter & Sons' Iron and Steel Works additional departments employing three hundred or four hundred men will resume this morning.

It is not expected that prices for rails will go lower but if such should be the case the Carnegie Company will meet all competition.

HELP FOR THE FAMINE STRICKEN.

THE CHILDREN OF ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH SEND THEIR MITE.

A visitor to the school-room of old St. Thomas's Church on Friday evening last, on the occasion of the yearly gathering of the children for their usual treat and exercises, would have noticed what on the part of some would be considered a very great deficiency. None of the good things in the shape of tea and cake were to be seen. An enquiry from any of the scholars would have brought out the fact that all were exercising the spirit of self-denial, and had at the suggestion of the rector, the Rev. J. F. Renaud, agreed to send to the poor starving creatures in India the money which was usually spent on eatables, thus enabling the treasurer to forward to the Indian famine fund the sum of forty dollars or thereabouts. The children gave a programme of singing, recitation, etc., and Mr. D. Battersby with his phonograph, and Mr. Learmonth with his gramaphone, delighted the youngsters. Mr. Battersby expressed himself as being himself delighted to give (free of charge) encouragement to such missionary-minded young people. At the close of the meeting Mr. S. W. Martin (who has been a most painstaking and efficient officer of the school for eleven years) was presented by the officers and teachers with a black walnut revolving desk chair as a slight token of the esteem and regard in which he is held.



MELANCHTHON'S BIRTHPLACE.

HAD A NARROW ESCAPE.

Toronto, Feb. 15.—The store and dwelling house of Richard Johnston, a flour and feed dealer on the Lake shore road near the Humber, was burned to the ground on Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Johnston and her three young children were upstairs when the fire broke out and Mrs. Johnston had to throw the baby out of the window to her husband below. The other two children were taken out of the building along with Mrs. Johnston by means of an improvised fire escape. The rescue was completed not a moment too soon, for, immediately after the first floor of the dwelling gave way.

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather during the past few days has been unusually mild for the season. Sleighing in the city is bad, but in the country it is good except in exposed places, where the snow has been blown off.

The New York and Boston trains arriving this morning were again covered with snow. The train men say it began to fall about midnight, south of the line, and continued all night, but on arriving at St. Johns, thirty miles from Montreal, they were surprised to find none was falling there.

MUST PAY THE NOTE.

Judge Curran rendered judgment yesterday in the case of the Board of Trade vs. Charles D. Maze. This was an action on a promissory note given in payment of rent, and the defendant pleaded that the note was contingent upon the payment of certain subsidies which he expected to recover from the federal and local governments. The Court held the defendant had failed to prove his allegations, and judgment was rendered in favor of plaintiff for the amount claimed, $400.

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