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CHINESE MENACE

The Court of Peking Fears Be-
ginning of Anti-Dynastic
Rising To-morrow

FORMER CHINESE MINISTER TO THE UNITED STATES SAYS
SPORIES OF ANTI-FOREIGN
FEELING ARE NOT
WELL FOUNDED.

London, Feb. 23.—The correspondent of the "Pictorial" at Peking, says: "The court is nervous over the possibility of trouble on Feb. 24. The presence of the Chinese Foreign Board at Peking has caused the possibility of an anti-dynastic rising. The German legation at Peking has sent its sentries on account of the possibility of anti-foreign placards at Peking."

London, Feb. 23.—Wu Ting Fang, former Chinese minister to the United States, when interviewed for the first time today on the existing situation in China, spoke in support of the boycott. Wu Ting Fang is now living quietly in Peking, devoting his time to editing the "China Daily," one of the numerous reform papers. Speaking of present conditions, Wu Ting Fang said:

"China is at a crisis and is passing through a transition stage. Her statesmen and people feel that she needs reform, but there are great differences of opinion regarding the means. There are several classes of reformers. There are persons who speak foreign languages and who have been abroad and who have had experience on both sides of the question."

"They favor sensible and useful reforms, but not too radical so as to make China first able to stand upon her own feet. The number of these sensible reformers is few. I am one of them."

"The ruling classes also know that something should be done, but they are at their wits end to know what to do. The third class is composed of young students who are too rash. They need training and experience."

"Financial reforms should be carried out in the first place, but without foreign advice and capital it would be impossible to do so under present conditions."

"I was working out a scheme which had to be abandoned because it was necessary to call on foreign advice. The new course is a stop-gap."

"The thing upon which the majority of Chinese are agreed is that China has been deprived of many rights by concessions and territorial grants and by the way her people have been treated by foreigners in China and foreign countries."

"Many Chinese who have gone abroad to America, Australia and the Philippines, write home complaining of arbitrary discriminations made against the Chinese which dare not be attempted against other foreigners. Therefore everyone is angry, and hence the boycott of American goods illustrating the feeling against the unjust exclusion laws. It has spread over all China and is solely in retaliation against unjust discrimination and is not anti-foreign. The Chinese people and officials are on good terms with all foreigners and have no hostile feelings toward them. The Chinese merchants have the best feeling towards foreign merchants."

"The majority of the people in the interior are indifferent to all foreigners travelling in the interior who write that they are well treated with no signs of hostility against them."

"These rumors of anti-foreign feeling are not well founded. Sensible men advise boycotts and agitators to be reasonable and only to boycott goods and not to treat persons unkindly, but to continue their friendship as before."

"Unfortunately, disturbances in several places are now arising from the boycott, but there is no sign of an outbreak against foreigners."

CHINA HAS A GRIEVANCE

PEOPLE HAVE SUFFERED INDIGNITIES FROM AMERICAN OFFICIALS FOR YEARS, SAYS
GEN. SHAFER.

El Paso Texas, Feb. 23.—General William S. Shafter, who commanded the United States army in Cuba during the Spanish-American war, passed through here yesterday on the way from a hunt in Mexico to his California home. Discussing the Chinese situation and the possibility of intervention by the United States, he said:

"If there was an uprising in China this country could not get sufficient forces in the field to make a showing. There are many troops in the Philippines, but they would not be available for a clash with the Chinese. The danger, if there is any, is to the Americans situated in the inland. If they were attacked it would be all over before the United States could get troops to the spot. So far as the naval forces are concerned it is different. The navy is well equipped."

At Manila, along the coast of Japan and China, and at other convenient points in the Orient, the United States has ships which could be brought to bear on China and enough to meet all possible needs."

"Do you believe that China has a grievance against the United States?" the general was asked.

"Of course she has," he declared. "For years the Chinese have been subjected to every possible indignity by our officials. It has been scandalous. Mr. Roosevelt recognizes it and has issued instructions which ought to bring about some improvement."

A PRINCE ENDS HIS LIFE

WAS SON OF LADY-IN-WAITING TO
QUEEN HELENA.

Naples, Feb. 23.—Prince Pignatelli Strangeli, aged nineteen years, son of a lady-in-waiting to Queen Helena, committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself. He was to have been married in a few hours to a daughter of the Duke of Conigliano. He left a letter to his father, saying he killed himself because he was sceptical about life and another letter to his fiancée saying she would have been unhappy with him. The affair has caused a great sensation, both families being among the most aristocratic in Naples.

CANADIAN CABLES

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 23.—A meeting of the Scottish Co-operative Wholesale Society is to be held to-morrow at Glasgow for the purpose of deciding whether the society will purchase a large tract of land in the Canadian North-West. The tract proposed for purchase is the property of the Saskatchewan Land Company lying west of Saskatoon. Two delegates, Mr. McNab and Mr. Stewart, visited the North-West and speak in most glowing terms and confess themselves amazed by the great expectations by what they had seen. Should it be decided to purchase the tract steps will be taken immediately to secure help in Canada as well as to bring from Scotland several hundred skilled ploughmen to prepare the ground for the crop of 1917.

Mr. Bruce Walker, Canadian Government agent, originated and suggested the scheme to the Scottish Society to purchase a tract of land and colonize it from Scotland.

QUEEN MARGHERITA

DOWAGER QUEEN OF ITALY WILL
SAIL FOR NEW YORK IN APRIL.

Milan, Italy, Feb. 22.—Queen Margherita will sail from Genoa for New York at the beginning of April. The automobile in which she will tour the United States is of 50 horse power. Her suite will consist of only three persons in addition to a chauffeur and a machineist.

SEÑOR SALVADOR RESIGNS

PAYMENT OF CUSTOMS IN GOLD
OPPOSED BY SPANISH FINANCIAL MINISTER.

Madrid, Feb. 22.—Senor Salvador, minister of finance, has resigned in consequence of his opposition to the bill providing for the payment of the customs in gold. Senor Moret, the premier, will probably take the portfolio of finance.

INVENTOR DROWNED

WAS TESTING A LIFE-SAVING
DEVICE.

Chicago, Feb. 22.—A despatch to the "Tribune" from Lawrenceburg, Indiana, says:

Warren Mitchell, a young inventor, lost his life yesterday while testing an apparatus which he had invented for preventing the loss of life from skating on thin ice. The device consisted of a light framework to be fastened about a skater's body, and extending three feet on each side. Mitchell took his contrivance to Tanner's Creek. While skating his foot came in contact with an obstruction, and he was thrown headlong upon the ice. The ice gave way, and the upper part of his body went under water. The device about his waist hampered him so that he could not raise himself up, and when taken from the water he was dead.

AMERICAN DIVORCES

CONGRESS ON UNIFORM LAWS
WOULD MAKE THEM MORE
STRINGENT.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Before finally adjourning last night the Congress on Uniform Divorce Laws for the several states adopted the following resolution which seeks to make even more stringent the laws pertaining to the 'migratory' character of divorces:

"Each state should adopt a statute embodying the principle contained in the Massachusetts act, which is as follows: 'If any inhabitant of this commonwealth goes into another state or country to obtain a divorce for a cause which occurred here while the parties resided here, or for a cause which would not authorize a divorce by the laws of this commonwealth, a divorce so obtainable shall be of no force or effect in this commonwealth.'"

A resolution was also adopted providing that fraud or collusion in obtaining divorces should be made statutory crimes by the criminal code.

THE CATTLE EMBARGO

LONDON CENTRAL CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE WILL OPPOSE
REMOVAL.

(Canadian Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 23.—The Canadian Associated Press understands that the parliamentary committee of the Central Chamber of Commerce has decided to take all the necessary steps to prevent the removal of the present embargo upon importations of store cattle, and to oppose the bill which is being introduced.

INCINERATION PLANT

The Committee Makes a Tour of
Inspection

A SERIES OF CRITICISMS—ROOM
FOR FURTHER ECONOMY.

The incineration department attached to the civic service of Montreal is by no means the least interesting of the various branches of that service. The members of the newly appointed Incineration Committee found this out yesterday, when they made their first tour of inspection. The party included the chairman, Ald. Major Ald. Gallery, Ald. Turner, Ald. Leclaire, Ald. Roy, Ald. David and Ald. Duquette, with Ald. Robinson, of the Finance Committee; Mr. Leguerrier, the superintendent, and Mr. Olivier, secretary, and these gentlemen made a very thorough inspection of all the works under their administration. Certainly, Mr. Leguerrier had a very busy time of it, for the inquiries he had to answer and the explanations he had to make taxed his capacity to the utmost. The aldermen manifested a keen appreciation of the necessity for economy in the management of that service. Many suggestions were offered and criticisms made which will be taken into serious consideration later on.

The party proceeded first to the incinerator at Point St. Charles. This was erected twelve years ago, after the city had had a long and expensive experience of an incineration service by contract. The furnaces and the chimney cost over \$40,000, voted by the Finance Committee specially for the purpose. Large sums of money formerly expended on the incineration service are now saved by the municipalization of that service. Particularly has a recent installation proved conducive towards economy, namely, the endless chain rubbish operated. This consists of a broad belt, conducted by electricity, which carries the rubbish along to the furnaces. Men stationed on either side pick out of the rubbish as it passes all the rags, old bottles, tin cans, and other things that possess any commercial value. The remainder of the rubbish is then carried by the belt up to a revolving sifter, which sifts the ashes, these being carried away for street purposes. Piling out of the sifter, the rubbish, thus reduced, is carried along until the turn of the belt throws it upon a chute, from which it is delivered into the furnace flues. This belt cost over \$2,700 to install, all machinery included. It is estimated that it will save the city over \$3,000 a year, by dispensing, as it does, with the necessity for two garbage men and four attendants at the garbage heaps as they are deposited at the incineration department, three horses and carts formerly used for carrying the rubbish to the furnaces, and three men and three horses formerly employed to cart away the ashes, the latter work now being done by two men. In addition to this, a contractor pays the city \$490 a year for the right to take away all the marketable stuff mentioned, which was formerly carted away by two carts and thrown into various holes about the city for the purpose of filling them up.

Still more saving might be effected, if the chute on which the ashes are thrown were placed so that it would deliver them into the furnace flues direct, which could be easily done, instead of it being placed at the side, and thus necessitating the attendance of two men—one to push the rubbish off the chute and the other to push it down the flue.

Ald. Gallery raised a point for the Health Department. He asked if it were right to allow the contractor to remove the rags found in the rubbish, as they might prove a dangerous source of infection, and as their ultimate destination after they left the incinerator was unknown.

The department requires the services of a good many horses, and thirty-seven are stabled at the station at Point St. Charles. The stables are well kept, but improvements in certain directions are desirable. For instance, the ventilation ought to be more free, and the drainage is not good enough.

The work results in a good many of the horses being lame, and frequently lost, through blood-poisoning, nails and bits of glass getting into their feet. There is a large on the premises, and the superintendent stated that every care was taken of the animals.

At present the employees of the department dine in the stable. This is an arrangement the unsatisfactory nature of which will be patent to every one, and which should be altered without delay.

On leaving the incinerator the party proceeded to the dump heap between the Alexandra Hospital and the river dam, at the south-west corner of St. Ann's Ward. Here they found that rubbish that had not passed through the incinerator was being dumped, contrary to regulations, which require that only the ashes from the incinerator shall be dumped here.

The attention of the superintendent was called to the fact, but he was unable to offer any explanation of the irregularity, and was instructed to see that it was immediately stopped.

Lunch was served at the Ritz where a pleasant hour was spent, short speeches being made before the party set off for the crematorium near the Back River. Here the dead horses of the city are burned. Formerly the city paid a man fifteen hundred dollars a year to dispose of the carcasses of dead horses; now they let the contract out for \$500 a year instead. On arrival at the crematorium the chairman of the Incineration Committee and a few other hardy persons put their heads inside, caught sight of a pigsty in the corner, and were almost poisoned by the smell. They did not venture any further, and as the caretaker was not in sight it was decided to postpone further investigations till another day, when the circumstances attaching to the establishment of the pigsty will be gone into by the committee.

The tour was instructive and interesting, and enabled the members of the committee to gain a practical knowledge of the working of the department which has been placed under their administration that should prove of great practical value to them during the next two years.

MISSING C.R. AGENT

FOUND AT ST. ARMAND, QUE.—
UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES
WANT HIM EXTRADITED.

Patrick F. McCabe, formerly agent of the Central Vermont Railway at Bolton, and for whom a warrant has been issued, changing him with having caused the wreck on Jan. 26 of the New England States Limited, from Boston to Montreal, has been found at St. Armand, Quebec. McCabe claims that he skipped out because he was afraid that he would be arrested, and that he had no money with which to fight his case. McCabe went to the Central Vermont agent at St. Armand yesterday, and, after ascertaining the balance of his accounts as agent at Bolton, paid over the sum of \$85.87 to be forwarded to the company. Sheriff Horton, of St. Albans, arrived in St. Armand shortly after learning of McCabe's arrival there. He found the missing agent at the St. Armand Hotel. A St. Albans despatch to the Burlington "Free Press" says:

"McCabe was not reluctant to see the sheriff, but he was very close-mouthed. He had his instructions from his Canadian attorney, and all arguments on the part of Sheriff Horton were without avail. McCabe had his instructions to keep quiet, and all he would tell the sheriff was that he would not return to this country to have the witnesses all testify against him and lie. Sheriff Horton remained with the man a great deal of the time, but with the broad line between them it was impossible for him to do anything. Sheriff Horton returned to Burlington at midnight. Deputy Sheriff Jacques, of Franklin county, remained at St. Armand, and will watch McCabe's movements. If McCabe decides to leave that place, nothing can stop him but the Canadian officials. The deputy sheriff, however, will follow him to see that he does not get away."

It was rumored last evening that the officials of the Grand Trunk Railway, who are interested in the Central Vermont Railway, will use their influence to have McCabe extradited to this country.

Mr. Sherman, State's Attorney, could not be found this morning, but it is understood that he is at present in Montreal on the way there to confer with the Attorney-General with a view to having the necessary papers made out for the deliverance of McCabe to the United States authorities.

"McCabe is willing to have a personal talk with Mr. C. E. Soule, superintendent of the Central Vermont Railway, and it may be possible that if Mr. Soule interviews McCabe he may be prevailed upon to return to the United States and stand trial."

Much discussion both at St. Albans and St. Armand is current among citizens that McCabe does not allow the immediate deliverance of a prisoner to one country from the other for so serious a crime."

Sheriff Horton says the man's alleged crime is one of the worst on record, and he should be turned over to justice at once. But in St. Armand, he says, it is impossible to even arrest a man. No one there has any authority, and there is no place in which to lock a prisoner when you do get him, unless he is taken to the county seat.

SIR WILFRID IN TORONTO

MACHINISTS' DEPUTATION ASK
THAT GOVERNMENT SETTLE
STRIKE AGAINST THE
G. T. R.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—The social side of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's visit was continued to-day, mingled with a few engagements of a business nature. At odd moments all day there were visits from prominent Liberal workers, who had remained in town after the banquet, to all of whom the Premier extended a greeting. Sir Wilfrid took luncheon at the King Edward Hotel, and afterwards, at the invitation of Mulock, the deputations of the included representatives from the International Association of Machinists, the Salvation Army and the Royal Astronomical Society. The deputations were private, but it is understood the machinists asked that the government take steps to settle the strike between the union against the Grand Trunk Railway.

The representatives of the strikers asked that the dispute be submitted to arbitration. This evening Sir Wilfrid and Lady Laurier dined with Sir Wilfrid and Lady Mulock. They leave for Ottawa in the morning.

LORD SEYMOUR'S MISHAP

HORSES AND VEHICLE WENT
THROUGH THE ICE AT COCH-
RANE, ALBERTA.

Calgary, Alta., Feb. 22.—Lord Seymour and two horse buyers, while attempting to cross a river at Cochrane, narrowly escaped drowning. The horses and vehicle went through the ice, and Lord Seymour was thrown into the water, where he struggled for several minutes before being rescued.

MAISONNEUVE ELECTION

CAMPAIGN CLOSED LAST NIGHT,
AND POLLING IS TAKING
PLACE TO-DAY.

The election campaign in Maisonneuve closed last night, when several meetings were held in support of both candidates. The Hon. R. Lemieux was the principal speaker at the meetings held in support of Mr. L. O. Grothé, the government nominee. The Solicitor-General submitted that the government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier deserved the confidence of the people of Maisonneuve, and he appealed to the workmen to elect Mr. Grothé, and thus show their recognition of what the party had done in their behalf and for the benefit of the entire country.

Other speakers included Mr. Beauparlant, Mr. Victor Gaudet, Mr. D. A. Lafortune and Mr. A. Garen. Mr. Alphonse Verville, the independent labor candidate, addressed four meetings last night, the largest of which was the one held in St. Jean Baptiste Hall. Mr. J. G. O'Donoghue, who came specially from Toronto to support Mr. Verville, and others spoke, including Messrs. Ainey, Arcand, Berthiaume, Latrille, Guerin, Daoust, Frenay, Peller, Rodier, St. Martin, Paget, Charpentier, Larocque, Tremblay, Giguère, Martin, Normandin, and Dr. Munro. The hall was packed to suffocation.

Mr. Grothé denied that the workmen were hostile to the capitalists. All they desired was a fair wage for a fair day's work, sufficient to maintain their families in decency and in comfort and to educate their children. Mr. Rodier said the time had arrived when the working classes must exercise the right of sending representatives of their own class not only to Ottawa, but to Quebec as well. Mr. Grothé, the speaker affirmed, was not the candidate of the Liberal party, but of his own private interests.

Mr. Verville, who had an enthusiastic reception, said the real question to be decided was whether the working classes had an equal right with other classes to be directly represented by one of their number in the councils of the nation. If he was elected the triumph would rightfully belong, not to Mr. Verville, who personally counted for very little in this fight, but to the sons of toil living in the important division of Maisonneuve.

Mr. J. G. O'Donoghue denied that Mr. Grothé was Sir Wilfrid Laurier's candidate, although he might be the machine candidate. It was time the workmen roused themselves to the seriousness of the situation. He hoped for a majority of 2,000 in favor of Mr. Verville.

ABOUT TERMINAL DEAL

MR. MORSE SUMMONED TO VICTORIA.

A despatch from Victoria, B.C., says the Legislative Committee which is investigating the grant of Kaian Island to the Grand Trunk Pacific for western terminal purposes, yesterday ordered the summoning as witnesses of Mr. F. W. Morse, vice-president and general manager, and of Peter Larson, the millionaire American speculator of Helena, Montana, who with Mr. J. A. Anderson, inaugurated the town site deal. Anderson was further ordered to produce his bank books and other documents relating to the deal, which he had previously refused to do.

