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END MAY BE SOON.

Transvaalers Advised to Yield When Defeated at the Vaal River.

CANADIANS GET COMMISSIONS.

Names of Fortunate Men Announced From Ottawa.

TROOPER WOOLLCOMBE SUCCUMBS TO ENTERIC FEVER.

London, May 16.—The most important development in to-day's war news is the statement cabled from Capetown announcing that the Boer delegates advised the Transvaalers to surrender if defeated at the Vaal. This remarkable announcement is vouched for on good authority and evidently obtains more credence in Capetown than would a mere rumor. The occupation of Glencoe was merely a logical sequel of General Buller's advance and the Boers retiring movement. As usual the Boers are reported to be flying precipitately, but also as usual the accounts add that their transports and guns were removed in safety.

Nothing further has been heard from Mafeking, and it is reasonable to suppose that the conditions there are unchanged. The prolongation of the siege only intensifies Great Britain's anxiety to hear of its relief.

About 1,100 more troops have arrived at Beira, Portuguese East Africa. Among them is Lord Dunraven, who accompanied the Dunraven sharpshooters as a supernumerary captain on the battalion staff.

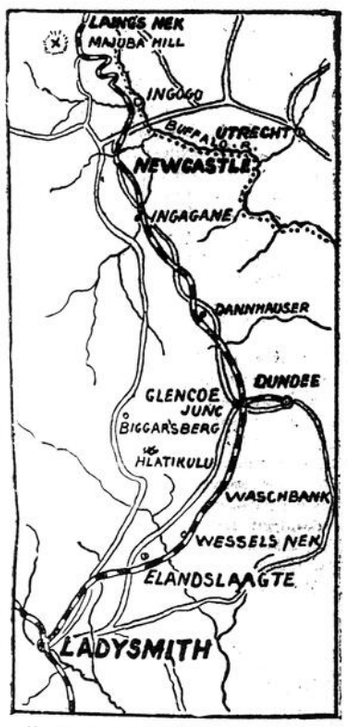
PORTUGUESE SYMPATHY.

The Governor of Beira, Senhor Noyrelles, during a speech at a dinner of the Yeomanry, said: 'Friends as we have always been of England, we never could have realized the magnificent unity of the Anglo-Saxon race without such an object lesson. Realizing this, Portugal not only congratulated her ancient ally, but also rejoices with it as the strengthening of a friend is the strengthening of ourselves.'

Apparently Lord Roberts is still waiting at Kroonstad preparatory to making a swift movement on the Vaal river.

A PORTUGUESE RUMOR.

Lorenzo Marquez, May 16.—A Portuguese official despatch says an encounter has occurred at Mafeking and that the Boers have been repulsed with heavy loss.



GENERAL BULLER'S ADVANCE.

The above map shows Hlatikulu, the Boer position in the Biggersberg mountains south-east of Glencoe, from which the Boer forces withdrew, and also Glencoe Junction, occupied by Gen. Buller to-day; also Newcastle, Laing's Nek, Majuba Hill, and the chief places on the railway, which is the line of General Buller's advance into the Transvaal. Newcastle is 37 miles north of Glencoe Junction by rail, and Laing's Nek about 23 miles north of Newcastle. The railway runs through a tunnel 2,213 feet long, just beyond Laing's Nek.

ANOTHER CANADIAN DEAD.

Ottawa, May 16.—The following cable messages from Sir Alfred Milner to His Excellency the Earl of Minto were handed to the press to-day:

'Capetown, May 14.—Regret to report that 7833, Private J. W. Raymond, alias J. W. Culver, was slightly wounded at Israel's Poort on April 25.'

'Capetown, May 14.—Trooper T. Woollcombe, second Canadian Mounted Infantry, died of dysentery and pleurisy at Carnarvon on April 22. Casualty was reported officially to War Office, but only to-day to men, hence delay.'

Trooper Woollcombe enlisted with the North-West mounted men at Edmonton.

COMMISSIONS GRANTED.

NAMES OF CANADIANS WHO HAVE RECEIVED THEM.

Ottawa, May 16.—A militia order, issued this morning gives a number of corrections of typographical and other errors in the names on the nominal roll of the first Canadian contingent. It also announces that the following non-commissioned officers and men have been transferred from the first contingent and have been granted commissions in the regiments to which they are now attached: No. 7546, Lance-Corporal F. A. Southey, formerly lieutenant in the 46th Durham Regiment, to the Duke of Edinburgh's Rifles Volunteers, S.A.

No. 7658, Lance-Corporal C. R. Molyneux, 5th Royal Scots, to Roberts's Horse.

No. 7310, Private J. F. Ramsay, 48th Highlanders, to Brabant's Horse.

No. 7565, Private P. Hugell, R.C.A., to D Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery.

No. 7870, Private Roberts, R.C.A., to C Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery.

The following men have been enrolled: C Company, No. 7413, Private E. Pullen; F Company, No. 6545, Private R. Good, Royal Canadian Regiment; No. 4271, Private J. Macness, Royal Canadian Regiment.

The following names were omitted from the original nominal roll: B Company, No. 5062, Sergeant Shreeve, Royal Canadian Regiment; F Company, No. 7931, Private Gifford, B, 12th Field Battery.

A FAKIR SHOWN UP.

London, May 16.—A correspondent at Capetown reports that the American residents are taking steps to refute the statements of Webster Davis, former United States Assistant Secretary of the Interior, who recently visited South Africa.

THE QUEEN VISITS NETLEY.

London, May 16.—The Queen visited Netley Hospital this afternoon, distributed flowers to the wounded, and conversed with many of them.

THE FOX BAY SETTLERS.

LETTERS APPEARING IN THE FRENCH PAPERS BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF PARLIAMENT.

Ottawa, May 16.—In the House last night before the adjournment Mr. Taylor called attention to a letter which appeared in several French newspapers of Quebec, stating that the famous settlers of Fox Bay show no willingness to leave notwithstanding the offer of the government to provide them lands, transportation and provisions; that they do not want these, but want money, and that the case is one of regular blackmail. The despatch also stated that Mr. Menier wanted to put an end to the dilly-dallying, and that Mr. Commettant, governor of the island, and Mr. Martin, Mr. Meunier's agent, left Rimouski last week with the Rev. Dr. Griffith, commissioned by Sir Wilfrid Laurier to try and settle the difficulty. He asked what truth there was in the statement.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said the steamer 'Constance' had not been placed at the service of Mr. Menier, nor had he been asked to provide for Dr. Griffith who takes an interest in the settlers of Anticosti. It was quite probable, however, that Dr. Griffith had been taken aboard the steamer, which is cruising in those waters. Mr. Menier, the proprietor of the island, has obtained a judgment of eviction against the men known as the Fox Bay settlers. The government has taken some interest in these settlers and had offered to give them land in the North-West, and he understood that they had selected a plot of land either on the shore of Lake Winnipeg or Lake Winnipegosis. The C. P. R. had, at his instance, agreed to carry them through to their destination, and the government would carry them to the C.P.R. station. Sir Wilfrid said he knew that they had asked Mr. Menier to give them a few months' respite until July or August in carrying out the judgment, and he had been informed that Mr. Menier had refused. That was all he knew at the present time.

GOODS WILL ENTER FREE.

Ottawa, May 16.—An order-in-council has been passed authorizing a rebate for a period of two months upon all donations to the Ottawa and Hull fire relief fund, which will mean that goods coming in from the United States and other outside points for the fire sufferers will not be compelled to pay the customs tax.

MURDERED BY AN INDIAN.

Ottawa, May 16.—News reached here to-day of the murder of Thomas MacCabe by an Indian named Frank Wabey, on the Du Lievre river, about two hundred miles back of Buckingham. MacCabe was engaged with his brother in buying furs from Indians and refused to purchase furs from Wabey because he was under the influence of liquor, telling him to return when he was sober. This so enraged Wabey that he later on returned and killed MacCabe with an axe.

PAYS ITS DIVIDEND.

There was much satisfaction expressed by the shareholders of the Montreal and London Mining Company this morning on the receipt of cheques for a quarterly dividend of four and a half percent. Formerly dividends had been paid monthly and when the change was made from monthly to quarterly the fear was expressed that it meant that the dividends would not be paid at all, but this fear was effectually disposed of by the receipt of the cheques.

THE CIVIC HOSPITAL.

Miss Montgomery, of Toronto, the new lady superintendent of the civic contagious diseases hospital, arrived in Montreal in response to a telegram last night and took over her new duties to-day.

TRADE WITH JAMAICA.

FRUIT MERCHANTS HAVE UNDER CONSIDERATION A DIRECT LINE OF STEAMERS.

Mr. J. R. Shuttleworth, of London, Ont., who is one of the pioneers in the Canadian fruit trade, was in the city recently attending to the fruit sale and in connection with a deal which is likely to be put through by a syndicate of fruit men comprising some of the large Montreal firms, by which a direct line of steamers specially prepared for carrying fruit may be run from Jamaica to some Canadian port.

Mr. Shuttleworth, in a recent letter to a western paper, gave the following opinion as to trade with Jamaica :—'I know of no country where the conditions were so favorable to trade with Canada as in Jamaica, but it is necessary for Canada to purchase as well as to sell, and the difficulty lies in the transportation problem. Compare our transportation facilities with those of the United States. They have nine lines of steamers doing a direct trade with Jamaica, and they are exceedingly profitable, as is shown by the market quotations of their stocks. At present we have only one line of steamers to West Indian ports, and only one steamer calling at Jamaica once a month, also to other ports on the same trip, and that steamer is practically worthless as a fruit carrier, as it is some time in the tropics after the fruit has been loaded at Jamaica, and it is absolutely necessary that any steamer that carries fruit should have no delay in the tropics after she is loaded. The success of the Americans has been in this point, for they wait for nothing after the fruit is on board. In fact the United Fruit Company's steamers carry no outward cargo whatever, as it might cause a delay, and its success is assured as they paid a two and a half percent dividend for the first quarter. The nine lines of American steamers do four and a half millions of an import trade and three and a half millions of an export trade annually with Jamaica alone, while Canada's trade is little or nothing, and is decreasing instead of improving.

'These conditions will not improve with the present service, no matter how much the government subsidizes it. In my opinion Canada needs a direct line from St. John, N.B., to Jamaica, say, two small steamers every ten days. St. John is only nineteen hours further than Boston, but the facilities for unloading are much better. The C. P. R. fast freight time is only two days to Montreal and three days to Toronto, consequently, fruit can be landed as quickly by this route as by an American port. The cost of running steamers is twelve shillings per ton net, with full cargoes. The inward cargo there is no doubt about, but the export cargo is not so sure.

'By the report of the Canadian commercial agent at Kingston, I would infer that Jamaicans are anxious to do business with Canada, but the difficulty lies with the present freight charges, and the lack of enterprise shown by our Canadian exporters in not putting up our products as required by a tropical climate. If we had the proper transportation facilities, Canadian exporters would do this. At present, large quantities of fish, potatoes, cheese, pork, etc., go to Jamaica through American ports, just as Jamaican products come to us.'

It is possible that Mr. Shuttleworth will leave for Jamaica in the near future to enquire into prospects for trade with the island, and if his report be favorable it is quite probable that there will soon be an independent line of steamers engaged in this trade.

SETTLED.

The Customs Case Ends Abruptly.

MESSRS. FITZGIBBON, SCHAFHEITLIN & CO. WILL PAY $20,000

The customs case of the Queen vs. Fitzgibbon, Schafheitlin & Co., in the Exchequer Court, came to a sudden termination this morning.

When Judge Burbidge came on the bench at 11 o'clock, Mr. Latchford, speaking on behalf of the defence, informed the Court that he and his colleagues had been consulting with their clients, with a view to making a proposal for a settlement of the case which might meet the ends of justice and be satisfactory to all parties concerned, under the circumstances. He held that there had been no intended violation of the law, although certain irregularities appeared, and as his clients were anxious to push on their business and avoid the expense, trouble and loss of time involved in a lengthy trial, which might be carried from court to court, they proposed the following arrangement, subject to the acceptance of the Crown and the approval of the Court. In the present case of the Queen vs. Fitzgibbon, Schafheitlin & Co., involving a penalty, they would confess judgment for $2,000 additional duty, and a penalty of $8,000, and in the other similar case of the Queen vs. Thouret, Fitzgibbon & Co., in which there was no penalty, they would confess judgment for $10,000 additional duty, the whole with costs.

Speaking for the Crown, Mr. Newcombe stated that he and his brother counsel had considered the remarks made by the judge as to the small difference in the invoices, showing that fraud could not have been intended in the way of undervaluation. They also appreciated the remarks of their friends on the other side as to the difficulty of securing exact correctness, owing to the time which had elapsed. They had also taken into consideration the length of the case not yet commenced, and the time which the government officials would be called upon to devote to that case. Of course the interests of justice had to be looked to, and the government was satisfied that a grave wrong had been done, and it was necessary that the rights of the Crown should be recognized. Under all these circumstances, they had come to an understanding which was acceptable to the government, if it met with the full approval of the Court, and he was now authorized to leave it to the Court to decide whether or not judgment should be pronounced in accordance with the terms just mentioned by his friend on the other side.

In opening his remarks, the judge said that the primary object in cases of this kind was that the law should be upheld, and that irregular methods should be replaced by proper methods. There appeared to have been no complaint against the defendants since 1895, and the object above mentioned had been attained in that respect. Another point was that those who break the law must suffer the penalty incurred and serve as an example to deter others from similar violation. The judge has no discretion in the matter of the money penalty in such cases, which must be fixed at double the value of the goods. But counsel for the government has the power, under the law, to remit any portion of the penalty, and consequently can agree to such terms of settlement as he may think proper. In the present instance the Court had no reason to suppose that the settlement arrived at was not fair. On the contrary, it considered it fair and was disposed to give it full effect.

The formal judgment was then pronounced, condemning the defendants to pay $2,000 additional duty and $8,000 penalty in the case of Fitzgibbon, Schafheitlin & Co., and $10,000 aditional duty in the case of Thouret, Fitzgibbon & Co., with costs in both cases.

Before leaving the bench, the judge said that if he had had himself a discretion to exercise he would consider the $8,000 penalty as entirely sufficient.

REMANDED FOR A WEEK.

Ailsa Craig, Ont., May 15.—The coroners inquest into the death of Christiana Ann Charlton was concluded last night, the verdict of the jury being: 'From the evidence we agree that the said Christiana Ann Charlton came to her death because of improper medical treatment at the hands of the so-called Dr. Victor B. Hall.'

The prisoner Hall was arraigned before Police Magistrate E. B. Smith, at Ailsa Craig, this morning, on a charge of manslaughter, but at the request of his counsel, J. C. Elliott, and with the consent of the county crown attorney, he was remanded for one week.

DEATH OF MRS. BARKER.

Hamilton, Bermuda, May 15.—Mrs. Barker, wife of the Governor of Bermuda, Lieut.-General G. Diby Barker, died last night of pneumonia after a short illness.

TOUCHED A LIVE WIRE.

Quebec, May 16.—A young man named Jobin, employed on the transformation of the steam railway to La Bonne Ste. Anne into an electric railway, was the victim of a terrible accident yesterday afternoon, and died this morning. He was placing a span wire on one of the poles when he came in contact with a live wire, receiving a shock of 2,000 volts. He remained suspended for several minutes until the wire was cut, and he was brought down unconscious, with one arm and leg terribly burned and lacerated.

CANADIAN BANKERS.

OBSTACLE PREVENTING THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA COMING INTO THE NEW ASSOCIATION REMOVED.

Ottawa, May 16.—The Banking and Commerce Committee this morning reported the bill for the incorporation of the Canadian Bankers' Association, the object of which is to promote generally the interests and proficiency of our banks and bank officers, and the training of those seeking employment in our banks. The association is to be given power to establish rules and regulations for operating clearing houses. There are thirty-four banks in the association, and opposition to the passage of the measure came from the fact that the Bank of Nova Scotia does not desire to become a member of the Clearing House, and it was feared that the association might make rules which would be inimical to its interests. This difficulty was overcome by a suggestion of Mr. Fielding to insert a clause providing that the rules and regulations with regard to clearing houses shall not become operative until approved by the governor-in-council.

THE WEIR CASE.

RUMOR CURRENT THAT THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL HAS REFUSED HIS APPEAL.

Quebec, May 16.—It is understood here that the Attorney-General has refused the application of William Weir, ex-president of the Ville Marie Bank, for leave to appeal from certain rulings of the Court of Queen's Bench in his case.

MR. McINNES RESIGNS.

FORSAKES DOMINION POLITICS TO ENTER THE PROVINCIAL ARENA.

Vancouver, B.C., May 16.—Mr. W. W. B. McInnes sent his formal resignation to Ottawa yesterday, to take effect as soon as received. In his speech at Nanaimo on Monday night he said it was more important to have strong men at Victoria than at Ottawa, where people did not understand the seriousness of the Chinese question. They never would understand or do anything to cure it until the Chinese began to go east, as he hoped they would by the thousand; then there would be smart legislation.

Mr. Smith Curtis, Minister of Mines, had a great reception at Rossland on Monday night. The meeting was called by friends of Mr. Mackintosh, who made a savage attack on Mr. Curtis, but the latter in his speech replied to all the charges. His statements regarding the Mongolian labor question, railways, eight hour law and other points on which Mr. Mackintosh attacked him, were cheered. Mr. Mackintosh afterwards getting a chance to speak, declared himself opposed to any change in the eight hour law.

Mr. Charles Wilson, leader of the Conservatives, speaking at Surrey Centre on Monday night, declared Mr. Martin's railway policy could never be carried out, but was merely a cheap trick to capture the votes of the Kootenay electorate.

GOLD COAST UPRISING.

DISAFFECTION IS SPREADING AMONG THE NORTHERN TRIBES.

Accra, Gold Coast, May 15.—The situation is unchanged. It is said in official circles that the governor and commander-in-chief of the Gold Coast colony, Sir Frederick Mitchell Hodgson, has announced his intention, unless immediately relieved, to make an attempt to rush the cordon. There are now 450 troops at Kumassi, 450 between Cape Coast and Prashu, and 500 on their way from Jebba.

The disaffection is spreading among the northern tribes. Kings Takie and Cudjoe, of Accra, have been appointed by the Ashantis.

MORE 'BOXER' OUTRAGES.

Tien-tsin, May 16.—More 'Boxer' outrages are reported sixty miles north of Tien-tsin, where a number of native Christians have been massacred. The British admiral has arrived here and proceeds for Pekin.

LACHINE CANAL.

Dennis O'Brien, Not William, to be Superintendent.

THE TRADE SATISFIED WITH THE REAL APPOINTMENT.

Ottawa, May 16.—The use of the name of William O'Brien, saloon-keeper, of Montreal, in connection with the superintendency of the Lachine canal, is a mistake. The man recommended for the position, and whose appointment will be made in a few days, is Dennis O'Brien.

The paragraph in a morning paper naming Wm. O'Brien, saloon keeper, as the person appointed by the government to superintend the Lachine Canal, generally caused great indignation in all trade and shipping circles, and among the citizens generally, and it was learned later with great relief that a mistake had been made and that it was really intended to confer the appointment upon Dennis O'Brien. The latter appointmnt will please the trade, as Mr. Dennis O'Brien is really a practical man, and was superintendent of all wharf work under the Harbor Commissioners, for nearly twenty years. He is thoroughly acquainted with all lock work, having worked upon all the lock gates of the Lachine canal, for which his father was the contractor, and he has since become thoroughly acquainted with a variety of practical engineering work during his superintendency of the wharf labor. The trade considers that he will be the right man in the right place.

THE INDIAN FAMINE.

FIVE AND THREE-QUARTERS MILLIONS RECEIVING ASSISTANCE.

New York, May 15.—Certain newspapers having made the statement that Lord Curzon, viceroy of India, had said that no further help was needed in the famine, the New York Committee of One Hundred on India Famine Relief yesterday sent the following cable to Lord Curzon :—

New York, May 14, 1900.

Lord Curzon, Calcutta:

Committee of one hundred citizens formed here for famine relief. Newspapers report you say no more funds needed. Cable full facts at our expense.

(Signed) W. E. DODGE, Chairman.

The reply received to-day is as follows:

Simla, May 15, 1900.

William E. Dodge, Esq., Chairman India Famine Fund Committee, New York:

So far from no more funds being needed, every dollar is of service in saving life. We have five and three-quarter millions in relief. Many in extreme destitution. All help gladly received.

(Signed) CURZON.

CHICAGO HOTEL BURNED.

TWO PERSONS KILLED, ONE MISSING AND FIFTEEN INJURED.

Chicago, May 16.—Two persons were killed, one was counted missing and fifteen were injured in a fire which early to-day destroyed the Hotel Helene at 110 114 53rd street. Five of the injured will probably die.

The dead: Charlotte Peterson, dining-room girl, found in her room burned to a crisp; Lena —, surname unknown to police, found burned almost beyond recognition, in room with Miss Peterson.

Missing: — Patterson, man, last seen in hotel office at 11 o'clock o'clock last night.

The seriously injured: W. E. Horn, will die; S. G. McHaddin, will die; E. E. Tarbux, recovery doubtful; Elizabeth Florence, recovery doubtful; Mrs. T. D. Allen, back broken and internally injured, jumped from third story window, will die.

There were many narrow escapes and exhibitions of courage during the burning of the structure. There was only one entrance to the building which compelled the greater number of the guests to make their exit as best they could through the windows. The rescues were nearly all accomplished before the firemen arrived. The blaze spread so rapidly that had the people in the hotel been compelled to await the arrival of the hook and ladder company more lives would have been lost.

The fire started in the basement and spread with the greatest rapidity. But for the heroic action of James McNeil, a porter in the hotel, who was the first to warn the sleeping occupants of their danger, every person in the building would undoubtedly have perished.

SHOWERS TO-MORROW.

Toronto, May 16, 11 a.m.—New Westminster, 60, 48; Kamloops, 74, 50; Calgary, 72, 38; Qu'Appelle, 50, 34; Winnipeg, 62, 42; Port Arthur, 52, 40; Parry Sound, 62, 42; Toronto, 85, 53; Ottawa, 74, 46; Montreal, 78, 46; Quebec, 66, 36; Halifax, 62, 44. Moderate to fresh, northerly to easterly winds; fine to-day; showers in some localities on Thursday.

1640 and 1642 Notre Dame st., Montreal, May 16, 1900.—Readings by Hearn & Harrison's Standard Barometer at noon

To-day, 30.15 ; yesterday, 29.73.

Temperature.	Max.	Min.
To-day	60	42
Yesterday	74	69

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

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

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

MARRIED.

M'CUTCHEON—HEATH.—On May 4, 1900, by the Rev. Dr. Van De Water, Emily M. Heath, of Toronto, Canada, residence 210 Lenox avenue, New York, to Edward Barstow McCutcheon, of Brooklyn, N.Y. 15

DIED.

BOOTH—At 175 Guy street, on May 16, 1900, George Booth, aged 66 years.
Funeral from his late residence, on Friday, at 2.30 p.m. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.
Toronto papers please copy.

CALDWELL.—At her late residence, 121 Hazelton avenue, Toronto, on May 12, 1900, Sarah Elizabeth, beloved wife of George Caldwell in her 73rd year. 15

CHAMBERS.—On May 12, 1900, in her 81st year, at Port Hope, Ont., Sarah Chambers Lane, widow of the late Henry Chambers, and mother of Mrs. Alonzo W. Spooner and Mrs. William Aemes. 15

COSBY.—Lieut.-Col. A. Morgan Cosby, at Maplehyrn, Toronto, on May 12, 1900. 15

CONNER.—In this city, on May 12, 1900, Annie Cameron, wife of D. S. Conner, and daughter of the late Allan Cameron, of Inverness, Scotland, and formerly merchant of Montreal.
Funeral private. 15

CUNNINGHAM.—On May 12, 1900, at her late residence, 406 King street, Ottawa, Sarah Cunningham, relict of the late Geo. Cunningham, and mother of Walter Cunninghma, aged 78 years. 15

DAVIDSON.—At Quebec, on the night of May 12, 1900, Isabella B. McCaghey, beloved wife of William H. Davidson, advocate, in her 31st year. 15

DOHENY—At her late residence, 56 Shearer street, Point St. Charles, on Monday, May 14, 1900, Mary Gleeson, widow of the late James Doheny, Co. Tipperary, Ireland.
Funeral from the above address on Thursday, May 17, 1900, at 9 a.m., to St. Ann's Church, thence to Cote des Neiges Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend. 15

FRANKLIN.—At Locke, N.Y., on May 14, 1900, Mary E. Webber, wife of the Rev. Benjamin Franklin, Ph.D., and youngest daughter of the late Dr. R. N. Webber, of Richmond, Que., aged 38 years. 15

GILES.—At 99 Union ave., on May 12, 1900, Permilla Bellamy, relict of the late W. H. Giles, of Athens, Ont. 15

HARTE.—At Toronto, on May 12, 1900, Patrick Harte, son of the late Dr. William T. Harte, of Woodford Island, aged 74.

