

SUMMARY.

THE QUEEN OF SPAIN is suffering from pulmonary disease, which is making alarming progress. The affliction is similar to that which caused the death of King Alfonso.

FATHER BRET superior of the Catholic priory in British Burma, recently went to visit a well known usurer at Ramoo. While the priest was at the money-lender's house three Burmese robbers broke into the house to steal the usurer's money. He resisted them stoutly and they killed him with knives. The robbers then turned upon the priest and murdered him because he had witnessed the crime.

CANADIAN.

THE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION was opened last week with great eclat in Toronto. Sir John Macdonald, the Governor of Manitoba, Governor Robinson, of Ontario; Senator Ferrier, of Montreal; Dr. Williams, superintendent of the Methodist Church, and Archbishop Lynne were amongst those present on the occasion.

THERE HAVE BEEN some startling developments in connection with the murder of Clinker Scott near Calgary. The Mounted Police now believe that Scott was implicated with two others in the stage robbery, that a dispute arose over the division of the spoils, and that Scott was killed. No arrests have been made.

C.P.R. RATES.—Mr. Hanson, the British Columbia fruit dealer, says the C.P.R. charges seven cents per pound on fruit from Port Moody to Winnipeg or seven times more than the fruit itself costs. If rates could only be reduced somewhat there is no doubt a large trade would rapidly spring up. The Northern Pacific charges 13 cents per pound from Portland to St. Paul and Mr. Hanson thinks the C.P.R. might do as well.

THERE IS NO TRUTH in the story started by a Western paper that pleuro-pneumonia had made its appearance in some portions of Western Ontario. The cases referred to were promptly investigated by the Department of Agriculture, and it was found that the cattle which had shown signs of illness were not affected with any infectious disease and it was not necessary to quarantine them. The manifestations of hog cholera, which appeared in Essex County some time ago, have been kept well in check through the vigilance of the inspection branch of the Department of Agriculture.

THE SIX NATIONS IN COUNCIL.

WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY ABOUT THE FRANCHISE ACT—AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED.

SOUTHAMPTON, Ont., Sept. 11.—The grand council is now in full session. All the officers are present and chiefs and delegates from many of the reservations are taking part in the proceedings. The grand council is expected to result in much benefit to the tribes. Nearly all of to-day was occupied in a discussion of the franchise lately granted to Indians with the proper property qualifications. It was moved by the speaker that many Indians have been disfranchised by not being occupants, though possessed of the requisite property, and the following resolution was passed: "That the Grand Council be requested to use its influence to have the Dominion Franchise Act amended by striking out the words 'and occupation' in the third line of the section regarding Indians."

THE BULGARIAN CRISIS.

ENGLAND'S PREPARATIONS. LONDON, Sept. 13.—Nothing is known in official circles in regard to Prince Alexander's visit to England. The Prince will remain at Chatham for the present, his health being shattered. Great excitement has been caused at Chatham by the unexpected receipt of urgent orders from the Admiralty to expedite the completion of men-of-war. It is expected that they will be employed day and night if necessary. This activity is regarded as indicating possible complications.

A GERMAN OPINION. BERLIN, September 12.—The North German Gazette says there is no prospect of the re-employment of Prince Alexander; the signs of the Berlin treaty will hardly come to his return. It is not likely, the Gazette adds, that Russia and England will come to an agreement very soon regarding the throne of Bulgaria.

A WARNING.

LONDON, Sept. 13.—Herr Von Tassia recently informed Count Kalnoky, the Austrian Prime Minister, that he was unable, as Hungarian Premier, to consent to a Russian occupation of Bulgaria.

YOUNG SCOUNDRELS.

THEY BURN DOWN BUILDINGS FOR REVENGE. St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 9.—During the past two days the National Stock Yards in East St. Louis. Two of the first started by incendiaries caused considerable damage to the pens and sheds, but were extinguished before the flames had communicated to any of the large packing houses. The perpetrators of these outrages remained unknown until last night when John Kelly, night watchman at the Whitaker packing house, discovered several boys attempting to set a house on fire. He caught two of them, who proved to be his own son, John, fourteen years of age. Yesterday the father took his boy to President Knox and made him swear to the law. The boy was released and two other boys had kindled the first of July and August 3rd and 6th, which resulted in the loss of \$20,000. The boys say they are refused work.

A SENSATION SPOILED.