Premier McBride, in the witness box, defended the bargain made, although he said none but a pioneer transcontinental road could hope to get such favorable terms. There were other terminal sites for other roads to follow, but the promoters would have to pay for them.

THE STETKA TRAGEDY

FURTHER ENQUIRY BY THE
CROWN RECOMMENDED BY
CORONER'S JURY.

Halifax, Feb. 22.—The coroner's inquiry into the Stetka tragedy at Dominion No. 1, C.B., was concluded this afternoon, when the jury returned an open verdict as follows: In connection with the death of Anton Stetka, wife, and two children, which event occurred at Old Bridgeport, in the county of Cape Breton, the coroner's jury selected to investigate the same, desire to state that, after hearing all the evidence produced, and verifying the same most carefully, we believe such deaths occurred under most unusual and suspicious circumstances, and would recommend a further inquiry under the direct supervision of the Crown. Judge Meagher, when discharging the grand jury, after they had completed their labors, stated that nothing had come before him to warrant him in detaining them regarding the burning at Dominion No. 1.

RUSSIA AND CHINA

DEADLOCK IN NEGOTIATIONS
STILL CONTINUES.

Peking, Feb. 22.—There is a deadlock in the Russo-Chinese negotiations. Neither side will yield to the demands of the other and apparently there is no reason to expect a compromise. Russia claims privileges in Manchuria equal to those enjoyed by Japan. This demand China will not grant. Neither will she grant the trading concessions which Russia seeks.

TO OPPOSE MR. TEMPLEMAN

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 22.—At a meeting of the Conservative party to-night, ex-Ald. John L. Backwith was selected to oppose the return of the Hon. Mr. Templeman.

NEWS IN BRIEF

There are grave fears in Peking of an anti-foreign uprising to-morrow, and the German legation has doubled its sentries. Anti-foreign placards are posted about Tientsin. Mr. Wu Ting Fang, former minister at Washington, who is now at Peking busy codifying the laws of China, thinks that the tears of an uprising are not well founded.

The Russo-Chinese negotiations have reached a deadlock. Russia claims privileges in Manchuria equal to those enjoyed by Japan, and various trading concessions besides, and China refuses both.

The deadlock in the Algeiras Conference regarding whether France or Germany shall control the Moroccan police, still holds.

Plans are being laid in Seattle to send a shipload of wheat to the famine sufferers in Japan.

A Berlin newspaper says that another massacre of Jews has occurred at Vitebsk, a suburb of Gomel, southern Russia, accompanied by much pillaging and burning.

The mutinous Cossacks at Giaginskia have surrendered, after being bombarded with machine guns, and have delivered up their chief agitators and their regimental colors.

The Russian National Assembly is to meet on May 1 next.

Queen Margherita, Dowager, Queen of Italy, will sail from Genoa early in April for New York to begin her tour of the United States in her automobile. The machine is fifty horsepower, and her suite besides her chauffeur and machineist, will consist of only three persons.

Senor Salvador, the Spanish Minister of Finance, has resigned in consequence of his opposition to the bill providing for the payment of the customs in gold.

Prince Pignatelli Strangeli, aged 19 years, son of a lady-in-waiting to Queen Helena of Italy, has committed suicide. He was to have been married in a few hours.

The policy of Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain was the subject of a strong attack in the House of Lords by the Duke of Devonshire and Mr. Goschen, the former announcing that he and his friends would oppose the proposals of the Unionist leaders.

The bill to remove the embargo on Canadian cattle will be strongly opposed by the London Central Chamber of Commerce.

The Congress on Uniform Divorce Laws now sitting in Washington yesterday passed a resolution recommending that each state adopt the Massachusetts act, which refuses to recognize divorces secured elsewhere for causes occurring within the state. They recommend also that fraud or collusion in obtaining or attempting to obtain divorces should be punished as statutory crimes.

The new patrol boat for the use of the North-West Mounted Police on Hudson's Bay now being built at the Government shipyard at Sorel, is to be named from the family name of Lady Laurier, the "Lafontaine."

James Morrison, a young farmer living near Owen Sound, was murderously shot by a man to whom he gave a lift driving home from selling a load of stock. One eye was shot away and the sight of the other is badly affected. Albert Stewart, a man who came from England three years ago, has been arrested.

The Maisonneuve by-election is taking place to-day. Mr. L. O. Grothé is the Liberal candidate and Mr. Alphonse Verville, Independent Labor.

MILITIA ORDERS.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—The following militia orders are gazetted: Lieut.-Col. G. T. A. Evanturel relinquishes the command of the 11th Infantry Brigade. Provisional Lieutenant N. W. Strong is permitted to retire from the 6th Hussars. Major G. Evanturel is promoted to the command of the 9th Voltigeurs of Quebec, with the rank of lieutenant-colonel. Major H. J. Mackie is promoted to the command of the 42nd Regiment, with the rank of lieutenant-colonel.

FAIR AND MILD

The first warm day that comes, I like to potter 'round outdoors
P'tendin' that I got to do a mighty lot o' chores.
But re'ly it's to get a taste o' south wind on my lips—
The south wind, full o' blossom breath and honey tang that drips
Out o' the flowers somewhere else. There ain't no better thing
Than potterin' 'round outdoors the first warm day in spring.
—W.D.N.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 23, 11 a.m.—Victoria, 50; 40; Calgary, 46; 18; Qu'Appelle, 36; 18; Winnipeg, 32; 2 below; Port Arthur, 34; 22; Parry Sound, 34; 20; Toronto, 34; 32; Ottawa, 38; 20; Montreal, 30; 18; Quebec, 28; 14; St. John, 40; 12; Halifax, 45; 18. South-easterly winds, fair and milder. Saturday, fair and mild.

This morning there are indications of an important cold wave settling in over the North-West provinces. The weather is extremely mild in Western Ontario, and moderately cold in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces.

1628 Notre Dame street, Montreal, Feb. 23.—1906.—Readings by Hearn & Harrison's Standard Barometer at noon:
Yesterday, 30.15; 11 a.m. to-day, 30.30
Temperature—Max. Min.
To-day 31 21
Yesterday 31 25

WANTED, A NEW JAIL

Building Erected Seventy-One Years ago Has to Meet the Needs of To-day

LORD GREY SAW THE NECESSITY FOR A NEW INSTITUTION.

His Excellency the Governor-General, on the occasion of his visit to the city, called attention to one of the most important needs—that of a new jail. Lord Grey went down to the institution so admirably governed by Mr. J. A. Vallee, and after a complete inspection expressed much satisfaction with the manner in which discipline is carried there, and at the cleanliness of the buildings, but the accommodation, he said, is obviously inadequate. The requirements cannot be met with these premises, and I hope that a new jail, with all new modern improvements, will be provided for the city.

It is a remarkable fact that the Montreal jail, built in 1835, to accommodate 200 prisoners, should stand seventy-one years after it stood then. It is the oldest institution in the city which has not been replaced. This would be a proud fact if the jail records did not cry shame on the prison's narrowness, and the prisoners themselves in their bulk threaten to burst the very walls between them. There are now over 400 prisoners, and the jail is overcrowded every day. The jail is intended for two hundred and twenty-five, while the building is rapidly falling into decay.

Under existing conditions the classification of prisoners—one of the most important necessities in a jail is an absolute impossibility. Men awaiting trial are unavoidably mixed together with the "hard" and "soft" criminals, and a "Witness" reporter to the jail will learn more wickedness from a day's work there than from his worst street experience in the same number of years.

In 1890 the Montreal Government voted the sum of \$300,000 for the building of a new jail, and land for the purpose was acquired at Boreaux, but the enterprise failed with the government. But if the need of a new jail were apparent six years ago, they are many times more so today.

The prison inspectors' reports have repeatedly pointed out our bad prison accommodation, and demanded better, but the government at Quebec has every one put off the question on the plea of "no money."

At the opening of the Court of King's Bench next week about sixty prisoners will be sent to the jail, and a number of them will not doubt be sent down to a further jail upon the governor and his prison staff. The difficulty may be overcome, as it has been overcome before, a number of prisoners may be sent off to Quebec or elsewhere. Meanwhile there will be men awaiting trial, confined in badly lighted quarters in the jail, and in cells without light at night, and without any means of obtaining fresh air and exercise.

The lack of proper accommodation for prisoners awaiting trial, and for boys who are one of the fastest growing elements of the city, was especially commented upon this week by the Governor-General.

In short, everything in the jail is out of date. The requirements increase every year with the growth of the population, and the necessity for immediate action is emphasized by the fact that it will take at least two years to build the jail accommodation which would enable the prisoners to be transferred from the dilapidated building on Notre Dame street east.

J. H. WILSON.

At a recent exhibition of the Philadelphia Art Club, one of the most exclusive and best clubs in the United States, some pictures by Mr. J. H. Wilson, the English landscape painter, attracted considerable attention. This artist's work is becoming fairly well known on this side now, though but little of it has been seen in Canada so far. An interesting exhibition of recent water-colors by him may be seen at Mr. O'Brien's rooms, 615 Temple building, however. This lot is singularly unequal, and includes some work of inferior merit, but also a few examples of exceptional quality. They are mostly all rural scenes in England, and, generally speaking, are remarkable for strong atmospheric effects. Mr. Wilson's fault lies in a too pronounced predilection for strong contrasts and violent lighting. His method at times is far too obvious. He is at his best in broad grey skies, with sunlight breaking through placid stretches of water, and wooded landscape. He is an extraordinarily fine painter of grasses and lush meadow, and the collection under notice contains one or two exquisite examples of this work, together with a delightful study of summer light on field and wood and river, entitled "Summertime in Hampshire." The exhibition should attract the attention of art-lovers in Montreal.

DR. HARTMAN'S RECITAL.

Dr. Hans Hartman's ninth historical pianoforte recital will be given in the McGill Conservatorium of Music to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Selections from works of Brahms, Grieg, Kirchner, Rind, Gade, Heller, Hoffmann, Goetz and a number of other noted composers will be interpreted in the very able manner in which Dr. Hartman's previous recitals have been presented.

A FANATICAL RISING.

FRENCH POST DESTROYED AND BRITISH DETACHMENT OVERWHELMED.

Lagos, British West Africa, Feb. 22.—A force of religious fanatics is reported to have invaded and overrun a portion of the territory from the north, to have destroyed a French post near the frontier, and to have overwhelmed a British detachment, whose casualties are not known.

VOTING TO-DAY

RUMORS ABOUT THE ELECTION IN MAISONNEUVE DIVISION.

The Maisonneuve election was the subject of a certain amount of comment in political circles this forenoon. According to reports, the voting was very quiet. A voter who cast his ballot at 10:15 o'clock stated that only two electors had gone to that poll before him. A visitor to another poll at 10:30 o'clock reported that only six votes had been entered at that hour.

It was stated that there was much more activity at Mr. Verville's headquarters in the division of Maisonneuve itself, but that the bulk of the work on behalf of Mr. Grothé was being done at his central committee room, in St. James street.

A rumor was spread, shortly before noon, that Mr. Grothé was dangerously ill, having had a serious hemorrhage of the lungs during the night. This report was denied by Mr. Grothé's friends, who declared that, although unable to leave his house, the government candidate was not at all seriously ill.

GOLD FOR BIRTHDAY

PRESENTATION AND BANQUET TO FATHER DONNELLY.

The Rev. Father J. E. Donnelly, pastor of St. Anthony's Church, was presented with a purse containing four hundred dollars in gold at a banquet given in his honor last evening. It was his forty-fifth birthday, and the gift from his congregation, which was presented by Mr. W. J. McGee, the senior churchwarden, was to show their appreciation of his long and faithful services. About six hundred persons were present, including representatives from all the Irish societies in the city, and other prominent citizens.

Besides the gift from the congregation, a second purse from the Third Order of St. Francis was presented by Mr. C. Coughlin.

The following was the toast list: "The King," by Mr. H. J. Trihey; "The President of the United States," by Mr. P. Kavanagh; "Our guests," Mr. H. McLaughlin; the Rev. Father W. O'Meara, H. J. Trihey, W. J. McGee, C. Coughlin, and the Rev. Father Ethelbert; "Our country," Dr. J. F. Hackett, Mr. Justice C. J. Doherty, and Mr. H. B. Ames, M.P.; "The press," Dr. A. G. McAuley and Mr. J. C. Walsh; "The ladies," Dr. W. H. Donnelly and Mr. W. P. Kearney; "Ad Multos Annos," the Rev. T. F. Heffernan and the Rev. M. L. Shea.

BUILDING BY-LAWS.

Mr. A. Chausse, city building inspector, has issued a new edition of his 'Code of building by-laws and regulations of the city of Montreal,' for the use of architects, builders, and others. It is thoroughly revised, has been well indexed, and brought up-to-date in all particulars, and should prove a valuable handbook to those for whose use and guidance it is intended. All the latest by-laws are included, and the volume is well printed and neatly bound.

BIRTHDAY OF WASHINGTON

PRINCE ARTHUR OF CONNAUGHT ATTENDS AMERICAN CELEBRATION IN TOKIO.

Tokio, Feb. 22.—The observance of Washington's birthday was in charge of Mrs. Huntington Wilson, wife of the first secretary of the American legation, who gave a brilliant reception, which was attended by the entire American colony and by numerous Japanese graduates of American colleges. Prince Arthur of Connaught and suite, accompanied by Admiral Iogo, surprised the assembly by putting in an appearance at the reception, having cut short a visit to the Admiralty at Yokosuka for the purpose.

DINNER TO NAVY LEAGUE.

London, Feb. 22.—Mr. Whitelaw Reid, United States ambassador, was among the speakers at the British Navy League dinner at the Hotel Cecil to-night. He referred to it being Washington's birthday, and said that the London section of the league had been happily inspired to appropriate the anniversary to its own use, for among the early American statesmen it was Washington who most effectively urged ability and readiness to meet a foe as the surest means of having no foreign foes.

OBITUARY.

A FORMER GLENGARRIAN.

Cornwall, Feb. 21.—News has reached Cornwall and Glengarry friends of the death at Albuquerque, New Mexico, of James A. Summers, probate clerk of Bernalillo County. The deceased gentleman was born at Summerville, Glengarry County, Ontario, on Nov. 11, 1832, being a member of the well known Scotch family from whom the village took its name. He went to Albuquerque twenty-five years ago and after working for some time for the Santa Fé Railway, he secured a position in the county clerk's office. In 1898 he was elected probate clerk by a substantial majority, and has since been twice re-elected. He was looked upon as one of Albuquerque's most prominent and substantial citizens. His wife, who survives him, was before her marriage, Miss Jane Robertson, a sister of Mr. B. C. Robertson, of Martintown, Glengarry, Ont. Mr. Summers' funeral, on Feb. 15, was conducted by the Masonic order of Albuquerque, of which he was a valued member.

Chicoutimi, Feb. 21.—The death at Rimouski of Miss Florence Blair, daughter of Mr. David Blair, ex-manager for Messrs. Price Bros. & Co., Limited, of this place, has caused great grief in this town, where she was well known and respected, and great sympathy is felt for the bereaved family.

SINGLE TAX LECTURE

CONDITIONS IN CANADA COMPARED WITH THOSE PRECEDING THE FRENCH REVOLUTION.

The Taylor Literary Society last evening listened to the second of Mr. John Z. White's series of 'Single tax lectures.' The subject was 'The French Revolution,' and the verdict of the meeting was so favorable, and so forcibly expressed, that a record attendance is assured when Mr. White speaks before the Taylor Men's Own next Sunday afternoon. He will speak this evening at Point St. Charles in Centenary Methodist church on 'Single Tax.'

'Novels and spectacular history find great stores of material in the rapid changes and violent doings of the Revolutionary times,' said Mr. White last evening; 'yet, the really important part is a study of the terrible conditions that led up to an ending not so terrible. Human nature is the same now as then, and we would be very apt to do similarly under their conditions.'

'Society,' the speaker said, 'was divided into two great classes, the privileged and the unprivileged; the nobles and the clergy used the former, and the rest of the people the latter class. The nobility spent their time and fortunes in the wildest kind of rioting and extravagance, while the other section of the community supplied the funds, and supplied them in the most vexatious ways. For a peasant to take his load across 'My Lord's' bridge, or into a village, or over certain roads, or across a boundary line, cost a heavy tax.'

The peasants knew that they were being robbed; but, as Mr. White said, 'it is a sad thing to think of a peasant even for a modern politician, to prove that when we pay we don't pay; and it's all for our own good, anyway. They refused to pay so heavily and even got discouraged about working. The extravagance of the king and nobles continued, and soon the treasury became exhausted. His desperation, the king called Turgot, the leader of the single taxers, to relieve the situation. He inaugurated a new fiscal policy, cut down all taxes and duties, and by enforcing strict economy succeeded in putting things right again, though upon his being dismissed the old state of things soon followed. But he showed what could be done.'

The lecturer proceeded to draw lessons after lessons from the French Revolution, and the abuses and mistakes of this period in France. 'What is the difference between excessive freight rates and the "mylords" levy on the peasants' load for the use of the bridges or permission to enter the village?' he asked. 'We pay now to a corporation and don't see that we are being robbed, while the nobles fully realized it. How do the nobles differ from our enormously wealthy men, too wealthy to have earned it by any human possibility; who have acquired it by getting government privileges. To put these right Turgot's plan held as it held in those days. Abolish all indirect taxes, and raise our whole revenue from the tax on land value, and must take our taxes off industry and put them on monopoly, and land is the moral monopoly of all.'

MILD WEATHER IN THE SAGUE.

Chicoutimi, Feb. 21.—The recent mild weather has taken away almost all the snow in this district, and the prospects for lumbering for the rest of the winter are very poor.

ARRESTED ON SUSPICION.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—John Kearns and Thomas Tierney, of Ottawa, were arrested last night on suspicion of implication in the Hintonburg robberies. They are held on a charge of vagrancy, and were to-day remanded for a week.

VISITING GOVERNORS.

The visiting governors to the Protestant Hospital for the insane during next week, are Messrs. Thos. Spindlo, Henry Earle, Henry Bliss and J. P. Dawson. The report of the medical superintendent for the past week shows that there were four admissions, one patient discharged on trial, and one death.

IN NO HURRY FOR MONEY.

Even in politics there are people indifferent as to the receipt of money. They have earned. The city treasurer, Mr. Robb, at the present time has in his possession envelopes for seventy-five returning officers, each containing \$5 for services during the recent municipal campaign. If the gentlemen to whom this money is due will condescend to call on the city cashier, he will disgorge.

LANCASHIRE SOCIETY.