HERON—On May 13, 1900, at Rideau Park, Billings' Bridge, Ont., Matthew Heron, aged 34 years. 15

LE MOYNE — On May 14, 1900, at his late residence, 181 Augusta street, Ottawa, John James Le Moyne, late of the Public Works Department, aged 57 years.

LOCKE.—On May 13, 1900, at 249 Sumach street, Toronto, Rebecca Lester, widow of the late Wm. Locke, County Armagh, Ireland, and mother of Dr. Wm. Locke, Rev. John Locke and Francis Locke. 15

MEADOWS—At South Lancaster, on May 15, 1900, of pneumonia, Mrs. John Meadows, aged 67 years.
Her husband was buried on Friday last.

McGOVERN—At her father's residence, 230 Murray street, Ottawa, on May 13, 1900, May, eldest daughter of James McGovern, aged 22 years. 16

SMITH—At 647 Manning avenue, Toronto, on May 13, 1900, David Smith, formerly of Montreal, in his 70th year. 15

STEGGLES.—Isabella Rixom, beloved wife of William Steggles, on Tuesday morning, May 15, 1900.
Funeral from residence, 40 Gordon ave., Verdun, on Wednesday, May 16th, at 2.30 p.m. 15

STUART—On May 7, 1900, at New London, Conn., aged 17 years, Andrew Charles, last surviving son of the late James De Gaspe Stuart, in his lifetime of Quebec.

SULLY.—At his parents' residence, Hibernia Road, Point St. Charles, on May 15, 1900, Robert Sully, son of Joseph and Aggie Sully, aged 2 years and 6 days.
Funeral private on Wednesday. 15

TETLEY.—At the Water Street Hospital, Ottawa, on May 13, 1900, George C. Tetley, aged 67 years. 15

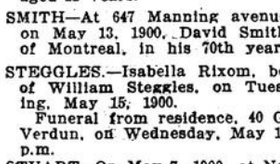
TRUMBLE.—At Quebec, on May 13, 1900, of scarlet fever, John Gilbert Trumble, second and only beloved son of Joseph G. Trumble, messenger Bank of Montreal, aged two years and two months.
Funeral private. 15

Notices received too late for this page may possibly be in time for page 6.

Those sending notices for the above column may send with them a list of names of interested friends. Marked copies of the 'Witness' containing such notice will be sent free to any address in Canada Montreal excepted.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

TEES' DESKS Are Good Value.
TEES & CO., 300 St. James St.



10-year Gold Filled Specs and Eye-Glasses only $2.00. Eyes examined free.

IF YOUR WATCH FAILS ONCE

It is liable to do so again unless the defect is discovered and remedied. All repairs intrusted to us are done promptly, reasonably and satisfactorily.

Watches Cleaned, Repaired and Warranted for one year, $1. Main Spring and Cleaning, $1.50. Jewellery repaired. Clocks repaired.

D. BEATTY, 137 ST. PETER STREET Opp. 'Witness' Office.

NEW CAR SHEDS.

A very large running shed for the Street Railway Company is being erected at St. Henri, at the corner of the Glen and St. Antoine streets. The fine new structure will be 306 feet long, 100 feet wide, and will have a capacity for no less than 81 cars. The shed is being built of Laprairie pressed brick, resting upon concrete foundation.

THE S. CARSLEY CO., Limited.

Notre Dame street. Montreal's Greatest Store. May 16, 1900

SUMMER SILKS.

A fresh lot of Silks swell the heaps already on the counters. Such designs! The artists stop at nothing to achieve new triumphs, and profusion is inadequate to express the variety. The styles are generally our own, first selections coming to us as a matter of course.

The Silk Counter is in the light, where it should be. Summer Silks are in full bloom. You should see them, including these:

7,000 yards New Striped Blouse Silks, in a full range of handsome colorings. Newest designs. Would be splendid value at 50 cents. Special price, 39 cents.

3,000 yards Fancy Plaid Taffeta Silks, in a choice variety of pretty light and dark colors; latest designs. Well worth 65 cents. Special price, 49 cents.

WHITE SHIRTWAISTS.

Ladies' Handsome White Madras Muslin Shirtwaists, new style back, shaped collar, soft cuffs, elegant looking and cool, $1.50.

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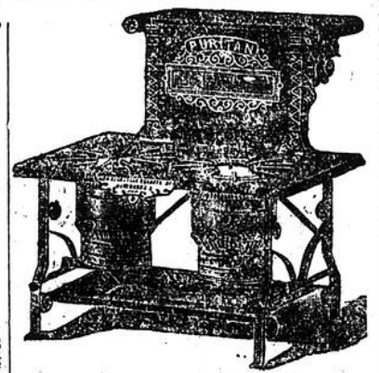
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COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT LAMENT APATHY OF MONTREAL'S CITIZENS.

The annual meeting of the corporation of the Montreal General Hospital was held at 3.30 yesterday afternoon, Mr. Charles Alexander, vice-president, in the chair.

The financial statement presented by the secretary, Dr. F. G. Finley, showed that the ordinary income had reached only $67,421.72, a decrease of $1,605.23, while the expenditure was $81,570.75; an increase of $1,082.24. The income derived from subscriptions and donations had decreased by $2,034. The special appeal to the public brought in $1,599. Legacies without conditions, amounting to $2,375, and an anonymous donation of $500, had been added to the income. There had been an addition of $463 to the permanent fund, and to the credit of the ambulance account, part of this sum being the outcome of an entertainment given by the Garrick Club.

A donation of $2,000 to endow a bed in memory of their father, the late Mr. Gilbert Scott, and their brother, the late Mr. J. Philip Scott, has been made by the Misses Scott and Mrs. Morse. The following legacies had also been received during the year:—Llewellyn Wolfe, $25; Robert Muir, $973.34; E. K. Greene, $1,000; Arch. McIntyre, $450; and J. C. Wilson, $900. The following ladies and gentlemen had been appointed life governors, qualifying by the payment of $100 each: Mrs. A. T. Taylor, Mrs. John Caverhill, Mrs. George Caverhill, Alex. Sinclair, Jas. Meldrum, G. H. Horsfall, D. Stewart, Andrew Young, C. H. Macfarlane, W. S. Leslie, A. H. Campbell, G. W. Birks, C. E. Gault, W. V. Dawson, W. S. Welden, John Baillie, W. G. Cheney, Jos. H. Jacob, M. McAuliff, Robt. Weddell, A. F. Duclos.

NUMBER OF PATIENTS.

The number of indoor patients treated to a conclusion during the year was 2,824, 94 more than last year. Of these 175 remained in hospital; discharged, 2,62); died, 195,. Of the deaths 106 occurred within three days of admission.

The average number of patients per diem in the wards during the year was 167, a decrease of nine as compared with last year; average number of days in hopsital per patient, 21.3; aggregate number of days in hospital by all patients, 60,078, a decrease of 2,966, as compared with last year. These figures indicated a more active service, and a diminution in the number of chronic and incurable cases. The male patients numbered 1,795; females, 1,029. Religious beliefs: Protestants, 1,273; Roman Catholics, 1,212; other religions, 339. Another classification of interest is the following: citizens, 2,330; strangers, 368; sailors, 115; immigrants, 11. Of the 2,824, 1,684 were natives of Canada, and 773 of the British Isles.

In the outdoor department there were 37,373 consultations, an increase of 2,296 over last year; in the medical department, 12,403; surgical, 10,343; eye and ear, 6,213; gynaecological, 1,260; nose and throat, 2,437; dermatological, 1,302; dental, 60; emergency, 2,115. The ambulance made 1,104 trips, an increase of 87, as compared with last year.

It was a source of deep regret to learn of the intended resignation of Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas as president of the hospital, owing to his continued illness. During his six years' tenure of office, and owing principally to his efforts, the old building had been remodelled and converted into a modern hospital, whilst the nurses' home and pathological department had been added to the hospital. The Vice-President, Mr. Charles Alexander, also intended to ask to be relieved of his duties. As a member of the committee of management for thirty-two years he had, through his advice and work, been constantly devoted to the interest of the hospital.

MEETING OF GOVERNORS.

The quarterly meeting of governors opened at four o'clock.

The medical superintendent's report showed that during the quarter 708 patients were treated to a conclusion. Of this number 53 died; a mortality of 7.4 percent. Deducting the number who died within three days of admission, 28 in all, the mortality percentage was reduced to four. While the daily average number of patients treated in the wards of the hospital was the same as in 1899, viz., 182, the total number of patients treated during the quarter showed an increase of 98. The explanation was found in the reduction of the average number of hospital days per patient from 23.9 to 20.6. The total number of outdoor consultations during the quarter was 9,405. The ambulance responded to 250 calls, an increase of thirty trips over the corresponding period of 1899.

The financial statement stated the ordinary income at $20,636.14; ordinary expenditure, $21,136.28; an increase of $3,804, and $1,638.18, respectively, over the corresponding quarter of last year.

The report of the committee of management, signed by Mr. Charles Alexander, expressed deep regret at the absence, through prolonged illness, of their esteemed president, Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas, and conveyed to him and the members of his family, their sincere sympathy.

In consequence of the prevalence of scarletina and diphtheria in the city during the past three months the committee of management had considered it advisable to close the children's ward to visitors, but trusted that in the near future the public health would admit of a relaxation of this precaution.

The extensive improvements which had been carried out a few years ago with the concurrence of the governors of the hospital, and which resulted in bringing the hospital up to modern requirements in every department, with the exception of that pertaining to the out-door patients, had necessitated a considerable addition to the annual expenses, and the committee of management regretted to report that the annual support of the public had not kept pace with the growth of the expenditure notwithstanding the increase of the city both in population and wealth. In view of the deficit in the income, the committee issued an appeal last winter to the public for special donations and subscriptions; but this, up to the present, had only been partially successful, and much remains yet to be done if the efficiency of the hospital was to be maintained at its present high level. In view of the fact that there were enrolled upon the books, of the hospital the names of 587 life governors, including the most influential and public-spirited citizens, the committee felt that there should be no difficulty in securing sufficient support to worthily maintain the institution.

The committee desired to express their appreciation of the services rendered by those who took an active interest in the entertainment which was given at the Crystal rink, as well as by the members of the Garrick Dramatic Club, and trusted that others would follow the good example thus set, by doing what they could to enlist the interest of English and French citizens on behalf of the hospital.

The committee reported that favorable arrangements had been made to ensure an effective ambulance service, as the vehicles had, through constant use, fallen into a somewhat dilapidated condition.

Recognizing the satisfactory and unremitting services to the institution of Dr. von Eberts in his capacity as medical superintendent, the committee had had pleasure in reappointing him to this responsible office. The committee desired to place on record their appreciation of the excellent services of the medical, resident and nursing staffs, as well as of the general staff of the hospital, and of the lady superintendent, also of the faithful work performed by the physicians and surgeons of the institution. The weekly reports of the lady superintendent in regard to the Training School for Nurses had been of a satisfactory nature, although they had shown the necessity of a more strict physical examination of all applicants in future, owing to the fact that two members had been incapacitated owing to the breaking down of their health.

During the quarter four new life members have been elected. The committee regret to report the death of the following life governors: — Messrs. Walter Drake, H. A. Budden, Frederick Geriken and Robert Cowans.

The reports were adopted without discussion.

The annual meeting for the election of officers, will be held at three p.m. tomorrow, when a large attendance is expected.

The following reappointments to the hospital staff will be ratified on Thursday:—

Physicians.—W. A. Molson, M.D., M. R. C. S. (Eng.); A. D. Blackader, B. A., M. D., M. R. C. S. (Eng.); F. C. Finley, M. D.; H. A. Lafleur, B. A., M. D. Surgeons.—F. J. Shepperd, M. D., M. R. C. S. (Eng.); George E. Armstrong, M. D.; J. Alex. Hutchison, M.D., L. R. C. P. & S. (Edin.); J. M. Elder, B. A., M. D. Assistant physicians.—F. W. Campbell, M. D., L. R. C. P. (London); G. Gordon Campbell, B. Sc., M. D.; S. Ridley Mackenzie, M. D. Assistant surgeons.—Kenneth Cameron, B.A., M. D.; J. Anderson Springle, M. D.; Charles W. Wilson, M. D., M. R. C. S. (Eng.). Oculist and aurist.—John J. Gardner, M. D. Assistant oculist and aurist, J. W. Stirling, M. B. (Edin.). Gynaecologist, F. A. Lockhart, M. B. (Edin.). Assistant gynaecologist, John D. Cameron, M. D. Laryngologist.—H. D. Hamilton, B. A., M. D. Pathologist, Wyatt Johnston, M. D.

THE BROWNIES IN FAIRYLAND.

Last night's presentation of Palmer Cox and Malcolm Douglass's fairy extravaganza 'The Brownies in Fairyland,' at the Academy of Music, under the auspices of the Daughters of the Empire was equally as successful as on Monday night, which is saying much. The music was bright and the dialogue exceedingly clever. A number of specialties were also introduced, which called forth a good deal of applause.

The leading parts were well taken by Miss Hazel Bond, as Queen of the Fairies, and Meredith Brown, as leader of the Brownies.

Owing to the artistic success, and great demand for an afternoon performance, the management has arranged for a Brownie matinee next Saturday afternoon at three o'clock. This will give the children who have been unable to attend the evening performances an opportunity of seeing this funny entertainment.

NOTES AND NOTICES.

Drinking with Meals.—Medical men have pointed out that man is probably the only animal that drinks while eating, showing how the laws of nature, which are instinctively obeyed by man's inferior, are calmly ignored by him. They recommend discrimination if one must drink while eating, and say that neither flooding the stomach with hydrant water nor absorbing medicinal waters at the table, under the pretence that they are good for this or that ailment, is very judicious. On the other hand, they remark that a natural effervescent water such as Apollinaris, a dietetic table water, can advantageously be drunk at meals, as it promotes digestion, and the danger of diluting the food with an inordinate volume of water is avoided, because an ordinary amount of effervescent water is as satisfactory to the thirst as a much larger quantity of still water.

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THE EARLY HISTORY OF SOME FAMOUS LACES.

In its various forms lace has held sway for centuries, and it is not surprising that in these later days when a revival is given to all forms of needlework we should give special attention to the work which has been the inspiration of so many lives. Someone has said that there is nothing new but what has once been old, and the caprice of fashion certainly justifies the saying. It is an interesting study to trace the growth of this industry and its spread from East to West, from the early embroideries of Egypt to the machine-made lace of the present day. In the 'Corticelli Home Needlework Quarterly,' Virginia Mitchell gives the story of some of the most famous laces.

Lace is made in one of three ways, with the needle, with bobbins, pins, and pillow, or cushion, and by machinery.

From the fourteenth to the eighteenth centuries, the art of lace-making received particular attention; but, sad to relate, the workers in needle-point and pillow-lace are fast disappearing. The manufacture of point lace was brought to the highest perfection by the Venetians as early as the sixteenth century. There were more than a hundred varieties of this costly lace. Some of these 'points' were world-renowned for their fineness and exquisite beauty. Point de Venise is the richest and most complicated of all laces. It is so strong with its tiers upon tiers of stitches, that some of it has lasted for centuries. The making of lace was universal in every household, and the secret of the manufacture of the finest points were jealously guarded.

During the sixteenth century there was the most extravagant use of lace by the nobility. Gentlemen wore it in ruffles at both wrist and knee. Ladies had head-dresses, flounces, deep collars and ruffles of finest lace. At Queen Elizabeth's death 3,000 lace-trimmed habits were found in her wardrobe. Such was the prodigality at this period in the purchase of lace that edicts were issued against it, but without effect. Early lace, like contemporary point, was of stiff design; but towards the close of the sixteenth century lace of all kinds changed from the geometrical to the flowing style. At this time, although both point and pillow lace were made in many of the leading countries of Europe, Flanders was the only rival of Italy in the markets of the world.

The smuggling of lace was an important feature in its history. In both England and France the prohibition of foreign laces went for nothing. Everybody smuggled,—in books, boxes, umbrellas, even bottles.

About 1665 skillful workmen from Venice and Flanders were suborned into France, and in a few years the celebrated Point de France supplanted the points of Venice itself. The Point d'Alencon was the most sumptuous of the French laces.

Pillow lace was first made in the city of Valenciennes and the manufacture reached its height in that town about 1780. It was usually made by young girls in underground rooms and was remarkable for its richness of design, evenness, and solidity. Silk laces were first made about 1745. Honiton is the only original English lace of importance, and was first made at Honiton, in Devonshire, in the seventeenth century. Queen Victoria's wedding dress, which cost £1,000, was composed entirely of Honiton lace.

SALVATION ARMY.

There was a large attendance at the French Salvation Army Hall, No. 477 St. Lawrence street, on Sunday evening and a splendid meeting was held under the leadership of Brigadier Pugmire and Staff Capt. Taylor. Adjutant Robert is now living at No. 475 St. Lawrence street.

The provincial headquarters of the Salvation Army is now at No. 4 Richmond square.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. E. Margett, of the Dominion headquarters, Toronto, will visit the various Montreal corps for inspection, and special meetings, on Thursday, and remain in the city over Sunday. On Saturday night he will conduct a jubilee at Point St. Charles.

Ensign Parker will conduct a 'lantern service' at the Point on Thursday night.

THE TESSIER ENQUETE.

A WITNESS BRINGS AN ALDERMAN'S NAME INTO THE CASE.

The investigation into the charge against Germain Tessier for theft was continued yesterday afternoon before Judge Choquet.

Louis Lamoureux, the first witness, proceeded to give evidence regarding transactions that took place in 1899, whereas the complaint only charged irregularities between 1895 and 1898. As soon as this was noticed his evidence was ruled out. Mr. Poulin, who was next called, was set aside for the same reason.

Louis Mari told of $10 rent, $50 bonus to the clerk, and a certain sum to the former occupant of the stall he obtained. He got no receipts for anything but rent. Witness said he asked Ald. Lareau about the bonus, and complained that $50 was too high, but the alderman said it was the custom and he would have to pay it. He did not know where the money went, but had a suspicion it was not going to the City Hall.

Mr. Jules Crepeau, clerk in the City Hall, had the oversight of the market affairs, and had been secretary of the Market Committee for over a year. He knew that bonuses were expected in all the markets, and there was a bonus column in the account books, though he knew of no civic regulation authorizing the collection of bonuses. The Market Committee knew what was going on, though this matter was attended to by a sub-committee, which visited the markets twice a year and examined the books occasionally. Witness had known the accused for a number of years, and had always found him honest and exact in all his business dealings, so far as he knew.

Mr. Lamoureux, recalled, stated that he had received his stall from his father and paid no bonus then. Later he exchanged stalls with another man, and paid the clerk $10 as a bonus.

Mr. Justine Pelletier, accountant of the City Hall, audited the accounts of the markets, and had the books in his possession. All the bonuses paid into the City Hall were regularly entered in the books, but he understood the clerk had received some bonuses which were never paid to the city nor entered in the books. The names of several who had sworn that they had paid bonuses to the clerk did not appear in the books in that connection, although the amounts of their rents had been entered and receipted.

Mr. Dufresne, city comptroller, was briefly cross-examined, after which the case was adjourned.

BEHRING SEA SEAL CATCH.

Victoria, B.C., May 15.—Five more of the sealing fleet arrived here yesterday morning, bringing a total of 1,837 seals. The crew of the schooner 'Sadie Turpel,' lost at sea, was brought to port by the schooner 'Penelope.' All returning schooners report plenty of seals, but such terrible storms that they were fortunate in getting back.

THOSE ALLEGED FRAUDS.

Further Inquiry Into the West Huron and Brockville Cases Refused by the Government.

AMPLE AND COMPLETE REMEDY PROVIDED BY LAW FOR THE DISCOVERY AND PUNISHMENT.

Ottawa, May 16.—At yesterday's sitting of the House of Commons Sir Louis Davies replied to Mr. Borden's request for further investigation into the West Huron election case and for investigation into the Brockville election case, which is proposed as an amendment to the motion to go into supply, and gave to the House and country the reasons why the government does not see fit to accede thereto, especially at this late stage of the session, when the House has been in session more than three months and a half.

COURSE TO PURSUE.

The conclusion which Sir Louis had come to after a study of the matter was that it was not in the public interest that these cases should be referred again to the committee on privileges and elections. The law provides a full, ample and complete remedy for the discovery and punishment of electoral frauds in the Controverted Elections' Act, and in the Corrupt Practices at Elections and Enquiries' Act. Under either one or both, the fullest and most effective enquiry could have been made and the facts probed to the bottom—under the latter act in every proper case not at the expense of the petitioners but of the government. The jurisdiction of the House as regards these enquiries was now strictly limited to enquiries into the conduct of its electoral officers and their punishment for wrong-doing. He would say that there was not the slightest ground submitted to justify the reference of the Brockville case, no deputy returning officer being charged with any offence, and the reference of the case under the evidence would establish a dangerous precedent and one which could be used by an unfair majority to defeat the intention, spirit and policy of parliament with respect to enquiries into wrong-doing or irregularities at elections; that if anyone had good ground of complaint against any of the officers he could have them prosecuted under the Dominion Elections' Act or if he complained of general corruption he could have proceeded under the acts cited, and no one having done so and no petition having been presented to the House by anyone it was not in the public interest that the House should, at the mere invitation of a member not pretending to speak from personal knowledge, unsupported by any sworn statements of electors or others, enter upon an enquiry such as that proposed.

CHARGES AGAINST DEPUTIES NOT PROVED.

He would say that the inquiry into the conduct of the deputies in West Huron, embracing the examination of over a hundred witnesses in the two polls where irregularities were charged, was for all essential purposes ample and complete; that with respect to deputy Cummings the evidence satisfied him that he was not guilty of the charges preferred against him, and while deputy Far's conduct in avoiding service of summons and refusing to attend to give evidence would justify the committee in making every presumption against him, the proper, if not the only effective, way to punish him was by prosecution under the Dominion Elections Act; that the coupling of the demand for a reference of both cases in one resolution, presented so that it could not be amended, was most unfair to the House, and prevented a proper consideration of the question whether it was desirable in the public interest to re-open the inquiry in the West Huron case at this stage of the session.

'Under these circumstances,' Sir Louis concluded, 'I feel that I am acting in the public interest in relegating all parties who think there has been wrong-doing or corruption at either or both of these elections to the courts provided by law for inquiry into and punishment of those acts, when proved, and I am strongly of the opinion that while the privileges and elections committee may be a most excellent tribunal for the elucidation of all points of law having reference to the election of members to this House, and one well qualified to determine upon the legality of returns which returning officers may make of the votes received, it is a most inefficient tribunal, from its frequently changing membership, the absence of counsel to conduct either prosecution or defence and the impossibility of properly examining and cross-examining the witnesses, to reach conclusions on disputed questions of fact.'

MR. POWELL'S CHARGES.

Mr. Powell (Westmoreland) who was one of the lawyers on the Opposition side who took a prominent part in the West Huron enquiry last year, followed the Minister of Marine, and, as was to be expected, accused the government of cowardice in shirking the enquiry. He charged that there had been an organized conspiracy to steal elections and that the same gang had been at work in West Huron, West Elgin and Brockville. Mr. Powell accused Deputy Returning Officer Cummings, of West Huron, of open perjury, and concluded with an appeal for purity in our elections.

Mr. Powell made much in his speech of affidavits from one J. G. Pritchett, who had been referred to by Sir Louis Davies as a self-convicted liar, in which Pritchett said he had instructed the deputy returning officer, Donald Cummings, in West Huron, in substituting ballots.

MR. BRITTON REPLIES.