HOW "SOCIETY" PAPERS ANNOY A YOUNG DUKE. LONDON, Sept. 7.—A weekly paper, called Society, recently invited its readers to compete for a prize to be called the "Portland," by sending in communications of the query "Who will have the Duke?" The object was to obtain the names of as many ladies as possible who were suitable to marry the young Duke of Portland. It is understood that the invitation met with great success. Society arranged to reap the benefit of the sensation by publishing the names of the candidates in its issue. The Duke of Portland, not relishing the possible results of this publication, of which he became aware to his chagrin, chartered a special train to London, came here and had legal notice sent to the proprietors, printers and editor of Society, prohibiting the intended publication. The notified persons all entered undertakings to comply with the prohibition.

A DESPOTS "LOVING" SUBJECTS. EXTRAORDINARY PRECAUTIONS TAKEN BY THE Czar TO PRESERVE HIMSELF FROM ASSASSINATION.

LONDON, September 13.—Elaborate precautions were taken to protect the Czar during his journey to Poland to witness the army maneuvers. Soldiers, armed with loaded rifles, lined the railway. The train was divided into three sections. When passing stations the windows were closed and the blinds drawn down in order to prevent the discovery of the carriage occupied by the Czar. After the maneuvers the Czar will go to Spala, Poland, where similar precautions will be taken for his protection, 50,000 soldiers being utilized for his security.

RAILWAY COLLISION IN MANITOBA.

DISASTROUS EFFECT OF A WASH-OUT—TWO MEN KILLED AND MUCH DAMAGE DONE.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 10.—Intelligence was received in Winnipeg this morning of a serious accident which occurred last night on the Ignace division of the Canadian Pacific Railway to an East-bound freight train. It was learned from official sources that the freight train which left Winnipeg last night for the East had run

INTO A LARGE MASS OF ROCK which had been washed down upon the track by the recent heavy rains, had been badly wrecked, the locomotive and a few freight cars having been derailed. The freight cars were badly broken up, while the locomotive and passenger train which should have arrived in Winnipeg at nine o'clock this morning was detained. The particulars of the accident are as follows: The usual East-bound freight train left Rat Portage last night about twenty-three o'clock, conductor Ferguson being in charge with two brakemen forming his gang with engineer Hoffmann at the throttle, and a strange man whose name cannot yet be ascertained to assist him, as the regular fireman had come back to Winnipeg in charge of another locomotive. There had been

HEAVY RAINS FOR A DAY OR TWO past, but no apprehension of danger was felt, as the track was known to be in good condition and the chance of a wash-out was very small. About eighteen miles east of Rat Portage, and three or four miles east of Beaver, near what is known as Mud Lake, whilst the train was running at twenty miles an hour, a tremendous shock was felt, and the locomotive derailed in the ditch, with three or four cars on top of it, with frightful suddenness. As soon as the conductor and brakemen who were with him recovered from the shock, they went forward and found that a bad accident had occurred, the train having run full tilt into a huge rock, which had rolled down on the track from the steep bank of the cutting, and the locomotive was badly broken up, while the freight cars were piled up in rear and on top of the engine in a confused mass. They

HEARD GROANS AND CRIES, and with great difficulty, owing to the darkness of the night, they managed to extricate the unfortunate brakeman Daryl from amidst the mass of wreckage in an apparently dying state, but all their efforts to rescue the fireman, whose groans could be heard, were unavailing. Word was sent back to Beaver Station for assistance, and also forward to prevent further accidents. In an hour or so a wrecking train had arrived from Rat Portage, and the work of clearing the track and rescuing the injured had commenced. The fireman was taken out in a short time, but died very soon afterward. It was a few hours before Engineer Hoffmann could be reached, and when he was it was only his lifeless and mutilated remains that were taken out. Hoffmann was one of the oldest employees on the Canadian Pacific Railway, and ran a locomotive on Section B when the road was in the hands of the Government.

THE DEAD.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 11.—The name of the fireman was Phillips. He comes from Truro, Nova Scotia, as also Hoffmann, the engineer. Both were almost instantly killed by the bursting of the boiler of the locomotive, when the rock was struck. The engine and three cars were smashed to pieces and the remaining cars piled on top of each other.

WHAT MUST HAVE BEEN.

Had the approaching passenger train run into the rock, the loss of life must have been terrible.

THE IRISH BISHOPS ON HOME RULE. DUBLIN, Sept. 9.—The conference of Catholic bishops at Maynooth adopted resolutions declaring that the Irish people appreciated Mr. Gladstone's efforts on behalf of Ireland, and they still adhered to their demand for Home Rule, and indignantly denying the Tory assertion that if the Irish people were allowed to govern themselves in domestic affairs the Catholic majority would abuse the power conferred on the Irish Parliament and harass the Protestants of the country. The resolutions further declare that the troubles and disorder in both Ireland and Great Britain will not cease until Ireland's right to administer her own laws is recognized. Archbishops Walsh, of Dublin; Crooke, of Cashel, and McEvilly, of Tuam, and twenty-three bishops were present. They also sent a memorial to the English Government, urging the adoption of temporary measures to relieve the Irish tenantry and prevent outrages which they resort to in simple desperation.