At a special committee meeting of the Lancashire Society of the district of Montreal, it was decided to hold a picnic in April next. Only those are eligible who are Lancashire born, immediate descendants, those having resided in or had a close connection with the county, and those having within an area of about ten miles of Manchester. In order to ascertain the number of the members who will attend the dinner it is requested that all possible eligible persons will send in their names on or before March 5, stating the town from which they came, to A. E. Bray, secretary, 335 Beaudry street, city.

SCRIPTURE UNION TO-NIGHT.

At the annual public meeting of the Children's Special Service Mission and Scripture Union to be held in Synod Hall to-night, the Rev. Dr. Symonds will give an illustrated lecture on St. Matthew's Gospel. The Rev. Messrs. G. O. Troop and E. Bushell will speak. A solo by Miss Symonds will also form a part of the programme. The proposal to present a book to the libraries of the various Sunday schools and Bible-classes, in which branches have been formed, will be discussed, and a handsome banner bearing the inscription, 'Search the Scriptures,' will be presented.

PUPILS' RECITAL.

An interesting pupils' recital was given at McGill Conservatorium of Music last evening, those taking part including Misses Daisy Hall, Winifred Thompson, Mildred Cornell, Sophie Mendels, Jessie Taplin, Elsie Treuholme and Mildred Gorkfel.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. R. Bickerdike, M.P., has returned from Toronto.

Mrs. Adam Beck, of London, Ont., is in the city, staying at the Windsor.

Mrs. Jas. H. Peck and Mr. Esmond Peck leave this evening for Bermuda.

Mrs. W. W. Stuart, Sherbrooke street, is recovering after her recent attack of illness.

Mr. James Crathern entertained at dinner last night, for Colonel and Mrs. Hanbury-Williams.

Miss Powell, of Ottawa, has been spending a few days in town, the guest of Mrs. A. D. Durnford.

Miss Helen Anderson, of Ottawa, is the guest of the Misses McLennan, Dorchester street.

Mrs. Gzowski, who had been visiting her daughter, Mrs. F. N. Beardmore, left for Toronto on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. Hamet Dunn, who has been spending a few days in Lakewood, N. J., is expected home at the end of the week.

Lady Hingson entertained at luncheon yesterday for Lady Sybil and Lady Evelyn Grey. Covers were laid for twelve.

Miss Ewan is in Ottawa, the guest of the Misses Sparks. She will take part in the skating competition on Monday night.

Mr. H. H. Boyd, of Winnipeg, arrives in town to-morrow to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Boyd, St. Mark street.

Mrs. A. C. Killam, wife of the Hon. Mr. Killam, chairman of the Board of Railway Commissioners, arrived at the Place Viger on Wednesday from Winnipeg.

Mr. Ernest Carpenter, of Montreal, formerly of Cornwall, and Miss Josephine St. Thomas, were married on Wednesday evening in Trinity Church, Cornwall, by the Rev. Mr. Richards. They will reside in Montreal.

Miss Grace Worrell, daughter of the Bishop of Nova Scotia, who has been the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. T. White, is leaving for Kingston, to visit her sister, Mrs. Charles Kirkpatrick, at Avonmore.

The following Canadian visitors registered their names at the Canadian High Commissioner's Office, 17 Victoria Street, London, during the week ending Feb. 6:—James Alexander, Montreal; John Nutkins, London, Ontario; J. T. Wilkinson, Vancouver; E. L. Webster, Dawson; H. C. Blair, Truro, N.S.; F. A. B. Mountain, Victoria, B.C.; R. E. and Mrs. Harris, Wolfville, N.S.; John E. and Mrs. Chalkley, Toronto; Ernest and Mrs. Saunders, Toronto; Stanley McKewen Brown, Toronto; Charles D. Maguire, St. Catharines; E. Barr Hall, Princeton, B.C.; W. L. Bond, Montreal; W. Gordon Fraser, Winnipeg; A. F. Banfield, Winnipeg; J. C. Macnab, Winnipeg; C. T. Anstey, Montreal; A. T. Shaughnessy, Montreal; Mrs. R. B. Tattersall, Toronto; F. C. T. Pines; Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Toronto; Chas. Jenkins, Petrolia; Robert D. Noble, Petrolia; Barclay McPherson, Montreal; F. W. Godsal, Cowley, Alta.; Mrs. J. M. and Miss E. J. Sheldon, Galt; Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Macgillivray, Toronto; Thomas Ritchie, Belleville; W. K. White, Woodstock.

AT THE WOMEN'S CLUB.

Under the auspices of the Women's Club, Mr. John Z. White, of Chicago, will lecture on 'The dignity of labor,' at the Y. M. C. A., on Monday night, at eight o'clock. Gentlemen and ladies interested are invited.

The regular meeting on Monday afternoon will have a musical and literary programme. Miss Ellen Bowick, of London, England, will give 'Enoch Arden,' with musical setting (Strauss), Mr. F. H. Blair acting as accompanist.

THEIR EXCELLENCIES AT OUTRE-MONT.

The vice-regal visit to the convent at Outremont will be one long to be remembered by the loyal and enthusiastic pupils. Their Excellencies arrived at 11:30 a.m., on Monday, and were at once conducted to the spacious assembly hall, most tastefully decorated with flags and maple leaves, where the reception was given by the pupils.

The following is the impromptu programme:—

Entrée.—Norwegian Dance (three pianos). Grieg.

Grand Chorus, (in French).

'The King of Love my Shepherd is,' (Gounod).

Address in English, delivered by Miss K. Wiggott, of Sherbrooke.

Song by a choir of little children, (in French).

'Petite oiseau, qu'aimez-vous?' (Gobbaert). Words written expressly for the occasion, in compliment to Lady Grey and her daughters, were set to the music of this song.

Grand Chorus (in English), 'Glory to God.' (Gray).

Address in French, delivered by Miss B. Lacoste, daughter of Sir Alexandre Lacoste.

Sortie.—'God Save the King.'

Then followed a minute inspection of the house, which looked its best, bathed as it was, in the glorious sunshine. His Excellency manifested genuine interest in all he saw, and complimented the Sisters in the highest terms on their magnificent institution. The Ladies Sybil Grey and Evelyn Grey seemed equally interested. One was heard to say: 'I am glad that my first visit to a convent should be made to such a superb establishment.' Refreshments were served to the distinguished visitors, in English and French, doing the honors most creditably. The general verdict was that the address was read artistically, with a grace and naturalness truly charming. These addresses were written upon parchment and decorated at the convent. One bore the crest of Lord Grey; the other, the Union Jack, and the flag of the Dominion graciously entrusted, and protected by a spray of maple leaves which the pupils, the ease and grace with which they acquitted themselves of their parts reflected credit upon their training. His Excellency, in a short speech in French, complimented

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ed the young ladies upon their bearing and craved a holiday—a long holiday, which announcement was received with applause.

THE UNION LABEL.

Mr. J. C. Lavoie, General Organizer of the International Tobacco Workers' Union, who has been in the city for several days in the interests of his organization, has succeeded in inducing two tobacco manufacturers in Montreal to use the union label. Another firm has decided to discontinue the use of the label.

FIRE RECORD.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—The two upper flats of the Standard Cap Company's four-story building, at 569 Queen street west, were badly damaged by fire this morning. The company places its loss at \$1,500 on building and \$5,000 on stock; insured for \$3,000 and \$2,000 respectively in the North British & Mercantile Company.

A MCGILL ANNUAL

JUNIOR CLASS OF ARTS FACULTY CELEBRATED WITH BANQUET.

Amid college songs and cheers and a general manifestation of enthusiasm, the junior class of the Arts Faculty of McGill held their annual banquet in the Corona Hotel on Wednesday night.

Mr. D. L. Macdonald presided, and proposed 'The King' in a well conceived speech, which was responded to by Messrs. O. B. McCallum and W. H. Cherry. The 'junior year' was proposed by Mr. S. S. Swift, and was followed with replies from Messrs. S. McCuaig, Sol. '07; and R. P. Wright, Med. '07. Mr. R. D. Harrison was the proposer of 'Arts,' to which Messrs. R. K. Naylor '06, F. E. Hawkins, '08, and L. G. Dennison, '08, responded briefly. The 'Annual' and the 'Ladies' drew forth hearty speeches from Messrs. R. W. Ellis, E. B. Rider, W. C. MacMillan, J. C. Byles, C. W. Davis and E. S. McDougall.

A violin solo by Mr. E. M. Gould was greatly appreciated. The efficient committee under whose direction the affair passed off so successfully were Messrs. D. L. Macdonald, president; G. C. Swift, vice-president; C. N. Crutchfield, secretary; J. O. Vincent, treasurer; and R. W. Harrison, reporter. The society representatives were Messrs. A. L. Cat-tanach, alma mater; R. W. Ellis, football; C. W. Davis, track club; C. Howard and H. Wood, hockey. The dinner arrangements were in charge of Messrs. Rider, Meldrum and Macdonald.

A DELICATE OPERATION.

A very neat surgical operation, in which a large portion of the skull had to be removed, was performed at the Royal Victoria Hospital last night on Violet Sparrow, a five-year-old child, of Huntingdon, whose head had been crushed by the kick of a horse. Three hours after the accident, which occurred late in the afternoon, the little girl, lying in the hospital, in fifteen minutes the operation was performed. It is now expected that the child will recover. Dr. James Bell performed the operation.

LITIGATION OVER TIGER SKIN.

Judgment was rendered by Mr. Justice Archibald yesterday on an inscription in law filed by the defendant in answer to plaintiff's reply to the plea in a case of Alex. G. Bell vs. Chas. Desjardins. This is an action arising out of the purchase by plaintiff of a royal Bengal tiger rug from defendant. The skin was bought for \$400, condition of sale being that the vendor was to send it to Washington free of charge and duty. The article reached its destination, but was afterwards seized by the United States authorities as having been smuggled in. Mr. Bell wants the price of the tiger mat back, plus \$25,000 damages for being made to appear to have defrauded the customs. In his answer to the plea the plaintiff referred to defendant as having been in the habit of smuggling goods to the United States. By an inscription in law, Mr. Desjardins objected to that allegation as having no bearing on the merits of the case, and the court maintained the inscription.

INSPECTING BRITISH CHILDREN.

Mr. R. W. Hillyard, Inspector of British Immigrant Children, and Receiving Homes, was in Montreal yesterday. He is on one of his periodical tours of inspection, and will visit the children who have been sent from the Old Land to Canadian homes. He is also investigating the case of the young lad on the farm near Buckingham, whose death is now the subject of an official enquiry.

GUARDIAN'S RESPONSIBILITY.

Mr. Justice Archibald yesterday dismissed a petition for a rule nisi asked against Mr. L. A. Carriere, a guardian to goods seized in the case of Belanger vs. Paquin. The rule was asked on account of the guardian's failure to produce the goods on the day fixed for the sale thereof, but the court held that the responsibility of the guardian had ceased through the sale not taking place within one year after the seizure.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

REV. JOHN GRIFFITH

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Honan, China,

in Stanley Street Presbyterian Church

ON

Friday the 23rd at 8 p.m.

COLLECTION.

THE BURNS CLUB

OF MONTREAL.

will hold its Annual Meeting in the Alexandra Hall, 2204 St. Catherine street, on FRIDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, at 8 p.m.

Business:—Reports of committees and election of officers for the ensuing year.

Every member is earnestly requested to be present at this important gathering.

JAMES W. HANNAH,
Hon. Secretary.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Church of St. James the Apostle.

Organ Recital by

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On Saturday Afternoon, 24th Feb., at 4 o'clock,

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SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION OF THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

The Rev. Dr. JOHNSTON,

Will, D.V., teach the Sunday School Lesson for next Sunday in the

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TO COME ONCE IS TO COME EACH WEEK.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25.

MEN'S OWN,

CALVARY CHURCH, GUY STREET.

SUNDAY, 25th February, 3 p.m.

Speaker—REV. J. L. GILMOUR, B.A., B.D.

Soloist—MRS. BULMER.

Let brotherly love continue. See to it that others come in, that we may all get strength to help one another.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

OF CANADA.

ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of this Company will be held at its Offices in this city, on TUESDAY, Feb. 27th, 1906, at 2 p.m.

By order, T. B. MACAULAY, Secretary.

Sun Life Building, January 26th, 1906.

REAL ESTATE SALES

A. E. deLorimier to Jas. J. Rosevear, the S.W. part of lot No. 208-18, parish of Montreal—\$6,000.

A. E. deLorimier to Dixon Coyle, the N.E. part of lot No. 208-18b, parish of Montreal—\$6,000.

D. Gour, widow of Medard Forest, to Jean B. Brault, the W. half of lot No. 357, village of St. Jean Baptiste—\$1,300.

A. Bilodeau, widow of F. X. Forget dit Depatie, and wife of Honoré Lauzon, to Honoré Lauzon, jr., lot No. 114, village of St. Jean Baptiste—\$1,000.

The Sheriff of Montreal, to J. L. Perron, lot No. 50, St. Ann's ward—\$266.

The Lang Manufacturing Co., to J. G. Turfitt, lot No. 1005, St. Antoine ward, fronting on St. Monique street—\$27,000.

Joseph N. Lacoste, to Dr. L. J. Cleroux, lot No. 1636-1, St. Antoine ward, fronting on St. Antoine street—\$3,800.

Dame M. Kearns, wife of B. Jas. Pettiner, to M. McGovern, the S.E. half of lot No. 1406, St. Ann's ward, fronting Olifer street—\$1,800.

P. E. Rouiller to Andrew Lennon, the south half of lot No. 11-580, village of Cote St. Louis, \$4,400.

The Hon. Raoul Dandurand and others to Mary Ann E. Hounslow, wife of John W. Conrad, lots Nos. 179-68 and 69, parish of Montreal; \$700.

The Hon. Raoul Dandurand and others to Robert King, lots Nos. 179-38 and 59, parish of Montreal; \$700.

The Rev. G. M. Lepailleur to Ulric Pineault, the north half of lot No. 11-465, village of Cote St. Louis; \$500.

The Hon. Louis Beaudin to Frs. Aubry, lot No. 10-1470, village of Cote St. Louis; \$275.

Esther Roussel, wife of A. Desjardins, to M. Rose, wife of J. D. Deniel, lots Nos. 7-56 and 57, village of Cote Visitation; \$2,100.

Odilon Dugas to Marie S. Lacoursiere, wife of Hubert N. Rivard, lot No. 7-207, village of St. Jean Baptiste; \$3,000.

Pierre Milot to J. F. Cavallo, wife of Alfred Marchand, lot No. 1-236, village of St. Jean Baptiste; \$3,600.

Marie Louise Castonguay, wife of Joseph Brosseau, to J. Dandurand, lot No. 325-366, village of Cote St. Louis; \$2,200.

Marie Louise Castonguay, wife of Joseph Brosseau, to J. Dandurand, lot No. 325-367, village of Cote St. Louis; \$2,200.

Donat Vanier to Melina Gladu, wife of J. B. Jodoin, lot No. 419 and in part of lot No. 420, parish of Sault au Recollet; \$2,000.

NEW LASTERS' UNION.

The lasters on turned shoes, affiliated with the Boot and Shoe Workers' Union have formed a separate local, which will be known as the "Turned Shoe Lasters' Union." The following were elected officers of the new local: President, G. Martel; vice-president, E. Legault; financial secretary, Jos. Barbeau; recording secretary, W. Martel; treasurer, W. Morette; trustees, A. Monod, Raoul Caya, Endor Gagné; auditors, J. Belair, P. Barrette; label committee, J. Lepin, Medor Monette, R. Caya; executive committee, J. Lepin, R. Caya, E. Bouvier, M. Martel, C. Gosselin; conductor, J. Barrette; guard, J. Gaud; delegates to the Montreal Trades Council, J. Lepin, J. Barbeau and E. Legault; delegates to the Joint Council, G. Martel, J. Lepin and P. Hebert.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE

HOCKEY.—Stirlings defeat Loyola in junior championship game—Eastern Townships hockey.

CURLING.—Montreal curlers for Ottawa—Beef and greens at St. Lawrence rink.

BILLIARDS.—Ceruleo St. Pierre defeat M.A.A.A.

SPORTING NOTES

Notice is given in another column of the regular "Beef and greens" to be partaken of at the St. Lawrence rink. While speaking of the subject the following rule embodied among those of the Montreal Curling Club at its foundation in 1897 may be of interest:

"The club shall meet at Gillis's on Wednesday, every fortnight, at 4 o'clock, to dine on salt beef and greens. The club dinner and wine shall not exceed seven shillings and sixpence a head, and any member infringing on this rule, under any pretext whatever, shall be liable to a fine of four clubs. No member shall ask a friend to dinner except the president and vice-president, who may ask two each."

The Quebec and Montreal clubs met for the first time in 1835, at Three Rivers, when it fell to Montreal's luck to have to pay for the dinner. Concerning the dinner the following interesting anecdote was narrated by Colonel Lyde, a famous curler of the earlier days:

"There were twenty-six guests at dinner, which was good and substantial, and though we had no haggis the deficiency was in some degree supplied in roast turkey. An amusing scene took place when the company separated, just before starting at daylight. The wine bill being rather high, some of the Montrealers objected, and, as a convincing proof that the host had charged too much, one of them produced from his pocket the cork of every bottle that had been emptied, and the number of corks and bottles did not correspond. But a little investigation showed that several bottles had been consumed by some of the guests out of sight of the cork-keeper, and the bill was paid without further parleying."

Many instances are on record of teams of various kinds composed of members of the same family, and these including two or three generations, and we have one or more in Montreal composed entirely of brothers, the Christmas family, for example. The latest addition to the number is a team of brothers named Gravelle, in Portsmouth, Ontario, who are issuing challenges broadcast in their vicinity.

Among the novelties at the Boston dog show is a pure white collie. Collie experts declare that it is quite possible to breed collies to color, but that the selections involved lowers the stamina of the dog, which is not likely to be of great use for any practical purpose.

The time of the intended tour of the Corinthian Association Football Club in Canada and the United States has been rather unhappily chosen, for it would clash with the visit of the Pilgrims. A tour by the Corinthian Club was proposed last year and a representative of the country was at the time of making arrangements, but the guarantees asked were too high, and consequently the scheme fell through.

The formation of a National Soccer League, similar to that reported in yesterday's "Witness," would seem to be the natural outcome of the strides the game has made in public favor of recent years. In Ontario the game has always been played, and also in Manitoba and British Columbia. In the East, after leading a precarious existence for some little time, in which all local interest in the game seemed to expire, Soccer has gone rapidly ahead. The visit of the touring Pilgrims team did much to popularize it, both here and in the United States.

HOCKEY

STIRLINGS VS. LOYOLA.