Mr. B. M. Britton (Kingston), who followed from the government side, thought he had never listened to a more unfair speech than that delivered by Mr. Powell. He was unable to see any evidence of fraud in West Elgin. Certainly the investigation of last session had not supplied that evidence. As to the affidavits cited by Mr. Powell containing allegations by one J. G. Pritchett against the honesty of Deputy Returning Officer Cummings, he asked what attention should be paid to the statements of such a man, a scoundrel, a self-convicted liar and a self-confessed seller of his oath. Why, a jury would not hang a dog on the evidence of such a witness. One truth was that the Conservative party itself had a bad record before the country, which ill-fitted their claim to pose as purists.

Mr. W. H. Bennett (East Simcoe) followed from an Opposition standpoint.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

The Minister of Finance laid before the House supplementary estimates which are required mainly for the House of Commons and Senate, whose appropriations have been fast running out. The amount asked is $96,618, and of this $8,000 is for the Senate and $63,408 for the House of Commons, $25,000 being also included for printing, printing paper and binding.

DAY IN THE SENATE.

The steadily increasing phalanx of Liberal nominees in the Senate has won the government two minor victories already this session. It protected yesterday the government bill to amend the General Inspection Act, which provides a standard grade in flax seed from amendment. The measure was asked for by the Dominion Oilcloth Company of Montreal, and sets down the weight of No. 1 flaxseed from Manitoba as 53 pounds, and No. 2 as 50 pounds to the bushel.

Senator Casgrain gave notice that he would propose an adjournment from Thursday till June 4.

FRUIT CROP PROSPECTS.

FROST DID NO DAMAGE IN THE NIAGARA DISTRICT.

Mr. Albert E. Pay, a large St. Catharine's fruit grower, who is also secretary-treasurer of the St. Catharines Cold Storage Company, and of the Fruit Growers' Association, gives the 'Witness' the following information regarding the fruit crop prospects in the Niagara Peninsula:—

'The present prospects are for a good fruit crop. There has been no frost to do any great injury, though there may have been some damage done to early strawberries and cherries, but no damage can be seen on other buds. The season has been rather backward and cold, with several showers during the past week, but they were mostly at night and should not interfere with the proper fertilization of the blossoms. The trees cannot carry all the fruit that the blossoms now show, and if inferior quality is to be avoided thinning out by hand will have to be resorted to.

Mr. Pay states that he has consulted with fruit growers from different sections, and their unanimous opinion is that there will be a large crop of all kinds of fruit; even plums, which had a big crop last year and were thus not expected to yield heavily this year, are full of bloom. The only crop which will be short is tomatoes, the young plants in the hotbeds having been frozen. Mr. Pay states that the majority of peach growers are spraying their orchards with whale oil soap to prevent injury by insects, and he illustrates the extent to which spraying is carried on by stating that it takes forty barrels of Bordeaux mixture to go over his apple and plum orchard once. He expects to give it three or four doses.

CLAN M'LENNAN, U. S. C.

An interesting meeting of the above club was held on Friday evening last, the occasion being the inaugural gathering in the new premises, at York Chambers, St. Catherine street, where all future meetings of the order will be held. The hall, besides being larger, is more suitably adapted for such gatherings. Chief J. R. Binning occupied the chair and was supported by Chief McKenzie of Clan Gordon. Past Royal Deputy Robertson made a few appropriate remarks, congratulating the clan on the acquisition of the new premises and expressing the hope that the success which had attended Clan McLennan in the past would be even more pronounced in the future. Several of the members contributed to the entertainment part of the programme notably Clansman Benvie, with selections on the whistle, and Clansman Mowat with a recitation. The Clan physician, Dr. Rollo Campbell, was present with his 'gramaphone' and treated the members to an enjoyable programme of selections, besides contributing an interesting explanation of the mechanism of the machine. The proceedings closed with a vote of thanks to the entertainers.

CATHOLIC SAILORS' CLUB.

The annual weekly concert takes place this evening at eight o'clock. The chair will be occupied by Dr. Hackett. An unusually good entertainment is promised, owing to the large number of sailors from the ships in port who will take part. The street cars pass the doors before and after the concert.

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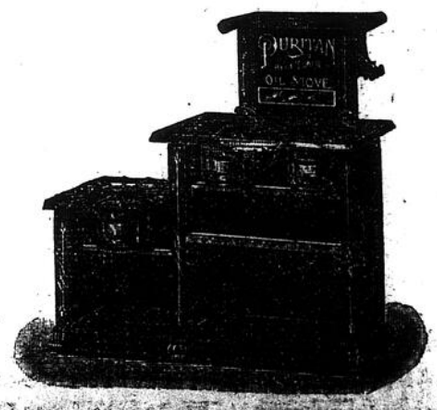
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SANG INDECENT SONGS.

Mr. Recorder Poirier Monday afternoon gave judgment in the case of Wm. Jourdon and wife charged with singing immoral songs in a concert hall recently. The Recorder considered the song, in its various parts both as read and sung, to be equivocal, indecent and immoral, and for these reasons it was to be reprobated. The gestures which accompanied the song tended towards shame and indecency. A fine of $50 or six months was imposed on Wm. Jourdon, but the proof not being so strong against Mrs. Jourdon she was discharged. In commenting on the case the Recorder said that it had been remarked by the counsel for the defence that Canada was laughed at by other countries for its severity in regard to morals, and it would be better to imitate the manners of France. He did not think so. The employers of the accused knew well that in a judgment rendered on Jan. 22 last the regulations of cafe concerts was defined. If the existence of some of these places is now in danger it is because morals must be protected. Crime was on the increase in Montreal and a great number of the young were being ruined morally each year, who could be made good citizens. We might borrow from the cities of the old world all that was good but we should not pervert our youth with false ideas of art and liberty which are wrong and fruitful of all kinds of disorder. His Honor said the police had a perfect right to interfere in such cases and the constables who figured in the present cases were to be praised by the public.

Mr. H. C. St. Pierre, counsel for the defendants, at once gave notice of appeal from the above judgment.

A SESSION OF THE COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH (Crown Side), holding criminal jurisdiction in and for the DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, will be held in the COURT HOUSE in the CITY OF MONTREAL, on FRIDAY, the FIRST DAY OF JUNE NEXT, at TEN o'clock in the forenoon.

In consequence, I give PUBLIC NOTICE to all who intend to proceed against any prisoners now in the Common Jail of the said District, and all others, that they must be present then and there; and I also give notice to all Justices of the Peace, Coroners and Peace Officers, in and for the said District, that they must be present, then and there, with their Records, Rolls, Indictments and other Documents, in order to do those things which belong to them in their respective capacities.

J. R. THIBAUDEAU,
Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office,
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LACHINE W. C. T. U.

Representatives from the County W.C.T.U. were present on Tuesday at a meeting of the ladies of Lachine interested in temperance work. Addresses were given by Mrs. R. W. McLachlan, Mrs. John Currie, Miss Isa Monk and Miss Emma Baylis. Many of the ladies present expressed their desire that a union should be formed, as there was need for such an organization. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. (Rev.) Rilance; secretary, Mrs. Dods; treasurer, Mrs. Garrow. The next meeting will be held on May 29, at which the vice-presidents and superintendents of departments will be elected. This makes the eighteenth union organized by the county organization.

Weekly Calendar.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16.

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RECEPTION to Supreme Council Delegates will be held at ST. LAWRENCE HALL, on WEDNESDAY EVENING, May 16, at 8 p.m.

GRAND CONCERT

Will be given at HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE, MONDAY EVENING, May 21, at 8 p.m.

Tickets obtainable from Secretaries of Councils.

W. W. WILLIAMSON, Secretary.

THURSDAY, MAY 17.

The Forty-ninth Annual Meeting
—OF THE—
Young Men's Christian Association

Will be held in the Association Building, Dominion square, on THURSDAY EVENING NEXT, May 17th, at 8.15 o'clock, to receive the Annual Report of the Board of Directors, reports of Standing Committees, and elect Directors for the ensuing three years.

Members and Subscribers are invited to attend.

D. A. BUDGE, Secretary.

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DISTRICT MEETING.

MONTREAL METHODISTS DISCUSS LOCAL CHURCH AFFAIRS.

The district meeting of Montreal district of the Methodist Church, which opened in the West End Church yesterday, was continued to-day, deliberations being resumed at nine a.m. The session was opened with devotional exercises, and a brief fellowship meeting, presided over by the Rev. Dr. Jackson, followed.

The Rev. Dr. Williams, chairman of the district, presided at the business session. The first order of business was the election of a journal secretary, and the result of the ballot was almost unanimously in favor of the Rev. C. E. Bland. The Rev. W. H. Stevens and Mr. H. A. Moulton were appointed assistants. The Rev. A. A. Radley was elected statistical secretary. After the roll call of ministers and lay delegates, the reports of the various churches in the district were received.

At yesterday's sessions there was a very fair representation of delegates, and considerable business, mostly of a routine character, was got through. It was resolved to recommend that W. L. Rowan and G. A. McIntosh be received into full connection with the conference.

A motion to receive Mr. Arthur Delporte as a probationer in the ministry for the French work was carried.

One minister, the Rev. A. McCann, was reported to have died during the past year.

Permission was granted the Rev. E. W. Halpenny to act as secretary of the Sunday-school Union. It was recommended that the Revs. J. J. Blythe and J. R. Barnabas be granted leave of absence for a year.

A discussion on the best methods of carrying on the work took place, and it was decided to hold a convention in the fall for the full discussion of matters relating to general church work.

The Rev. Messrs. Sparling, Mansell and Dr. Jackson were appointed a committee to arrange for the same.

Resolutions of regret upon the approaching transfer of the Revs. W. H. Emsley and H. G. Cairns to other conferences were passed.

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The Daily Witness.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 1900.

The change in the names of the two divisions of St. Mary's Ward will give satisfaction, even if one of them lacks henceforth, the tutelage of a canonized saint. Instead of being called St. Mary's East and St. Mary's West, they are to be called Papineau and St. Mary's. Why this was not done when the division was made we cannot imagine, unless the people of the locality were at a loss for a name. It is a still greater puzzle why the three divisions of St. Antoine Ward should still be without the names which were chosen for them in Mayor Grenier's time, and to which we are certain there would not be a breath of objection. The nearer section of the ward, above the hill, was to have been called St. Andrew's, and the further one St. George's, the section below the hill containing the parish of St. Anthony, and through which St. Antoine street runs as a main artery, to remain the St. Antoine Ward. The time must come when St. Ann's Ward shall be divided into St. Patrick and St. Charles.

A more preposterous proposition could hardly be imagined than that attributed to the Transvaal Secretary of State, Mr. Rietz, by the correspondent of the New York 'Herald' at Pretoria. It is to the effect that the Boer commissioners now in the United States have been empowered to ask the government of the United States to assume a protectorate over the republics, this protectorate to tend, if desired, towards eventual annexation as territories or states. It would be impossible for any one outside of a lunatic asylum to imagine the Washington government accepting a proposition which would require the immediate mobilization of an army of at least a quarter of a million men, with stores, horses, guns, and supplies of all sorts, and their transport to South Africa, in order to drive the British out of the country. And to what end? For the purpose of annexing two Boer republics, whose only cause of war is their hatred of Anglo-Saxon dominance, to the United States, against which they would be absolutely certain to rebel. Supposing the United States to be so demented as to wish to do such a thing, such an expedition is a colossal impossibility. Yet, in no other way could the United States assume a protectorate over the Boer republics. Then, to say nothing of the Monroe doctrine, the absurdity of the United States becoming champion of the Boers' liberties against Britain while shooting down Filipinos who are fighting for independence against enforced American freedom! If Mr. Rietz desired to render the mission of the wily liars whom he has sent to Washington ridiculous even in the eyes of the most ignorant Tammany Democrat, he could not have taken a straighter way of doing it. If Gilbert wanted a plot for another operatic extravaganza he could not desire a more humorous situation than is thus presented.

A correspondent has the patience to complain of the condition of western Craig street, which is such a long-standing disgrace to our municipal system. A Montrealer who may possibly be tempted to pride himself in his city has only to behold it as it is to-day to have all the soul taken out of him. Craig street at this part is the chief artery of goods traffic in Montreal. It bears twice as great a weight of it as any other bit of street, or at least would if it was not shunned. Some three years ago the legislature was approached by the council asking leave to borrow enough of money to pave Craig street, whose desperate condition was then enough excuse to warrant an emergent vote. The council got leave, borrowed the money and then stole part of it, deflected they called it, for use in wards that had more active or more greedy representation in the council. The pavement was of course laid in the eastern end of the street. But as for the west end, that is apparently, so far as the council is concerned, derelict, an easy prey to practical and unscrupulous civic politicians. Meantime the street is like the celebrated Slough of Despond described by John Bunyan, into which the King's servants never ceased to dump good material without making it any better. The work that is put upon it after every rainy day and the stone that is put into it would go some distance towards an honest pavement.

ANGLO-SAXON ASSUMPTION.

We must be tolerant of the hugging and kissing of the United States which is being done by the more intelligent and broad-minded class of English periodicals, even though it occasionally amounts to fawning, which injures rather than aids the cause of mutual friendliness, which can only rest firmly on mutual respect. We have always felt that the immediate hope of the world lay in the solidarity of the English-speaking people. When there is talk—we hope what is going on now is not anything deeper than speculative talk—of differences between Germany or any other country and the United States, we like the way in which Great Britain loses no time in putting her foot down and saying which side she will necessarily be on in such a case. But we do think all this might be done without unnecessary rudeness to other peoples. The worst of Teutonic rudeness, whether insular or Continental, is its complete unconsciousness. The Teuton was not endowed, and, without admixture of blood, never acquires, that form of sensibility which tells him what other people feel and how to avoid rasping their feelings. The fight for supremacy in Southern Africa perhaps had to come, and, if so, then, considering under what circumstances it might have come, it is well that it came when it did. We need not, then, regret that events occurred as they did, so very differently from what British statesmen labored for. But probably the conflict would have been postponed longer than it was had Celts and not Saxons had the job that has usualy fallen to them of conducting Britain's colonial diplomacy.

One of the useless slights of which the English have been guilty has been the forcing of the name English even on peoples with whom they had actually covenanted that they would not do so. Covenants apart, it is in very bad taste for the English always to speak of the British power as English, and so to use that name with strange peoples, that Scotchmen and the Irishmen, who have so largely—possibly more than half—contributed to the expansion of the empire, have to call themselves English to be understood. As between the original British peoples this is now an old story and a lost battle not worth recalling. The English have simply forced themselves down their neighbors' throats, and we must all, even we Canadians—possibly nothing loth—swagger the world over as Englishmen. But this piece of rudeness is by no means at the end of its mischief-making. It meets with ever new retribution. The people of India, for instance, are becoming British, but they cannot become English, and it would be far easier for them to become British if the British were called British, and not English. The like is to be said of the French-Canadians, who are for the most part willing to be accounted British, while their whole soul naturally and justly rises in indignation at any attempt to make them English. So long as the British empire continues to grow this blunder will continue to meet with eternal punishment.

We have, however, at present to do with another iniquity of language which has crept over the English and Scotch till it seems to have fully mastered them. They do not seem to see how insulting it is to many peoples, and not the least to some to whose rights they are for family reasons bound to be specially loyal, to speak of the United States as America. They have come to do this to the point of extreme absurdity. So precise a writer as the editor of the 'Spectator,' in discussing a possible conflict between Germany and the United States over German interests in South America, tells how Germany in such a case would not think of assailing America, but would deal directly with Brazil, and America, if she wanted any say in the matter, would have to be the assailing party. In dealing with the United States as a world power with which Europe may have to reckon it may be natural to speak of her as America, being, as she is, the one important distinctively American power. Such looseness of language is, however, as we have said, a piece of unpardonable rudeness to the rest of the continent. It is a fully fructified Monroe doctrine thrust down all our throats. But when the United States is called America as a term of distinction from Brazil the confusion of words is such that one would think the usage was intended to be a strong declaration that in the views of the English all other powers on the American continents but that of the United States are already accounted intruders. The Monroe doctrine, which was certainly potentially the most gigantic piece of land-grabbing the Anglo-Saxon race ever perpetrated, originated not in the United States but in England, and, however shaky the United States may at any time become in the assertion of it, it would seem as though England was bound to insist on it to the last point, even at the expense of ignoring, as the school the 'Spectator' represents, has an inbred and unconquerable tendency to do, any separate existence and any separate rights on the part of British America. Indeed, it is Great Britain, and not the United States, that is primarily and chiefly guilty of this piece of Anglo-Saxon insolence.

THE WAR SITUATION.

There is too much reason for apprehension over the fate of the gallant garrison and devoted town of Mafeking. Saturday last was the two hundred and thirteenth day of the siege, and it was well known that Colonel Baden-Powell and his splendid little body of soldiers, thinned from 1,500 to less than 1,000, as well as the citizens, had been reduced by semi-starvation and illness to so low a condition physically that they were quite unfit to withstand a determined attempt on the part of the three thousand Boers surrounding the town to storm it. Whether the Boers attempted to storm the inner defences of Mafeking is not known. It is certain that they attacked, burned and captured the native village, which lay within the outer line of defence of the town. It is not improbable that the Boers attacked the native town because the natives had given aid to the British by procuring cattle for provision from outside, and finally by deserting Mafeking in order to relieve the disappearing food supply of the town and enable the garrison to hold out longer. It may be that Commandant Snyman had been ordered to carry the town by assault in anticipation of the arrival of a British relief column. Whatever may be the explanation, the Boers summoned up courage to invade the outer British defences at Mafeking, and occupy more or less open ground within range of the guns and rifles of the defending garrison. There are conflicting reports of the result. Commandant Snyman reports having captured Colonel Baden-Powell and his whole force of nine hundred men. On the other hand, the Netherlands Railway Company, which controls the Delagoa Bay Railway, reports that the British garrison had repulsed the Boers. Reports at Lorenzo Marquez are that the British garrison managed to surround the Boers when the latter occupied the native village and captured a large number of them. It seems impossible that the small garrison could achieve this unassisted. It is just possible that Colonel Plumer, warned by the native refugees from Mafeking of what was likely to occur, forced his way up to Mafeking in time to reinforce Colonel Baden-Powell. It is not impossible that the mounted force of the relief column, reported at Vryburg on Thursday, could have reached Mafeking earlier than Tuesday, or perhaps Monday. As the confirmation of the fall of Mafeking or a decisive victory by Colonel Baden-Powell has not been received either from Delagoa Bay or Buluwayo, it may be hoped that the British garrison still hold at least their inner line of defence, and that relief is near. Colonel Baden-Powell on the tenth of May reported food sufficient to last until the tenth of June. Mafeking is the only subject of anxiety from a British military point of view in South Africa. Everywhere else the campaign progresses most favorably and rapidly.

Lord Roberts is still at Kroonstad reorganizing his forces for the next step of his advance to the Vaal river. The correspondents are not allowed to tell of the disposition of his forces, whether any infantry divisions are being despatched north-west to Vierfontein against Klerksdorp or whether all will go forward north against Vereeniging. It is significant that General De Wett is said to be at Klerksdorp arranging for the defence of that place, which is the terminal of the railway from Johannesburg, against General Hunter, who, it would appear, must be advancing up the Vaal river in some force. Lord Roberts could easily reinforce him by way of Vierfontein, which is only fifteen miles from Klerksdorp. General French's cavalry is reported to be beyond Gordon Station, about fifteen miles north of Kroonstad. It is said the Boers have taken up a strong position at Blaauwbosch Poort, the pass over the range of hills just back of Heilbron road station, on the railway, and about twenty miles south of the Vaal river. Heilbron, which contends with Lindley for the honor of being the new provisional capital of the Orange Free State, is about fifty-five miles north-east of Kroonstad, and about twenty-three miles south-east of Heilbron road station, with which it is connected by a branch railway. A waggon road runs direct from Kroonstad to Heilbron. The Rhenoster river, about five miles south, offers the best position for defence, but probably there will be little if any defence. Free State burghers who do not cross the Vaal, and who are determined to fight on within their own state, will doubtless try to hold the north-eastern portion of the state contained within the quadrilateral, of which Frankfort, Vrede, Bethlehem, and Harrismith mark the angles, and which will afford them a retreat into the Drakensberg fastnesses to the east, between the Free State and Natal. They are being driven there from the south as well as from the west.

General Rundle and General Brabant are driving them north out of the regions around Thaba NChu and Ladybrand. General Brabant occupied Ladybrand yesterday with one brigade of his division, while another advanced against Clocolon, twenty miles north, which it probably occupied to-day. Ficksburg is twelve miles north of Clocolon. Bethlehem and Harrismith are respectively about sixty and eighty miles north and north-east of Ficksburg. General Rundle will probably be able to occupy Senekal and Lindley unopposed within a week. Thus the Free-Staters within their quadrilateral will have to decide whether to fight, with a certain prospect of being defeated and captured in the end, or to surrender at once. Already some hundreds have surrendered to General Rundle and over a thousand to Lord Roberts, and some of the members of the State Assembly are in favor of calling a session and formally surrendering the state and thus ending the war.

In Natal General Buller's advance has been as easy and as rapid as that of Lord Roberts in the Orange Free State. To-day General Buller's forces occupied Glencoe Junction, about seven miles west of Dundee, on the main railway line, and General Hildyard's division advanced along the railway from Wessel's Nek, which he is repairing as he advances. Glencoe Junction is 37 miles south of the town of Newcastle, but it is reported that the Boers, who have entrained all their big guns at Glencoe, will not stop short of Laing's Nek, which, with Majuba Hill, is about 22 miles north of Newcastle, and forms the pass over the Drakensbergs into the Transvaal. This position may be turned by General Buller crossing the Buffalo river at De Jagers or Commandor's Drift and sweeping around through the Transvaal by way of Vryheid, Utrecht and Wakkerstroom to Volksrust, a station on the railway fifteen miles beyond Laing's Nek in the Transvaal.

ITALIAN PARLIAMENT PROROGUED.

Rome, May 16.—The disturbances in the Chamber of Deputies have resulted in a Royal decree proroguing parliament.

THE CUSTOMS CASE.

KANNENGIESSER STILL IN THE WITNESS BOX.

The examination of Mr. Kannengiesser again occupied the whole of yesterday in the customs case of the Queen vs. Fitzgibbon, Schafheitlin & Co. After explaining at some length [illegible] and discounts allowed by manufacturers, the witness related how, in the absence of Mr. Schafheitlin from Germany, he had written a letter in connection with the Finkelstein action, promising to pay 2,500 marks, although he did not think that Mr. Schafheitlin should pay the costs of that suit. His reason for doing so was to avoid a seizure. To-day Mr. Schafheitlin returned to Berlin he dismissed witness, who did not tell him anything about the letter which he cut out of the letter-book. Unless the letter was placed before him, he could not say why he cut it out. It was not cut out at the same time as the other documents were taken. He used to secure documents or make memoranda every few days. A few days after Mr. Schafheitlin's departure for Montreal in 1896, witness wrote a letter consequent upon having seen in Mr. Schafheitlin's desk a letter from Mr. Bruene, stating that if he (Bruene) became Schafheitlin's successor in business he would find witness a good person to introduce him to merchants, and if after that, he was not satisfied with him, it would be easier for Bruene to get rid of him than it would be for Schafheitlin to do so.

Witness's letter to Schafheitlin was to reproach him for the contents of the letter to Bruene. Upon Mr. Schafheitlin's return from Montreal, in June, 1895, he introduced a new scale for making out the customs invoices, except on such lines of goods as had already been shipped during that season. Under this new scale the customs invoices more nearly agreed with those of the manufacturer; in fact they were practically the same.

Mr. Latchford then cross-examined the witness respecting his declaration that the extra ten percent discount mentioned in the customs invoices was never allowed by the manufacturers, and Kannengiesser admitted that the difference in amount between a particular customs invoice shown him and the manufacturer's invoice might fairly represent an allowance for late delivery.

After examining a number of customs invoices, witness said that in some instances packing cases and inland freight would account for the difference between these invoices and those of the manufacturer.

CONDITION OF CRAIG STREET.

(To the Editor of the 'Witness.')

Sir,—Will you allow me, through the medium of your valuable columns, to draw the attention of the Road Committee to the condition of Craig street from Bleury street to Victoria square? During the rain storm of yesterday it was simply one lake of mud and water covering holes in the rotting roadway, into which vehicles sank half-way to the hubs and the venturesome pedestrian plunged in over his boot tops.