A MURDER MYSTERY.

OTTAWA, Sept. 9.—The mystery connected with the murder of the farmer, Dunlap, at Mink Lake, who was battered to death at his own door, and his body then dragged about seventy-five yards through long grass and in the lake still continues. It is said that Mrs. Dunlap, the wife of the murdered man, will be arrested on suspicion of knowing something about the murder of her husband, as soon as she recovers from her attack of insanity. The detective who has been working the case has concluded that Dunlap may not have been murdered by a man, for although his head was badly battered his skull was not fractured in the slightest. He had not been very long married.

A PARISIAN "SENSATION."

ALLIED "UPRISING IN INDIA AGAINST THE BRITISH"—GRAVE EVENTS IMMINENT. PARIS, September 7.—The Journal des Debats publishes a sensational report about an alleged uprising of the people of North-eastern India against British rule and in favor of a Russian invasion. The report says that a number of Indian princes have followed Duple Singh's example in joining Russia in exhorting the people to throw off the English yoke. The Journal des Debats says grave events are imminent in Central Asia.

A FATAL FIGHT.

OTTAWA, Sept. 7.—Last Saturday night two young men, named Omer Belanger and Baptiste Brodeur, working in the lumber mill at Hull, quarrelled and went out on the road to settle the matter with their fists. After fifteen minutes hard fighting Belanger received a blow on the temple which knocked him insensible. He was taken to a nearby house, where he remained in a comatose condition until this morning, when he died. Sausagean endeavored to make his way up to the shanty, but was stopped. Both came from Beauport, near Quebec.

THE WEEK'S FAILURES.

NEW YORK, Sept. 10.—The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last week are reported by the R. G. Dun & Co. number for the United States 149, and for Canada 23, or a total of 172, as compared with 190 last week and 201 the week previous. Casualties are fewer in every section of the United States, but in Canada they keep fully up to the average.

IRISH LAND GRIEVANCES.

DUBLIN, Sept. 9.—United Ireland says: No power in Great Britain can collect "landlords' tribute" in Ireland in the face of the organized, united and heartily united Catholic peasantry, who, chartered a special train to London, came here and had legal notice sent to the proprietors, printers and editor of Society, prohibiting the intended publication. The notified persons all entered undertakings to comply with the prohibition.

THE FREEMAN AND HIS COW.

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—M. Edouard Barron, a rich Frenchman, arrived here on a tour through the United States and Canada, brought over a gas balloon from the fair grounds to-day, and the cow is now quarantined for 90 days, and M. Barron has postponed his trip to Montreal to appeal to the Secretary of the Treasury for the cow's release.

AN OFT TOLD TALE.

CLIFF MINE, Pa., Sept. 8.—L. L. Matthews' house was burned yesterday. Mrs. Matthews and her two-year old child, who were alone at the time, were seriously burned and died soon afterwards. Mrs. Matthews attempted to start a fire with carbon oil when an explosion followed.

CURED BY THE EARTHQUAKE.

A YOUNG LADY'S SPEECH FRIGHTENED BACK TO HER.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 7.—A strange incident of last week's earthquake shock is the recovery of the power of speech by Miss Mamie Martin, daughter of a retired officer of the regular army. At the close of the war her father was put in charge of Fort Pulaski and Jackson, below this city. While at the former fort the daughter, then a bright, intelligent child, had an attack of meningitis, which left her voiceless. The best medical skill was obtained, and the father took his afflicted child travelling, but nothing did her any good. She was dumb, but had all the other senses. During the excitement of the first earthquake shock last Tuesday night she in her fright attempted to call her brother. He was frightened himself when he heard her whisper his name. Since then she has gradually regained her voice and now talks with perfect fluency. She says she

A MAN KILLED IN A DRUNKEN SCUFFLE.

OTTAWA, Sept. 8.—In a drunken fight on York street about 4 o'clock this afternoon a man named John Sharkey, a laborer about 25 years of age, and only a few months out from Ireland, was killed. There are different versions as to how he came by his death. It seems that the deceased, who had been on a spree in the morning, laid down for a sleep in his boarding house about noon and slept until 3 o'clock, when he was awakened by a fellow boarder named Wm. Smith, who said he was getting beaten all round, and wanted Sharkey to help him. Just after they got outside the house, Smith attacked a lad named Portugais, who called the drunken man named Alex. Macdonald to come and help him. At the same time Sharkey approached to separate Smith and the lad, the fellow four were scuffling together, when Sharkey suddenly fell like a log without a cry of any kind. After he had fallen Macdonald

PARLIAMENTARY REFORMS WANTED.