The Stirlings defeated Loyola last night at the Victoria Rink by six to five, and have thus qualified for the semi-finals, meeting the winners of the Shamrock-Westmount game, to be played to-morrow afternoon.

The score at half time was three to two in favor of Loyola; then early in the second half Stirlings notched four games in quick succession. Then Loyola got together and scored the next two, and tried their best to pull down their opponents' lead. But the effort came too late, and time was sounded with the result as stated above. The teams were:

Stirlings. Goal Loyola.
Ritchie Point Lynch
Pilon Cover Baxier
P. Foley Rover Power
A. Foley Centre Shea
McCuaig Right Vanter
Russell Left Cloran
Referee, "Benny" Burland.

E.C.A.H.A.

The standing of the clubs of the E.C.A.H.A. up to date is as follows:

Club	Won.	Lost.	Play.	Goal.	Agst.
Wanderers	6	1	3	50	31
Ottawa	6	1	3	54	32
Victorias	4	4	3	50	63
Quebec	3	4	3	41	43
Montreal	3	3	6	31	29
Shamrocks	0	7	3	27	55

MCGILL NOTES

INTER-YEAR HOCKEY.

Standing of the teams:

Team	Won.	Lost.	To play
'07	2	0	1
'08	1	1	1
'09	0	1	2

In Arts games '06 beat '07; '06 beat '08. Finals between '06 and '09 to-morrow. Science '08 beat '09.

INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONSHIP

The first game in the semi-finals for the intermediate championship between McGill and Wanderers will be played at the Arena to-morrow afternoon. The return game will be played the following Thursday with McGill at the Victoria rink. The series will be decided on the majority of goals scored.

WRESTLING.—Tremblay and Acton to meet to-night.

SNOWSHOEING.—Children's race at LaChapelle.

FOOTBALL.—Corinthians to tour in the summer—English League standing.

BOWLING.—Death of Robt. Fulton, stroke of the Paris crew.

EASTERN TOWNSHIPS HOCKEY

Richmond, Feb. 21.—The Eastern Townships Amateur Hockey Association met on Monday evening at Magog House, Sherbrooke, and held a rather stormy session. The meeting was called to receive two protests, one from Nationals against Windsor Mills, and the other from Waterville against Richmond. The representatives of the clubs were as follows:

Sherrbrooke, E. H. Bowen; Waterville, H. Somerville; Richmond, Perry E. Gomery; Windsor Mills, C. J. Bastedo; Nationals, P. L. Doyon. The two protests were based on the thirty days residence clause in the B.T.A.H.A. constitution. Considerable discussion on the part of the clubs interested was indulged in, but the final decision of the league sustained neither of the protests, as the evidence which supported them was not sufficiently clear.

STANLEY CUP

Kington, Feb. 23.—According to present calculations it is intended to run an excursion to Ottawa to see the Stanley Cup matches. As regards the personnel of the team, the management have practically decided to force the same men on the ice who have played together all winter and stand or fall thereby. The idea is not so much to win the cup at all costs, but to test the quality of intercollegiate hockey, as played by an average college team with what is supposed to be the same of proficiency in the sport.

SWIMMING

WORLD'S RECORD LOWERED.

New York, Feb. 23.—The world's record for sixty yards in-door swimming was lowered last night in the Natatorium of the New York A. C. by C. M. Daniele, who reduced it from 52 1/5 seconds to 51 1/5 seconds, after having created a new American record of 50 2/5 seconds for fifty yards.

The American record for plunging was equalled by the holders with a plunge of 69 feet.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

The following letter has been received from Dr. J. A. Lester, president of the Football Association of Pennsylvania:

"Dear Sir,—The team of the Corinthian Football Club of England has decided to make a short tour in Canada and the United States next autumn. The team will be playing in Canada the last three weeks of August, and in the United States the first ten days or two weeks of September. Each club desirous of playing a match with the Corinthians will be asked to guarantee the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) as its share of the expenses of the tour. If it is the desire of the Montreal Club to arrange a game with the visiting team, will you be good enough to communicate at your earliest convenience with the undersigned, who has been desired by the Corinthian Football Club to arrange the schedule of games. Yours very truly,

JOHN A. LESTER."

EASTERN FOOTBALL

The standing of the English and Southern Leagues by latest advices is as follows:

THE LEAGUE—DIVISION I.				
Club	P.	W.	D.	L.
Liverpool	15	3	7	33
Manchester City	14	3	7	37
Preston North End	10	10	5	39
Sheffield Wednesday	12	6	7	39
Blackburn Rovers	11	6	7	36
Sheffield United	12	4	9	28
Newcastle United	12	4	9	28
Birmingham	12	3	8	27
Derby County	12	3	8	27
Aston Villa	12	3	10	27
Stoke	11	5	10	27
Bolton Wanderers	11	6	9	26
Sheffield United	11	3	11	25
Everton	10	4	10	24
Notts County	10	3	11	24
Notts Forest	10	3	11	24
Sunderland	10	3	11	19
Cardiff City	10	3	11	19
Manchester United	10	3	11	19
Cheltenham	10	3	11	19
W. Bromwich Albion	10	3	11	19
Hull City	10	3	11	19
Leicester Fosse	10	3	11	19
Bradford City	10	3	11	19
Leeds City	10	3	11	19
Grimsby Town	10	3	11	19
Sheff. Wednesday	10	3	11	19
Wolverhampton	10	3	11	19

THE LEAGUE—DIVISION II.				
Club	P.	W.	D.	L.
Bristol City	14	4	1	42
Manchester United	14	4	1	42
Cheltenham	14	4	1	42
W. Bromwich Albion	14	4	1	42
Hull City	14	4	1	42
Leicester Fosse	14	4	1	42
Bradford City	14	4	1	42
Leeds City	14	4	1	42
Grimsby Town	14	4	1	42
Sheff. Wednesday	14	4	1	42
Wolverhampton	14	4	1	42
Burnley	14	4	1	42
Burton United	14	4	1	42
Barneley	14	4	1	42
Stockport County	14	4	1	42
Glossop	14	4	1	42
Blackpool	14	4	1	42
Burslem Port Vale	14	4	1	42
Lincoln City	14	4	1	42
Gainsborough Trinity	14	4	1	42
Clapton Orient	14	4	1	42

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.				
Club	P.	W.	D.	L.
Fulham	21	11	8	20
Tottenham Hotspur	20	13	3	29
Southampton	20	11	5	27
Portsmouth	22	10	6	26
Luton	21	10	5	25
Watford	21	11	2	24
Brentford	20	9	5	23
Queen's Park Rangers	22	10	2	22
Norwich City	20	8	4	20
Plymouth Argyle	20	8	4	20
Millwall	21	7	6	20
Reading	20	7	5	19
West Ham United	21	9	1	11
New Brighton	21	5	1	15
Brighton and Hove	21	6	2	13
Swindon	20	4	5	11
Walsley	20	5	5	12
Northampton	21	6	1	14

WRESTLING

The wrestling match at Schermer Park is being awaited with the keenest interest and a good match is expected. In their respective countries, Tremblay in Canada, and Acton in England, the contestants have come to be looked on as in the very first class and well nigh invincible. Tonight's match involving the light-weight championship should prove one of the best at the Park this season.

CURLING

BEEF AND GREENS AT ST. LAWRENCE.

That festival of the St. Lawrence curling brotherhood, the beef and greens, will take place at the club house on Saturday at 1.30 p.m. Members are requested to take notice and prepare themselves accordingly.

Five rinks of the Montreal Curling Club will try conclusions with the Ottawas and Rideaus in Ottawa to-morrow afternoon. Two rinks of the visiting club will play the Ottawas in the second half of the Canadian medal competition. The Ottawas have a big handicap of 13 points against them, but on their own ice they hope to pull this majority down and win out. The three rink match with the Rideaus is merely a friendly contest.

SNOWSHOEING.

EVEN THE BABIES RUN SNOWSHOE RACES IN LACHINE.

The Junior Lachine Snowshoe Club, composed of little fellows, 12 years old and under, have got up a series of races for to-morrow morning that are causing a great amount of enthusiasm. They are giving sixty prizes. The little president, Cecil Bradford, and the vice-president, Harry Jackson, will be the judges, assisted by the Rev. Canon Chambers, C. A. Smith, J. Rathwell and T. J. Wyness. The secretary, Wally Woodin, and Captain Jack Davenport, will assist the older starters. Messrs. Ranger and Murray. All the races start from Mr. Ranger's, to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

DEATH OF A FAMOUS SCULLER

STROKE OF THE PARIS CREW PASSES AWAY AT ST. JOHN.

Rowing men and sportsmen generally will learn with regret of the death in his 62nd year, of Robert Fulton, the famous sculler



ROBERT FULTON, who was stroke of the Paris crew.

of St. John, N.B. It will be remembered that the crew, composed of George Price, bow; Elijah Ross, Sam Huston and the deceased, rowing stroke, defeated all comers on the Seine in 1897, and thus gained the name of "the Paris crew." Amongst other matches in which the crew took part was that with an English crew at Lachine in the summer, when the Canadians lost, but defeated the Englishmen two years later on the Kennebec, in which race, Renforth, of the English crew, died from the effects of over-exertion. Mr. Fulton rowed six in English waters, on the Thames and on Southampton Water. For many years he had been connected with the Customs service at St. John.

KENNEL

MONTREAL DOGS AT BOSTON SHOW.

Boston, Feb. 22.—The most noticeable feature of yesterday's judging at the Dog Show was the placing of an American bred dog, "Prince Hal," owned by Arthur Merritt of Montreal, at the head of the list. "Colne Master Royal," recently imported from England by Joseph A. Laurin, of Montreal, which had been very successful at the recent show at Madison Square Garden.

The other Montreal dog, "Colne Mistress Royal," imported at the same time as "Master Royal," which was defeated at New York, did well here.

NEW BOATHOUSE FOR CHATEAUGUAY

A new boathouse is to be erected this season for the Chateauguay Boating Club, to take the place of the house used last season. The new house will contain ample accommodation for members and for visitors at regatta times. It is also expected to have a floor large enough for dancing. An even more successful season than that of last year is being looked forward to by members of the club.

BILLIARDS

Ceruleo St. Pierre defeated M.A.A.A. by 96 points. The highest break was one of 22 by Robillard, of the Ceruleo St. Pierre, who defeated Johnson, of the M.A.A.A., by 109 points. Slater (M.A.A.A.), defeated Renaud by thirteen points.

EMERALD SNOWSHOE CLUB

The Emeralds held their third ladies' night last Tuesday at Lumkin's, where a most enjoyable evening was spent. Owing to the disagreeable weather most of the party drove out, although a few defied the rain and took the mountain course. Dancing was kept up to a late hour and after partaking of refreshments the party returned to the city in special cars. The following ladies and gentlemen were among those present: Miss Ella Mulcair, Mrs. M. J. Brennan, Miss Margaret Mulcair, Miss W. Dempsey, Mr. and Mrs. Mulcair, Miss M. McNally, Miss S. Coughlin.

Miss A. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ford, Miss Katie Scott, Miss Fanny M. Fox, Miss Nellie Regan, Miss Mary McGee, Miss Evelyn Brennan, Miss Stance Milligan, Miss May McNally, Miss Ella Hoobin, Miss K. O'Brien, Miss doon, Mr. J. John and Miss John, D. Tansey, Miss A. Delahanty, Miss Delahanty, Mrs. D. P. Johnson, Mrs. Meehan, M. J. Brennan, H. P. Hoobin, O. Moriarty, F. MacDonald, R. M. L. Hoobin, W. A. Richards, J. P. T. Hoobin, W. D. Robertson, W. J. Hoobin, W. McEvila, J. J. Davis, R. P. Hoobin, Fogarty, A. M. Doran, Bert Dwyer, Grant, Geo. Grant, Chicago, R. Sheehan, J. Donnelly, F. P. W. Hoobin, M. L. Leiton, Leo Regan, R. Y. N. Hoobin, W. A. Telford, M. Telford, H. H. Stafford, Charles (Hoobin), J. Craven, V. J. Macdonald, J. Hoobin, L. Macdonald, Miss T. Hoobin, many others.

The club stepladder will be held on Saturday afternoon, commencing at 2 o'clock, starting from the foot of St. Catherine street. The following Saturday morning a joint stepladder will be held at the Hoobin's, on next Saturday's race will be a line on what the Emeralds can do on this event.

MOROCCAN CONFERENCE

GREAT BRITAIN BLAMES GERMAN FOR THE PRESENT DEADLOCK.

London, Feb. 22.—Official opinion in Great Britain regarding the Moroccan conference can be summed up by the statement "that it is now certain Germany desires the Algeiras conference to break up without settling the vexed Moroccan question."

The belief in Great Britain is that the efforts of German and British subjects to create a better feeling between their

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1906.

We congratulate Mr. Gouin upon his Usury Bill. It goes far in the direction of what was very badly needed, and what the 'Witness' has advocated many times. It gives the courts discretion to fix the amount of the instalments of the interest on a debt, and the times when they shall be paid, in cases where the interest exceeds the legal rate and seems to the court to be usurious. This is in the direction of the English legislation of a few years ago, but it does not go so far. The English legislation, which has given satisfaction to everybody but the usurers, gives the courts discretion to deal with the whole debt—both loan and interest. The interest, of course, is the injury, but it would seem that Mr. Gouin's bill would be more salutary if it gave the courts power to deal with the principal and interest as a whole, as without some temporary release from a burden he is utterly unable to meet the victim would have no relief. He may as well be hanged for a sheep as a lamb. It is to be noted that in England county court judges have long had the power to regulate the repayment of hopeless debts whether usurious or not. As an instance, in the case of a poor widow sued for a grocery or bakery bill, for, say, two or three pounds—if the debt is proved, the judge in his discretion can order that it shall be paid at what times or in what amounts he chooses to direct. In this province, our judges have no such discretion, but is it not time that they had? There must be many occasions when such a power could be exercised in the interests of justice and humanity and in the interest of the creditor as well.

A NEW ERA.

With the advent of the new council all old things have passed away. We have the very same aldermen, but, oh, how changed! They have put off their mortal ways and put on the white robe of righteousness. Alderman Proulx—yes, Alderman Proulx, takes the initiative. He, as chairman, greets the new police committee with an assurance that all have confidence in the chief, and that appointments and promotions in the force are henceforth to be left to him, and he is to be responsible for its efficiency. And each alderman in turn expresses his admiration for Alderman Proulx and his noble determination—each promises to obey him in managing the affairs of the city without the baneful exercise of aldermanic patronage. Even Alderman Galloway, who takes pride in standing by his friends, did not demur. On the contrary, he led in the second act of grace in eulogizing the

mayor for having undertaken the enforcement of all the by-laws, and in calling for information as to any, to which the mayor could have referred as not being enforced, that they might be enforced forthwith. Among them turned up the law against Sunday selling. That was the one which Mayor Grenier many years ago ordered not to be enforced, and which has since remained unenforced accordingly. It must be enforced now. The mayor and the police committee are agreed on that. The only one who opposed it was Alderman Stearns—yes, Alderman Stearns, the reform Alderman of St. Andrews Ward. It was he who demurred and said 'would you wish the shoe-shiner or the poor fellow who sells a little round the corner to be persecuted?' Before the meeting was over Alderman Stearns got what must have been new light to him—he is but young at the business and unsophisticated—on the poor fellow who sells a little round the corner. The mayor communicated to the committee a report from the chief of police with regard to cigar shops and cheap restaurants, demanding that such places should be required to obtain certificates from the chief of police, as many of them sold intoxicating drinks and were kept by people of evil repute. The Fire Committee also proposes to take the nominations of Chief Benoit on the matter of appointments and his recommendations as to promotion. It is high time, as the chief says that it is common for men in the force to boast that they hold their positions by the favor of aldermen. It is hard to imagine a meaner boast. Only contemptible persons would boast that they held their positions, not by reason of their own fitness or work, but by favor, and were thus rendered unamenable to discipline. Not only do such boasts render the man who makes them contemptible, but they render the positions of honest and deserving men humiliating. We should be glad, indeed, could we hope that we have seen the end of this heinous system of aldermanic patronage. We should think the aldermen themselves would be glad to get rid of it. Yet they have clung to it in the past as their dearest privilege. We shall give them credit now for having turned over a new leaf, and shall earnestly hope that that leaf may never be blotted. We are assured that there is a majority in the present council which enters on its term of office with the full intention of standing up for the public interests which are committed to it. Let us hope that that intention will hold good against the terrible temptations to which they will be subjected, at the hands of interested concerns, which have millions at stake in votes they can wheedle out of aldermen.

FINANCIAL REVIEW.

In a review of the January statement of the chartered banks on the financial page of the 'Witness' yesterday, it was shown that total deposits of the public amounted to \$521,222,298, compared with \$451,233,347 in January of last year, an increase of nearly seventy million dollars. This does not, of course, include the public deposits in the post-office and government savings banks, which amount to nearly two hundred million dollars, and with the deposits previously mentioned, give a grand total in the neighborhood of seven hundred million dollars. This represents a very high percentage per capita of about a hundred and twenty dollars. It is calculated that Canada holds a unique position in this respect in the whole civilized world, the only nation to in any way approach this high average of individual savings being Denmark, with a proportion of from ninety-six to ninety-seven dollars per capita. The savings of a people demonstrate their degree of thrift, and it is therefore a pleasing record that Canadians have placed to their credit during the past few years. In a synopsis of the financial year of 1905, which appeared in the 'Witness' at the end of the year, a close analysis was given of these huge savings in their connection with the stock markets of this country. It was shown that deposits for the main part were held at the comparatively small rate of interest of three percent, but that they were only held with a view to being placed into some enterprise or other. A country of rapidly expanding enterprises such as Canada offers many opportunities to the investor of small capital. The United States conditions are much the same, and the middle classes, which include merchants and business men, have been growing wealthy. There are signs in Canada of an increasing restlessness on the part of the small capitalists to put their money into something with a better return than the three percent paid by the banks, and they are turning their money into all kinds of enterprises.