This section of our main thoroughfare for heavy traffic is a disgrace to any civilized community, and yet Ald. Martineau and his confrères on the Road Committee appear not to be aware of its existence. A few loads of crudely broken stone have been shot into the deeper holes, with the effect of making the roadway worse for pedestrians without in any way improving it for vehicular traffic. But the rest of the road is simply in the condition to which the elements have reduced a pavement which should never have been put down in the first place. The cedar blocks have long since been battered into pulp by the heavy traffic, and are now so soaked with filth that they are as much a menace to the health of the public as they are to the cleanliness of their attire.

Now, cannot Ald. Martineau, who, we all know, is the master spirit of the Road Committee, do something for Craig street? He has shown himself extremely active in every other branch of municipal reform. He is catering for popularity in many ways. Why does he not do so by improving the condition of our streets? He would earn the gratitude of every bicyclist and every pedestrian in this city, as well as that of the merchants whose goods are battered about as the vehicles in which they are being transported jolt up and down over the ruts and holes in this neglected thoroughfare. And he would save us the cynical contempt with which our visitors from other and better governed cities regard the pavements of the metropolis of Canada. In this way he could do far more permanent good, and would earn far more lasting gratitude from our citizens, than by voting for investigations which lead to nothing. Let him do something for our roads, and we will revere him as the first chairman of the Road Committee to improve the condition of Montreal's streets.

CITIZEN.

Montreal, May 15, 1900.

STEAMER 'PAUL SMITH' BURNED.

Lachine, Que., May 16.—The steamer 'Paul Smith,' owned by Mr. Bickerdike, M.P.P., and which had not been in service for some time past, was last night destroyed by fire in the canal near Lachine locks. Origin of fire at present unknown.

ROYAL ARCANUM.

First Session of the Supreme Council To-day.

SOME OF THE PROMINENT MEMBERS OF THE ORDER.

The Royal Arcanum looked well today. It was dressed in its frock coat, and wore a white rosette in its buttonhole. It surged through the rotunda of the St. Lawrence Hall, all 'nods and becks and wreathed smiles.' This was the opening day of the annual session of the Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum.

Last night the brethren, with their wives and daughters, arrived, and today the St. Lawrence Hall was a busy place. The ladies chatted in the parlors, while the gentlemen exchanged



MR. G. W. LIDDELL,
Montreal, Deputy Supreme Regent for the Province of Quebec.

brotherly greetings. The members of the Supreme Council are a fine body of gentlemen. Many of them occupy high social positions in the United States. Prominent lawyers were pointed out; doctors are present by the dozen, while successful business men form the majority.

There was no business this forenoon, so the members smoked and chatted or walked or drove about the city. But at two o'clock this afternoon the work of the session began in earnest. A programme of business had been prepared by Supreme Secretary Robson. Of course, all the meetings are in private. The order is a secret one, and, as Mr. Robson said, its doings are really of little concern to the public. At the afternoon session most of the time was taken up with reports, and the hearing of petitions. These petitions come from the local lodges, which, as it were, in the last resort, approach the foot of the throne. The subordinate and the grand councils have a certain jurisdic-



MR. W. HOLT APGAR,
Trenton, N.J., Supreme Regent.

tion, but in matters of moment, the Supreme Council must be invoked. There are always a good many petitions to be dealt with, as is natural, considering the magnitude of the order. The annual report is a formidable document, which makes a great bulk in print. This deals with the progress of the order during the year, gives figures and facts, and is a most important document to those interested.

The social aspects of the convention have not been forgotten. When socie-



MR. E. M. SCHRYVER,
Baltimore, Md., Past Supreme Regent,

ties of this sort perambulate a little, they believe in nicely mingling pleasure with business. This evening the local lodges will give the Supreme Council a reception. Acting-Mayor Smith will extend a welcome on the part of the city, to which the Supreme Regent, Mr. W. H. Apgar, will reply. To-morrow the convention will open at ten o'clock in the morning, when business will be resumed. To-morrow evening there will be an excursion to Quebec. Return will be made on Friday night. There are to be drives around the city, and trolley parties. On Monday evening there will be a grand concert in Her Majesty's Theatre, which will, so to say, wind up the annual session.

Supreme Secretary Robson was kept



MR. JOSEPH A. LANGFITT,
Pittsburg, Supreme Vice-Regent.

busy yesterday and to-day getting the work in order, but he is ably assisted by the high officers, including Supreme Regent, Mr. W. Holt Apgar, Trenton, N.J., assisted by Supreme Vice-Regent Mr. Jos. A. Langfitt, Pittsburg; Supreme Orator Mr. A. S. Robinson, St. Louis, Mo.; Sitting Past Supreme Regent Mr. Edyson M. Schryver, Baltimore, Md, and other Supreme Council officers.

The local reception committee has also been working hard to make the gathering a success from the social and pleasurable point of view. The members of this committee are as follows:—

Messrs. W. A. Weir, M.P.P., P.R., Laurentian Council; W. A. Coates, P.R., Laurentian Council; Dr. Haldimand, P.R., Laurentian Council; Thos. Leggatt, P.R., Balmoral Council; T. W. McCaw, Balmoral Council; J. Woods, Balmoral Council; F. W. Wadsworth, Balmoral Council; Thomas Harling, Westmount Council; P. W. McLagan, Westmount Council; D. McGill, Westmount Council; W. A. Brown, Montreal Council; W. T. Patterson, Montreal Council; Dr. Griffith, Wellington Council; J. T. Donovan, Hochelaga Council; Dr. Nesbitt, Prince Albert Council, and G. W. Liddell, Prince Albert Council; Alex. Foreman, Hochelaga Council.

The Royal Arcanum was organized under the laws of Massachusetts in June, 1877, with only nine members; it now numbers close on 200,000. Up to Feb. 28 of this year, $56,336,961.49 had been paid to beneficiaries of the order. In the first year of its existence the order received a little over $3,000 to pay its first death claim. The receipts from assessments during the year 1899 amounted to $6,515,594.81. The disbursements for death claims for the same year were $6,083,451.87. The cash balance on hand on Jan. 1, 1900, in the benefit fund, was $632,280.56. The order furnishes protection to its members at cost, and therefore only a small balance above its known liabilities is intended to be carried on hand. On Jan. 1, the liabilities of the Widows and Orphans' Fund were $424,530.56,, and the assets $1,173,280.56 in the current account, and $809,220.07 in the emergency fund, leaving a balance of $1,233,752.63 above the known liabilities of the order. The method of collecting assessments is very simple. Every member must pay one assessment a month, fixed upon a scale that will cover the current mortality and leave a margin for the accumulation of an emergency fund, the income from which will, in the future, be used to pay death claims of old members, keep the assessments level, and prevent the necessity for an increase in the cost. The money flows into the Supreme Treasury at the rate of about $550,000 a month, and death claims are paid with exceeding promptness if the proofs are clear, ranging in time from eight to twenty-five and thirty days, according to the peculiar circumstances of each case. Every possible safeguard has been thrown around the funds of the order. They are deposited in designated banks and cannot be drawn out except upon drafts signed by the supreme secretary, examiner of claims, and supreme treasurer.

The personnel of the membership of the Royal Arcanum is very high, being composed in many parts of the United States and Canada as will be seen from the appended list of officers, of some of the most prominent citizens of both countries.

The principal officers of the order are: Supreme Regent, the Hon. W. Holt Apgar, of Trenton, N.J., a well-known attorney-at-law, and an expert in laws relating to fraternal insurance societies. He is also a member of the Board of Education, a park commissioner of the city of Trenton and member of the New Jersey legislature. No man in that state is more highly esteemed or more popular than Mr. Apgar. He is in the prime of life, and an eloquent, vigorous speaker.

Supreme Vice-Regent the Hon. Joseph A. Langfitt, of Pittsburg, Pa., is a well-known attorney and a director in two large banking institutions of that city.

Sitting Past Regent Edson M. Schryver is at present chairman of the Board of Police, of Baltimore, Md.

Supreme Orator A. S. Robinson, is a well-known publisher of St. Louis, Mo.

Supreme Treasurer Edward A. Skinner, Westfield, N.Y., is president of the Westfield National Bank and a well-known financier in the western part of the Empire State. He is one of the most lovable men, and all who come in contact with him are impressed with his earnestness, integrity and ability. It is a very common thing for residents of Chautauqua county, New York, to provide in their wills for Mr. Skinner to be executor or trustee without bonds.



DR. W. G. NICHOL,
Montreal, Supreme Medical Examiner for the Province of Quebec.



MR. E. A. SKINNER,
Westfield, N.Y., Supreme Treasurer.

Supreme Secretary, W. O. Robson, of Boston Mass. Mr. Robson was, for many years, a well known stenographer and newspaper man in the city of Boston and for eighteen years made the official report of the proceedings of both branches of the city government. When the Royal Arcanum was started in 1877, he was invited to take the position of secretary of the Supreme Council, and has served the twenty-three consecutive years, without anyone having been nominated against him.

John Haskell Butler, the legal adviser and chairman of the Committee on Laws, is a well-known attorney-at-law in Boston and has been a member of the Legislature of Massachusetts, and a member of the Governor's Council. He is recognized as an expert in the laws relating to beneficiary associations.

John E. Pound, one of the Past Supreme Regents, is a well-known attorney of Lockport, N.Y., and has recently been strongly urged for appointment to a judgeship in the United States Supreme Court. He is a fine scholar and a capital speaker.

A. C. Trippe, of Baltimore, Md., another Past Supreme Regent, has been for many years a prominent attorney, and one of the ruling powers behind the political throne in that state. He is a gifted and eloquent orator.

Frank W. Reynolds, chairman of the Board of Supreme Trustees, is treasurer of the Massachusetts Loan and Trust Company, one of the oldest and best known financial institutions of the city of Boston.

James M. Johnson, one of the Supreme Trustees, is a member of one of



W. A. WEIR, M.P.P.,
Attorney for the Province of Quebec.

the largest business houses in Chicago, a gentleman engaged in large enterprises and of proven integrity.

The Hon. D. F. MacWatt, chairman of the Committee on Appeals, is a judge of one of the Circuit Courts of the Province of Ontario. He is a well-known attorney of that province and an expert in all matters relating to fraternal beneficiary associations.

A. T. Turner, jr., the supreme auditor, is a well-known commission merchant in Boston, an agent of one of the largest indigo houses in Calcutta. He has been an active Royal Arcanum man for twenty-three years, having been a charter member of the tenth council instituted.

Attorney for the Province of Quebec, W. A. Weir, M.P.P., is a member of the Provincial Legislature, representing Argenteuil county.

Deputy Supreme Regent for the Province of Quebec, G. W. Liddell, is connected with the Montreal 'Herald' advertising department.

The supreme medical examiner-in-chief of Quebec, Dr. W. G. Nichol, is a well-known physician of Montreal.

MELVILLE CHURCH.

ANOTHER MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY.

The Rev. A. J. Mowatt, of Erskine Church, acted as moderator at the adjourned meeting of the Presbytery of Montreal which took place yesterday.

The Rev. Mr. Boudreau's resignation of his charge at St. Hyacinthe, was considered. The notice of this meeting served upon the congregation was returned duly attested. Mr. Boudreau addressed the presbytery in support of his application. Mr. S. R. Glendinneng and the Rev. S. J. Taylor, members of the session of St. Hyacinthe, along with the Rev. P. P. Duclos, Dr. Mackay, and others, intimately acquainted with the field, and with Mr. Boudreau's work there, spoke in the highest terms thereof. Mr. Boudreau assigned, as reasons for his resignation, recent delicate health, and his appointment to Grenville by the Board of French Evangelization. The presbytery agreed to grant his application, and appointed the Rev. Mr. Duclos to declare the pulpit vacant on the first Sunday in July. Mr. Boudreau's appointment to the field at Grenville was also sanctioned by the presbytery.

The Rev. Mr. Winfield reported what had been done by Melville congregation by way of securing a site for their new church. He described two lots, the first lying on the west side of Westmount park, and the second on the south side of Western avenue, opposite Kensington avenue. After some consideration, Dr. Mackay moved, and the presbytery agreed, that approval be expressed of either of these two sites. The presbytery's satisfaction with the diligence of the congregation in this matter was also expressed.

The sanction of the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa having been obtained the presbytery proceeded to take on trials for license the following divinity students:—James Wheeler, William P. Tanner, Fulton J. Worth, B.A., and Louis Theophile Abram; George McGregor, B.D., and Dr. J. T. Reid. Their trial discourses were heard to the satisfaction of the presbytery, and it was resolved to license them to preach the gospel. The moderator, accordingly, did so in the usual solemn manner, and the clerk, the Rev. James Patterson, was instructed to give them extract of licenses in the usual form.

A circular letter was read from the presbytery of Quebec, intimating its intention to apply to the General Assembly for leave to receive the Rev. P. Boudreau from the American Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. Mr. Dobson applied in the name of the trustees of St. Giles Church, Montreal, for leave to sell that part of their church land not needed for church purposes. The proceeds of the sale will be devoted towards the debt of their present church.

PERSONAL.

Mr. George E. Powers is at present in the city making his annual appeal to the friends of the Fredericton Deaf & Dumb Institution.

MANY DONATIONS.

MEETING OF THE NUMISMATIC AND ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY.

The regular monthly meeting of the society was held in the Château de Ramezay last evening, at which there were present the Hon. Justice Baby in the chair, Henry J. Tiffin, Emanuel Ohlen, R. W. McLachlan, L. N. Pare, Dr. Harel, Alphonse Leciaire, Joseph Baby, Judge Sicotte, Honore Mercier, C. A. Harwood, Chateauguay de Salaberry, Ludger Mercier, Ludger Larose, P. O. Tremblay, Chas. T. de Lanaudiere and Joseph Fortier.

The curator reported the following donations to the museum: From S. J. Carter, a fractional note for two shillings and sixpence (fifty cents) issued as change during the financial depression of 1837 by the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railway; from J. A. Charest, an old deed dated 1741 and a circular calling the founders of La Banque du Peuple to a meeting in 1836; from R. W. McLachlan, an ancient Greek silver coin of the city of Sieyon, struck about 300 years B.C.; from the heirs of the late Senator Murphy, a collection of Indian antiquities found by himself on the site of the ancient Indian village of Hochelaga. Among them were a number of pipes in clay, one of which is most elaborately ornamented, a large number of fragments of native pottery peculiarly ornamented by the squaws of three hundred and fifty years ago, several bone implements, a stone celt and a number of other objects, the whole forming a most attractive addition to the museum. To the National gallery: From Henry J. Tiffin, a colored engraving issued in the year 1836 giving a view of the battle of Queenston Heights, the Canadians at the battle of Paardeberg, and 'Sons of the Empire.' To the Library: From the Hon. Justice Baby, Histoire du Palais Episcopal de Quebec, Annales d l'universite de Lyon, vols. I to 4, one other book and four pamphlets; from the Hon. Justice Gill, twenty-five volumes sessional papers; from the Hon. Justice Loranger, eighteen volumes do.; from Alfred Sandham, Toronto, three pamphlets; from L. W. Sicotte, jr., 'Canadian Illustrated News,' vols. XI. to XXV., and a large number of other illustrated papers; from Judge Sicotte, a lot of commercial papers illustrating by signatures the business firms of Montreal between 1820 and 1840; from Jaques Grenier, eleven books, twenty-five pamphlets and a quantity of commercial papers; from A. F. Riddell, a letter-book ledgers, etc., of the business firm of Turton Penn, used from 1820-1840; from W. G. Gray, Sheffield, England, catalogue of military and naval war medals. Purchased through the James Moore donation. Three journals of House of Assembly of Lower Canada, 1794, vols. 2, 5 and 6, very rare. Exchanged with the Library of the Bar, one hundred and eight volumes, mostly journals and debates of the House and sessional papers. In all 180 volumes and 30 pamphlets.

Messrs. G. C. Arless, J. P. Cooke, Alfred Laroque and Arthur Bogue were elected members. The committee appointed to arrange for the reception to be given to the American Library Association reported that a short programme of a Canadian and historical character would be given. It was decided to make a number of necessary repairs to the front so as to give the building a more presentable appearance. The society also decided to hold its excursion this year at Fort Frederick on Lake Champlain on June 16 next.

An interesting paper was read by Mr. R. W. McLachlan on 'A Canadian medal designed after a Roman coin'; in the course of which he described a coin of the Fufia family which was struck about eighty years before Christ. This coin, according to the custom of the times not only bore the name of Fufius, but some emblematic allusion to his family history. He, as a Roman general, had taken part in the 'Social War' in which the Italian people claimed the rights of Roman citizenship. He no doubt took part in the peace which was brought about by mutual agreement. This peace was represented by the divinities Honor and Valor as Rome and Italy clasping hands. It had always been a puzzle to collectors as to what led to the adoption of the device 'Honor and Valor,' on a Canadian medal struck by Louis XIV. for distribution among the Canadian Indians. Mr. McLachlan pointed out clearly that the design of this medal was undoubtedly inspired by the coin of Fufius struck two thousand years ago.

BICYCLE LICENSES.

The clerks of the license department at the City Hall have been kept exceptionally busy during the past week issuing bicycle licenses. Since the issue was begun on May 4, 2,250 bicycle licenses have been issued, and the issue continues at the rate of between two and three hundred a day.

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CANADA: Province of Quebec, District of Montreal } SUPERIOR COURT.

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Insolvents.

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

Dated at Montreal, this 16th day of May, 1900.

JOHN McD. HAINS,
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NURSING APPOINTMENT.

NEW NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT AT THE MONTREAL GENERAL HOSPITAL.

There was a leave-taking at the General Hospital last evening, the nurses parting with regret from their popular night superintendent, Miss Elizabeth Baikie, who has decided to take up private nursing in the city. Miss Baikie is one of the earliest graduates of the General Hospital's training school, which was established in 1890. As night superintendent she was in every way successful, and won an especially high reputation for skill in bandaging.

The post thus vacated has been filled by the appointment of Miss Jennie Webster, of Cobourg, Ont.; who graduated from the hospital in 1895. Previous to its abolition Miss Webster was in charge of the M. G. H. section of the Civic Hospital, and she has since been successfully engaged in private nursing.

DEATH OF MRS. W. S. ROBERTSON.

Her friends will be sorry to learn of the death yesterday, from pleuro-pneumonia, of Mrs. Robertson, wife of Mr. W. Stewart Robertson, and only daughter of Dr. W. G. Beers. The deceased, who was a member of St. Paul's Church, was very well known in society circles. She was also greatly interested in gymnastics. She was a niece of Mr. E. T. Scott, of the customs department, and of Dr. Hickey, of Morrisburg. Mrs. Robertson leaves five small children, the youngest only five days old. The funeral will take place at 2.30 p.m., to-morrow, from 289 Peel street.

THE REPRESSION OF USURY.

The 'Patrie' says that the whole country will be unanimous in thanking the members of the Senate of both parties for having joined in the adoption of the Dandurand bill against usury, and it then adds: 'The shavers' shops in Montreal and Quebec, to speak only of our own domestic things, have caused more damage during the past twenty-five years than all the known and unknown gambling dens; they have brought to theft, to crime, to prison, to the penitentiary, to exile a large number of young men whose misery or dishonor cries for vengeance against the usurers. As Conservatives and Liberals agree in the Senate in having the Dandurand bill adopted, we trust that the Laurier Government will assume the task of presenting it before the Commons, so as to guarantee its immediate adoption. The whole nation demands this law of repression; let their voice be heard.'

FIRE ENGINE FOR THREE RIVERS.

Mr. Bellefeuille, chief of the fire brigade and police force of Three Rivers, is in the city and has been making enquiries regarding Montreal's police and fire protection with a view to effecting improvement in the city on Lake St. Peter. Mr. Bellefeuille was specially instructed to make inquiries about a steam fire engine for Three Rivers, and Chief Benoit advised him to buy one of the city's small Merryweathers, which are not so useful as they used to be in Montreal before the days of sky-scrapers, but are just the thing for a city like Three Rivers, being light, handy, strong and simple in action.

LAID TO REST.

The remains of Mr. and Mrs. John Maguire, who died within two hours of each other, on April 21, were yesterday interred in the family plot, in the presence of their niece, Miss McEndoo, of New York, and their cousin, Mrs. L. Jehu, of this city, and a number of friends.

AN INDIAN INFANT'S DEMISE.

The coroner was notified of the death at Caughnawaga of a five-months' old boy, Wixh Onomsonorum, which was smothered while in bed. The mother is only seventeen years of age. The coroner found everything all right and issued a permit for burial.

DAIGLE TO BE SURRENDERED.

Washington, May 15.—The President has issued his warrant for the surrender to the Canadian authorities of Alexander Daigle, held under arrest in Detroit, Mich., on a charge of forgery, to the amount of about $1,000, committed in Montreal.

Daigle is the Montreal notary who, a couple of years ago, forged papers in connection with his business here. He was living in Michigan under an assumed name. The forgery came to light and after a search he was placed under arrest in Detroit. He was held there under a warrant from Montreal, and Detective Lamouche was commissioned to be present at the extradition proceedings. He has now been there ordered and an officer will proceed to Detroit to bring back the prisoner.

CONGO FREE STATE TROUBLE.

London, May 16.—Sir Henry Morton Stanley, the celebrated African explorer, who was at one time governor of the Congo, points out this morning in an interview, in a London paper, that in the event of a rupture occurring between Germany and Belgium with reference to the Congo territory, the Berlin Act of neutrality provides that the signatory powers, before appealing to arms, shall have recourse to the mediation of one or several friendly powers.

FIRE AT CHARLOTTETOWN.

Charlottetown, P.E.I., May 16.—The city pumping station was destroyed and its contents were badly damaged by fire this morning. The water supply will be cut off for several days; but the city will receive a temporary supply.

RAILWAY NEWS.

The C. P. R. Imperial limited train will commence to run on June 11 from the Windsor station. This is a fast train which became popular last season with travellers. It runs through to the coast, has precedence of all the other trains, and is designed not merely for speed but for comfort. In the rush of the season it meets a need on the part of people either coming from the east or proceeding to the coast.

The rate over the Great North-West Central Railway, which the C.P.R. has lately acquired, will henceforth be three cents per mile instead of four, which has hitherto been the prevailing rate. A reduction was also announced recently on the Crow's Nest Pass Railway which was well recived. The C. P. R. is evidently carrying out the policy foreshadowed in the address of the president at the recent annual meeting—a policy which looks more and more to the extension of business than to the maintenance of high rates.

The Grand Trunk is putting up a handsome portico in front of the Bonaventure station, which will be a decided improvement. It is likely that the line of coping stones in front of the station will be removed, as there is altogether insufficient accommodation for the business which will be done during the height of the summer season. The passage at present only permits of the entrance of one vehicle. The fountain in the centre will be much appreciated, but the rest of the space should be given to the public.

ST. JOHNS METHODIST CHURCH.

At the quarterly meeting of the official board of the Methodist Church at St. Johns, Que., held on Monday evening, May 7, the following resolution was passed:—'Moved by Bro. W. A. Campbell, seconded by Bro. Wesley Knight, and unanimously carried, That in view of the very friendly relations existing between the Rev. Dr. Meyer and the congregation during the past two years, we take great pleasure in hereby extending to him a hearty invitation to continue his pastorate with us during another year.'

SAILORS' INSTITUTE.

An excellent concert, which was largely attended by both seamen and citizens, was given last night at the Sailors' Institute. The sailors were to the fore among the entertainers, who included Mr. J. R. Bell, Miss Nellie McIntosh, Mr. George Beech, Prof. G. Gibb, and Mr. Smith, steamship 'Etolia'; Mr. Harry Kaull, steamship 'Endeavor'; Messrs. John Rooney, Alex. Creighton, James McCave and William Clark, R.M.S. 'Lake Ontario'; Mr. Edward Ladbury, late of the steamship 'Milwaukee,' and Mr. C. Coxon, steamship 'Etolia. The programme was heartily appreciated.

'A DRESS REHEARSAL.'