RESOLUTION BY THE TRADES UNION COUNCIL.

The British Trades Union Congress now in session in Hull, has adopted resolutions declaring it to be the duty of the state to provide for the official election expenses of regular candidates for Parliament, and that it is the duty of the state to pay salaries to members of the House of Commons. The congress also proposed that the workmen of Great Britain and Ireland form a fund for use pending governmental action on the subjects of the resolution to enable candidates representing the industrial interests to enter contests for seats in the Commons and to support themselves while sitting in parliament. A labor electoral committee was formed.

HULL, Sept. 9.—The Trades Union Congress, to-day, adopted a resolution declaring that the reform of British law must include compulsory cultivation of waste land. A committee was appointed to prepare a bill for submission to Parliament, embodying the point embraced

THE GREAT YACHT RACE.

THE "MAYFLOWER" WITH TWO RACES.

The excitement over the yacht race for the America's Cup on Tuesday, the 11th inst., was most intense. The American yacht the "Mayflower" (sloop) came out of the contest victorious, leading the English yacht the "Galatea" (cutter) by 12 min. 10 sec. The contest was most exciting, and is considered better suited to show the capabilities of the sloop model than an open sea course would, while the cutter is said to be a disadvantage. The start was made at half-past ten, both yachts standing across the channel on the starboard tack, tacking close under Long Island shore. At 11.30 they made a stretch over for Staten Island, and the breeze freshening every minute augured well for a good race. The "Mayflower" slowly but surely out-sailed the cutter, and, tacking for the outer mark, came splendidly along for it on the port tack. The "Mayflower" made the turning at 12.35 p.m., the "Galatea" following at 2.15 p.m. As the breeze grew stronger the yachts came along in grand style, the cutter gaining somewhat on the sloop. Finishing this at 4.13 Capt. Stone ordered the spinnaker of the "Mayflower" to be set, which had already been done by Lieut. Henn on board the "Galatea," and five minutes after, surrounded by nearly 500 steam, and sailing craft, the "Mayflower" came tearing along through the narrow past of water between the finish line amid firing of guns, crash of whistles, and waving of bunting and handkerchiefs, about a mile in advance of her English competitor. The following shows the actual results of the race:

Name.	Start.	Finish.	Elapsed time.	Ord. time.
Mayflower.	10.56.11	4.13.35	5.57.24	5.57.24
Galatea.	10.56.11	4.30.39	5.59.21	5.59.43

Thus the "Mayflower" beat the "Galatea" 12 min. 2 sec., corrected time. The second race was to have taken place on Thursday over a course of twenty miles to windward or leeward, starting from Sandy Hook lightship. A start was made but owing to lack of wind it was resolved to postpone the race until Saturday. Saturday's race ended in a victory for the sloop "Mayflower." There is great rejoicing among American yachtsmen, the Bostonians in particular being fairly wild with delight. A start was made about twenty minutes past eleven, the "Mayflower" getting away first, and the race was sailed in a breeze that blew fresh from the north-west for three hours, then canting to the west, full light, the last hour of the contest being a little better than the first. The "Mayflower" only had 8 minutes, 20 seconds to spare when she crossed the finish line, as the limit of the race was seven hours. The "Galatea," for about twenty minutes, held her own with the sloop, but after that she was practically out of the race, for the "Mayflower" was leading her nearly a mile, when half the distance to the outer mark had been covered. The "Mayflower" made the turn at 1.53.65 and the "Galatea" at 2.10.20, the sloop being thus ahead of the cutter 13 min. 43 sec. During the home-ward race the "Galatea" had the misfortune to lie for about twenty minutes almost becalmed, as the sloop was under way. The "Mayflower" had the advantage of a light breeze under the land. The sail on the New Jersey beach was almost a drift. As the "Mayflower" slowly approached the finish the excitement among the passengers on board the steamers became intense. It was feared that the race would not be finished within the allotted seven hours, but a few minutes before the hour fixed a breeze came up and the "Mayflower," close hauled on port tack, shot across the line just as the "Galatea" sank behind Sandy Hook. The cheering, whistling and waving of handkerchiefs lasted for fully ten minutes. The "Galatea" finished 31 min. 15 sec. after the "Mayflower," the crew of the latter giving her three rounds of cheers, which were heartily responded to by the Englishmen. The following shows the record of the race:

Name.	Start.	Finish.	Elapsed time.	Ord. time.
Mayflower.	11.22.40	6.11.40	6.49.00	6.49.00
Galatea.	11.24.10	7.13.15	7.15.05	7.15.05

Thus the "Galatea" was defeated by 29m. 48s. actual, and 29m. 9s. corrected time. There was a great display of fireworks from all the yachts at Ray Ridge. The "Mayflower," the winner of America's cup, is merely an improved "Puritan," than which she is several feet longer. Her extreme length is 100 feet, breadth 23.50 feet, depth of hold 8.50 feet, extreme draught 9 feet, and tonnage 110 tons. We give a good picture of the "Mayflower" in this issue of our paper.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Lieut. Henn has sent the following letter to the press, dated the 12th inst.