There has been an extensive boom in stocks in the New York market for many months, and this has been effected without a 'public,' which fact is repeatedly demonstrated by the reports of commission houses. The activity has been confined to professional and semi-profession-

al operators, and to the big 'pools' that have really been the mainstay of the market in times of international and domestic trouble. Money has been made freely and in plenty by all classes of people in the United States, and while a great deal has been spent in luxuriant and extravagant living there has still been sufficient put away to form a very fair average of savings. Some recent figures show that the total sum in the New York savings banks amounted to \$1,292,000,000, to the credit of two and a half million people. That is an average of about \$516 to each depositor. Such figures show that speculation in stocks and wheat has not had much aid from the public at large, and there is every reason to assume that some other parts of the United States are similarly fortunate. In that case, the savings of the people must total an enormous amount, and it is no wonder that every effort has been made by Wall street to induce the lambs to wander thither. The professional and semi-professional operator is comprised very largely of the rich and the well-to-do people of the United States, and there is no doubt that a similar element is interesting itself in the local markets. While the steady advance in Wall street during the earlier months of 1905 did not attract the 'American' people, the same cannot be said of the Canadian boom of recent weeks. There is evidence of a considerable public interest in this market. A great volume of business has been turned over on investment account, which, after all, is the best kind of market for all concerned, in that there is created a legitimate source of supply and demand. On the other hand speculation of a careful kind has also been noticeable, but the professional operators aside, there has been a distinct and emphatic reserve in most dealings of the 'small fry.' There has been less desire to 'plunge' than in former years, and the public has been inclined to take 'profits' when least expected, which is in striking contrast to the hold-tight policy of previous booms, and which also shows that there is some thinking being done by the man on the street in his stock exchange transactions. The sooner brokers recognize that it is better to conduct the stock exchange as a trading centre rather than a sort of 'toney' bucket shop the sooner the public will be induced to come into the security market with its enormous savings bank account.

The local market had to contend with a depression of securities on the London and New York markets during the early part of this week, and while a few issues of local moment were strong and active, the general list was quiet and heavy in sympathy with the feeling ruling in the greater markets. It is quite possible and probable that a local issue may advance, and in fact become very aggressive in an upward direction, while New York is on the downward grade, but there can be no disputing the fact of a sentimental attachment between this market and that of New York. A futile attempt has been made at times to ignore the connection, but facts have proved it, in the long run, although, as before stated, there are cases when local issues will move contrary to the general market position in New York or London. Canadian Pacific, Detroit, 'Soo,' common and preferred; Dominion Iron and Steel, Dominion Coal, Duluth, common and preferred; Havana, Sao Paulo, the Mackay stocks, and several others, are all traded in on the United States markets, and it must be admitted that this combination forms a very considerable portion of the speculative issues on this market. There is therefore little doubt about the sentimental, or practical, affinity between the security markets of the two countries. On account of the outside depression there was little business in the local market in the general list, but there was a most aggressive movement in the Toronto and Montreal Street Railway issues, both stocks being heavily bought, the former on a steadily rising market and the latter on excessive price changes suggestive of manipulation. Good news is sticking out all over both stocks, and this is a cue that market leaders do not lose sight of, and make the best of the occasion in creating a speculative appetite in the people. The price changes of these stocks are shown in the tabulated information on the financial page. Canadian Pacific has been rather quiet on this market, with a range from 171 3/4 to 173 1/2. The Iron issues have also been dull and lower with the ruling trend of prices, but there was practically no liquidation in any of the issues. The market is considered to be in a particularly healthy condition just now. Several banking concerns are about to issue new stock; industrial houses are also finding that the growing demand for their manufactures is necessitating a reorganization of plant and finances in many cases. Railway companies are progressing in earnings and in track development to a marvellous extent; street railway companies are having a time unprecedented in the matter of traffic earnings, and encouragement offered by a kindly winter season. Small wonder the holders of Canadian securi-

ties are not easily frightened into throwing their stocks on the market. Everything is booming, and with one or two exceptions, prices have not yet reached the top by a long way. A carefully compiled table of stock movements, amount of dividends paid, and the return on the investment is given on the financial page, and has been brought up to noon to-day.

There has been a lot of good buying business, and there has been a lot of keen speculation in the stock of the Montreal Street Railway during the past few weeks. In the earlier period of the present boom the trading was of the very best kind; a steady and constant development towards higher values, but since the question of legislation became at all a 'question' wide excitement has prevailed. The market in Montreal Street has been too impulsive to be considered a good market, and the various two and three point individual advances and declines are suggestive of extreme manipulation. A glance at Wednesday morning's session of trading in Street Railway stock will illustrate this. The price opened at 273, and the fluctuations were afterwards as follows: 274 1/4—275—274 1/2—273 1/2—274 1/2—273 1/2—274 1/2—273 1/2—274 1/2—273 1/2—274 1/2—273 1/2. Not a great range, but great enough to show that the buying is not altogether with a view to hold for future perquisites. From the stockholders' point of view the company has a brilliant future in store, and this fact has helped to create the present violence in the market movements of the issue, but the unwary speculator who thinks to turn over a few pence in a flutter in the stock will probably succeed in turning it over to the parties engineering the operations. Even at the present price, Montreal Street stock looks like good buying, as the future of Montreal is practically the future of the railway company, but the buying should be consummated with the idea of locking up the stock, rather than to 'scalping' transactions or, in other words, a rapid turnover for an uncertain profit.

FAMINE IN JAPAN

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT SENDING \$25,000 WORTH OF WHEAT AND FLOUR.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—The Canadian Government has passed an order-in-council authorizing an expenditure of \$25,000 for the purchase of wheat which will be sent to the victims of the rice famine in the north of Japan. The greater part of this money is being expended upon Manitoba wheat bought in Winnipeg and Portage la Prairie, and the balance on Alberta wheat ground into flour on the Pacific coast. The quantity required has already been secured and is being put up in twenty thousand bags of forty-nine pounds each. The first shipment leaves on March 5. Each bag is marked 'Canadian wheat flour for the special use of the people of the Japanese north-west victims of the famine. Gift of the Canadian Government.'

AID FROM SEATTLE.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 23.—The 'Post-Intelligencer' to-day started an original effort to secure a ship load of wheat for Japanese famine sufferers. The paper subscribers ten tons of wheat and calls for subscriptions in kind to be shipped, possible by March 12. Latest oriental mail advices show that nearly a million persons are starving, and food is needed more than money.

THE MORRISON OUTRAGE

ALBERT STEWART ARRESTED AT OWEN SOUND ON SUSPICION.

Owen Sound, Ont., Feb. 23.—The police here arrested Albert Stewart at the man who shot and robbed John Morrison. Stewart has been working at odd jobs around the town and country, and he evidently came back to town and went down the west bay shore into Keppel township. He had worked among farmers. The police say circumstances point strongly towards Stewart.

MCGILL AND BRITISH COLUMBIA

HIGH METHODIST EDUCATIONISTS OBJECT TO THE INVASION.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—McGill's new status in British Columbia is being assailed by officers of the Methodist General Conference. The Rev. Dr. Garman, Dr. Potts, and Chancellor Burwash are sending a petition to the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia to disallow the bill recently passed relating to McGill. Their petition says that the Columbia Methodist College, established at New Westminster in 1892, has been sustained at an expense of over one hundred thousand dollars to the Methodist Church; that it has at present 155 students, 18 of whom rank as undergraduates of the University of Toronto; that Columbia College was founded on the distinct understanding that British Columbia would establish a provincial university with which it could affiliate. The petition also asks that a provincial university be established.

GERMAN-AMERICAN TARIFF BILL.

Berlin, Feb. 23.—The Reichstag to-day, by a large majority, passed the final reading of the bill providing for the extension of Germany's reciprocal tariff rates to the United States.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

TWENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION CONCLUDED YESTERDAY.

The twentieth annual meeting of the Montreal Diocesan woman's auxiliary, which has been in session since 10 o'clock morning, concluded its labors yesterday afternoon. The first item of business was the report of the auxiliary, after the reading of which a statement concerning the Bond fund was submitted. Mrs. G. Bulmer gave some information concerning the work of the Diocesan Educational Committee, which has arranged for the education of two girls at Dunham College, the objects of the annual fund offering were then explained, and a request was made to the delegates of all country branches to make greater efforts to secure funds. Mrs. Baylis spoke of the work being accomplished in the city among the Chinese. It was decided that the Auxiliary should co-operate with the Presbyterian Board in their undenominational Chinese work.

An interesting address by Mrs. Macdonald on 'A glimpse at some of our missions in the North-West and British Columbia' followed. She described the scenic beauty of a western trip, which she had taken, and told of the good being done among the Blackfoot Indians. The Dynevor winter hospital, near Winnipeg, which is in charge of Miss Mitchell, concerns itself largely with this work. At the close of the address, the usual votes of thanks were passed.

Regret was expressed at the absence of Mrs. Plumtree, through illness. The interesting announcement was made that \$80 of the \$100 bursary to a student of the Montreal Diocesan College, which was pledged yesterday morning, had already been subscribed.

After some general business adjournment was made until the meeting of the junior branch. The junior meeting was addressed by the Rev. Dr. Stringer, who spoke on work in the Diocese of St. Kirk. His talk was illustrated with lantern views. Principal Rexford presided. The address was on similar lines to that given on the previous evening. At its conclusion several of the children were awarded prizes, and all were made happy by a free distribution of candy. This closed one of the most successful meetings in the history of the Auxiliary.

A list of the delegates, both city and country, with the exception of a few who failed to report to the secretary, follows:—City branches: The Cathedral, Mrs. Norton, Mrs. Kerry, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Kerry, Church of the Advent, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Fowler, Mrs. Yarker, All Saints, Mrs. Bannan, Mrs. Spence, Grace Church, Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. Corner, St. George's, Miss L. Mudge, Miss Brickett, Miss Cole, St. James the Apostle, Mrs. R. M. Liddell, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Richardson-Richards, Miss Gunn, St. John the Evangelist, Mrs. D. A. Pope, Miss Wand, Miss Evans, St. Luke's, Mrs. Craig, Miss K. Street, St. Matthias, Mrs. Bushell, Mrs. Mackenzie, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Marshall, St. Peter's, Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. Renaud, Mrs. Davies, Trinity, Mrs. Finnie, Mrs. Thomas, Diocesan Dorcas Society, Mrs. Thornton, Miss Ekers, Miss Helen Young, St. Phillip's, Montreal West, Mrs. McArthur.

Country branches—Abbotsford, Mrs. William Gibb, Miss Jackson, Arundel, Mrs. Naylor, Mrs. Loudfoot, Bromes, Mrs. Judge, Mrs. Martin, Calumet, Miss Whitefield, Mrs. Asch, Cowansville, Mrs. Kerbridge, Mrs. Larouche, Dunham, Mrs. Plaster, Fréhelburg, Mrs. Frary, Miss Plaster, Mrs. Davidson, Granby, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Kittredge, Grenville, Mrs. Asch, Mrs. Foreman, Hallerton, Mrs. Hutchings, Mrs. Kenney, Havelock, Mrs. Cole, Hudson and Como, Miss Bancroft, Mrs. Halero, Huntingdon, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Bruce, Knowlton, Mrs. Hall, Lachine, St. Paul's, Mrs. Henry, Miss Sullivan, Lacolle, Miss M. Brewster, Miss A. Moore, Mille Isles, Mrs. Strong, Napierville, Mrs. Marceau, Sorel, Mrs. Finley, Miss Mackenzie, Stanbridge, East, Mrs. Philip Moore, St. Andrew's, Mrs. MacNaughton, Mrs. LeRoy, St. Armand, Mrs. Montgomery, Mrs. Borden, St. Johns, Mrs. C. Price Green, St. Lambert, Mrs. Dart, Mrs. Bourne, Mrs. Wheatly, Waterloo, Mrs. E. Stack, St. Armand No. 2, Miss Bradley.

The Girls' and Junior branches were also represented.

YORK COUNTY LOAN

COMPANY HAD DONE BUSINESS IN NOVA SCOTIA ILLEGALLY, HENCE PECULIAR DEMAND.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—A new feature of the York County Loan and Savings liquidation has arisen. The liquidator, Mr. W. S. White, has been notified that the Nova Scotia shareholders demand to be paid as creditors, and not as stockholders. This is because the York County Loan did a business illegally in Nova Scotia after the act of 1904 requiring all such companies to be licensed in that province. The liquidator said to your correspondent this morning: 'This is the only provincial claim we have received. Like all other special claims, its value will have a legal determination in due course.'

BOILERMAKERS ON STRIKE.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—The boilermakers at the Poison Iron Works, ten or twelve in number, have gone on strike because of the employment on certain work of a handman, that is, one who can do skilled work, but has not served the full apprenticeship, and is not recognized by the boilermakers' union.

RECOUNTS IN QUEBEC.

Quebec, Feb. 22.—Applications for recounts on behalf of Mr. J. O. Samson, who was defeated by Mr. L. A. Taschereau by four votes for seat No. 3 in St. Peter's ward, and Mr. A. E. Valerand, who was defeated by Mayor Tanguay by two votes, for seat No. 1, Palace ward, in the recent municipal elections have been made to Judge Sir C. A. Pelletier.

SIR WILFRID'S SPEECH

COMMENT OF LONDON NEWS PAPERS.

(Canadian Associated Press.) London, Feb. 23.—The 'Globe' says Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in his speech at Ottawa, to avoid making it clear that Mr. Chamberlain's contention that colonies were prepared to meet the way in a scheme of tariff reform as far as Canada is concerned, is correct. The 'Pall Mall Gazette' says that a speech like Sir Wilfrid Laurier's is difficult to suggest that Canada is either indifferent to a policy of preference or doubtful of its benefits.

SIR WILFRID IN TORONTO

GRATITUDE OF LIBERAL CANDIDATES TOWARDS ONTARIO.

Referring to the grand demonstration tendered Sir Wilfrid Laurier by the people of Toronto on Wednesday night, the 'Canada' says: 'The Liberals of the province of Quebec and those of the rest of Canada feel grateful towards Sir Wilfrid and the Province of Ontario for having so completely wiped out even the trace of the gross insults given to the Prime Minister of Canada, especially in his quality as a French-Canadian, and Catholic Prime Minister, during the recent elections in London and North London. They have completely rehabilitated their city and their province in the eyes of the Canadian people, and they have shown that in Ontario there are patriotic hearts, intelligent friends of peace and harmony, and sincere admirers of the great statesman whom the French Canadian race has had the great honor to furnish the Liberal party for the greatest benefit of the country.'

POPULAR EVANGELIZATION

MR. MAGE GIVES PRESBYTERIAN WORKERS HIS VIEWS ON THE SUBJECT.

The Rev. A. Mage, the French evangelist, read a paper before the convention of French Presbyterian workers in St. John's Church yesterday on the subject of French evangelization. Mr. Mage stated his own conception of missionary work, which was to lead the masses to the source of Christianity through public lectures. The work should be carried on apart from church routine and the lectures should be given in the simplest language possible. He considered that a theatre was an ideal place to hold these lectures in, as it would tend to do away with a good deal of prejudice. Evangelization did not aim to place other methods, but was to serve as an auxiliary. The second part of Mr. Mage's paper dealt with the training of the evangelists. He should be thoroughly equipped, so the speaker, so as to be able to face all classes and all creeds, as well as atheists and freethinkers. In industrial centres the problem was very complicated. In conclusion, the Rev. Mr. Mage showed that the work of evangelization should aim to improve social conditions, lift the mind, build up the body and develop a sense of morality.

JUST OUT.

The following are the contents of the week's issue of 'World Wide':—

ALL THE WORLD OVER.
The Siege of the United States Senate—'Collier's Weekly.'
The White House Wedding—American Papers.
Mr. Chamberlain's Manifesto—English Papers.
Viceroy's State Entry into Dublin—No Discordant Note—Special Correspondent of the 'Tribune,' London.
German Socialism of To-day—The 'Spectator,' London.
House Industries in Germany—Special Correspondence of the 'Morning Post,' London.
The Situation in Russia—Manchester 'Guardian.'
What the Tsar Thinks—A 'Loyal Address' and His Reply—Special Correspondent of the Manchester 'Guardian.'
Korean Appeal—By Douglas Storey, Special Correspondent of the London 'Tribune.'
The Unrest in China—Providence 'Journal.'
China in Transition—Anti-Foreign Hosts in Shanghai—Extracts from an Article by George Kennan, Special Correspondent of the New York 'Outlook.'
The New President of France—By Theodore Stanton, in the 'Independent,' New York.

SOMETHING ABOUT THE ARTS.

Mr. Stephen Phillips' 'Nero'—The 'Spectator,' London.
The New Turners—Laurence Houseman, in the Manchester 'Guardian.'
CONCERNING THINGS LITERARY.
Corrymeela—Poem, by Morna O'Neill.
Allen—Poem, by Charles Murray, in the 'Spectator,' London.
In London—Poem, by Peter Wilcox, in the 'Verses from Macmillan.'
The Threshold—By Ivan Turgenyev, translated for the New York 'Independent' by Herman Bernstein.
Stadium—The 'Outlook,' London.
Mr. Chesterton on Journalism—Manchester 'Post.'
Maurice Maeterlinck and John Barrowland—Temperamental Differences in the 'Pretreatment of Nature'—M. H. W. Wright, in the New York 'Times' Saturday Review.

HINTS OF THE PROGRESS OF KNOWLEDGE.

The Meaning of Pain—The 'Outlook,' London.
The Higher Education of Women—A German—Special Correspondent of the 'Morning Post,' London.
The New Open Air Cure for Phthisis—The New York 'Daily Tribune.'
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ATTEMPTED PERSONATION.

One Arrest in Connection With the Maisonneuve Election

PRISONER GAVE THE NAME OF EUGENE SYLVAIN.

This afternoon a man giving the name of Eugene Sylvain was arrested at the polling station, 54 Rivard street, charged with having attempted to telegraph a vote in the Maisonneuve election. He was taken to the Rachel and Amherst street police station. The man is unknown to the police.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES

MONTREAL CITY BILL AGAIN BEFORE PRIVATE BILLS COMMITTEE.

Quebec, Feb. 23.—The Minister met again in caucus here this morning, when it is understood, the question of increasing the sessional indemnity of members came up and provoked a long discussion. When the meeting broke up it was learned that no decision had been arrived at in the matter, and it is thought that there will be none this session on the subject.

The Private Bills Committee considered the Montreal School of Pharmacy's bill and passed it.

It was late when consideration of the Montreal City Bill was resumed where the committee left off last night. To clause 32 relative to the special tax of one percent on the premiums collected by fire insurance companies, Mr. Carter moved an amendment to prevent retroactivity, but after a long discussion this amendment was rejected, but an amendment was made to the clause to provide that it shall not apply to pending cases as regards taxable costs, which must be paid within fifteen days after the coming into effect of the new law.

On clause 33, providing that the section of St. Antoine street between Windsor and Mountain streets shall have a width of eighty feet, Mr. Perry Ryan, for the interested proprietors, made a vigorous plea for the proprietors only paying one-fourth of the cost of these improvements and the city the other three-fourths; but this was opposed by Mr. Martin, for the city, Mr. Stephens and others, and was finally voted down unanimously.