The repetition of this little musical play given by the St. Cecilia Ladies' Club in the Victoria Hall, Westmount, last evening, was a decided success. The interlude included most enjoyable songs by Mr. A. Frank Ramsay, and a duet by Mrs. Jean Harvey and Miss M. Drumm. Numbers which came in for special appreciation were the violin solo by Professor A. Larsen, the recitation of Dr. Drummond's 'Pelang' by Miss Edith Smaill, and the Japanese sketch in costume by the Misses Florrie and Emma Harvey.

THE 'ABINGDONIAN.'

The last number of the 'Abingdonian,' which is the name of the magazine issued by the boys of the Abingdon School, is to hand, and fully maintains its standard. Original sketches, original poetry, short stories (of a somewhat exciting nature for the most part), and various items of news of special interest to school readers form the bulk of the new number. There is also an excellent portrait of Mr. A. S. McCormick, an old Abingdonian, who went out with the draft of recruits to fill vacancies in the First Canadian contingent.

PROTESTANT TEACHERS.

DISTRICT MEETING AT GRANBY.

Granby, May 16.—The District of Bedford Protestant Teachers' Association met at Granby on Saturday last. Interesting papers were read on the 'Natural method of teaching French,' 'Rudiments of arithmetic,' and 'School sports.'

The Mayor of Granby, Mr. H. S. C. Miner, welcomed the association to the town, and spoke in most appreciative terms of the valuable work which this body of teachers represented.

Mr. Levi Moore, B.A., principal of the Knowlton Academy, reported on behalf of the committee appointed to consider certain changes in the course of study for the province, which had been brought before the association about a year ago. He said that a series of questions had been presented to the heads of all the superior schools, and replies received in almost every case. The large majority of these favored the retention of Latin as a school subject; many, however, were of the opinion that the study of Latin should begin earlier in the child's school life, and suggested the second grade Model class as the proper starting point. He himself shared this view.

Mr. M. A. Leet, principal of St. Johns High School, read an admirable paper on teaching French, in which he illustrated the natural method, and quoted from Pestalozzi, the Swis seducator, who first advocated it over a century ago.

Miss Watson, of Cowansville, presented the subject of 'Recreations and Recesses,' treating the modern tendency to combine pleasure with school work, and made many useful observations on what might be noted on the school playground.

Mr. Honeyman, B.A., of Montreal, gave a very thoughtful paper on 'Elementary Arithmetic,' which was highly spoken of by the teachers present.

In a general discussion which followed, the papers, the Rev. Rural Dean Longhurst, advocated the encouragement of suitable sports, in which the teachers participated. The Rev. Mr. Prichard deprecated the growth of professionalism in sport, as seen particularly in the United States, and advocated a variety of games for schools.

Among those present were Mr. Townsend, Mrs. McDonald, Miss M. B. Gill, Miss M. Gill, Miss J. C. Kay, the Rev. W. B. Longhurst, the Rev. J. A. Elliott, the Rev. Mr. Prichard, Miss E. Allen, Mr. L. Moore, B.A., Miss J. I. Norris, Miss J. E. Norris, Mr. M. A. Leet, Miss Carrie Norris, Mr. Charles McBurney, B.A., president, Inspector Taylor, Miss M. Watson, Miss Traver, Miss Blampin, Miss Buck, Miss Cunningham, Miss Boothe, Miss Matheson, Mr. Honeyman, B.A., Miss Cook, and Mr. H. C. S. Miner, Mayor of Granby.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL.

SENATE COMMITTEE PRESENTS ITS REPORT.

Washington, May 16.—The Senate Committee on Inter-Oceanic Canals today through its chairman. Senator Morgan, presented its written report upon the Nicaragua canal bill, holding that the pending bill should not be held back for the Walker Committee report.

The committee takes strong position against the proposition to build the canal via Panama, and to pay for the work already done by the French. The declaration is made that the Panama Company is practically without assets except those included in the Panama railway. 'They say,' says the report, 'they have assets that a committee of experts has valued at $90,000,000. The lowest sum at which they estimate the cost of completing their canal is $95,000,000. So that in entering that combine we would go in on the basis of $185,000,000 for the completed canal on the plan of three levels, if that plan is adopted, against $138,000,000 which is the highest estimate any engineer has placed on the Nicaragua canal. The difference of $47,000,000 is in favor of Nicaragua.

THE POLICE FORCE.

ALDERMAN LEBEUF DENIES THAT THERE IS ANY CAUSE FOR DISSATISFACTION ON THE PART OF THE MEN.

When the Police Committee meets this afternoon it will have to consider, among other business, the resignations of two officers of the force, Lieut. Bouthillier, of No. 1 station, and Lieutenant Tetreault, of No. 16. It was reported that there would be one or two additional resignations sent in to-day, but at noon Alderman Lebeuf, the energetic chairman of the Police Committee, stated that only two resignations had been received. Alderman Lebeuf indignantly denied the statement circulated in some quarters that the two resignations were a result of any general dissatisfaction in the force at the enforcemeat of the recent orders concerning drills. There is nothing onerous about the new order. Ald. Lebeuf explained, and as a matter of fact the men enter into the spirit of the drilling with enthusiasm, being glad of the opportunity to improve their smartness. In some of the stations the men have been performing voluntary drills.

It is stated that at this afternoon's meeting a denial that there is any general spirit of dissatisfaction in the police force will be made on behalf of the officers.

CITY ITEMS.

The forty-ninth annual business meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held to-morrow (Thursday) evening in the building on Dominion square. The report of the past year's work will be presented.

The statue of St. Charles Borrommee was placed over the facade of St. James Cathedral yesterday. There are now eight statues in position, and only five more are required to complete the whole facade gallery.

The May term of the Court of Appeal opened yesterday with Judges Bossé, Blanchet, Wurtele, Ald. Ouimet and White (ad hoc) on the bench. The country cases will be heard to-day and to-morrow.

Jos. Bristes, of St. Paul street, was arrested last night by Acting Detective Landriault for stealing wood from a house at the corner of Dupre lane and St. Paul street. When arraigned before Judge Lafontaine he pleaded guilty and was remanded for sentence.

A memorial requiem mass was chanted in St. James Cathedral yesterday morning for the late Hon. C. A. Geoffrion, Mgr. Racicot officiating, and a large number of the friends and relatives of the regretted lawyer and politician were present.

A requiem mass was chanted in the Church of Notre Dame yesterday morning for the repose of the soul of the late Abbé Marre, whose death in France was announced a few days ago. Among others present were Mr. Kleczkowski, French consul, and the members of the Union Nationale Francaise, of which deceased was chaplain.

The Garrick Dramatic Club's third private performance of the season was given before a large audience last evening, at Her Majesty's Theatre, and was thoroughly enjoyed. The play presented was 'The Balloon,' the many amusing and dramatic situations in which were made the most of. Those taking the several characters were:—Messrs. G. E. Mason, G. C. Foster, Huntly Gordon, P. Griffin, S. Carmichael, H. H. Springle, Miss Edith Molson, Miss Blanchard, Miss Mildred Jeffery and Miss Stevenson Brown, the whole under the direction of Mr. R. B. Holland.

LACROSSE.

FAVORABLE TO RE-INSTATEMENT.

Toronto, Ont., May 16.—The sub-committee appointed to look into the cases of Wheeler, Moran, Butler and Allan, the suspended Toronto lacrosse players, has sent its report to Secretary Brown, of the C.A.A.U. The finding is favorable to reinstatement, and it is likely the players will be taken back within a few days.

BASEBALL.

THE Y.M.C.A. CLUB.

The baseball players of the Y.M.C.A. have the best facilities for playing this favorite game of any of the local teams. Practices will be held every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings on the Montreal Baseball Park. Ten new men have already joined the club, and the practices already held have been largely attended.

OBITUARY.

Hamilton, Ont., May 14.—Mr. C. M. Counsell, stock broker, of this city, died suddenly at St. Catharines this morning of paralysis. Mr. Counsell for many years was manager of the Exchange Bank, now defunct, and had been engaged in the brokerage business for years. He is survived by a widow, five sons and two daughters. The eldest son is Mr. John Counsell, the well known Rugby football player.

Farmington, Michigan, May 14.—Mr. Archibald McIntyre died yesterday at Sand Hill as the result of an operation. He was one of the wealthiest men in Wayne County, his holdings footing up over two million dollars. He was a widower without children. He has brothers and sisters, but their whereabouts are unknown.

SHIPPING NEWS.

Mr. Thomas Welsh, formerly of the Dominion line, has been appointed purser of the Elder-Dempster's new SS. Lake Champlain.

The Allan line SS. Brazilian from the St. Lawrence, for Glasgow, arrived out on Tuesday afternoon.

The Allan line SS. Laurentian, from New York for Glasgow, arrived out on Tuesday morning.

The Head line SS. Torr Head passed Cape Race yesterday afternoon, at four o'clock, en route for Montreal, where she is expected to arrive on Friday next.

The new Head line SS. Rathlin Head, will sail from Belfast on Saturday next for Montreal.

The Allan line SS. Pomeranian, from Glasgow, passed Martin River inwards at 5.45 a.m. on Wednesday.

The Leyland line SS Albanian, left Montreal for Antwerp on Tuesday, May 15, with a general cargo, and the following cabin passengers: The Rev. Aldric Thout, Mr. Paul Lemoine De Montigny, Mrs. H. A. Llasse and the Misses Llasse.

The SS. Assyrian, of the Leyland line, was reported as passing Martin River inward at 5.30 o'clock this morning.

Hong Kong, May 16.—The SS. Empress of Japan left here at 12.30 p.m. to-day.

London, May 16.—The Leyland Steamship Company has taken over the West India Steamship Company. The purchase price was £992,000.

SS. BENGORE HEAD IN PORT.

The SS. Bengore Head of the Head line arrived in port last evening. The voyage across, remarked Captain Brennan, was an exceedingly rough and unpleasant one, head winds and high seas being encountered nearly all the time. The Bengore Head left Dublin on April 30, with a light cargo, for Montreal. She will reload a large cargo which awaits her here, and sail again direct for Dublin on May 20, at daybreak.

SS. ETOLIA ARRIVES.

The SS. Etolia, of the Elder-Dempster line, arrived in port about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and took up her mooring at the Island wharf. Captain Evans stated that the vessel left Marseilles on April 25, and with the exception of a day or two beautiful sailing was the general rule during the whole voyage. While coming up the river the vessel remained a day at Three Rivers where she took on board a part cargo of deals. Men were at once put to work upon the Etolia preparing her for the outward trip which will be on Friday next, when she sails direct to Marseilles with a heavy cargo.

THE SS. FREMONA ARRIVES.

The SS. Fremona, of the Thomson line, arrived in port at noon, and took up her berth at the Thomson line wharf. Captain Murray reports that the vessel left Newcastle on May 2, with a general cargo direct for Montreal. The vessel encountered a few gales and some strong head winds while crossing the Atlantic, and in the gulf a fog, but taking everything into consideration, the run was a fast one for a freighter. The Fremona has been overhauled since last in Montreal, and her present accommodation for freight is all that could be desired.

HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS.

Harbor Master McShane has given instructions for all vessels to immediately move out of basin, section 19, so that work can at once proceed on the extension of Bonsecours market improvements. The crib work for the new wharf opposite the Harbor Commissioners' office is going along rapidly, and when completed will give another additional wharfage of nearly 3,000 feet.

SS. EMPRESS OF INDIA QUARANTINED

Victoria, B.C., May 16.—The R.M.S Empress of India from Yokohama has been detained at the quarantine station at Williams Head since Monday night. The quarantine officers decline to state the cause of the detention, saying simply that they areawaiting instructions from Ottawa to which place the cause of delay has been reported. It is rumored that the steamer has either small pox or plague on board. She has 140 saloon and 100 steerage passengers.

Ottawa, May 16—Enquiry this afternoon of Dr. Montizambert, who is in charge of the quarantine branch of the agriculture department, elicits from him the information that after enquiry into the facts in connection with the detention of the C.P. R. liner Empress of India at the quarantine station near Victoria, B.C., the authorities here have wired to release her, and allow the vessel to land her passengers and cargo. The facts are that when the vessel was at Shanghai, one passenger, who was supposed to have been suffering from scarlet fever, was landed. When the boat reached Nagasaki, Japan, she was thoroughly disinfected, and on the completion of this process took on board the balance of her passengers, and came on accross to Victoria without any sign of further trouble. On arrival at Victoria the circumstances were communicated to the superintendent of the local quarantine, who in view of the extra precautions which are demanded at present in arrivals from the Orient to keep out plague and smallpox, felt justified in holding the liner till authorized to grant her release.

GULF REPORT.

L'Islet—Clear, north-west wind.

River du Loup—Clear, west wind; inward, 7.30 a.m., steamer.

Father Point—Clear, north-west wind; inward yesterday, 10.30 p.m., Westphalia; to-day, 7.45 a.m., Lakonia.

Matane—Cloudy, strong west wind; inward yesterday, 6 p.m., German steamer; Q.F.H.R.; 7 p.m., Ella Sayer.

Cape Chatte—Cloudy, strong north wind; inward, 8 a.m., Malin Head.

Martin River—Cloudy, north-west wind; inward, 5.30 a.m., Assyrian; 6 a.m., Pomeranian.

Cape Magdalen—Cloudy, strong north-west wind; inward, 7 a.m., Kong-Haakong.

Fame Point—Clear, strong north-west wind.

Anticosti—Clear, strong, north-west wind.

Cape Ray—Clear, strong north-west wind.

Low Point—Clear, north wind; inward to-day, Therese-Heymann; outward, yesterday, 7.30 p.m., Hiso.

Cape Race—Cloudy, south wind; inward yesterday, 3.30 p.m., Torr Head.

LOCAL STOCKS.

WITNESS OFFICE, May 16, 1900.

AFTERNOON SALES.

C.P.R.—100 at 94½, 100 at 94⅜, 10 at 94½, 5 at 94½, 5 at 94½, 100 at 94.

Royal Electric—125 at 200, 125 at 200.

Toronto Railway—25 at 98½, 25 at 98½.

Republic—2,500 at 95, 1,000 at 90, 1,500 at 90, 500 at 90, 500 at 90, 500 at 89, 4,500 at 89, 500 at 88½.

Richelieu—25 at 105½.

Mont. Gas—25 at 182⅛.

Montreal and Lonodon—1,000 at 25.

Reported by Messrs. Nichols & Martin, Stock Brokers 1734 Notre Dame st.

AFTERNOON BOARD.

Stocks.	Sellers per $100	Buyers per $100	Stocks	Sellers per $100	Buyers per $100
Can. Pacific ..	94½	93¾	Com. Cable...	168	165
Duluth Com..	6	4	Richelieu	107	105½
Do. Pfd..	16	14⅜			
STREET RAILWAYS.					
Montreal St ..	253	252½	Toronto St.	99	98¼
" New	243	240⅜			
Mont'l St. Rts..	....	....	Twin City Tr	63	62½
Halifax Elec...	96	92	" pfd	....	....
Ottawa Elec..	....	....	St. John Ry	175	120
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Mntl. Telegr ..	169	162	Bell Tel ...	185	177
Mont'l Gas ..	182⅛	182	Hlfx H & L.	....	....
Royal Elec. ..	200	199	Dom. Coal.	....	37
do. new stock.	....	....	" pfd.	....	....
Windsor Htl..	100	....	Peo. H. & L.	....	....
COTTONS.					
Montl. Cot.	150	141	Dominion .	100	98
Can. Col. Cot ..	80	75	Merchants .	140	....
Montmorency Cot. Co.	115				
MINES.					
War Eagle..	$1.50	$1.44¼	Payne Min..	110	108
Repub. Con ..	.89	88¼	Mont. Lond.	25½	24
Virtue Mg Co	1.10	1.04	North Star..	125	110
BANKS					
Montreal....	270	255	E Townships	....	....
Ontario.....	....	....	Quebec....	....	....
Molsons.....	190	....	Union.....	120	....
Toronto.....	....	....	Commerce.	151	....
Jeq. Cartier..	....	....	Dominion.	....	....
Merchants...	165	....	National..	....	....
Mrch. of Hlfx	....	....	Hochelaga.	140	....
Nova Scotia.	225	220	Brit. N. Am.	....	....
Imperial....	....	....			
BONDS.					
Dom. Cotton..	100	....	Com. Cable	....	....
Hlfx. Ht. & Lt.	....	....	" " Rgd	....	....
Hlfx. Tram..	....	....	Col. Cotton.	100	....
Land Grant..	....	....	Bell Tel Rgt	....	....
N. W. Land pfd	....	....	Dom. Coal.	100	....
" " com	....	....	R. & O. N. Co.	....	....
Halifax Ry..	....	....	L. & Mor. Co.	....	....
W. L'n Trust.	....	....	D'mdGl's Co.	....	....
Figtn Coke & Cl	....	22	In'l Coal Co	55	37
			" pfd	100	50
*x.d.			Cable Coup	....	....

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

(Furnished by J. R. Meeker.)

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

Atchison	25⅛	25⅞
Atchison pfrd	70	71⅛
Can. Pacific	....	....
Can. Southern	52¼	52½
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	125¾	127⅛
Clev. C.C. & St. Louis	....	....
Baltimore and Ohio pfrd	74¾	75¼
Com. Cable	....	....
B. O.	....	....
B.O. pr	79¾	80¼
Del. & Hud	....	....
Del. Lack & West	....	....
Erie	....	....
Ill. Central	112	113¾
Louis & Nash	80	80⅝
Lake Shore	....	....
Manhattan Consolidated	89	89½
Missouri Pacific	57	56½
North America	....	....
Nor. Pacific	57½	58⅞
Northern Pacific pfd	73¾	73¾
Southern Pacific	34	34⅞
New Jersey Central	....	....
Nor. West	....	....
N. Y. Central	130½	131¾
Omaha, Common	....	....
Pacific Mail	29¾	29½
Reading, Philadelphia	17	17
Richmond, Terminal	....	....
United States Leather	11⅞	10¾
Rock Island, Chicago, and Pacific	105¾	106⅞
St. Paul, Chico & Minn	116½	116⅝
St. Paul, Minn & Man.	....	....
Texas Pacific	17	17
Third Avenue	....	....
Union Pacific	53¾	54⅞
Federal Steel	35¼	36
" pfd.	....	....
American Steel & Wire	34	35⅛
Wabash Com	....	....
Wabash pfd	....	....
Western Union Tel	....	....
Sugar	108¾	107⅞
Lead	19⅛	....
Gas Chicago	97⅛	98¼
Gen. Electric	134¾	....
B. R. T	68⅞	69½
Tol., Ann Arbor & Nor. Mich.	....	....
Rubber M.R	28¾	....
Rubber pfd.	....	....
Met. Traction	148	148
Tenn. Coal and I.	69⅛	72⅛
Southern Railway	....	....
Southern Railway, pr.	54⅞	55¼
Consolidated Gas	....	....
Louisville, K.Y	....	....
N.Y. Gas	....	....
Chicago Ill., & E.	....	....

LONDON CLOSING PRICES.

London, May 16, 4 p.m.—Closing — Consols for money at 101 7-15; do., for the account at 101 9-16.

C.P.R. at 96½; Erie at 12¾; Erie, first preferred at 37¼; Illinois Central at 115¼; Union Pacific preferred at 75¼; St. Paul, common, at 118⅜; New York Central at 133½; Penna at 66⅝; ex div.; Reading at 8⅞; Northern Pacific preferred at 76¼ ex-div.; Atchison at 26; Louisville at 82; Rand mines at 3⅝; G.T.R. at 7½; Anaconda at 8½; bar silver at 27½d per oz.; quiet. Money at 2½ to 3 percent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 3½ p.c.; do., for three months bills, 3½ to 3 -16 percent.

GOLD FOR EUROPE.

New York, May 16.—Baring, Magoun & Co., will ship $500,000, and Heidelbach, Ickelheimer & Co., $500,000 gold to Europe to-morrow. Further gold engagements for export to-morrow are by Lazard Frere & Co., $900,000; and Goldman, Sachs & Co., $800,000; the National City Bank, $500,000; total shipments announced $3,200,000.

MINING EXCHANGE

Reported by A. W. Morris, Mining Broker, Rooms 62 and 64 Canada Life Building.

Stocks.	Sellers.	Buyers
MORNING BOARD.		
Payne	$1.14	$1.10
War Eagle	1.50	1.30
Republic	1.00	90
Virtue	1.06	1.04
Mont. and London	26½	24
Big Three	5½	4½
Brandon G.C.	25	12
California	10¼	9
Can. G. F.	6	5
Cariboo Hydraulic	—	—
Evening Star	10	8
Fern	6	2
Gold Hills Dev.	5	3
Iron Colt	12½	—
Knob Hill	60	54
Monte Cristo	5	4
Mont. G.F.	3½	3
Noble Five	6	2
Novelty	3	1
Old Ironsides	80	50
Virginia	6	2
Rambler Cariboo	27½	20
Bullion	38	18
Decca	6½	6
Morrison	4	2½
Golden Star	10½	9
Slocan Sovereign	22½	20
Fontenoy	—	—
Rathmullen	3¾	2
Winnipeg	14	11½
Dardanelles	3½	2
Deer Trail Con	8½	8¼
North Star	1.20	—
Kenneth	—	—
Dupont Mfg Co.	25	20

MORNING BOARD.

Can. G.F.—1,000 at 6, 2,000 at 5¾.

Decca—2,000 at 6¼.

Montreal G.F.—500 at 3, 500 at 3

Montreal and London—500 at 25, 1,000 at 24½, 1,000 at 24¼, 500 at 24½, 2,000 at 24¼, 200 at 25, 300 at 24½.

Slocan Sovereign—500 at 22¾, 200 at 23.

Granby Smelter—1,000 at 35.

Deer Trail Con.—2,000 at 8½, 2,000 at 8¼.

AFTERNOON BOARD.

Republic—500 at 93, 500 at 90.

Slocan Sov.—500 at 20.

Montreal and London—500 at 24¾, 500 at 25, 1,000 at 24½, 500 at 25.

Mont. G.F.—1,000 at 3.

MINING NOTES.

NOBLE FIVE TO RESUME WORK — A CHANGE OF HANDS EXPECTED.

Victoria, B.C., May 15.—The Noble Five management has given orders for the immediate resumption of work. The flumes are being repaired, and as soon as the work is finished, a gang of men will be sent into the mine. It is understood that an important deal is being consummated, by which the property may change hands on the basis of 27 cents per share to the present shareholders. Some large blocks of stock have been changing hands lately, and some large holdings have been secured under option. It is a fact that a one-fourth interest in the next property, 'The Last Chance,' was sold a few days ago for $10,000, and this has had considerable influence in bringing about the present deal.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

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

	Yesterday's Close.	To-day's Open.	High.	Low.	Close
Wheat—					
May	64⅞	65¼	65⅝	65⅛	65⅜
July	66¼	66¼	67	66¼	66¾
Corn—					
May	35⅝	35⅝	37⅛	35⅝	37⅛
July	36½	36¾	38¾	36¼	38
Oats—					
May	21¾	22	22¼	22	22¼
July	21⅞	22	22⅜	22	22¼
Pork—					
May	11.55	....	....	....	11.70
July	11.67	11.70	11.90	11.70	11.87
Lard—					
May	6.92	....	....	....	7.00
July	6.92	7.00	7.12	6.97	7.07
Short ribs—					
May	6.60	....	....	....	6.70
July	6.65	6.70	6.75	6.67	6.72

BIRTHS.

MORAW—At Lachute, Que., on May 12, 1900, a son to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Moraw. 16

DIED.

BROWN — At Hatley, Que., on May 12, 1900, Captain E. H. Brown, aged 77 years. 16

ROBERTSON—On May 15, 1900, Edith Mary Beers, beloved wife of W. S. Robertson, and only daughter of W. George Beers.

Funeral will take place on Thursday, 17th instant, at 2.30 p.m., from her late residence, 289 Peel street.

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LOCAL STOCKS.

MARKET DECIDEDLY STRONGER, BUT STILL DULL.

WITNESS OFFICE,
May 16, 1900.

There was a general advance in the price of stocks this morning under the influence of an improved tone in the London and New York markets, and a certain amount of investment demand. The slight advance in Pacific seems to have checked the demand, and no important sale was recorded. Toronto Rails were the favorites, and the price rapidly advanced from 96¾ to 99, with the close very firm, par being realized for a broken lot of five shares. Mines show little change, but the downward tendency seems to have been checked. Montreal and London sold at an advance of a point of the close of last night, and the receipt of dividend cheques gives great satisfaction to the holders.