A MANLY LETTER.

I am sorry to have been disparaging remarks as to the manner in which my yacht was sailed by Mr. Beaver Webb during the races for the "America" Cup. Mr. Beaver Webb especially obliged me by sailing the "Galatea," and I am perfectly satisfied no one could have sailed her better. The majority of your readers may not be aware that in England Beaver Webb is considered second to none in the knowledge of handling and sailing racing yachts. His having won the America's Cup under the most adverse conditions will prove this. In justice to Beaver Webb, you will oblige me by stating these facts.

WILLIAM HENN,
Lieutenant Royal Navy.

THE BERMUDA CHALLENGE. Mr. Henn is suffering from congestion of the lungs, and has been unable to leave the Newport race, and starts East to-morrow. He has received no answer yet to his Bermuda challenge. He wants another chance at the "Mayflower," and says "I do not care to try conclusions with Gen. Paine in his Massachusetts Bay. I have been trying to arrange a wholly new race against the 'Mayflower.' The conditions are not yet decided upon; I think they will be given out shortly. I shall see Gen. Paine again in New York or Boston."

THE CUP RACE. Of the cup race, he said: "Of course there are chances of calm and light wind which must always be expected in yachting, but it is absurd to call the trials that we have had racing. No more British yachts will come over here to contest the cup. It isn't worth while to come 3,000 miles to enter in a drifting match." One part of Saturday's race he did not think was a drifting match. That was the long reach from the buoy to the outer mark, where the "Galatea" had made up all but five or six minutes of the time she lost in the lazy run down to the buoy, or had gained about eight minutes. Then the wind fell flat. That was most trying, of course, under the circumstances. When one has a whole season or twenty or thirty races ahead of him, the loss of one race by an unfortunate shift of the wind or an accident is nothing. He was quite confident that the "Galatea" had out-sailed the "Mayflower" on the wind during the half hour that they were making something like a rate of twelve knots an hour. He admitted that the "Galatea" was out-sailed in the fog on Thursday, but said that was because of an error in judging the weather when they reefed their bowsprit and started under shortened sail. On the subject of the two models, his opinion was that the sloop was the better. Even allowing that the "Mayflower" had on the whole beaten the cutter, it must be a good model which being a half larger under water and still spreading two thousand feet less of canvas could do so well.

HE IS BEHIND HIMSELF. When Mr. Edward Burgess, the designer of the "Mayflower," was asked how he felt, he replied, "I feel like this," turning a handspike as nimble as an acrobat.

A PRETTY PICTURE. The arrogance of the Boston men, the Sun says, is insufferable. They swelled about like spinners before the wind and held their heads up like club topsails.