Mr. Ryan asked that at least clause 27 should apply to this expropriation, and in the midst of the discussion it was found that there was no quorum, and the committee accordingly adjourned to Tuesday next.

THE BARTON MURDER

A MISSING TORONTO SALESMAN UNDER SUSPICION.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—There have been some new developments during the last few days in respect to the Barton Township murder mystery, and the provincial authorities are said to be more hopeful of a solution than at any time since the murder was committed. It is now asserted that a former resident of Toronto, who was a salesman, and who left the city a few days before the murder, is under suspicion. He is still, it is said, in Canada. A letter written by him is being compared with the handwriting of the man who registered at a Hamilton hotel shortly before the murder, and who was afterwards sought for in connection with the crime. It is also stated that persons in Toronto have been able to give some valuable information as to the identity of the murdered woman.

AN IMMIGRATION TRAGEDY

YOUNG WIFE'S BODY FOLLOWS THE HUSBAND TO SOUTH DAKOTA.

The C. P. R. system has just had on hand one of the little tragedies that attend immigration.

Among a band of immigrants who arrived in Montreal a fortnight ago was a German family consisting of young Mr. Fred Shehler, his wife, and three little children.

The woman, who was 29 years of age, was ill on her arrival at the Windsor street station, but her illness did not appear to be of a serious character. Admission was gained for her to the Royal Victoria Hospital. Her husband was too poor to stay in the city, and he decided to go on to South Dakota, his destination, and make a home for his wife to come to when she was well enough. He left his wife's ticket with the station officials, and went on.

He has written one or two letters to his wife since his arrival, and has also written to the interpreter at the station enclosing a small sum of money for her, and asking him to see she was put on the right train and made comfortable for the journey.

But she was destined never to undertake the journey, for the night before last she died.

The officials of the C. P. R. were in doubt as to what to do with the body. They knew how the tragedy must affect the young man, and they thought that the kindest thing to do under the circumstances was to get the body put into a hermetically sealed coffin, and forward it to South Dakota, so that the widower might at any rate have the consolation of giving his wife a burial in a place of his choosing.

So yesterday the corpse was despatched from Montreal to South Dakota at the company's expense.

THE VICE-REGAL DEPARTURE.

Their Excellencies and the vice-regal party left this afternoon by the C. P. R. on their return to Ottawa.

Mr. Legge, of the Granby Leader-Mail, an old Montrealer, is in the city and will take part this evening in the concert at the Nazareth street mission.

PAID THE PENALTY

JOHANN HOCH, THE WIFE MURDERER, WAS HANGED THIS AFTERNOON.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—Johann Hoch was hanged at 1:34 p.m.

Hoch is believed to have come originally from Herweiler, a small town in Germany, not far from Bingen-on-the-Rhine. His father, Jacob Schmidt, is said to still reside there. A wife supposed to be the first wife of Hoch is also living in the same place. Hoch has always been reticent regarding his career in this country, and his first wife married in the United States is believed to have been Mrs. Martha Steinbrecher, to whom he was married in 1895. After living with Hoch for four months she died, the cause of death being given as nephritis. In November, 1895, he married Mary Rankin, in this city, and left her the day after the wedding because she refused to give him money. In April, 1896, Hoch married Martha Hertzfeld, and left her in four months, after obtaining from her \$300. His next wife is said to have been Mary Hoch, of Wheeling, W. Va. Aged of nephritis after three months. Hoch always defied this marriage, and declared that he merely assumed the woman's name.

In the fall of 1896 Hoch married Clara Bartell, of Cincinnati, and she died within three months of the marriage. In January, 1897, he was married to Julia Dose, in Hamilton, Ohio, and abandoned her after obtaining \$700.

In April, 1898, Hoch was arrested in this city for selling mortgaged furniture, and received two years in the House of Correction.

In November, 1901, he was married to Mrs. Anna Gooke, of Chicago, but abandoned her after failing to obtain any money from her. On April 8, 1902, he married in St. Louis, Mrs. Mary Becker, who died early in 1903. Her relatives have claimed that she was poisoned.

On Dec. 10, 1904, Hoch married Mrs. Mary Welcker, a widow of this city, the woman for whose murder he was condemned. On Dec. 20 the woman became ill, and on Jan. 12 she died, the cause of death being stated in the physicians' certificates as nephritis. Five days later Hoch married Mrs. Emilie Fischer, a sister of Mrs. Welcker-Hoch. He obtained \$750 from her and disappeared. On Jan. 19 the last Mrs. Hoch reported to the police the disappearance of her husband. Suspicion was aroused by her story, and the body of Mrs. Welcker Hoch was exhumed and 7.6 grains of arsenic were found in the stomach. Search was made for Hoch and he was finally discovered in New York, where his landlady, Mrs. Kimberley, reported that she believed her boarder to be Hoch, because he had proposed marriage to her on the day of his arrival in her house. He was arrested and later brought to Chicago.

Hoch after being placed in jail here, admitted that he had been married thirteen times, but always denied that he had caused the death of any of his wives. He was placed on trial on April 10, and on May 20 the jury returned a verdict finding him guilty of murder, and fixing the punishment as death.

On June 3 sentence was passed on him, the date of the execution being set for June 23. Governor Deneen granted him a reprieve until July 28. Within one hour of the time set for his execution Hoch was given a second reprieve until Aug. 25. Before this date arrived, however, the Supreme Court of the state granted a supersedeas to permit of the consideration of his case by the court. On Dec. 13 the court handed down a decision affirming the verdict in the lower court, and fixing the date of execution for Feb. 23.

The last effort made by Hoch to secure a new trial ended on Feb. 21, when Governor Deneen and the Board of Pardons refused to interfere in his behalf.

CAFÉ CONCERTS

BREACH OF THE LAW UNDER THE NAME OF THE MONTREAL GYMNASIUM CO.

In the Recorder's Court today Absolou Thoun was fined five dollars and costs for allowing a café concert to take place in a hall at the rear of his restaurant on St. Lawrence street.

The defendant pleaded that he had conducted the concert on behalf of the Montreal Gymnasium Company. This company received its charter of incorporation from the Quebec Legislature in 1905, the company consisting of five clerks named Joseph W. Gravel, Ernest Collette, Honore Tessier, Emile Bonvin, and Lya Robillard.

The company's object is stated to be to give entertainment and provide instruction for the mind and recreation for the body. Another privilege given is that of selling refreshments of all kinds to the public, providing the company shall not serve intoxicating liquors without holding, either itself, or through one of its officers, a refreshment license for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

It was stated that this company transferred their rights in respect to the sale of refreshments to a man named Reard, who, in turn, arranged with the defendant, Thoun, that the entertainments should be conducted in the hall at the rear of his restaurant and suggested to the company that they should take in Thoun as partner. The company declined to do this, and Thoun abandoned the concert.

In reply to this, the police stated that the concert was only stopped after their visit to the place and after it was known that proceedings would probably be taken. On the day the police attended the concert three girls, they say, sang from a stage at the end of the hall, and afterwards a man gave an exhibition of what was described as bag-punching. Small tables were set about the room and people sat at these and were supplied with liquid refreshments.

REAL ESTATE SALES

Ernest S. Mathieu to Nap. Boutin, lot No. 15-737, village of St. Jean Baptiste: \$1,600.

Josephine Lagacé to O. Germain, lot No. 31-20, village of Hochelaga: \$2,000.

R. Wallace McLachlan to Chas. Cushing, lot No. 3, village of St. Jean Baptiste: \$1, etc.

Chas. Cushing to Joseph Lagarde, the S. E. quarter of lots Nos. 1-378, 379, 380, village of St. Jean Baptiste, \$1,170.

M. S. L. Burn, wife of Thos. R. Simpson, to Patrick O'Brien, lot No. 2893, parish of Montreal: \$3,700.

P. A. Beaudoin to M. L. Charbonneau, wife of Martindale Dagenais, lots Nos. 15-599 and 600, village of St. Jean Baptiste: \$5,000.

Ernest F. Walter to John Smith, lot No. 214-4b and the N. E. part of lot No. 214-4c, parish of Montreal: \$7,500.

Montreal Investment and Freehold Co. to P. Boulianne, lot No. 12-28-2, village of Cote St. Louis: \$195.

Deaf Mutes Institution to E. Lapointe, the S. half of lot No. 10-82, village of Cote St. Louis: \$830.

H. Latour to F. X. Duchesne, lot No. 172-655, village of Cote Visitation: \$150.

L. Tremblay et al to Pierre Gauthier, lots Nos. 18-340 to 344, village of Hochelaga: \$6,000.

Isaie Prefontaine to Joseph Arthur Magnan, lot No. 18-237, village of Hochelaga: \$400.

THE 'EMPERESS' LINERS

CAPTAIN CAREY APPOINTED TO COMMAND OF THE 'EMPERESS OF IRELAND.'

Captain F. Carey, the present captain of the C. P. R. S. S. 'Lake Erie', has been appointed captain of the new C. P. R. liner 'Empress of Ireland.' Captain Carey is an Irishman by birth, and has been running into the port of Montreal for the last twenty-five years. He was one of the old Beaver Line captains, and is well known among shipping men on both sides of the Atlantic. The captain of the 'Empress of Ireland' was appointed some time ago. He is Mr. R. Stewart, who, up till now, has been in command of the C. P. R. S. S. 'Lake Champlain.'

The C. P. R. Company announce that they are fitting the new liners with seamless steel, unsinkable lifeboats, manufactured by the Sealeless Steel Boat Company, of Wakefield, Yorkshire.

THE PRINCE'S VISIT.

Colonel Hanbury-Williams will accompany Prince Arthur of Connaught, during his tour in Canada, as the representative of the Governor-General, and Mr. Joseph Pope, C.M.G., will be attached to the party as the representative of the Dominion Government.

CANALS ON MARS

FURTHER PROOF OF THEIR ACTUAL FORMATION.

Ever since the presence of canals or channels (canali) on the surface of the planet Mars was first described by the Italian astronomer, G. V. Schiaparelli, in 1877, the question of their character, and even of their real existence, has been keenly debated. On the one hand, they have been accepted as truly material formations, and various hypotheses have been advanced to explain them, such as that they are waterways connecting with oceans, or that they consist of lines of vegetation growing along irrigation works which derive their water from the seasonal melting of the polar snows, and are the result of intelligent effort of some sort, or that they are merely great rifts produced in the globe by uneven contraction or cooling. On the other hand, some competent observers have failed to detect the canals at all, while others who have succeeded in seeing them have not agreed with each other in their descriptions of what they saw. In consequence it has been suggested that these canals or channels are of the nature of illusions of vision, and are not the definite features that appear on the drawings, but 'rather the result of slight suggestions made to the eye by more or less irregular differences in the minute shadings and color tints on the surface of the planet.'

Within the last few months fresh light has been thrown on the question by a piece of work carried out at the Lowell Observatory at Flagstaff, Ariz. The observers there have always been among the most successful in seeing and drawing the canals; and they resolved to supplement their visual observations by an attempt to photograph them in the clearest conditions presented by the planet's opposition in the spring of last year, when it was comparatively near the earth. The observatory at Flagstaff enjoys exceptional advantages for such a task. It stands 7,250 feet above sea level, and therefore above many of the lower and denser layers of the atmosphere which incommode observers at less altitudes, and it possesses the largest glass in the world mounted at such an elevation. Further, the air is intensely dry, and its currents trouble the image less and produce less distortion and obliteration of detail than at lower levels in more humid conditions. Without such advantages the undertaking would be hopeless; even with them it was one of extraordinary difficulty and delicacy, and called for numberless precautions.

It must be remembered that the diameter of the planet at the time was only some fifteen seconds of arc, and that the few of it to be obtained even with the largest telescopes in favorable conditions is little, if any, better than that obtained of the moon with the naked eye. But to secure the required definition of detail it was usually thought necessary at Flagstaff to use only the central portion of the 24-inch object glass of the telescope, which accordingly was reduced by a diaphragm to an effective diameter of twelve inches; a color screen was employed that allowed only the yellow and orange rays to pass, and the extremely sensitive plates which had to be used permitted exposures of only from six to ten seconds, though during that time the utmost care had to be exercised to insure

that the telescope followed the planet smoothly and exactly.

The result was that Mr. Lampland, Professor Lowell's assistant at Flagstaff, succeeded in obtaining in May and June a number of photographs of the planet at different stages of rotation, which show canals quite distinctly and even present indications of the doubling which has been regarded as still more doubtful than the existence of the canals themselves. When a series of these photographs taken on the same night in close succession is examined, the same markings are seen to be repeated from one to the other, though naturally some of the pictures are better than others; and comparison of drawings made of the planet's surface by Professor Lowell himself at about the same dates as, though quite independently of, the photographs shows a close correspondence between the two, canals having the same position and direction being perfectly visible on both drawings and photographs, even to the untrained observer. The defining power of the eye, however, is so much superior to that of the photographic plate that, although some 400 canals and 175 oases have been made out by Professor Lowell himself, the photographs have so far revealed only about forty canals and four or five oases. If it be admitted that the photographic plate cannot be, and can yield representations only of things that have a real objective existence, the conclusion to be drawn from the successive photographs of a series and the correspondence between photographs of different series and almost contemporaneous drawings by Professor Lowell would seem to be that the canals, whether be the nature and origin, cannot be mere subjective illusions on the part of certain observers, but have an actual existence as material formations on the surface of Mars.—London 'Times.'

Seven hours of sleep is the minimum amount required by the average person, according to Professor Weyand, of the University of Wurzburg. He ascertained experimentally that reduction of the usual period of sleep by three hours diminishes the power of memory by one-half. Fastings, he found, had a much less injurious effect.

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Fayette Brown, James Corlette & Co., D. M. Stewart, A. D. Durnford, Hart, & Adair Co., Ward of Mercy of the Church of St. John the Evangelist; in memory of beloved brother, \$5 each; Mrs. Gordon, Mr. W. D. Mathewson, Mrs. E. Youngheart, \$3 each; Mrs. M. Limont, Mrs. E. L. Porteous, Mrs. Jas. C. King, Mrs. A. L. Strath, Mrs. (Dr.) Blackader, Mrs. F. G. Finlay, Mrs. Charles McEachran, Mrs. R. Paterson, Mrs. (Dr.) Bell, Mrs. and Miss Greenshields, Mrs. G. W. Moss, Mrs. W. Angus, Mrs. John Cox, Miss Tramp, Miss A. D. McDougall, P. Taylor, Messrs. Laporte, Martin & Co., J. M. Douglas & Co., J. Pitblado & Co., W. H. E. D. A. McPherson & Co., J. H. Blumenthal & Sons, Leeming, Miles & Co., Marjorie & Elliot, J. A. Richardson, Mrs. E. E. Eadie, Mrs. Flux, Mrs. D. Levi, Mrs. C. J. Shaw, Mrs. W. N. Evans, Mrs. H. R. Drummond, Mrs. C. H. Birks, Mrs. Alex. Robertson, Mrs. C. Buchanan, Mrs. Theodore Labatt, Mrs. C. Blackader, Mrs. Thibault, Mrs. M. G. Durnford, Miss Maud Redpath, Miss Alice Redpath, Dr. A. Laphorne Smith, Messrs. T. Foster & Co., J. J. Wenfield, D. T. Walker, J. L. Harrison, R. J. Inglis, a friend, each, a friend, C. Pierce & Co., A. Kirschberg & Co., D. Masson & Co., Alphonse Racine, J. H. Stanton, H. Walker Dorsken, A. T. \$1 each; Mrs. Jeffrey, Messrs. James Roy, J. H. Robertson, M. Cochran, a friend, 50 cents each; Miss Griffith, Miss Friede, T. M. Leskey, B. R. R., a friend, 25 cents each.

SHIPPING NEWS.

MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS.

Steamer	At	From
Sterling	London	Boston
London	Glasgow	Boston
Ashe	London	New York
Indiana	New York	Genoa
Rome	Naples	New York
Cedric	New York	Liverpool

RAISED SPEED LIMIT.

Toronto, Feb. 23.—The Harbor Commissioners, at their meeting yesterday, amended the by-law regarding the speed limit of vessels in Toronto harbor so as to increase the limit from four to seven miles an hour. Mr. F. S. Spence was elected chairman of the board; Mr. J. T. Mathews, vice-president, and Mr. H. G. Hagarty, and Aid. Church, commissioners. The third commissionership, made vacant by the retirement of Aid. Harrison, was given to Aid. Keeler.

COMMERCIAL.

THE WHEAT MARKET

In Chicago this morning wheat declined sharply under liquidation, and a bearish price current report, but recovered later on better cables and news of bad weather west.

Corn was firmer on weather news and reports of poor grading.

Oats were stronger and an advance of 1/4c was made.

In Winnipeg wheat was easier under big Argentine shipments, weaker cables and a generally steady tone to the market.

At the close 74 1/2c was bid for Feb. 75c bid for March, 77 1/2c for May, and 78 1/2c for July.

CHICAGO MARKETS

The following are the Chicago quotations reported to-day by Messrs. J. S. Bache & Co., Bell Telephone Building, Montreal:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat	82 1/2	83 1/2	82 1/2	83 1/2
July	81 1/2	82 1/2	81 1/2	82 1/2
Corn	42 1/2	43 1/2	42 1/2	43 1/2
July	42 1/2	43 1/2	42 1/2	43 1/2
Oats	29 1/2	30 1/2	29 1/2	30 1/2
July	29 1/2	30 1/2	29 1/2	30 1/2
Pork	15 1/2	16 1/2	15 1/2	16 1/2
July	15 1/2	16 1/2	15 1/2	16 1/2
Lard	7 1/2	7 3/4	7 1/2	7 3/4
July	7 1/2	7 3/4	7 1/2	7 3/4
Short ribs	8 1/2	8 3/4	8 1/2	8 3/4
July	8 1/2	8 3/4	8 1/2	8 3/4

METAL MARKET

An unusually large number of orders for building material and allied lines, and a generally steady tone to the metal market, are the features of the wholesale metal and hardware trade at present. The open nature of the winter has been of such practical assistance to builders that many of the jobs are ready for indoor fitting at this early date and orders for pipe and plumbing supplies and general builders' hardware are coming in rapidly. Iron is firm with the English market and on account of the increased cost of laying shipments down in this country while winter freights are in force. From 25c to 26c in the general price for immediate delivery in car load lots, but it is expected that a reduction will be made after the opening of navigation.

Lead was lower during the week but the market recovered and there is a firm feeling at present values. Ingot zinc is easier at 7c to 7 1/2c, and sheet zinc is quoted down to 8c in casks and 8 1/2c in less. Copper is easy, but there is no change in quotations. There is every probability of a rise in the near future on the present price of galvanized sheets. Quotations are said to be too low. Dealers selling from stock will not be out, but to import at the present manufacturers' prices and pay winter freights would necessitate an advance in the local quotations.