The actual improvement in conditions that would warrant any bull movement in the stocks is still wanting, and there is not that elasticity in the money market which would permit the absorption of any quantity of stock, should it be thrown on the market for any reason, so that the condition is still nervous. As long as buyers predominate, even in a small degree, the market will gain strength, but that they will do so is doubtful at present.

MORNING BOARD.

C.P.R.—5 at 94½.

Mont. Gas—10 at 182, 25 at 181¾, 50 at 182.

Richelieu—150 at 105.

Toronto Railway—25 at 96¾, 50 at 97, 100 at 98, 25 at 98⅝, 25 at 98¾, 25 at 98⅞, 275 at 99, 5 at 100.

Montreal and London—1,000 at 24.

Payne—500 at 114.

Royal Electric—25 at 201, 25 at 200½.

M.S.R.—50 at 251.

Dom. Cotton—35 at 99.

Bank National—32 at 190.

Com. Cable—5 at 166½.

LONDON.

London, May 16.—The market for American securities was firm from opening to the closing to-day, but trading was light owing to the settlement. Spanish fours closed at 72¼.

NEW YORK.

New York, May 16, Wall Street — The movemetn of prices was irregular at the opening on a small volume of dealings. The steel industrials showed considerable recovery from yesterday's losses. Federal Steel, Tenn. Coal and National Tube rising to 1¼. The Grangers and western railway stocks and sugar also moved upwards a fraction.

Reported for the 'Witness' by G. R. Marler, Banker and Broker, 1721 Notre Dame st.

	Buyers.	Sellers	Counter.
New York Funds	5-64	3-64 dis.	⅛ to ¼ prem
Sterling, 60 days	9	1-16	9⅛ to 9¼
Sterling demand	9¾	13-16	9 15-16 to 10
Sterling Cable	9 15-16	10	10⅛
Paris Cheques	5.15¾	1-16	

TORONTO MINING SALES.

Toronto, May 16.—Sales:
Black Tail—1,000 at 14½.
White Bear—1,000 at 2.
Deer Trail—5,000 at 8½, 5,000 at 8½.
W.D. Waterloo—6,000 at 5.

Standard mining sales:

Athabasca—1,000 at 27.
Gold Star—3,000 at 8¾.
Gold Hills—1,000 at 4.
White Bear—1,000 at 2, 1,000 at 2.
Waterloo—1,000 at 5.
Deer Trail—1,500 at 8¼.
Crow's Nest—10 at $35.

COMMERCIAL

Montreal Wholesale Markets.

GRAIN.

There is a better feeling in the market this morning in sympathy with advancing prices in Chicago, but Liverpool quotations show a decline in wheat and corn. Manitoba wheat is now quated at 68c afloat Fort William. Oats sold yesterday at 31⅝c afloat Montreal and the tendency is still easy. Peas are quoted at 68½c; buckwheat, 58½c spring wheat, 71½c; rye, 62c; No. 1 barley, 50c afloat Montreal.

Liverpool quotations are as follows:—Spring wheat, 5s 10d; No. 1 Cala., 6s 2½d to 6s 3d; corn, 3s 11¼d; peas, 5s 8½d.

Receipts to-day in Montreal were:

	G.T.R.	C.P.R.	Canal
Wheat	——	86,700	43,000
Corn	——	6,000	109,927
Oats	9,000	4,200	30,500

FLOUR AND FEED.

The declining values of grain has caused rather a slow weak market, but the feeling is better to-day and a good local and export business is doing. We quote values unchanged as follows:—Manitoba patents, $3.80 to $3.90; strong bakers, $3.50 to $3.60; winter patents, $3.50 to $3.80; straight rollers, $3.20 to $3.30 in barrels, and at $1.52½ to $1.55 in bags; Manitoba bran, $17.50 to $18 in bags, and Ontario bran, $17 in bulk; shorts, $18 to $19; and moullie $20 per ton.

Receipts of flour to-day were 1,667 brls. by rail.

PROVISIONS.

The market is steady, the supply of live hogs meeting with active demand at firm values. Abattoir dressed hogs are quoted at $8 to $8.25; lard is said to be rather scarce at 9c to 10c, and compound lard is quoted at 6½c to 7½c. Hams are quoted at 11½c to 13c, according to size; boneless breakfast bacon, 12½c; Wiltshire bacon, 12c to 12½c; Canada short cut mess pork, $18 to $18.50; barrel beef, $12.50 to $13.

Receipts to-day were 350 packages meats, 716 packages hams and bacon, 750 barrels pork, and 9,000 packages lard.

The Liverpool market is inclined to be weak. Pork is now quoted at 66s 3d; lard, 35s 9d; bacon, 37s 6d to 41s; tallow, 26s 6d to 27s.

EGGS.

The market is firm to-day at 11½c to 12c for best eggs, 11c for No. 2, and 9c to 10c for culls.

Receipts to-day were 1,536 cases.

BUTTER.

The market is reported firm at 17c and it is possible that sales of the Eastern Townships factories may be made at a fraction over this figure. There is an improved speculative demand and as soon as cold storage space is provided it is likely that shipments will commence, but as yet there is no pressure to report. Receipts to-day were 954 packages.

CHEESE.

The market is rather slow, and inclined to be weak, though there is little actual change in quotations. Finest western white are offered at 10½c, and colored at 10¼c to 10⅝c, while easterns are offered at 10c to 10¼c, according to quality. Quebec cheese is as yet of inferior quality. Country markets are expected to show a substantial decline this week. Receipts of cheese were 4,326 boxes to-day.

Ormstown May 15.—The Ormstown Cheese and Butter oBard will hold its first auction on Thursday, May 17, at 1.30 p.m. At a business meeting held last week the old officers were re-elected.

Ingersoll, Ont., May 15.—Offerings, 422 boxes; mostly second week May make; no sales, 9⅝c bid. Good attendance.

New York, May 15.—Butter, firm; western creamery, 16½c to 20c; western factory, 13c to 15½c; imitation creamery, 14c to 17c; state dairy, 15½c to 19c; state creamery, 16½c to 20c. Cheese weak; fancy large white, 10¼c to 10⅝c, fancy large colored, 10¼c; fancy small white, 9½c to 9¾c; fancy small colored, 9¾c to 9¾c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Ashes, weak at $4.55 for first pots and $4.10 for seconds, with pearls at $5.15; apples, $4 to $4.50 for fancy, and $2.50 to $3 for slack and ordinary. Honey dull at 9c to 10c for white extracted, and 7c to 8c for dark. Hay, demand good, values firm at $9 to $10 for best grades and $7 to $8 for clover and mixed. Potatoes steady at 30c to 35c in car lots. Maple syrup, 7c to 7½c per lb., and sugar, 9c to 10c per lb.

MANITOBA WHEAT.

The local market has been firm for the most part, although it has broken badly at the end of the week under the influence of outside markets. The price of 1 hard spot Fort William has remained almost stationary until yesterday, the figure being 68½c, but dropping yesterday to 67¼c. There has been a fair demand, but trading has not been on a large scale, as the holders have not been free sellers. With the decline, buyers are scarcely to be found, and there will be little done until the market steadies again, and buyers can make offers with confidence. The demand during the past week has been altogether for spot wheat, and shippers would not offer more than spot price for May or June delivery. Two hard and 1 northern 2¼c under 1 hard and 3 hard 4½c under 1 hard. There is very little wheat of the lower grades, and prices are irregular.—Winnipeg 'Commercial.'

CANADIAN LUMBER.

Farnworth & Jardine's Wood Circular dated Liverpool, May 1, 1900, says:

The arrivals from British North America during the past month have been 7,935 tons register, against 6,799 tons register during the corresponding month last year, and the aggregate tonnage to this date from all places during the years 1898, 1899, and 1900, has been 73,450, 74,416 and 83,698 tons respectively. The business of the past month has again been quiet. The arrivals generally have been fairly moderate, but the deliveries have been disappointing; stocks on the whole are light and prices continue steady, and owing to the serious fire at Ottawa, some articles will probably be held for higher values.

Canadian Woods—Pine Timber—Of Waney the arrivals consist of a parcel of second-class wood imported coastwise; the deliveries have been moderate, but the stock is light and values firm. Square is only in limited request; stock is sufficient. Red Pine: The stock is about exhausted, but the requirements are small. Oak: There has been more enquiry for first class shipments suitable for railway work; the deliveries show slight improvement, but stocks are adequate for present requirements; prices are firm. Elm still commands high prices and the stock is almost bare; however, fresh imports will shortly be coming forward. Ash is in limited demand, especially large wood; stock is very light. Pine Deals:—The deliveries have been fairly satisfactory, and the stock is now reduced to 7,000 standards, against 11,500 standards corresponding month last year; the advanced values have been maintained. Particulars of the stocks destroyed by the disastrous fire at Ottawa last week are not yet to hand, but it is anticipated this branch of the trade will be very seriously disturbed. Red Pine Deals continue in good request, and prices are firm.

New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Spruce and Pine Deals—The arrivals during the past month have been 4,100 standards, against 3,020 standards corresponding month last year; the deliveries appear small, but this is partly due to the bulk of the import having arrived at the end of the month and prices continue fairly steady and the stocks are not large. Pine Deals have improved in value; stocks are light.

Birch—Of logs, the import has been moderate and the deliveries have about kept pace; there is little change in value; the stocks are not heavy. Planks have arrived less freely; the deliveries have been large and stocks are light; values continue steady.

Pitch Pine—The arrivals have been 5 vessels, 7,119 tons, against 5 vessels 6,743 tons during a like period last year; there has been a fair import and a satisfactory consumption, leaving us with moderate stocks. Of Hewn, there has been a good importation, namely, 103,000 cubic feet; a moderate consumption leaves us with a somewhat increased though moderate stock Of Sawn the consumption has been considerably in excess of the import, leaving us with a further reduced stock. Of Deals and Boards the stock is light and the advanced prices are well maintained.

Oregon and British Columbian Pine—The market is quite bare of stock.

CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND.

Ottawa, May 16.—The Canadian Patriotic Fund has now reached the sum of $281,997.

THE CALEDONIAN GAMES.

A largely attended meeting of the general committee of the Caledonian Society was held in the society's parlors, St. Andrew's Home, last night. Considerable business was transacted and the reports presented were of a most satisfactory nature. It was announced that the annual games would be held on Aug. 11, and at the Queen's Park. These grounds are particularly well suited for the Caledonian gatherings, and every effort will be made to make the outing a great success.

A committee was appointed to carry out a resolution of the society, namely, to tender a reception to the members who had recently been honored with Fenian raid medals. Among the latter is a number of past presidents, including the first president of the society. Several contributions were added to the society's library.

A PLEASING CONCERT.

A farewell concert was given by Miss Louisa Morrison last evening in Karn Hall, at which an excellent programme was carried out. Miss Morrison sang several songs in good voice, the 'Arabian Love Song,' with violin obligato, and a ballad 'I do not ask thee to resign,' being especially liked. These selections were both Miss Morrison's own composition. Messrs. Anderson, Labelle, and Eichhorn furnished some very sweet instrumental music. 'The Promise of Life,' was rendered by Miss Margaret Stark with a distinctness of enunciation particularly noticeable. Miss Blanche Wells, a pupil of Miss Morrison, rendered a rather difficult selection very successfully. A baritone solo, 'Le Veau d'Or,' by Mr. Mendoza Langlois, called forth warm applause. 'Thine eyes so blue,' sung by Mr. J. Leslie Tedford, and 'Gipsy John,' by Mr. G. W. Stephens, jr., were much enjoyed. Mr. Denis Lanctot recited. 'Helene' in an expressive manner. Mr. Eichhorn acted as accompanist.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

A DOMESTIC EPISODE.

A Cautious Wife Prevents a Sour Stomach Disturbance.

Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets to the Rescue—They Cure Sour Stomach or Acid Dyspepsia and thus Prevent Suicide in Many Cases.

'Ugh! I've been tortured by a sour stomach ever since dinner, and it has made me utterly good for nothing,' grumbled the head of the family, as he sat down with the evening paper after his day's work.

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WANTED, A MAN TO WORK ON Market garden farm: can milk, five cows; Scotch, English or German preferred. GEORGE E. DAVIS, Bennington, Vermont, U.S.A.

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WANTED, A YOUNG MAN, as Entering Clerk and Assistant Bookkeeper; must be a good and expert penman, and have good recommendations. Apply by letter in own handwriting, stating age, etc., etc., to McF., 'Witness' Office. 14

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WANTED, TO PURCHASE, LADIES' and Gentlemen's Cast-off Clothing, Furs, Carpets, Household Furniture of all descriptions; Pictures, Paintings, Musical Instruments, Firearms, Bicycles; best prices paid. Address, M. FRANK, 493 Craig street. Post-Office Box, 423, formerly of 539 Craig street.

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The Boys' Page.

Stories About Dogs.

(Compiled for 'Christian Work.')

THE DOGS OF THE CONCIERGERIE

We seem to hear the baying of deep-mouthed, great, fierce dogs—shepherds' dogs, as one might say, since their office is to guard the sheep for slaughter. Several of these faithful canine animals were employed in the prison; but one of them, named Ravage, was distinguished for ferocity and sagacity. Jailers slept at night near the cour de preau, and Ravage kept watch there with his master. Some prisoners attempted to escape by boring a hole in the wall.

Their chief danger of detection consisted in the watchfulness of Ravage; but, strangely enough, he was silent. His silence was explained on the following morning by an assignat of a hundred sous, which was tied to his tail, together with a little note, on which was written, 'on peut corrompre Ravage avec un assignat de cent sous et un paupet de pieds de moutin.' The depraved dog walked about publishing his own infamy, and was hailed with shouts of laughter. He was immured, as a punishment, for some hours in a cachot, and emerged with an air of deep humiliation.—'The Quarterly Review.'

THE EMOTION OF GRIEF IN A DOG.

Dutch was a brown retriever of advanced years. Curly was reputed to be a Scotch terrier, but his appearance suggested some uncertainty in his descent. Dutch was chained to her kennel, and Curly, who enjoyed his liberty, evinced his friendship by frequently taking bones and other canine delicacies to his less fortunate friend. One morning Curly presented himself at the house, evincing unmistakable signs of grief by his demeanor and his whines. A visit to the kennel, where poor Dutch was found lying dead, showed the occasion of Curley's unhappiness. We buried Dutch decorously under a vine in the garden, and supposed that Curly would forget the incident, but we were touched to see him in the capacity of faithful mourner often revisit the spot where his old friend was laid, taking with him, by way of offering, choice bones, which he carefully buried by the grave. This practice Curly maintained for two years, when we left the house.—Cor. London 'Spectator.'

A DISHONEST DOG.

A true story of a farmer's dog which has been found guilty of obtaining goods under false pretences, has recently been told. The animal is extremely fond of biscuits, and has been taught by his owner to go after them for himself, carrying a written order in his mouth. Day after day he appeared at the chandler's shop, bringing his master's order, and by and by the shopman became careless about reading the document.

Finally, when settlement day came, the farmer complained that he was charged with more biscuits than he had ordered. The chandler was surprised, and the next time the dog came in with a slip of paper between his teeth he took the trouble to look at it. The paper was blank, and further investigation showed that whenever the dog felt a craving for a biscuit, he looked round for a piece of paper, and trotted off to the shop.

A KNOWING NEWFOUNDLAND.

We think it would be an excellent thing if all the children were as sensitive to praise and blame as the dog in the following story. And if Lion felt so much mortification over coming into the parlor with muddy feet, cannot our boys be a little more careful even than he was?

A Newfoundland dog owned by a New Orleans lady gave an entertaining illustration of the fact that in some way dogs comprehend what is said to them.

One day a lady called on his mistress, and during her visit Lion came in rather shyly, lay down on the parlor carpet, and went to sleep. The conversation ran on, and the visitor finally said, 'What a handsome Newfoundland dog you have!'

Lion opened one eye.

'Yes,' said his mistress. 'He is a very good dog, and takes excellent care of the children.' Lion opened the other eye, and waved his tail complacently to and fro on the carpet. 'When the baby goes out he always goes with her, and I feel sure that no harm can come to her,' his mistress continued. Lion's tail thumped up and down violently on the carpet. 'And he is so gentle to them all, and such a playmate and companion to them, that we would not take a thousand dollars for him.' Lion's tail now went up and down, to and fro, and round and round with great, undisguised glee. 'But,' said the mistress, 'Lion has one serious fault.' Total subsidence of Lion's tail, together with the appearance of an expression of great concern on his face. 'He will come in here with his dirty feet and lie down on the carpet, when I have told him time and again that he mustn't do it.'

At this point Lion would doubtless have remonstrated if he could; but, being speechless, he arose with an air of the utmost dejection and humiliation, and slunk out of the room, with his lately exuberant tail totally crestfallen.—'Our Dumb Animals.'

BIBLE THOUGHTS.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16.

CHRIST DIED FOR US.

This fact is stated twenty-seven times in the New Testament. The word 'for' meaning 'in our stead,' 'in behalf of,' is always used of Christ's death. Christ died for the ungodly, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Christ died for our sins. (Rom. v., 6, 8: I. Cor, xv., 3.) He died for all. Christ suffered for us. He laid down His life for us. (II. Cor. v., 15: I. Pet. ii., 21: I. Jno. iii., 16.) The frequent statement that His death was in our behalf, in our stead, invests it with supreme importance to us, and shows the prominence which should be given to it in the preaching of the gospel. 'I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto Me.' Three times the Lord speaks of being lifted up. Three times, 'I lay down My life.' Three times He gave Himself up. He came into the world not to preach morality, not to set an example only, but really to die, that men might not perish. The Lord's Supper is to keep this fact before men and without it there is no preaching of the gospel, and no salvation for men. He loved me and gave Himself up for me.' (Gal. ii., 20.)

It is said that of the missionaries who have gone from Great Britain to the heathen, nineteen-twentieths became converted at the Sabbath-school, and that of the orthodox ministers of England, who are under forty years of age, more than two-thirds found Christ in the Sabbath-school. Henderson and Patterson, who have done such great wonders on the Continent in regard to the Bible cause, received their first impressions at Sabbath-schools. The celebrated Dr. Morrison, missionary in the vast empire of China, who has translated the whole of the Bible into Chinese, a language spoken by the largest associated population on the globe, was first converted and brought to Christ's feet at a Sabbath-school. Who can tell how many Brainerds, and Buchanans, and Morrisons, and Martyns, and Livingstones, God is training in those schools, to become the blessed instruments in his hands of bringing the world to himself?—'Presbyterian Review.'

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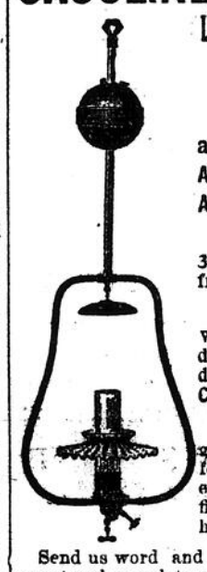
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Plans and specifications may be seen at the Station Master's Office, Amherst, N.S., and at the Chief Engineer's Office, Moncton, N.B., where forms of tender may be obtained.

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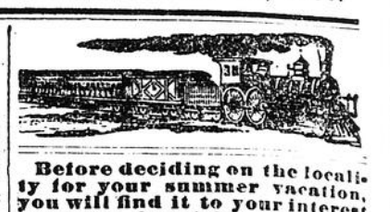
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Quebec	3.50	Caledonia Spgs	2.20
St. Johns	1.00	Hudson	1.10
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St. Agathe	2.00	Ste. Anne de B. (going rail, ret. boat)	0.80
St. Faustin	2.45	St. Jerome	0.95
St. Jovite	2.70	(all rail)	0.70
St. Lin	0.95	Knowlton	2.15
St. Margaret	1.65		

On May 24th train will leave Windsor Street Station for Point Fortune and intermediate stations, at 1.30 p.m., the regular trains due to leave at 12.30 p.m. and 5.15 p.m. will be cancelled.

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Sherbrooke	3.35	Vaudreuil	0.80
Quebec	3.50	Valleyfield	1.15
St. Johns	1.00	Cornwall	2.15
Iberville	1.00	Lachine, going rail, return boat over Rapids	0.50
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TRUTHS AND UNTRUTHS TOLD BY THE ENEMY.

(Julian Ralph, in London 'Daily Mail.')

Bloemfontein,—The most interesting thing about our stay in Bloemfontein is the fact that we are among the Boers.

We enter a shop, and the tailor or chemist, or whatever he may be, tells us that he fought us in all Methuen's battles. We call at a town dwelling or a country cottage, and find that the man of the establishment has just given up his rifle to the British and come back to his home and family. We enter into a conversation with a man on the street and suddenly discover that he is telling us just the things that we did not know about some fight of which we had thought we knew rather too much.

The few sore-headed and over-noisy men who were disposed to keep the trouble going (they were mainly Germans) have either run away or been sent to Capetown, and we are all dwelling together as brothers in amity.

It took a little time and some severity to bring us to this even tenor of concord. A few arrests, a few fleecings, a few gentle hints to leave, and it was done. Some women, mostly Germans again, are understood to be tuning treason to their own voices. I know of one who creeps out of doors when she is obliged to go, but shudders at the sight of the hated British, and tells us so—but we are only fighting men with Mausers.

All has been and is just what was to have been expected, and yet we cannot help being a little surprised. We have not, even now, become used to seeing loose-bodied, big-hatted Boers flopping up and down in their saddles, in twos and threes, in the streets—and neither shooting at us nor being shot at. Personally, I admit that I cannot get used to being with them and having them tell me about their people and doings in the war—they are so 'slim,' (tricky), so bent on saying whatever they think you want them to say, so generally and so deeply unprincipled.

A VERY PECULIAR COMMANDO.

I met one yesterday who is of English stock, and therefore a bit more believable. He said that he had been in Schumann's commando down in Rensburg. This was a most peculiar commando, he said, and was looked upon by all Boers as of very little use or respectability, because it was all made up of English, Irish, Scotch, and American men who had no dislike for the English and no intention to kill any if they could help it. He said that his comrades were all very like himself, men with farms and houses, wives and children, and were burghers years before the war.

In order to save their property and protect their families from insult they took up arms when they were ordered to do so. He told me that only about 1,700 Transvaal Boers had been fighting in the Free State (we captured 4,000), that there were not above twenty or thirty foreign mercenaries in the Free State Forces—which is very likely to be true—and that there were not more than 1,000 mercenaries in the Transvaal army. He called the mercenaries 'auxiliaries,' and when I asked him why he did so, he said it was because they were not paid, and, therefore, could not be called mercenaries.

THE BURGHER'S EQUIPMENT.

Each burgher, he said, had been obliged to provide himself with a horse, a Mauser, thirty cartridges, and eight days' food, and to be ready to join a commando at a moment's notice. They paid very little for the Mauser and cartridges—presumably the price the government itself paid for the weapons. The eight days' rations were needed for the journey to the commando, and for the men's use until the commando was established and providing itself with food. Rifles, ammunition and eight days' rations were given to the foreigners, but nobody got any pay.

'We never wanted anything in the way of proper food,' he said. 'We were always much better off than you were,' He thought there were 50,000 Boers in the field when the war began.

I found myself in the middle of a family circle of Boers on another day, and got from them a great deal of misinformation and the usual half of one percent of truth.

The eldest daughter said that there were 400 mercenaries in the Transvaal force, and her father said there were 4,000. However, there were some things upon which they agreed. One was that no matter what disagreement there had been upon the question whether or not the Free State ought to have gone into this war, it would have been impossible to keep the young men out of it. Their Boer blood was on fire, and they insisted upon fighting. They did not, any of them, praise President Steyn — whom they admitted to possess a weak and colorless character—but they insisted that he was in no degree responsible for the action of his state. They said that their president had not the power of a policeman, and that in this case he simply obeyed the majority.

ALBRECHT'S INFLUENCE.

This Boer family also agreed that Albrecht was the only foreigner who was listened to or obeyed by the Boers except, perhaps, the Frenchman who came out to teach them how to handle the Creusot guns. Albrecht had been a burgher so long, and was so brave, that he obtained great power and influence. As an example of his bravery it was said that at Magersfontein, when our artillery was frightening the Boers terribly, Albrecht stood up and said: 'Why should I be afraid. There is plenty of room for the shells to pass on each side of me.' He said this in a jargon-language, as he said everything else, for he never learned Taal, and sprinkled what he knew of it all over with German.