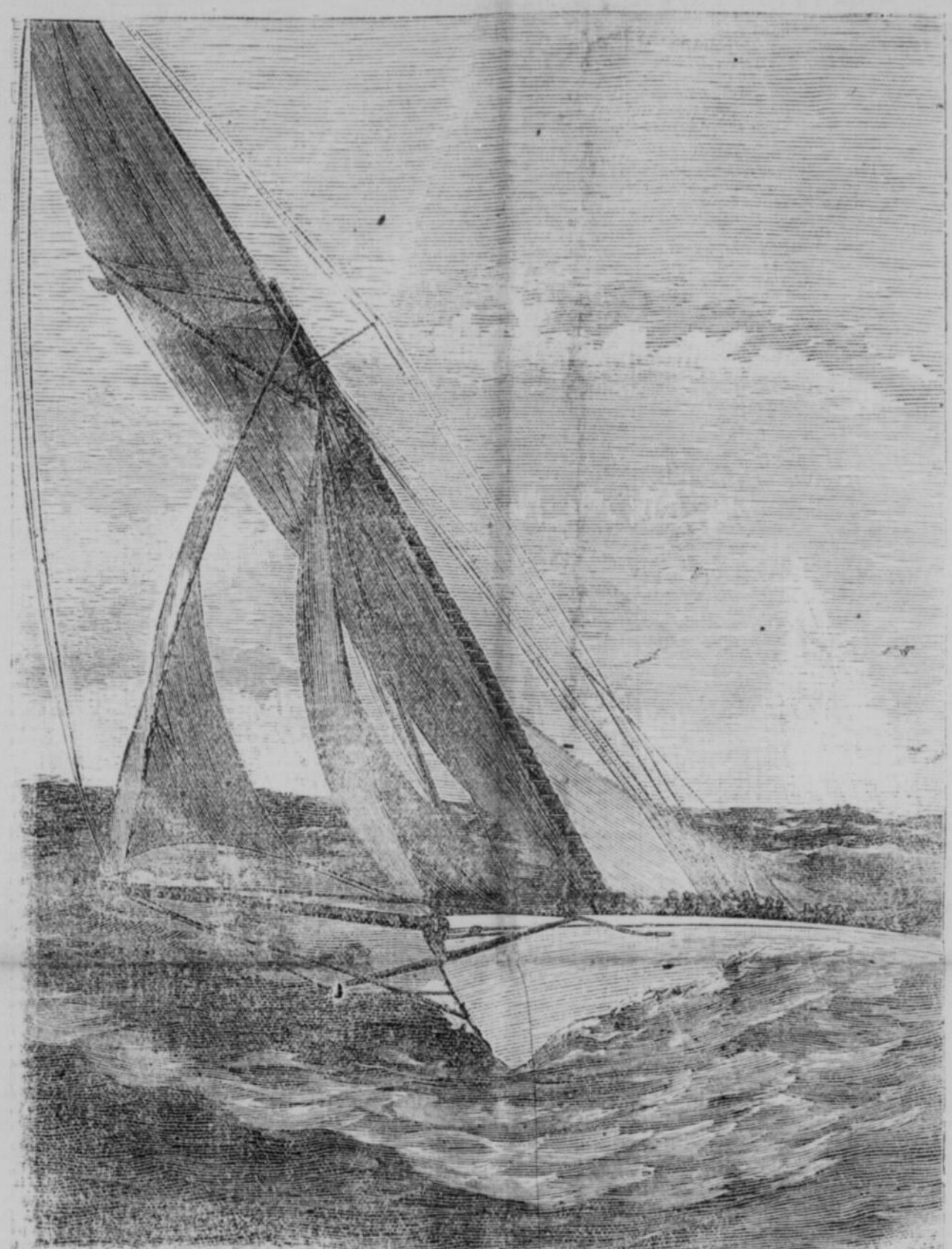
SUNDAY IN CHARLESTON. CHARLESTON, S.C., September 12.—The weather was fine to-day, and many churches had services as before the earthquake, while others, for convenience or safety, had services in the open air. All the organs of the City Orphan House are in the building again, and had services there.

SEIZURE OF AN AMERICAN VESSEL. THE TRIAL OF THE "D. J. ADAMS." HALIFAX, N.S., Sept. 8.—The American schooner "Pearl" was seized at Aitch today, for being in harbor without entering the custom house, and fined \$400. She was on her voyage home from the banks. It is understood that the trial of the "David J. Adams" has been fixed for the 24th inst. That case will be completed and judgment filed before the "Doughty" case is taken up.

"CURFEW SHALL NOT RING TO." WHO WROTE IT, AND UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES IT WAS FIRST PUBLISHED.

There is perhaps not one person in a hundred, says the St. Paul Globe, who is familiar with the poem "Curfew Shall Not Ring To-Night," and yet there is not one of the hundred who can tell the name of the author. The poem was written nineteen years ago by Rose Hartwick, a Michigan girl, but did not find its way into print for three years afterward. The author was not pleased with her own production, and withdrew it from publication. It was her first effort, and was laid away until one day, in an extremity to fulfil an engagement to furnish the Detroit Commercial Advertiser with a certain amount of copy each week, and not having anything on hand when the demand was made for it, she took the manuscript down from its dusty shelf and sent it to the publisher with instructions to put it in the waste basket if he didn't think it worth publishing. It was published, however, and in less than a week was copied into all the leading dailies in the country. Miss Hartwick has since married a Mr. Thorp, and now lives at Grand Rapids.

On a recent visit to Chicago, the Tribune said of her: "She is bright and entertaining in manner, and by no means shows her five and thirty years. She has never written anything of note except her poem, but deserves quite an income from her children's stories, which she is writing of some success."



THE "MAYFLOWER"

THE DEFENDER OF THE "AMERICA" CUP AND WINNER OF THE TWO RACES.

was almost delirious with joy when she found that she could speak. Her voice was low and her throat sore, but she was able to express her thoughts. It was much like learning a new tongue, except that she knew the words, but had forgotten how to pronounce them. City physicians are deeply interested in the case. Their explanation is that the recovery was due to intense mental excitement.