The following is a list of quotations in some of the leading lines of heavy hardware:

Big Iron—Summerize, \$25 to \$26.
Ingot Copper—20c to 20 1/2c; ingot tin, straits, Lamb and Plag, 35 1/2c to 40c; antimony, 10 1/2c to 11c; zinc ingot, 7c to 7 1/2c; sheet zinc, casks, 8c; less 8 1/2c; pig lead, \$4.40 to \$4.45.
Sheet Iron—No. 28, \$2.40; No. 30, \$2.35; No. 32, \$2.30; No. 34, \$2.25; No. 36, \$2.20; No. 38, \$2.15; No. 40, \$2.10; No. 42, \$2.05; No. 44, \$2.00; No. 46, \$1.95; No. 48, \$1.90; No. 50, \$1.85; No. 52, \$1.80; No. 54, \$1.75; No. 56, \$1.70; No. 58, \$1.65; No. 60, \$1.60; No. 62, \$1.55; No. 64, \$1.50; No. 66, \$1.45; No. 68, \$1.40; No. 70, \$1.35; No. 72, \$1.30; No. 74, \$1.25; No. 76, \$1.20; No. 78, \$1.15; No. 80, \$1.10; No. 82, \$1.05; No. 84, \$1.00; No. 86, \$0.95; No. 88, \$0.90; No. 90, \$0.85; No. 92, \$0.80; No. 94, \$0.75; No. 96, \$0.70; No. 98, \$0.65; No. 100, \$0.60.

Galvanized Sheets—No. 28, \$4.20 to \$4.30, according to brand.
Tin Plate—10, 14 x 20 basis, charcoal, at \$4.25; coke, \$4.
Terne plates—10 x 20, \$3.85.
Canada Plates—Black, 32c, \$2.00; 60c, \$2.65; 75c, \$2.75; galvanized, 32c, \$4.10; 60c, \$4.35.

TORONTO STOCKS.

Morning Board—
Bank of Commerce—10 at 180 1/4, 40 at 181.
Bank of Montreal—15 at 228 1/4.
Imperial Bank—100 at 245 1/4.
C.P.R.—10 at 170 1/4, 1 at 174 cash.
R. & O.—25 at 83.
Toronto Electric—10 at 150, 15 at 150 1/4.
Detroit United—

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

DOMINION IRON.

Reorganization Discussed—Preferred Holders to Receive One Percent Instalment on Deferred Dividends.

Broughton, in close proximity to the properties of the Cape Breton Coal, Iron & Railway Company.

MORNING EXCHANGE SALES.

Teledyne—30 at 34 1/2, 50 at 34 1/2, 75 at 34 1/2.
Havanna pref—25 at 32.
Hoch Bank—40 at 150, 50 at 152 1/2, 15 at 153, 43 at 154 1/2, 125 at 155.
Bank of Montreal—2 at 26 1/2.
Mex. Elec. bonds—\$10,000 at 81 1/2.
Ogilvie pref—100 at 124.
C.P.R. pref—100 at 124.
Iron pref—75 at 80 1/2, 25 at 81.
Ohio Trac.—35 at 32 1/2.
Iron bonds—\$10,000 at 35 1/2.
Iron—35 at 20 1/2.
Hilthold pref—80 at 100, 389 at 100 1/2, 100 at 101.
Tor. Ry.—380 at 120 1/2, 10 at 130, 9 at 130 1/2, 10 at 130 1/2, 23 at 130 1/2, 23 at 130 1/2.
Power—75 at 33.
Detroit—60 at 100 1/2, 100 at 100.
Coal—60 at 79.
C.P.R.—75 at 170 1/2, 50 at 170 1/2, 200 at 170 1/2, 100 at 170 1/2, 900 at 171, 10 at 171 1/2.
Mont. St. Ry.—75 at 276, 611 at 276 1/2, 100 at 276 1/2, 100 at 276 1/2, 25 at 276.
Twine—25 at 116 1/2, 25 at 117, 10 at 117 1/2.
Tor. Ry.—25 at 106 1/2.
Halifax Ry.—25 at 103.
Mexican—60 at 66, 100 at 66 1/2, 300 at 67.

RECORD OF STOCK CHANGES.

The tables show the fluctuations of inactive and active stocks, respectively, their dividends, and the return on the investment, at the last sale, up to this morning's close:

Bank of Montreal	2%	Q. Meh.	76 1/2	76 1/2	26 1/2	255 1/2	3.9
Bank of Toronto	2%	Q. July	172 1/2	168	160	166	4.1
Bank of Commerce	2%	Q. July	144	144	144	144	4.1
Bank of New York	2%	Q. July	168	160	160	160	5.6
Bank of Canada	2%	Q. April	223	228	223	228	3.6
Bank of the North	2%	Q. July	144	144	144	144	4.1
Bank of the West	2%	H. June	143	142	139 1/2	142	5.0
Bank of the South	2%	H. June	145 1/2	148	142 1/2	147	4.0
Bank of the East	2%	H. May	180	179	179	179	4.0
Bank of the Middle	2%	H. May	170 1/2	184 1/2	170	180	3.8
Bank of the West	2%	Q. Feb.	137 1/2	150	135	150	4.0
BANKS							
Bank of Montreal	2%	H. Mech.	104	102	106	102	4.6
Bank of Toronto	2%	H. July	105 1/2	104 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	4.9
Bank of Commerce	2%	H. July	106	104 1/2	104 1/2	105	4.3
Bank of New York	2%	H. July	107	96	100	100	6.0
Bank of Canada	2%	H. June	113	113	112 1/2	113	4.9
PREFERRED STOCKS							
Bank of Montreal	2%	Q. April	117	122	118	117	7.0
Bank of Toronto	2%	Q. April	81	83 1/2	78	81	5.8
Bank of Commerce	2%	Q. Mar.	142	141	139 1/2	141	5.8
Bank of New York	2%	Q. April	115	118	110	116	6.1
Bank of Canada	2%	Q. April	115	118	110	116	6.1
Bank of the North	2%	Q. April	127	131	123 1/2	124 1/2	6.2
SEMI-PREFERRED STOCKS							
Bank of Montreal	2%	Q. April	182 1/2	188 1/2	183	187	5.0
Bank of Toronto	2%	Q. April	165	157	157	168	4.8
Bank of Commerce	2%	Q. April	177	177	172	174	5.8
Bank of New York	2%	Q. April	113	106 1/2	98	104	5.6
Bank of Canada	2%	Q. April	116 1/2	90	89 1/2	93 1/2	5.6
Bank of the North	2%	Q. April	116 1/2	90	89 1/2	93 1/2	5.6

FROM 'WITNESS' FILES

Of Three Periods a Score of Years Apart

1846---1866---1886.

SIXTY YEARS AGO.

The State of Indiana abolished capital punishment.

FORTY YEARS AGO.

In Buffalo there was not a street, hardly a block of houses, where smallpox was not to be found.

Rivalry between the American and United States Telegraph companies reduced the cost of despatches between New York and Boston fifty percent, or thirty cents for ten words.

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

The annexation of Burma was confirmed in the House of Commons.

Burlington, Vt., opened its first winter carnival with fun, it was declared, wider than anything seen in Montreal.

HALIFAX AND SOUTHWESTERN

RUSHING WORK ON THE NEW RAILWAY.

Halifax, N.S., Feb. 21.—The open winter in Nova Scotia has been particularly favorable to railway construction in this province, and Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann are pushing operations with the greatest vigor on the Halifax & Southwestern, which will connect this city with the town of Yarmouth. It is expected that trains will be running between Liverpool and Shelburne by March 15, and that by Dominion Day the link between Shelburne and Barrington Bay will also have been closed up. This means that by midsummer Halifax and Yarmouth will be connected by a railway passing through the coast counties of Halifax, Lunenburg, Queen's, Shelburne and Yarmouth, and it is generally understood that the proprietors of the railway contemplate establishing a series of summer hotels from Halifax to Yarmouth. As a scenic route the Halifax & Southwestern will be unsurpassed.

AGAINST THE TRUSTS

MR. EDWARD GURNEY TELLS OF HIS CONNECTION WITH PLUMBERS' ASSOCIATION.

Toronto, Feb. 21.—Mr. Edward Gurney, of the Gurney Foundry Company, was the principal witness at the plumbers' supply men's trial before Chief Justice Mulock to-day. Mr. Gurney explained at some length his personal connection with the Central Supply Association and his relations towards the Master Plumbers' Association. He said he had been instrumental in organizing the manufacturers, because he thought it was an absolute necessity that something should be done to keep out these alleged cut-throat plumbers, in order to keep the interests of the trade in the hands of an efficient body of men. Mr. Gurney said he had never refused to sell goods to a recognized plumber who had a place of business. Regarding the agreement which was made between the supply men and the master plumbers, Mr. Gurney believed that it was not illegal and that the manufacturer of plumbers' supplies had just as much right to have protection this way as any other combination of manufacturers.

WOMAN DIED FROM BURNS.

Quebec, Feb. 21.—Mrs. Bernier, who was shockingly burned in her home at Stadoon village recently, died from the effects of her injuries yesterday in the Hotel Dieu Hospital.

KIDNEY DISEASE AND ITS DANGERS

CAN BE QUICKLY CURED BY DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS

Kidney disease comes on quietly, it may have been the cause for a long time before you suspected the real cause of your trouble. There may have been backaches, swelling of the feet and ankles, disturbance of the urinary organs, such as, brick dust deposits in urine, highly colored, scanty or cloudy urine, bladder pain, frequent urination, stone in bladder, etc.

Perhaps you did not know that these were symptoms of kidney disease, so the trouble kept growing worse, until Nephritis, Sciatica, Rheumatism, Diabetes, Dropsy, and worst of all, Bright's Disease have taken hold of your system.

Doan's Kidney Pills should be taken at the first sign of anything wrong. There is no other safe way, (pills and ligaments are useless), as the trouble must be eradicated from the system.

Doan's Kidney Pills go to the seat of the trouble, strengthen the kidneys, and help them to filter the blood properly and flush off all the impurities which cause kidney trouble. Mr. Thomas Mayhew, Smith's Falls, Ont., writes: "For over four months I was troubled with my kidneys, and my back got so lame I felt miserable all over. After taking five boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills I was as well as ever."

Price 50 cents per box or three boxes for \$1.25, all dealers or The Doan Kidney Pill Co., Toronto, Ont.

H.M.S. 'DOMINION'

BATTLESHIP EXPERIENCED VERY ROUGH WEATHER ON VOYAGE TO PORTLAND, ENGLAND.

Halifax, Feb. 22.—The battleship 'Dominion,' which conveyed the body of the late Mr. Prefontaine, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, to Canada from France, and which left Halifax on Jan. 27 under sealed orders, arrived at Portland, England, on Feb. 5. She experienced rough weather after getting clear of Halifax, it being very bad on the first Sunday night out. A big sea swept over her deck and the starboard lifeboat was washed away. This kind of weather continued up to the following Wednesday, when it became finer, and remained so until Friday, when it became rough again, and the gale continued for two days. The whole of the Atlantic squadron was at Portland when the 'Dominion' arrived and anchored. She was to remain there until Saturday, Feb. 10, and then cruise with the rest of the fleet, calling at Lagos and was expected to arrive at Gibraltar on March 2. It is understood that the Admiralty are highly pleased with the voyage of the 'Dominion,' and the captain and engine-room staff were highly complimented.

MISPLACED CONFIDENCE

SANDY BAY VISITOR HAS VERY UNPLEASANT EXPERIENCES IN THE CITY.

Israel Labrie came from his home at Sandy Bay, Que., to Montreal, to transact business. He had a considerable sum of money in his possession, but on arrival in the city got into company, became intoxicated, lost all his money, and was locked up by Constable Bagot, of No. 3 police station, on a charge of drunkenness. Accused was on Wednesday fined by Mr. Recorder Poirier \$5, or in default, fifteen days in jail. On being taken back to the cells, Labrie got into conversation with a man who was leaving the police station after having been detained while he sobered up. He offered his \$100 gold watch to this man and asked him if he would be good enough to pawn it for \$10, in order that he might pay the fine, instead of going to jail. The man agreed to perform the commission, and yesterday afternoon at four o'clock Labrie went down to jail.

OBITUARY

JUSTICE PARKHURST.

Binghamton, N.Y., Feb. 21.—Justice John Foster Parkhurst died at his home in Bath to-day. He was at his death a justice of the Supreme Court of Claims and was a member of the 1896 constitutional convention, and was prominent in Republican state and national politics.

JAMES ARTHUR LAING.

Honolulu, Feb. 21.—James Arthur Laing died yesterday at Queen's Hospital. Mr. Laing was a Scotchman, 62 years of age, and had been employed here for several years as a searcher of records. He is said to have been a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, and to have explored the remains of Livingstone, the explorer, from Zanzibar to London, and is also said to have been a member of Henry M. Stanley's Niger expedition.

ANDREW McALEER.

Cornwall, Feb. 20.—One of Cornwall's most highly respected citizens passed away on Monday night, in the person of Andrew McAleer, who in the earlier years of his life was a well-known railway contractor. The deceased gentleman was born at St. Andrew's, Ont., 70 years ago, but Cornwall has been his home for two score years or more. Some of his railway work was Montreal and Champlain Junction, Pere Marquette, and on the Ontario section of the C. P. R. He was afterwards employed as inspector on the Cornwall canal improvements.

WILLIAM CAMPBELL.

St. Catharines, Ont., Feb. 21.—William Campbell, one of this city's oldest and most influential business men, died this afternoon after a brief illness of pneumonia. Mr. Campbell was born in Bangor, County Down, Ireland, seventy-three years ago. He came to this country and for over half a century has conducted a boot and shoe business in partnership with his brother, who, one week ago, died here of the same disease, leaving his brother then apparently well. Deceased leaves a wife, one daughter, Mrs. Charles Logan, and three sons, James J., of Lancaster, Ont.; Colonel J. S. Campbell, of the 19th Regiment, all of St. Catharines; and Wm. Campbell, of Montreal.

F. W. HALES.

Charlottetown, P.E.I., Feb. 20.—F. W. Hales, aged 77, secretary of the Steam Navigation Company since its establishment in 1866, is dead here. He was a native of London, and was long identified with Sir George Williams in founding the Y.M.C.A. He came to Prince Edward Island in 1850. Mr. Hales was the father-in-law of Mr. T. J. James, superintendent of the Anglo-American Telegraph Company.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—The death occurred to-day of Mr. William Walker, superintendent of the Dominion Transportation Company. Mr. Walker was well known in railway circles, having been for twenty years with the transportation company, and previous to that with the C. P. R. as agent at Owen Sound and at the Queen's wharf, and with the Great Western Railway. He was in his 61st year. He was a prominent Mason.

HENRY B. POLLOCK.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 22.—Henry B. Pollock, senior member of the wholesale millinery house of Pollock, Pettibone and Chapman, died to-day. Mr. Pollock, who was 70 years of age, was

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned, marked on the envelope "Tenders for Construction," will be received at the office of the Commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway at Ottawa, until twelve o'clock noon on MONDAY, the 12th day of March, 1906, for the work required for the construction, in accordance with the plans, profiles and specifications of said Commissioners for the following sections of the Transcontinental Railway, the said work to be completed on or before the first day of September, 1907, viz.:

- (1) District "F." From a point designated on the plans of the said Commissioners at the City of Winnipeg, to a point known as Peninsula Crossing, near the junction point of the Fort William branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, a distance of about 245 miles.
- (2) District "B." From a point designated on the plans of the said Commissioners, at the north end of the Quebec Bridge and Railway Company's bridge in the vicinity of the City of Quebec, to a point near La Tuque, a distance of about 180 miles.
- (3) A steel viaduct about 3,000 feet long across the Cap Rouge Valley, in said District "B," in the vicinity of the City of Quebec, the work to be performed in accordance with the General Specifications of the Commissioners for the Transcontinental Railway, and the General Specification for steel bridges and viaducts of the Department of Railways and Canals of Canada, 1905.

Plans, profiles and specifications may be seen in the office of the Chief Engineer of the Commissioners at Ottawa, also in the office of the District Engineer at Kenora, Ontario for the section of District "F," and for the section of District "B," in the office of the District Engineer at Quebec.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made in duplicate, and on the printed forms supplied by the Commissioners.

Separate tenders must be submitted for the work in each district.

Tenders shall not be in any way entitled to rely upon the classification or any other information given by any person on behalf of the Commissioners, and no person submitting any tender, bidder, should make a careful examination of the plans, profiles, drawings and specifications, and read the forms to be executed, and fully inform themselves as to the quantity and quality of materials and character of workmanship required; and are understood to accept and agree to be bound by the terms and conditions contained in the form of contract, specifications, etc., annexed in the form of tender.

Each tender must be signed and sealed by all the parties to the tender and witnessed and be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank of the Dominion of Canada, payable to the order of the Commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway for the sum of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000), for District "F," and two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$225,000), for District "B," and thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for steel viaduct in said District "B." Any person whose tender is accepted shall within ten days after the acceptance thereof furnish the security required by the Commissioners for the due and faithful performance of the contract according to its terms, sign the contract, specifications and other documents required to be signed by said Commissioners; and in any case of refusal or failure to do so, the party whose tender is accepted to complete and execute a contract with the said Commissioners and to furnish the approved security within ten days after the acceptance of the tender, the said cheque shall be forfeited to the Commissioners, and the sum of the same shall be paid to the said Commissioners for such refusal or failure, and all contract rights acquired by the acceptance of the tender shall be forfeited. Cheques deposited by parties whose tenders are rejected, and not returned within ten days after the signing of the contract.

Attention is called to the following clauses in the form of contract:—

"All mechanics, laborers or other persons who perform labor for the purposes of the contract shall be paid such wages as are generally accepted as current for competent workmen in the District in which the work is being performed, and if there is no current rate in such District, then a fair and reasonable rate, and in the event of a dispute arising as to what is the current or a fair and reasonable rate, it shall be determined by the Commissioners. These decisions shall be final."

"This agreement is subject to the regulations now in force, or which may be hereafter be in force during the construction of the works hereby contracted for, made under the authority of the Department of Labor, and which are or shall be applicable to such works."

"The contractor shall in connection with the whole of the said work, as far as practicable, use only material, machinery, plant, supplies and stock of stock manufactured or produced in Canada, and the same can be obtained as cheaply and upon as good terms in Canada as elsewhere, having regard to quality and price."

"The contractor shall conform to the Fire Regulations adopted by the Commissioners, and also to the Laws and Regulations respecting fires in the different Provinces wherein the work is being performed."