Of Villebois—the Frenchman, of whom such marvellous stories are told in the European newspapers—it was said that he played a difficult and unpleasant role simply because the Boers will not yield obedience or even respect to a foreigner. When Cronje was at Jacobsdaal, it is alleged that Villebois came to him and said, 'The English are going to surround you, sir.'

Cronje smiled and said, 'The English will never leave the railway.'

Villebois replied that there was so much good sense and obviously clever strategy in their cutting loose from the railway and forming a cordon around the Boer army that he was sure they would do it.

'You are a boy,' said Cronje, angrily; 'hold your tongue, and remember that I was a soldier before you were born.'

COUNTING THEIR DEAD.

I wonder whether I have ever written in my notes of the Boers, how it is said that they compute their losses in battle?

Everyone in England knows, of course, that eight is the largest number of killed which they have ever reported, that 'two killed' is the usual admission, and that their reports of each battle usually end with the sentence: 'The English dead covered the ground,' or 'Thousands of English and Gourkhas were seen dead on the field as we retired to take up a better position.' The explanation of a part of this perverse mistreatment of facts is this: When a battle is closing the Boer commandant begins to look the dead over.

'Who is this?' he asks, as he comes to a body.

'That is a Swede.'

'Bury him,' he orders.

Stopping by a second body he asks, 'Whose body is that?'. He is told that it is another Swede—or a Hollander—or a Frenchman. 'Bury him,' he says.

Over a third body he is told that the remains are those of a Johannesburg miner. 'Bury him,' is his reply.

When he reaches the next corpse he inquires whose it is, and is informed that it is the body of young Piet Vanderbile.

'One killed,' he remarks, making a note with his pencil on a piece of paper. 'Tell his people in the commando where they can find his body to take it away.'

This is done; for, as I have said, to die in battle among the Boers is almost like dying at home. Each man has fighting beside and around him his father, uncles, or brothers, or cousins, and these look after him as decently as they can—even riding off to the dead man's home with the body if it is possible.

It still appears that what we used to hear about the independence of each private soldier in a commando is very true. The Boers who are around here all say that there is no discipline, as we understand the term, in their ranks. A man may choose his own place in the Boer position of battle. He fights or not, as he pleases. He even leaves his commando and goes home when he is tired of the war, or when he funks under fire. Plenty of Boers have returned to their homes already, but it is admitted that the guying they get from their neighbors is apt to be scarcely less endurable than the fear they felt in battle.

JOUBERT AMONG THE KNICKERBOCKERS.

News of Piet Joubert's death has just reached us in Bloemfontein, and I am reminded by that of the account that Surgeon-Major Lindley, of Remington's Corps of Guides, gives of the old general's visit to New York a dozen years ago. The two met there. The descendants of Hollanders in New York were making a great festive to-do over the simple and rough old man, not in the least knowing that the Boers are of such mixed blood as to have very little claim upon kinship with either the Hollanders or their Knickerbocker descendants. Dr. Lindley took Joubert to see a grammar school — Tom Hunter's old school, in Thirteenth street, I believe.

The doctor introduced Joubert as a famous general of the Washington or Simon Bolivar sort, but Joubert would have no praise for any skill he did not possess.

'Heaven won my battles,' said he, 'I was only the humble instrument.' That was, of course, the customary Boer cant, and was not believed in for a moment even by the man who uttered it. But what he next said was sincere.

'When I look down upon these hundreds of young faces,' he continued, 'and know that you are all here to get education, and when I think that the tiniest little child before me knows a great deal more than I do, I am more sad than ever to have missed a good schooling and to be forced to go through life a stupid, ignorant old man. If I could only make you know how bitterly I regret the loss of education, I am sure that not one of you would ever throw away an hour of the time you have in which to study.'

A NEW HOTEL.

Mr. E. W. Dowling, who has been connected with the Windsor Hotel for the last fourteen years, successively as clerk and treasurer, has resigned his position to accept a more lucrative one under a syndicate of American capitalists, who have several enterprises on hand—notably, the erection of a fine uptown hotel in the city, thoroughly modern and up-to-date—a project that has been referred to more than once in the 'Witness.' The site has not been chosen, but there is no doubt the enterprise will be carried out. Mr. Dowling is under a three-years' contract with the syndicate, and his position from a financial point of view, is much improved by the change. Affable, courteous, good humored, Mr. Dowling made hosts of friends during his stay in the Windsor. He was thoroughly well known to the travelling, and especially the American, public, and he had the happy faculty of making the guests feel at home. He will be much missed. When the new venture is realized, Mr. Dowling will be ready to resume his connection with the public in the capacity of manager.

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TOWN OF ST. LOUIS.

THE GOVERNMENT REFUSES TO RESCIND PRIVILEGE GRANTED PARK & ISLAND.

The council of St. Louis held a meeting last night, Mayor Villeneuve presiding. Councillors Martel, Godon, Chaussé, Dubois, Lajeunesse, Goyer, Therien and Hurteau were present.

Mr. Crevier, a taxpayer and a member of the Citizens' Association, asked permission to say a few words with reference to the lighting contract.

The Mayor said that as the contract had been signed the question was not before the council, and nothing could be done unless Mr. Crevier was prepared to contest it.

Mr. Crevier replied that he was ready to contest it.

The Mayor said the council had the right to pass this contract.

Mr. Crevier admitted the service had been unsatisfactory, but on the other hand the price ($115 per arc lamp) agreed upon with the Royal Electric Company was too high; it was fifteen dollars on each light more than the company had offered to furnish the lights for on a previous occasion. He understood there were about fifty such lamps, and this represented a loss of $750 a year, and as the number of lights was increased, in future years the loss would be thousands of dollars annually on the fifteen years' contract.

Councillor Goyer replied that they had been losing money in the past by paying for light which they did not get.

Mr. Bisaillon, Q.C., attorney for the town, appeared before the council to report the result of the correspondence with the Hon. Mr. Dechene, Minister of Agriculture, on the subject of the privilege granted the Park & Island Railway to run through the new streets to be opened on the old exhibition grounds. He read the letter he had written to the Minister of Agriculture and the reply received, which is to the effect that when the government was giving land to the council valued at over $200,000, it considered that the privilege granted the Park & Island Railway was in the public interest, because this land was so far from any centre, and it would have been disposed to give this right to any company. When the government offered to cede this part of the old exhibition ground the government supposed that the existence of this right, previously granted to the Park & Island Railway, was known to the council.

Councillor Lajeunesse took exception to the statement made in the answer of Mr. Dechene that this land was worth $200,000. It was in reality a gift to the council which would entail a heavy outlay from which no adequate return could be expected for many years to come.

Councillor Chaussé thought it would be better for the council not to take over these streets, burdened as they were with a franchise, but leave them to the government, and the Park & Island Company, which could lay its double tracks and put up all the poles it wanted.

Mr. Bisaillon also reported the result of interviews he had had with Mr. White, attorney for the Water & Power Company, with reference to matters in dispute between that company and the council, and suggested the appointment of a committee to arrange the details of settlement and buy out the rights of the company in the town of St. Louis.

A committee was then appointed, consisting of Mayor Villeneuve and Councillors Goyer, Martel and Chaussé, to carry out the suggestion.

The council then adjourned.

LONGUEUIL COUNCIL.

A NEW 500 CANDLE-POWER LAMP.

A regular meeting of the Longueuil council was held on Monday night, Mayor Perrault presiding. Councillors Gariepy, Brissette, Lasnier, Denicourt and Globensky were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were only adopted after a prolonged discussion. Councillor Gariepy objecting to the form in which the incident which gave rise to a personal altercation between the Mayor and himself was recorded. The minutes, with some slight amendments, were finally adopted by a vote of three to two.

Councillor Gariepy took exception to the legality of the proceedings, and explained that he assumed full responsibility for the assertions he had made at a former meeting, and which led to the attempt to expel him from the council. He protested and asked that the protest be entered in the minutes, which was allowed.

The discussion was continued for some time, until it was stopped by the ruling of the Mayor on a point of order.

The secretary-treasurer read a letter from Madame J. E. Dubois requesting the use of the hall for a lecture; also a letter from Mr. E. Montpetit offering to make a trial of a new 500 candle-power street lamp, which was referred to the light committee.

A petition from Messrs. Corriveau and Laroque asking that the tax on private butchers' stalls be reduced from $60 to $40 was referred to the finance committee.

On motion of Councillor Denicourt, the council appointed Councillor Lasnier acting mayor.

It was then decided to retain Mr. Denault, the lamp-lighter, in the service of the corporation, provided that he makes good the loss occasioned by the breaking of some sixteen street lamps under his care.

The council then adjourned.

The steamer 'Hosanna' is now running to the foot of Jacques Cartier square.

SOUTH AFRICAN PAINTINGS.

The three pictures of South African scenery, including the Drakensberg mountains, from the Natal side, described in the 'Witness,' last week, are now to be seen at Mr. Edlington's store, 2311 St. Catherine street. It will be remembered that the pictures are the work of a former resident of Ladysmith, now of Montreal, who painted them on the spot, and that they are for sale.

EMINENT MISSIONARIES.

The Rev. Canon Edwards and the Rev. James Thomas at Emmanuel Church.

WORK OF THE BIBLE SOCIETY IN INDIA AND CHINA.

Emmanuel Congregational Church was well filled last evening on the occasion of a special meeting in the interests of the Bible Society. His Lordship Bishop Bond occupied the chair, and interesting addresses were delivered by the Rev. Canon Edmonds, of Exeter Cathedral, England, and the Rev. James Thomas, one of the secretaries of the British and Foreign Bible Society; both of whom were delegates to the recent Ecumenical Conference on Foreign Missions at New York.

After devotional exercises, conducted by the Rev. E. M. Hill, of Calvary Church, the Rev. Messrs. Edmonds, and Thomas were made the recipients of a warm welcome by the Rev. Dr. Shaw. Bishop Bond then introduced the visitors to the audience after which the Rev. Canon Edmonds rose to speak. He remarked upon the intense appreciation felt in England for Canada's action in connection with the war in South Africa, and said that it was with a feeling of thankfulness that they could reflect that that night the British flag flew over the scene of the first reverse to our arms. Proceeding, Canon Edmonds likened the work the British Empire was doing in the world to-day to what is spoken of in Psalm cxlvii. Referring to missionary work in India and his own experiences in that country, he remarked on the perplexity of the Hindoos as a nation in respect to the three worlds—the world without, the world within, and the world beyond. He instanced the peculiarities of the native trends of thought, and remarked upon the mental misery which comes upon one to witness intellects of a high order wasted upon matters both trivial and debasing. He showed what good work the Bible Society was doing in India, by stating that all the millions of India could easily procure translations of the Scriptures in their respective languages. The speaker concluded by making a strong appeal on benalf of the society, stating that it was not without effort that India was annually supplied with some 4,000,000 copies of the scriptures.

The Rev. James Thomas also alluded to the warmth of British feeling for Canada. Speaking of the Bible Society's work, the speaker gave a brief review of the growth of the society, showing how rapid it had been. Starting with work on 35 languages at the commencement of the century, the society now dealt with the translation of the Bible, or parts thereof in 360 different languages, and dialects. Mr. Thomas then reverted to missionary work in China and showed, as Canon Edmonds had shown to be the case in India, how degraded were the people by superstition and ignorance of the truth. He gave an interesting description of the way in which colporteurs go about their work in the Chinese towns, and, as did the previous speaker, concluded with expressing the hope that those present would assist the society in its work, mentioning that at the society's recent May meeting, in London, a deficit was reported of $25,000.

A collection was then taken up in aid of the society.

The Rev. F. M. Dewey, of Stanley Presbyterian Church, in the course of a few remarks, mentioned that the Montreal branch of the B. & F. M. Society this summer intended to send out in the province of Quebec twelve additional colporteurs, speaking the French language, and it was expected that they would do a very important work.

The benediction, pronounced by the Rev. Dr. Mackay, closed the proceedings.

LESSONS OF HULL AND OTTAWA FIRE.

Mr. J. J. Kenny, managing director of the Western Assurance Company, in a circular letter to his agents regarding the Ottawa-Hull conflagration, in advising them as to the probable net loss to that company (which, after deducting re-insurances, he estimates at $122,000), says:

It may be well—particularly in view of the prevailing competition of companies that are offering insurance at lower rates than the 'Tariff Offices'—to call attention to some of the lessons which this recent disaster teaches. Among these are:

1st—The Liability of all Cities and Towns to similar Sweeping Fires.—St. John, N.B., in 1877, suffered even a more serious loss than Hull and Ottawa, to which the insurance companies contributed nearly six and a half million dollars; while New Westminster, B.C., in 1898, and Windsor, N.S., in 1897, and many smaller conflagrations, have made heavy drafts upon the companies' funds. The fire protection in Hull and Ottawa was better than that of nine-tenths of the towns in Canada.

2nd—The Necessity of Large Assets to enable Companies to meet such Losses—During the past twenty-five years ten joint stock fire insurance companies which have been organized in Canada, and which wrote business below the recognized tariff rates have, owing to unfavorable experience, discontinued business, having practically lost their entire capital.

3rd—The Necessity of Maintaining, if not Advancing, Present Rates.—Twenty-six companies Advancing, Present Rates—The Reports of the superintendent of insurance for the Dominion show that during the last thirty-one years (the period embraced in these returns), there had been but a very small margin of profit on Canadian business up to the close of the year 1899. This profit has been more than absorbed by the Ottawa and Hull losses. In addition to the Canadian companies that have been forced to retire from business, a number of British and American companies have withdrawn from Canada owing to their unfavorable experience in this field. These results are ample warrant for refusing to meet the competition of companies, which offer to accept business below tariff rates, these rates being shown to have failed to yield sufficient premiums to the companies as a whole to pay the losses and expenses upon Canadian business.

4th—The Importance to Property Owners of Carrying Insurance Proportionate to Value.—The proprietors of some of the largest manufacturing establishments destoyed at Ottawa, relying upon what regard as ample fire protection on their own premises, in addition to that afforded by the city and upon their supposed isolation from external exposure, had recently largely reduced their insurances. As a result they sustained very heavy direct losses, besides the serious indirect loss through suspension of business.

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WHEELING AFFAIRS.

President Tate Refuses to Hold Office in the C. C. A.

BASEBALL — ATHLETICS — AQUATICS — GENERAL SPORTS.

There was an interesting meeting of the Canadian Cyclists' Association last night when Mr. Geo. Tate occupied the chair The others present were Messrs. Arthur Ware (secretary), Glasson, Gilbeault, Martineau, Dorval, McDougall, Greenfield, Dandurand, Coussirat and Landry.

The secretary read many sheets of typewritten matter about the racing rules which are of a similar character to those adopted by the N.C.A., after which considerable discussion took place. This touched on the rules for a minute and then rushed into personal matters which had nothing whatever to do with the meeting. There was much talk of the blacklisting programme and the rules in general were fairly well considered in the make up. It was decided that the Dominion Meet would go to the highest bidder. Mr. Glasson was selected to represent the C.C.A. in Paris. Next a letter was read from Mr. Kelly, declining to hold any office in the new cycling association. He had been elected vice-president.

Telegrams were received from Three Rivers, Toronto and Ottawa, stating that if Martineau was not elected chairman of the racing board they would not support the association. Then there was an argument regarding the business of the scrutineers at the last meeting which Mr. Tate strenuously objected to, and said that under no consideration would he continue to hold office in the association. The meeting tried every scheme imaginable to get Mr. Tate back into the fold, but he absolutely refused to be coaxed. Eventually the meeting was adjourned after a resolution had been passed that Mr. Tate keep the presidency, but in spite of it he was obdurate.

MILITARY CLUB FINALLY ORGANIZED

The Montreal Military Cycle Club was finally organized on Saturday evening, when a constitution and by-laws were adopted, and officers elected for the year. The membership is confined to such active militia men or cadets, recognized by the government, reserve associations and officers on the reserve list.

The following officers were elected:

Honorary president, Lieut.-Colonel Roy, D.O.C.; honorary vice-presidents, officers, commanding corps of the fifth military district; president, Sergeant-Major Fellowes; first vice-president, Sergt. Major Kneen, P. W.F.; second vice-president, Sergt.-Major Gardiner, of the 5th Royal Scots; secretary, Sergt. Wray, of the Duke of York's Hussars; treasurer, Sergt. D. Chevigny, 65th; chief road officer, Ex-Sergt. Leishman, of the Victoria Rifles; deputy road officers, Color Sergt. McNabb and Private Black.

The first run of the club will be held on next Saturday afternoon at 3 p.m. from the Drill Hall. By that time a number of the khaki uniforms will be ready.

HOLLIES OF THE RIGHT SORT.

The Holly Cycle Club held its regular weekly ride on Monday evening. About 15 members left Dominion square a little after 8 p.m., and went over the new Victoria Bridge to St. Lambert, where they rested for about half an hour, and partook of light refreshments. They arrived home about 10 p.m., after spending a very enjoyable evening.

The next ride will be on Saturday afternoon to Back River, leaving Dominion square at 2.30 p.m., when it is hoped that there will be a large turnout of members.

Following is the schedule of rides:

May 21—Pointe aux Trembles.
May 28—Thornhill. 'Ladies' Night.'
June 4—Lachine.
June 11—Catudal's.
June 18—Lower Lachine Road.
June 25—St. Lambert. 'Ladies' Night.'
July 9—Pointe aux Trembles.
July 16—Lachine.
July 23—Thornhill.
July 30—'Ladies' Night'; destination optional.
Aug. 6—St. Lambert.
Aug. 13—Lower Lachine Road.
Aug. 20—Blue Bonnets.
Aug. 27—Thornhill. 'Ladies' Night.'
Sept. 3—Lachine.
Sept. 10—Two Mountains.
Sept. 17—Pointe aux Trembles.
Sept. 24—Thornhill. 'Ladies' Night.'

Club rides leave Dominion square, Dorchester and Metcalfe streets, at 8 p.m., Club rides every Saturday at 3 p.m.; destination optional.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY RACES.

The programme below gives the reader an idea of what races will be held on the Queen's Park track on May 24. Every effort is being made to make the affair a success.

Event 1.—One-third mile novice race; three prizes.

Exent 2.—One hour professional match race between Harry A. Gibson, Cincinnati, vs. John A. Nelson, Chicago, Ill., paced by three motor tandems.

Event 3.—One mile amateur handicap; two prizes.

Event 4.—One mile amateur Queen's Park championship, for gold medal, to be run annually at Queen's Park, on the Queen's Birthday.

Event 5.—Fifteen miles professional motor race (the first in Canada).

Terms for the one-hour match race, purse $600, start to be from tape for both contestants; each to have one motor team, position of pole for start to be decided by toss of coin, the extra motor team to be employed alike for either contestant, to pace either in event of accident, throwing motor out of race. In case of a loss of complete lap by the rider the third motor team employed to pull him up, and it is understood that a new start be made should an accident happen to either motors in first mile, or that fresh start from point at which race left off, providing accident to either motor or pace follower after the first mile.

ATHLETICS.

CALEDONIA GAMES.

The date of the annual games in connection with the Caledonia Society has been fixed for August 11. A number of bicycle races will be on the programme and a sanction has already been obtained. The games will take place on Queen's Park.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

POINTS AT PRACTICE.

To-night the Point Association Football Club will hold a practice in the 'gym' at eight o'clock, after which a committee meeting will be held to discuss important business.

AQUATICS.

LONGUEUIL AFFAIRS.

The annual meeting of the Longueuil Boating Club was held at the boat house. The president, Mr. W. S. Walker, occupied the chair.

The meeting was largely attended and general satisfaction was expressed at the flourishing condition of the club.

The secretary's and treasurer's reports were adopted.

Two of the members have gone to South Africa to do service for their Queen and Empire, Lieut. Albert Laurie and Corporal W. Sully.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President, W. S. Walker, B.C.L.; vice-president, Frank Matthews; treasurer, A. F. White; secretary, E. Millington; captain J. Hurtubise.

Committee — J. H. Marcou, R. A. Elliott, Harry Wilson.

Mr. James McClure was elected auditor.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the ladies of the B.C.H. and to the contributors to the regatta prize list.

ST. LAMBERT BOAT CLUB.

The annual meeting of the St. Lambert Boating Club was held in the club house, St. Lambert, and was attended by a large number of members. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and adopted. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: Hon. president, Mr. W. H. V. Hooper; president, J. Edgar Buchanan; vice-president, J. Innes; secretary, D. S. MacLeod; treasurer, C. A. Christie; assistant secretary, Bruce Hooper; captain, A. Locke. Committee: R. E. Farthing, E. Carpenter, A. Bourne, E. Powell, J. Andrews. The club house was opened for the season last Saturday evening, by an 'at home,' which was largely attended by members and their friends from the city The annual regatta will be held at St. Lambert on Saturday, July 7, and it is the aim of the committee to make it a huge success, and an enjoyable time is guaranteed to all who attend. Bonnet hops will be held every second Friday during the season, commencing with May 25.

BASEBALL.

AT TORONTO.

Toronto, May 15. — Chambers, the new left hand pitcher, who came to Toronto from the Boston team, went into the box to-day. He was very wild, and after giving two bases on balls, hitting a batsman, making an error, he forced in a run. Williams followed and put up a good game, but he could not win. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Toronto	0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0—2	6	3	
Springfield	0 0 3 1 1 1 0 0 0—6	8	2	

AT SYRACUSE.

Syracuse	0 2 1 2 0 0 0 1 x—6	8	4	
Worcester	2 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—2	12	3	

Batteries—Pfannmiller and O'Neill; Horton and Kittredge. Umpire, Egan.

AT ROCHESTER.

Hartford	1 0 0 0 0—1	3	3	
Rochester	0 3 1 0 1—5	5	1	

Batteries—Donovan and Steelman; Bowen and Smink. Umpire, Hunt.

Rain stopped the game in the last half of the fifth inning.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Per-cent.
Rochester	12	4	.750
Providence	9	5	.643
Springfield	7	5	.583
Montreal	8	6	.571
Worcester	7	9	.438
Syracuse	6	8	.429
Hartford	5	10	.333
Toronto	3	10	.231

GAME POSTPONED.

Yesterday afternoon the local baseball team was scheduled to open a series of three games with Providence, but owing to continued rain the game was postponed and if the present weather continues the game will be called for four o'clock sharp. An interesting contest is expected.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	R.	H.	E.
At Chicago—			
Chicago	2 0 0 4 4 0 0 0 x—10	7	2
New York	0 0 1 1 0 0 3 2 1—8	11	2
At St. Louis—			
St. Louis	0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0—2	10	3
Brooklyn	1 0 0 0 1 1 2 0 x—5	12	2
At Pittsburg—			
Pittsburg	0 3 0 0 0 4 0 0 x—7	9	2
Boston	0 0 2 1 0 0 0 0 2—5	7	1
At Cincinnati—			
Cincinnati	1 1 0 0 2 0 0 0 0—4	13	4
Philadelphia	0 0 2 1 1 0 0 0 0 0—4	14	5

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Per-cent.
Philadelphia	14	5	.737
Brooklyn	12	8	.600
Pittsburg	12	9	.571
Chicago	12	10	.545
Cincinnati	9	10	.474
St. Louis	9	11	.450
New York	6	13	.316
Boston	5	13	278

DIOCESAN THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE.

The board of governors of the Montreal Diocesan Theological College met yesterday at four p.m., the Lord Bishop in the chair. There were present, the Ven. Archdeacon Mills, the Rev. Dr. Norton, the Rev. Principal Hackett, Messrs. A. F. Gault, Chas. Garth, E. L. Bond, George Hague and Dr. Johnson.

The report of the educational council gave a review of the work of the year, the main features of which were published in connection with the recent meeting of convocation. It also stated that the books of the Diocesan Synod library were soon to be placed on the shelves of the college library, and that a valuable gift of old books had been presented by Mr. Thomas Craig, of Staten Island. The financial statement showed a small deficit.

The annual meeting of the college corporation was held at eight o'clock, those present being the Ven. Archdeacon Evans, the Rev. Canon Norton, the Rev. Principal Hackett, the Rev. G. A. Smith, Doctor Johnson, Messrs. Garth, E. Bond, G. E. Drummond, A. P. Willis, J. Crathern, G. F. C. Smith, and A. F. Gault, the vice-president, who occupied the chair.