FAREWELL BANQUET TO MR. MCCARTHY.

MR. PARNELL MAKES A SPEECH. A farewell banquet was given to Mr. Justin McCarthy, in London on Wednesday evening, prior to his departure for America. Mr. Parnell presided. In his speech Mr. Parnell said that the Americans would welcome Mr. McCarthy as the foremost Irishman of the age and as a most truthful exponent of the Irish question. Great Britain's first duty, he said, was to give effect to the principles which have been enshrined in the constitution, namely, the rule of the people by the people and for the people and, if she pleases, to guarantee fair play to the Protestant community in Ireland, though he doubted there were many who feared that the Protestants would not have fair play. A majority of the Liberal party had supported the Irish bill, and he hoped by means of legality and moderation to enable Ireland to take the position for which God had destined her. Mr. McCarthy, in reply, said he was not going to America on a political mission, but merely to pay a friendly visit, as he was extremely fond of Americans.

A LABOR BUREAU.

PROPOSED COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY—NAMES SUGGESTED TO REPRESENT LABOR.

TORONTO, Ont., September 10.—The Mail will announce to-morrow morning that the Dominion Government intend to proceed at once with the matter of the establishment of a bureau of labor statistics at Ottawa, and that the Government will, no doubt, appoint a Commission of Enquiry for that purpose, composed of men interested in the labor question, to gather information and make suggestions, based on their practical experience as workmen, so as to enable Ministers to ascertain the exact nature of the work that should be performed by such a bureau in the Dominion. The Mail commends Mr. McNab, Chief of the Knights of Labor here, and Mr. Heale, the well-known Trades Union representative, to the notice of the Cabinet as fit and proper persons to represent the interests of labor on the Commission.

AN AERONAUT'S NARROW ESCAPE.

CHANDLERVILLE, Ind., September 10.—Miss Loin Lafe, of Cincinnati, made an ascension in a gas balloon from the fair grounds to-day, and came near losing her life. When five miles north and half a mile above the earth, she attempted to descend. The grappling hook caught, but the anchorage was broken by a strong wind, which carried her among some trees, where the balloon was torn; the hooks gave way again, and she shot up 200 feet, when the balloon suddenly burst, and the basket descended like lightning. She had the presence of mind to brace herself firmly against the top of the basket, and this saved her life. She was badly jarred, however.

HALDIMAND ELECTION.

ELECTION OF THE LIBERAL CANDIDATE. CATYGA, Ont., Sept. 8.—The election in Haldimand county to fill the vacancy in the House of Commons caused by the death of Mr. David Thompson, the late member, took place to-day, and resulted in the return of Mr. Colter, the Liberal candidate, by a majority of 89 over Mr. Merritt, Conservative, against a Liberal majority at the general elections of 1882 of 129.

THE LEAGUE ON EVIDENCES.

SOME THREATENING LANGUAGE. DUBLIN, Sept. 7.—At the fortnightly meeting of the National League to-day, Mr. O'Brien announced that £3,000 had been received from America since the last meeting. Mr. Kenny, in a speech, said, "On no condition will we allow our fellow countrymen to be thrown into the road during the autumn winter. We will oppose such attempts by all lawful means, and these failing we will resort to other means which cannot possibly fail if Mr. Parnell's bill proves successful."

DUBLIN, Sept. 9.—Mr. Louisa, chairman of the Westport board of guardians, formerly a prominent member of the National League, accuses the league of inaction, and investing American donations instead of helping evicted tenants. He says the League has shamefully rejected appeals for Galway and Mayo tenants, saying they were only fit for emigration.

EXPORTATION OF CANADIAN CATTLE.

OTTAWA, Sept. 8.—The Department of Agriculture to-day received a cablegram stating that in answer to a question by Mr. Anderson in the House of Commons, Lord John Manners said that the Government do not contemplate any prohibition of the landing of cattle from Canada. The question would appear to have been caused by the reports of the slaughtering in the Levant of a gas balloon from the fair grounds to-day, and came near losing her life. When five miles north and half a mile above the earth, she attempted to descend. The grappling hook caught, but the anchorage was broken by a strong wind, which carried her among some trees, where the balloon was torn; the hooks gave way again, and she shot up 200 feet, when the balloon suddenly burst, and the basket descended like lightning. She had the presence of mind to brace herself firmly against the top of the basket, and this saved her life. She was badly jarred, however.

UNOCCUPIED LAND IN MANITOBA. An Ottawa despatch says: "A table issued by the Department of Agriculture shows that in Manitoba over 54 percent of the land is yet unoccupied. There is also opportunity to purchase improved farms at reasonable rates. Statistics based upon actual transactions show that in the eastern group of counties the average cash price of improved lands is \$9.15 per acre; in the central \$8.74 and in the western \$7.90. The average cash price of unimproved lands in the eastern section is \$4.50, in the central \$4.77, and in the western \$4.41."