The right is reserved to reject any or all tenders.

By Order, P. E. RYAN, Secretary, The Commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway.

Ottawa, 8th February, 1906.

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born in Lachute, Quebec. He had resided here about 20 years, and was held in high esteem in business, church and social circles.

MRS. ROBERT HERBISON.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—The death took place to-day of Mrs. Herbison, wife of the Rev. Robert Herbison, the recently appointed pastor of St. Giles Presbyterian church. Before coming to Toronto, Mrs. Herbison lived in Ottawa, where her husband was minister of one of the Presbyterian churches.

A. CHASE THOMPSON.

Owago, N. Y., Feb. 22.—A. Chase Thompson, president of the Standard Butter Co. and well known to dairymen throughout the country, died suddenly at his home here to-day of heart disease.

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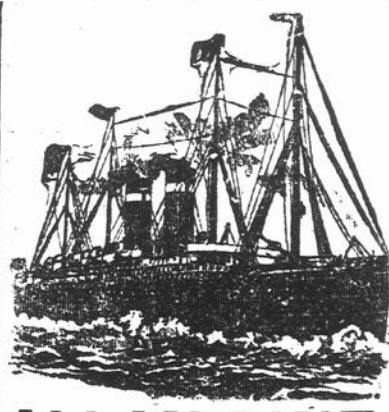
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THE CHARITY BALL.

The Last Event of Their Excellencies' Visit to Montreal a Brilliant One.

The Charity Ball, which was held last night in the Windsor Hall, was attended by even more than the degree of success which marks the annual ball for this object. The presence of their Excellencies the Governor-General and the Countess Grey, and the vice-regal party, gave added distinction to the event. There was a very large attendance, upwards of five hundred, and the programme went on throughout with zest and enjoyment. Although the last large ball of the season, there was no lack of gaiety, and of the many balls in the Windsor Hall this one, which is the last to be held there before the hall is demolished, was one of the brightest and most successful from every point of view.

The guests began to gather quite early, and by nine o'clock the upper corridor was filled, while the important business of filling out programmes went on. There was no time lost after reaching the ballroom, although the ball could hardly be said to be in full swing until after the arrival of the vice-regal party. The decorations of the hall were very simple, as it is the policy of the committee not to expend in decoration the money required for the Maternity Hospital, for the benefit of which the ball is given. At the farther end of the room was the dais, with the royal arms above, and decorated simply with jardinières filled with pink azaleas. On the walls were groups of flags, and in the window sills a few ferns and plants. The orchestra was stationed at the centre of one side of the hall on a low platform bordered with palms. The initials of the Montreal General Hospital, Maternity and Notre Dame hospitals, respectively, in electric bulbs, marked off sections for the convenience of finding partners.

Their Excellencies arrived shortly after ten o'clock, and were received in the drawing-room. The bagpipes in the hands of four pipers of the Royal Scots announced the arrival to those in the ballroom. Dancing ceased, and the guests assembled on either side of an avenue formed up the centre of the hall by two bands of ribbon, one blue and one white, while the vice-regal party and the hosts of the occasion passed up the aisle in the following order: His Excellency and Mrs. Miller, Dr. Roddick and the Countess Grey, Principal Peterson and Mrs. Reford, Dr. Shepherd and Lady Evelyn Grey, Dr. Cameron and Lady Victoria Grenfell, Dr. Yates and Lady Alice Beaulieu, Dr. Chipman and Mrs. Hanbury-Williams, Dr. Martin and Mrs. Sladen.

Soon after the quadrille of honor was formed. There were two sets; in the first being His Excellency and Mrs. Reford, Dr. Peterson and Her Excellency Colonel Hanbury-Williams and Mrs. Miller, Dr. Evans and Mrs. C. M. Holt, Dr. Shepherd and Lady Allan, Dr. Cameron and Mrs. Sandeman, Dr. Martin and Mrs. Yates, Dr. Chipman and Mrs. Stikeman, and in the second Mrs. Miller, Dr. Roddick and the Countess Grey, Principal Peterson and Mrs. Reford, Dr. Shepherd and Lady Evelyn Grey, Dr. Cameron and Lady Victoria Grenfell, Dr. Yates and Lady Alice Beaulieu, Dr. Chipman and Mrs. Hanbury-Williams, Dr. Martin and Mrs. Sladen.

THE PROGRAMME.
Waltz Carriacasse
Two Step Pien for Two
Waltz Darby and Joan
Two Step Down on the Brandy Wine
Waltz The Knot of Blue
Military Little Daisy
Two Step Absinthe Frappe
Waltz Woodland
Two Step Little Johnny Jones
Waltz Just Across the Bridge of Gold

Waltz Duchess of Dantzic
Two Step My San Domingo Maid
Waltz In Dreamland
Two Step Silverheels
Lancers Forward and Salute
Waltz Toyland
Two Step John Dough
Waltz The Rollicking Girl
Two Step Robinson Crusoe's Isle
Waltz The Only One
Two Step The Tale of the Turtle Dove (from "Woodland")

Waltz Veronique
Two Step Everybody Works but Father
Dancing went on almost continuously, as there were many still in the ballroom during all the supper dances. As the dining-room is still in the hands of the decorators, several other rooms were called into use. The supper tables were set in the drawing-room and the Ladies' Ordinary, and some three hundred or more could be seated at the same time. The small drawing-room at the top of the stairs leading from the ballroom was reserved for the guests of honor. It was prettily arranged in pale yellow and white with jonquils and hyacinths, and silver candelabra shaded in pale yellow. His Excellency took Mrs. Miller in to supper, and Her Excellency was taken in by Dr. Shepherd; others at the table were Col. Hanbury-Williams and Mrs. Reford, Dr. Peterson and Lady Evelyn Grey, Dr. Cameron and Lady Victoria Grenfell, Dr. Yates and Lady Alice Beaulieu, Mr. Miller and Mrs. Hanbury-Williams.

SOME OF THE DRESSES.

Her Excellency was gowned in ivory white satin, the trained skirt quite plain and falling in full, graceful folds, the bodice finished with lace caught along the front of the corsage with jewelled cabachons. She wore a diamond tiara and necklace, and carried a bouquet of pale mauve orchids mingled with white blossoms, and tied with Dresden ribbon.

Lady Victoria Grenfell wore a white satin gown, the skirt quite untrimmied, the corsage finished with lace and lines of sequins. She wore a diamond coronet and rope of pearls.

Lady Evelyn Grey was dressed in white tulle, trimmed with narrow ruffles, with band of silver sequin embroidery around the corsage.

Lady Alice Beaulieu wore white satin, the skirt opening over a front panel of

tulle, the bodice finished with a fringed berthe.

Mrs. Hanbury-Williams was gowned in white tulle strewn with silver sequins, over white satin veiled in chiffon. Jet embroidery was applied in graduated vertical bands on the bodice and upper portion of the skirt. She wore diamond ornaments.

Mrs. W. R. Miller was gowned in white satin, the skirt having two flounces of satin bows and white roses. The corsage had a deep berthe of lace, and she wore jewelled gauze butterfly wings in her hair.

Mrs. R. W. Reford was wearing a princess gown of blue gauze, over cloth of silver, with lace in berthe effect draped on the front of the corsage, and caught with a large cluster of violets.

Mrs. Arthur Sladen was gowned in lavender silk, made in modified Empire style.

Miss Stikeman wore a blue satin gown, the corsage finished with lace and chiffon.

Mrs. Yates was gowned in cream satin brocaded in a design of flowers in pastel shades, the corsage finished with a fringed berthe. She carried violets and lilies of the valley.

Lady Allan was in blue and silver, wearing a simply made gown of blue tulle embroidered in lines of silver sequins.

Mrs. Arthur Sandeman was gowned in silk brocade of pale yellow and white. Mrs. Laurence Buchanan was wearing gray silk brocaded in black and white, trimmed with lace and accordion pleated chiffon.

Mrs. Peterson was in black, wearing a black velvet gown, the bodice trimmed with tulle and jet sequins.

Mrs. George E. Drummond wore white embroidered net and lace, a spray of pink roses and foliage caught vertically above the hem of the skirt in front, the corsage having a cluster of the roses, and narrow ruchings of pale blue.

Miss Angus was wearing a gown of palest lemon tinted crepe tissue, the lower portion of the skirt elaborately embroidered in a floral design of shaded blues, pinks, and greens, the bodice in a smaller design, and trimmed with narrow lace.

Mrs. Holt wore a black velvet gown, the corsage trimmed with white lace ruffles and touches of blue.

Mrs. G. F. Benson wore a gown of blue sequins on black net mounted over white.

Mrs. Frank Caverhill was gowned in white chiffon with overdress of black Chantilly lace embroidered in sequins.

Miss Florence Caverhill was dressed in white tulle, trimmed with narrow ruffles, and garniture of white rosebuds, and her bouquet was of violets and lilies of the valley.

Miss Covernton, black net with jet sequins and loops of turquoise blue velvet.

Miss A. Covernton, pasted blue crepe de Chine, with garniture of lace, and cluster of violets.

Miss Greta Symonds was dressed in white chiffon, shirred with narrow lines of sequins, and trimmed with lace.

Mrs. Eugene Lafleur, white tulle, with berthe of lace and gold spangles.

Miss Wilkins, 'moonlight' blue chiffon tulle, the upper portion of the skirt laid in invisible plaits, the bodice draped, and finished with white lace.

Miss May Riley, pale blue crepe de Chine, with Valenciennes lace trimming, and cluster of violets.

Miss Lucie Taschereau, in Saxe blue crepe de Chine, the lower half of the skirt overlaid with Irish crochet lace, with short Vandyked overdress of the crepe de Chine.

Mrs. Huntley Gordon was gowned in light blue chiffon velvet, the skirt plain in full graceful folds, the corsage finished with fine white lace.

Miss Mabel Hickson, white chiffon satin, the draped bodice embroidered in small raised flowers and leaves in pale pink and green.

Miss Mary Hickson, Saxe blue tulle, trimmed with tiny ruffles and narrow white Valenciennes lace.

Miss Walker (England), white embroidered net, strewn with gold spangles, the corsage finished with lace and tulle.

Mrs. Robert Loring was in black, wearing a gown of black tulle, the V-shaped décolletage finished with a band of open-work embroidery.

Miss Ada Lindsay, gold tissue, skirt having a band of wide lace in Vandyke points above the hem, the bodice finished with lace and tulle, and cluster of violets.

Miss Baker, pink crepe de Chine, finished with lace and touches of velvet.

Miss Marjorie Baker, white lace over white silk.

Miss Estelle Holland wore a white chiffon gown, with jewelled belt.

Miss Elsie Blackader, an ivory white satin gown, in princess style, trimmed with pointed d'esprit and lace.

Miss Jean Harvey wore a white net dress, the belt of Dresden ribbon.

Miss Hester Peck was gowned in yellow embroidered chiffon, trimmed with lace.

Mrs. Harold Eadie wore a gown of white net, the skirt trimmed with ruffles, with pale blue silk in panels forming a princess overdress, the corsage finished with pink roses.

Mrs. H. S. Holt wore a gown of Brussels lace.

Miss Cairnie Mackay, pale blue and pink Dresden silk, inset with lace.

Mrs. George Cantlie, claret colored net, the skirt bordered with band of silk of the same shade, the corsage finished with embroidery in threads of gold and faint blue, girdle of gold tissue. She carried pale yellow flowers.

Miss Hanson, in white lace over silk veiled in chiffon.

Miss Ruby Ramsay, pale blue satin laid in invisible plaits to form princess effect, white lace and tulle on the corsage.

Miss Margaret Angus, light blue dotted net, trimmed with ruffles, the corsage finished with lace and tulle.

Miss P. Burnett, pompadour chiffon in

a design of pale yellow roses and green leaves on white, with garniture of yellow velvet.

Miss Elizabeth Burnett, white silk, the skirt quite plain, the bodice trimmed with tulle and spangled lace.

Mrs. Arthur Gault, cerise tulle, shirred, with belt of cerise satin ribbon.

Miss Evelyn Bagge, white embroidered crepe de Chine, trimmed with lace embroidered with spangles.

Miss Hilda Marler, white lace over white silk, bouquet of violets.

Mrs. H. S. Birkett, in Dresden chiffon of small pink flowers and green leaves on white, girdle of green chiffon velvet.

Miss Cockshutt (Brantford), white crepe de Chine, trimmed with ruffles and lace, corsage cluster of crimson flowers.

Miss C. Clay, light blue dotted net, trimmed with lace and chiffon.

Miss Girdwood, in pinkish lavender silk, with garniture of white accordion pleated chiffon on the bodice.

Miss Dora Girdwood, white embroidered chiffon, the bodice draped in bolero effect, with white satin girdle.

Mrs. E. H. Lemay, lavender brocade trimmed with spangled white lace.

Mrs. Allan Mackenzie wore a gown of net in a delicate pinkish lavender shade embroidered lightly with sprays of pale pink roses over satin, and in her hair a twist and bow of pale pink satin ribbon.

Miss Alice Sutherland, white net embroidered in wandering sprays of pink flowers, the bodice finished with lace and pink satin girdle.

Mrs. Sise, white satin with deep berthe of point lace.

Mrs. A. E. Ogilvie, white net trimmed with narrow ruffles, over pink, with garniture of pale pink roses.

Mrs. M. Day Baldwin, white satin veiled in white chiffon, with sash of tulle, pointed with rose pink flowers.

Mrs. Baumgarten wore a gown of amber chiffon satin, the lower portion of the skirt in a cut-out design over white tulle and lace, and embroidered in gold and opalescent sequins, the bodice wrought in similar design.

Mrs. Colin Campbell wore a white satin gown, the skirt having a bow-knot design of gold braid above the hem, the corsage finished with lace and narrow gold braid, bow of the gold tissue ribbon in her hair.

Mrs. Adam Beck had on a blue dotted net gown with trimming of narrow lines of gold sequins.

Mrs. Paul Hamill was in pale blue crepe de Chine, trimmed with white dotted net and lace.

Miss Arnton was dressed in white tulle over yellow satin, with amethyst ornaments in her hair.

Miss Ross was wearing a gown of mazarine blue tulle.

Miss Gladys Plimsoil, white crepe de Chine, with graduated flounces of lace, and lace sleeves.

Mrs. F. W. Heath was gowned in white tulle, elaborately embroidered in white silk, the bodice finished with lace and touches of pale blue.

Mrs. H. Vachell Koelle, white pointed d'esprit over white tulle, with black and gold trimmings.

Mrs. F. E. Mussen was gowned in mauve satin, with garniture of lace in the same tint.

Miss Beatrice Buzby (New York), in white chiffon, with trimmings of silver tissue.

Mrs. Dumont Lavolette, pale blue crepe de Chine, made in early 19th century style, trimmed with lace, embroidered in raised design of chiffon flowers.

Miss Kirchhoffer (Brandon) was gowned in white satin softened with white chiffon trimmings.

Mrs. R. Franken had on a white lace gown, the sash being Dresden ribbon.

Miss Dorothea de Montague, pink crepe de Chine with garniture of gold sequins.

Mrs. F. Orr Lewis was wearing a gown of brown panne velvet, and cloth of gold, finished with lace, and pearl ornaments.

Miss Gretchen May's gown was of pink tulle silk.

Miss Beatrice May, white net trimmed with touches of pink.

Miss Cecil Shepherd was in pink and white, wearing a white satin skirt and pink velvet coat of the Louis XV. period.

Miss Dorothy Shepherd in white satin, with soft trimmings of chiffon.

Miss Edith Cassils was gowned in pink crepe de Chine.

Miss Grace Cassils, in white dotted net over white silk.

Miss Lillian Gault Smith was gowned in cream, with cream colored satin.

Miss Isabel Piers, a gold sequined dress over white satin, veiled in white chiffon.

Miss Alice Ogilvie, white crepe de Chine with lace trimmings.

Miss Sybil Bonin, white radium silk, with Valenciennes lace trimming, delicate garniture of forget-me-nots.

Miss Gabrielle Bonin, white Louise silk, with white lace applique and corsage cluster of violets.

Miss Elsie Smith, was dressed in white Liberty satin with duchesse lace garniture.

Miss Patti McLennan was dressed in white net.

Miss Betty McLennan, in white chiffon.

Miss Helen Anderson (Ottawa) wore a white lace dress.

Miss Kingman, pink crepe de Chine, with sequin trimming.

Miss Caro Kingman, pink mesaline silk, finished with garniture of white lace.

Miss Constance Meagher, in white satin, with lace applique.

Miss Beatrice Meagher was dressed in white satin.

Miss Amy McLimont had on a white velvet gown finished with opalescent trimming.

Miss Alice McLimont was in blue velvet with garniture of guipure lace.

Miss Florence Meeker, pale blue crepe de Chine, accordion-pleated, finished with touches of pale pink lace.

Miss Lillian Bender, in white chiffon cloth with trimmings of rose point lace and cloth of silver.

Miss Nora Hebdon was in pink.

Mrs. Vera Kerr's dress was of cream crepe de Chine and her bouquet was of violets.

Miss Nora Prentice was in white embroidered chiffon, with silver sequin trimmings.

Miss Dorothy Judah had on an accordion-pleated gown of cream-colored chiffon.

Miss Marjorie Pyke, a white radium silk dress the bodice finished with lace collar and girdle of silver tissue.

Miss Gladys Dunlop's dress was of opalescent spangled tissue over white with garniture of chiffon roses.

Miss Ruth Allan, cerise tulle, shirred, wearing a gown of black Russian net.

Miss Marjorie Allan wore a white lace dress.

Miss Amy Ellis was gowned in pink brocade silk with garniture of pink roses.

Mrs. W. P. Coleman was gowned in pink satin with garniture of pink Venetian lace and touches of silver.

Mrs. Farquhar Robertson wore a black sequined gown with trimmings of black chiffon velvet and white lace.

Miss Elsie Macfarlane was in black, wearing a black net gown the corsage finished with lace berthe, and pearl ornaments.

Mrs. A. J. Brice, jr., white crepe de Chine, trimmed with Brussels lace, and chiffon and pearl motifs, the bodice finished with a bolero of lace.

Miss Marjorie Day, ivory white satin, with garniture of lace.

Miss Louise Starnes, in white radium silk with lace trimmings, the corsage finished with lace berthe.

Miss Jill Johnson, pink crepe de Chine.

Mrs. Gillespie Mur, white crepe de Chine with hand-painted design of roses, and jet trimmings; pearl ornaments.

Mrs. H. T. Keating, blue cologne trimmed with real lace and motifs of pearl.

Miss Charlotte Ham (Boston), was dressed in white silk.

Miss Blanche Routh, was in white chiffon over white silk.

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