AWFUL RAVAGES OF CHOLERA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 10.—A letter from Zoni, Corea, dated August 28th, states that from July 15th to the 25th 3,110 people have died from Asiatic cholera. Since then from 267 to 497 deaths have occurred daily. Coffins could not be obtained. The bodies were wrapped in sackings and buried. In many cases dogs and crows have scraped away dirt and coverings of earth and devoured the bodies.

THE STATE OF KERRY AND CORK.

BULLEN'S EFFORTS TO ARREST THE SPREAD OF DEMORALIZATION. Gen. Sir Redvers Buller reports County Kerry, Ireland, and the western portion of County Cork in a serious state of lawlessness that has been spreading since the late work of arresting the spread of demoralization and the local sources of crime and disorder are being appreciably checked.

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When Mr. Edward Burgess, the designer of the "Mayflower," was asked how he felt, he replied, "I feel like this," turning a handspike as nimble as an acrobat.

SUNDAY IN CHARLESTON.

CHARLESTON, S.C., September 12.—The weather was fine to-day, and many churches had services as before the earthquake, while others, for convenience or safety, had services in the open air. All the organs of the City Orphan House are in the building again, and had services there.

The Rev. Wm. Williams, of Cobourg, spoke this afternoon. He asked the Conference to remember there was a contract with Cobourg and the University of Toronto. When the college was raised, the citizens rallied and Victoria University, new obligations assumed, and, again, in 1874, the Cobourg citizens gave increased aid, with distinct understanding that the college would remain in Cobourg. What have we in the promised Government aid? Merely a lease of a site at a rental for 21 years. The Provincial Government of Ontario does not then it promises, it will be the first Government to have done what it promised. We want to be independent of Government. I work no dollars but those that are clear.

The Rev. Hugh Johnston, M. A., B. D., in favor of Federation. He asked who spoke of planting a flag in the new town of Cobourg. He said the degree of power that gives Victoria her prestige and her teaching power, and in the confidence that such teaching power would go

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[We insert questions on all subjects of general interest, which are answered by the best authorities available. Questions should be sent to the Editor, and should be accompanied by a return address. This must not be taken as an advertisement, and no notice will be taken of anonymous communications.]

GENERAL.

SALICYLIC ACID FOR PRESERVING FRUIT.
A. C. R., Ont.—What weight of this acid should be dissolved in a quart of water in order to preserve the fruit from decay? This acid is a prominent chemical in this city, and it is said that it is sufficient for a quart of water for the purpose you mention. Though this acid is injurious to the stomach if taken in any considerable extent, yet its use in such small quantities as above given would be quite harmless.

TRAINING SCHOOLS FOR NURSES.
A. R. H., Ont.—In Ontario there is "The Training School for Nurses" at St. Catharines, and the "The General Hospital" in Toronto. Assistant nurses are likewise trained at the General Hospital in this city, where practical instruction is given.

A "FONT" OF TYPE.
"AMATEUR PRINTER," Millbrook, Ont.—Q.—Of what does a complete assortment of type consist? Ans.—It consists of what is known as a "font" of type, and is an absolute rule as to the number of letters, but they usually consist of 107,100 pieces of type, in the following proportions: 1,000; 2,000; 3,000; 4,000; 5,000; 6,000; 7,000; 8,000; 9,000; 10,000; 11,000; 12,000; 13,000; 14,000; 15,000; 16,000; 17,000; 18,000; 19,000; 20,000; 21,000; 22,000; 23,000; 24,000; 25,000; 26,000; 27,000; 28,000; 29,000; 30,000; 31,000; 32,000; 33,000; 34,000; 35,000; 36,000; 37,000; 38,000; 39,000; 40,000; 41,000; 42,000; 43,000; 44,000; 45,000; 46,000; 47,000; 48,000; 49,000; 50,000; 51,000; 52,000; 53,000; 54,000; 55,000; 56,000; 57,000; 58,000; 59,000; 60,000; 61,000; 62,000; 63,000; 64,000; 65,000; 66,000; 67,000; 68,000; 69,000; 70,000; 71,000; 72,000; 73,000; 74,000; 75,000; 76,000; 77,000; 78,000; 79,000; 80,000; 81,000; 82,000; 83,000; 84,000; 85,000; 86,000; 87,000; 88,000; 89,000; 90,000; 91,000; 92,000; 93,000; 94,000; 95,000; 96,000; 97,000; 98,000; 99,000; 100,000; 101,000; 102,000; 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