The Very Rev. Dean Carmichael was reappointed a member of the board of governors, and the Hon. Justice Davidson and Mr. H. J. Mudge were elected to the board by the corporation.

Thanks were voted the Lord Bishop for the care and interest taken in the college; the Rev. Dean, for lectures on canon law; the Rev. Principal, for services during the year; the S.P.C.K., of London, for granting nine scholarships to the college, and the St. George's Y.M.C.A., for another scholarship.

WATER COMMITTEE.

THE QUESTION OF THE TIME OF THE WORKING MEN OF THE DEPARTMENT SETTLED.

The Water Committee met yesterday afternoon under the chairmanship of Ald. Clearihue, who is one of the most practical and businesslike chairmen at the City Hall, and transacted a considerable amount of routine business.

The contract for the uniforms of the water inspectors was awarded to the lowest tenderers, coats and trousers to E. Munday at $14.25, and caps to Mr. Monfette at $2.25.

Ald. Robertson inquired about the feasibility of inducing the G. T. R. to lay a siding to the pumping station. It would be very convenient to transport the coal there.

The secretary replied that the matter was already under discussion at the time of Mr. Laforest's dismissal.

It was decided to grant half-pay to Alex. Wilson, an old employee, who is very ill. The pay is to date from Jan. 1.

The sub-committee appointed to inquire into the statement that the employees of the department were obliged to be on hand at 6.30 a.m., reported that they were of the opinion that if the men were to report at 6.45, that would be ample for all demands. It was remarked that the men would lose time by getting their tools and the like, but it was replied it was unfair to compel them to do that on their own time, and the report was adopted.

Ald. Robertson inquired about the cost of putting in the service pipes. He had learned that, as compared with a few years ago, the cost now was almost double.

The assistant superintendent was instructed to make some inquiries into the matter.

MAYOR STONEMAN ELECTED.

Halifax, N.S., May 15.—Mayor A. F. Stoneman, Liberal, was returned to the Local Legislature to-day without opposition.

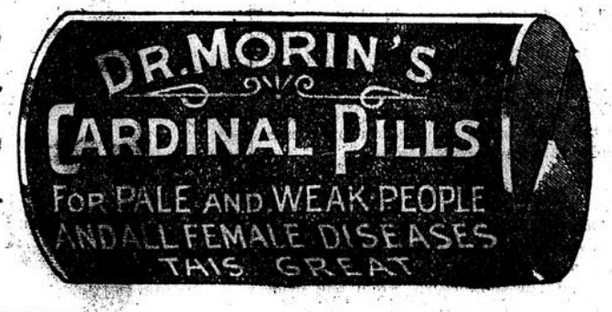
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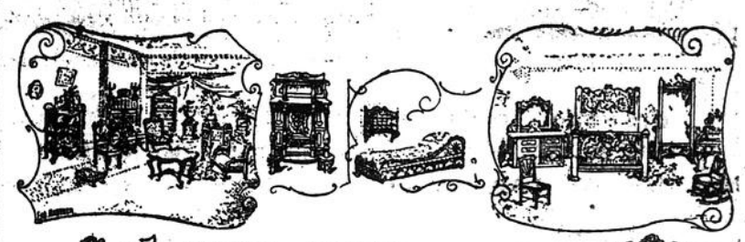
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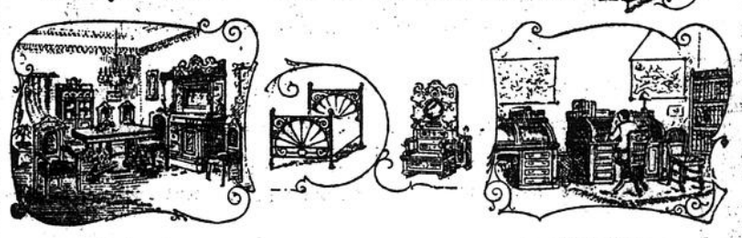
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BRABANT AT LADYBRAND.

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ENEMY'S NEXT STAND EXPECTED TO BE AT PRETORIA—BRITISH LOSSES TO DATE.

London, May 16.—The War Office has received the following from Lord Roberts, dated Kroonstad, May 15, 1 p.m.:—

'Baden-Powell reports, under date of May 7, all going well. Fever is decreasing; the garrison is cheerful, and the food will last until June 10.'

Five days later, the Boers attempted to storm the town, and it is possible that they succeeded, although nothing is known of the attack or of its results, except through Pretoria sources, which have no countenance here. The British relief column is due here now. Ten days ago, General Snyman was having difficulty in keeping the burghers together, owing to the approach of the British, and when the last Associated Press despatch left Mafeking on May 7, the Boers had killed on the previous day one of the Horse Guards, and had captured several of Colonel Baden-Powell's few remaining horses.

Major F. D. Baillie has sent the 'Morning Post,' from Mafeking, under date of May 7, this message:—

'This morning the Boers attacked us. Result as usual. There is an aching void here. Pass the loaf.'

DESPERATE FIGHTING.

A despatch to the 'Daily Mail' from Lorenzo Marquez, dated Tuesday, says: 'There is now no doubt that there was desperate fighting at Mafeking on Saturday, but it is believed to have gone in favor of the garrison. All that can be ascertained of a reliable character follows:

'The Boers, using artillery, attacked the town on Saturday. Very soon the Kaffirs' locaiton was in flames. Some say as the result of shell fire; others as the result of treachery. Fighting at close quarters became general and in the midst of the confusion, the Boers gained possession of the Kaffirs' location, from which point of vantage they brought guns to bear on the town at close range.

'By an adroit move, the garrison, despite its attenuated numbers, succeeded in actually surrounding the party of Boers who had captured the Kaffirs' location. Severe fighting followed, but according to the latest reports, the Boers still hold the location, in which they are probably surrounded.

SNYMAN'S LAST CHANCE.

'The truth is, I believe, that the Pretoria authorities, knowing of the progress of the relief column, gave orders to General Snyman to storm the place. As soon as the location was in flames, Boer bulletins of victory were flying about everywhere to encourage the weak-kneed burghers. Boers who came down here yesterday from Pretoria produced for the edification of incredulous British two telegrams by officials, one of which was signed by Snyman and said: "I was lucky enough to capture Baden-Powell with 900 this morning."

'There is no doubt about the heavy fighting, a telegram from the Portuguese consul to the Governor-General here confirms this; and there is little doubt of the occupation of the Kaffir stadt; but similar telegrams were published at Pretoria about Ladysmith, and quite recently about Wepener, just before Col. Dalgety was relieved.'

Lorenzo Marquez, May 15.—The Netherlands Railway Company has issued a statement that Baden-Powell has captured a large force of Boers.

A war bulletin posted at Pretoria on May 12, announced that the British were advancing to the relief of Mafeking.

No news is forthcoming as to the movements of the relief column, but the 'Post' correspondent in Kroonstad says that General De Wett is preparing at Klerksdorp to resist General Hunter, which looks as though his force was advancing in that direction.

LADYBRAND OCCUPIED.

BRABANT'S HORSE ENTER THE TOWN WITHOUT OPPOSITION.

London, May 15.—General Rundle and General Brabant are taking possession of the wide regions around Ladybrand almost without opposition. They find the country still plentifully supplied with cattle, feed and flour. General Rundle is reducing his transport, and feeding his men and horses largely off the country.

The Boers in that quarter surrender daily, and it is the expectation of the correspondents on the spot that the eastern section of the Free State will soon be as quiet as the western.

General Rundle's front is thirty miles long, but his forces are disposed so that if any point should be attacked the troops there could be quickly reinforced.

Maseru, Basutoland, May 15.—A portion of Brabant's Horse occupied Ladybrand to-day, and another portion is pushing on to Clocolan.

BOERS' NEXT STAND.

FIGHT WILL PROBABLY TAKE PLACE AT PRETORIA.

London, May 15.—The Free Staters are surrendering in larger numbers than after the occupation of Bloemfontein. One officer of the Transvaal artillery says:

'There will be no serious fighting this side of Pretoria, as Bereeniging, on the Vaal river, is indefensible. Heavy guns are being mounted at Pretoria, but Generals Botha and Limmer are agreed that ultimate success is impossible. President Kruger is obstinate, and a majority of the Transvaalers hold firmly with him.'

It is estimated that the Transvaalers can still muster 30,000 men on the fighting line.

The Transvaal army has taken a position at Blaauwbaschdoort Pass, near Heilbron Road station, fifty miles north of Kroonstad. Its rear guard is still holding the hills north of the Valsch river, while the Boer scouts are in touch with British reconnoitring parties twenty miles north of Kroonstad.

The Boers have held a council of war at Dingley, and the British spies have learned that the Boers decided to hold Harrismith as long as possible.

Lord Roberts's infantry is still at Kroonstad.

The railway laborers are hard at work, and the engineers hope to have the line repaired within three days.

The prairie has put on a russet winter coat. The nights are bitterly cold, but the days are hot.

MINES IN DANGER.

London, May 15.—The Lorenzo Marquez correspondent of the 'Times' says: 'Among the prominent burghers in Pretoria there is a feeling that their only chance is to make the most of threats to destroy the Johannesburg mines in the hope of securing intervention.

'The United States consul is interesting himself in the detention by the Portuguese Goverment of a consignment of canned beef at Delagoa Bay, but the reports that he has protested are incorrect. He is awaiting the receipt of a promised protest by the interested parties before taking action.

'For some time, however, he has openly boasted that he would show what he could do.'

The relations between the Transvaal and the Portuguese appear to be strained. The Portuguese consul at Pretoria, according to reports from Lisbon, has been ordered by President Kruger to leave the country. The Portuguese declaration making food and clothing contraband has nearly destroyed the usefulness of Delagoa Bay to the Boers.

Senhor Joaquin Machado, governor-general of Portuguese East Africa, is being entertained at Beira, and the British officers who are passing through are showing him courtesies.

The Lisbon cabinet is understood to count on British protection in the event of Boer aggression.

COWARDLY TACTICS.

LORD ROBERTS REPORTS ANOTHER INSTANCE OF ABUSE OF THE WHITE FLAG.

London, May 16.—The War Office posts the following despatch from Lord Roberts under date of Kroonstad, May 15:—

'Two officers and six men of Prince Alfred's Guards, while out foraging yesterday, a few miles from Kroonstad visited a farm flying a white flag, the owner of which surrendered himself with arms and ammunition. They then approached another farm, also flying a white flag. When within forty yards of the enclosure they were fired upon by fifteen or sixteen Boers concealed behind the farm wall. Two of the men were killed, Lieut F. B. Walton was wounded and Lieut. W. B. Everton and two non-commissioned officers were taken prisoners. The owner of the farm states that the Boers threatened to shoot him when he protested against their making an improper use of the white flag.'

FREE STATERS SURRENDERING.

London, May 16.—According to the London 'News' correspondent, Free Staters to the number of 1,000 are surrendering their arms to Lord Roberts, who has provided them with passes to return to their farms.

BULLER PRESSING ON.

MOVED HIS HEADQUARTERS YESTERDAY TO GLENCOE.

London, May 15.—Certain commentators affiliated with the War Office, say that General Buller's orders to keep the Boers employed have been supplemented by an order to drive them completely out of Natal and then to move on Harrismith.

London, May 16.—The War Office has posted the following despatch from General Buller, dated Dundee, May 16:

'We occupied Glencoe yesterday. The Transvaalers have now evacuated Biggarsberg. The Free Staters on the Drakensberg are much reduced in numbers. The Carolina, Lydenburg and Pretoria commandos trekked north from Hlatikulu on May 13 and 14. Eleven guns were entrained at Glencoe. The last train, with ambulances, left there at dawn on May 15. This result has been largely produced by the action of the fifth division, which during the last few days has done a great deal of very hard work—marching, mountain climbing and road making.

'Trains are now running to Wessel's Nek station.'

[Hlatikulu is on the summit of the Biggarsberg mountains south of Biggarsberg peak, about 13 miles south-west of Glencoe station on the railway. The Boer position at Hlatikulu commanded the passes through the Biggarsberg range by which the Ladysmith road runs to Newcastle. Glencoe is 7 miles west of Dundee, 35 miles north of Ladysmith, and 32 miles south of Newcastle.]

BRITISH TROOPS AT BEIRA.

FIVE HUNDRED MEN HAVE REACHED THAT POINT TO DATE.

Beira, May 13.—Five hundred British troops have arrived here thus far. The Portuguese officials have been most friendly and helpful in passing them through. Changing the railway at Bamboo Creek from narrow to broad gauge has caused a great delay to the troops. A number of horses died there. There is much sickness among the men. It is an unhealthy place, especially at this time of the year.

SAND RIVER CASUALTIES.

NAMES OF CANADIANS WOUNDED INCLUDE ONE MONTREALER.

Toronto, May 16.—The 'Globe's' correspondent with the first Canadian contingent at Kroonstad cables as follows under date of May 13 (delayed in transmission):

'The Royal Canadian Regiment reached here yesterday. The following casualties have occurred since my last message: Killed—Pte. H. Cotton, Carleton Rifles, at Tabya Mountain, April 30; Pte. F. G. Floyd, 7th Fusiliers, at Sand River, May 10.

'Wounded—At Tabya Mountain, May 1, Lieut. J. M. Ross, 22nd Oxford Rifles, slightly; Pte. R. Irving, 9th St. Catharines, slightly; Pte. Rorison, 21st Essex Fusiliers, slightly; Bugler Foster, of Montreal, slightly; Pte. J. Lutz and Pte. J. Letson, 62nd Battalion, both slightly.

'At Sand River, May 10, Private G. W. Leonard, 22nd Battalion, dangerously; Pte. E. Armstrong, R. C. A., Quebec, and A. F. McLean, 36th Dufferin Rifles, slightly.

'Stanley McKeown Brown, the 'Mail and Empire' correspondent, was wounded in the thigh at the Sand River fight on May 10.'

PRIVATE THOMPSON ILL.

Toronto, May 15.—The 'Evening Telegram's' special London cable says: 'Private C. C. Thompson, of A Company, Royal Canadian Regiment, is dangerously ill in the hospital at Winburg. Before enlisting he belonged to the 5th Regiment Canadian Artillery, at Winnipeg.

END PROBLEMATICAL.

LORD ROBERTS UNABLE TO PREDICT WHEN THE CAMPAIGN WILL END.

London, May 15.—Lord Roberts contributes a line to the discussion going on in the press as to when the war will end by the following telegram, dated Monday, and sent through a correspondent who had made the direct enquiry:—

'I regret that I cannot give any reply to your question, as it is impossible to predict now when the campaign may end.'

The view of the other side is reported by a correspondent to whom President Steyn said: 'Sooner than leave this country to fall into the hands of the British, I would destroy all the houses and leave it a desert.'

BRITISH LOSSES HEAVY.

The War Office last evening issued an abstract of British casualties since the beginning of the war. This shows a total of 20,035, exclusive of the sick in the field and the invalids, including the wounded sent home, who number 8,901.

The Queen has issued a proclamation permitting trading between the South African colonies and the portions of the Orange Free State now occupied by the British forces.

LOST AT SEA.

CHOCOLATE BOXES BELONGING TO OTTAWA MEN WENT DOWN WITH THE 'MEXICAN.'

Ottawa, May 15.—Colonel Sherwood has been notified that the chocolate boxes, the Queen's Christmas gifts to the soldiers, that had been consigned to him by Ottawa boys at the front, have been lost in the wreck of the 'Mexican.' The boxes were to have been shipped early in the year to Canada in the care of the Massey-Harris Company, of Toronto. Instructions had to be written for, however, and it was only recently that arrangements could be made to send the prized souvenirs of Her Majesty's kindness. Lieut. Lawless, having occasion to go to Capetown, expedited the shipment of the boxes by having them put aboard the 'Mexican,' and when this steamer went down nothing was saved except a few mail bags. There was a large number of boxes on board, as the Ottawa boys had arranged to have as many as possible of them sent at the one time to Col. Sherwood. The loss of the gifts will be a source of regret, as they were so highly valued by the owners that they refused large sums for them.

PLAYED MARBLES WITH 'BOBS.'

Kingston, Ont., May 16.—The 'Whig' says:—'The Archbishop of Ontario played marbles when in Cork at school with the present General Lord Roberts. 'Bobs' then played a good game, and the world says he plays it yet.'

FATAL FIRE IN TORONTO.

Toronto, May 16.—Thomas Cross, of the coal and wood firm of R. & T. Cross, died in Emergency Hospital this morning at 7.30 after lingering in agony since 1.30. He was seeking to rescue three horses from the stable of his burning wood yard when his clothes caught fire, and in spite of the efforts of a policeman he was fatally burned.

COMING CONFERENCES.

CANADIAN METHODISM TO SOUND THE SIGNAL FOR A NEW NATIONAL PROHIBITION FORWARD MOVEMENT.

Toronto, May 16.—The calls were issued to-day for the annual Methodist conferences. The first, Montreal Conference, as already announced in the 'Witness,' will open at Gananoque on May 30. The Hamilton Conference opens on the following day, May 31, in the Centenary Church, Hamilton. The Bay of Quinte Conference will meet at Port Hope on June 6, the London Conference at St. Mary's on June 7, Manitoba and North-West at Brandon on June 8, and Toronto Conference on June 14.

The reports of the various funds will prove most encouraging. The issues within the connexion are not of a burning nature, and in consequence great moral movements outside of the merely connexional will receive greater attention. This will be of special advantage to the temperance committee of each conference, and there is in consequence a confident expectation that Canadian Methodism will sound the signal at the coming gatherings for a new advance movement for the extirpation of the liquor traffic. The leading spirits of the cause are taking energetic action to make the most of the opportune moment to assure enthusiastic appeals to the membership to prepare to make the influence of the prohibition vote within the Methodist Church a potent factor at the forthcoming Dominion elections.

THIRTY LIVES LOST.

TWO BOATS LOADED WITH YOUNG PEOPLE CAPSIZE AT RONCIGLIONE.

Rome, May 15.—A terrible accident resulting in the death of from thirty to forty persons, took place to-day at Ronciglione on the lake of Vico, during a celebration of the fete of St. Lucie, whose chapel is on the shore of the lake. Two boats, filled with young people, capsized while returning from the chapel, within 300 yards of the landing stage. Only 13 persons were saved.

THE SUPREME COURT.

Ottawa, May 16.—Arguments were concluded yesterday in Allan vs. Evans, and judgment reserved. The court then adjourned till to-morrow, when the Standard Life Insurance Company vs. Trudeau, the last appeal on the Quebec list, will be heard.

NEW INDUSTRY FOR TORONTO.

Toronto, May 14.—Joseph Kilgour, Archibald Hutchison, Thomas Walmsley and Arthur Harvey, of Toronto; F. S. Wiley, of Port Arthur, and J. H. Tilden and H. N. Kittson, of Hamilton, have been incorporated as the Saw Bill Reef Company, Limited, with a share capital of $1,000,000.

CYR WAS VICTORIOUS.

Fall River, Mass, May 15.—Louis Cyr, the Canadian champion, defeated Ronaldo, the German champion, at strength tests for $2,000 and the world's championship to-night. Cyr, on the back lift raised 1,805 pounds, to Ronaldo's 1,650.

TO TAKE B.D. DEGREE.

Kingston, Ont., May 16.—The Rev. R. F. Taylor, Aylmer, Que., son of Mr. Jonathan Taylor, of this city, has passed the necessary examinations to secure the degree of bachelor of divinity.

THE BOER ENVOYS.

Mr. Fischer Explains the Object of Their Visit to America.

LONDON PRESS SURPRISED AT CORDIALITY OF THEIR WELCOME.

New York, May 15.—When Messrs. Fischer, Wolmarans and Wessels, the Boer peace envoys, reached the city today they were eager to hear the latest news from the war. When told at the Hotel Manhattan of the reverses to their arms and the advances made by Lord Roberts, they merely shrugged their shoulders.

'Such news,' said Mr. Fischer, 'does not disconcert us in the least. We read these despatches between the lines; be-



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sides, what difference does one or a dozen reverses make to us?' We never propose to stop fighting until we have gained what we are fighting for—our independence.

The delegates were reticent concerning their plans. 'We cannot say anything which may hinder our cause,' said Mr. Fischer. 'We should like to have the government arbitrate with England, and undoubtedly we shall go to Washington and try to have an audience with President McKinley. If we cannot induce the United States Government to



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do what we like, we shall try to arouse the people so that they will compel the government to recognize us in that way.'

When asked as to the truth of the report that some of the Red Cross men were fighting in the Boer army, Mr. Fischer said:

'Of this I know nothing, though some may have joined our forces when they knew the truth. Some attaches who have gone down there to see us fight, when they saw us fight and knew the



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reasons for the war, have said to us: "Give us guns, for we want to fight with you."'

Mr. Fischer said the reception committee had received invitations for the delegates from the mayors of sixty towns and cities in the United States, and it is probable that they will visit many places before sailing again for the Continent.

WILL APPEAL TO PEOPLE.

According to the 'Evening World' Mr. Fischer, late this afternoon, made the following statement:—

'Our intention now is to apply to the government for aid. Failing in that we shall appeal to the people, that they may give us practical aid. I bear an official message to President McKinley, but I cannot speak of it before it is delivered. We will visit Washington, and transact our business. We are entrusted with the greatest authority, and anything we may do will be upheld by the South African countries. I cannot speak of an American protectorate. If we are unsuccessful in securing mediation, or other intervention there are several other contingent steps that we shall try.

'The subject of a protectorate has been much discussed in Pretoria. If we fail in the United States, I may say that we will seek Russian aid. If America should take action she would be upheld by the powers of Europe. But we look to America because it is a republic. We would rather have American aid than help from any other country. As a friend we think that she would be more influential with England. We hate bloodshed, but we will have independence. Surely there is some way to secure peace with no loss of prestige to England or of independence to us.'

RECEPTION FOR THE ENVOYS.

At the Hotel Manhattan to-night the envoys were received by the general reception committee. Messrs. Kilian, Evans, Rensselaer, and Edward Lauterbach, delivered the principal addresses of welcome. During the course of his speech Mr. Lauterbach attacked the Irish race. He accused it of doing nothing in its home country for the assistance of the Boer, and caused several protests to come up from the rear end of the room. For a moment it looked as though there might be trouble, but a few of the cooler heads in the crowd dominated, and Mr. Lauterbach continued his speech uninterruptedly. Mr. Fischer also spoke.

VIEWS OF LONDON PRESS.

London, May 16.—All the morning papers give long accounts of the reception of the Boer envoys in New York, but none comment editorially except the 'Daily Chronicle' and the 'Times,' the former of which says:—

'To give a parallel instance, suppose that during the course of the Hispano-American war, the Spaniards had asked England to intervene, and had sent a deputation to Queen Victoria, woud they have been received with cheers, presented with the freedom of the city of Southampton or of the meanest township in that vicinity? This difference between the temper of the English people towards America, and that of the American populace toward England will take a good deal to explain away.'

The 'Times' says:—'As the presidential campaign is at hand, the American wire-pullers on both sides perceive that Mr. Fischer and his colleagues may be used to influence German and Irish votes. The Boer envoys are tolerably certain to meet with plenty of verbal sympathy. So long as that is all they get we shall not greatly mind, and we feel tolerably secure that they will get nothing more.'

WENT UP IN SMOKE.

Half a Million Dollar Fire at St. Catherines.

PLANT OF THE WELLAND VALE COMPANY AND THE CANADA CYCLE MOTOR COMPANY'S WORKS DESTROYED.

St. Catharines, Ont., May 16.—The entire plant of the Welland Vale Company and the Canada Cycle and Motor Company's works were destroyed by fire at three o'clock this morning. The fire started in the hardening department of the cycle works. Five hundred men are thrown out of employment. The loss is estimated at half a million dollars.

TORONTO SCANDAL FALLS THROUGH.

Toronto, May 16.—Judge McDougall yesterday handed out his finding in the Thomson investigation in which the conduct of the city fire brigade in relation to municipal politics has been under review. He finds no evidence to show that Chief Thompson solicited votes for any one in 1900, but prior to that Thompson took an active part. He finds that Deputy Chief John C. Noble took no part in municipal elections of 1899 or 1900. District Chief Davis, the judge finds, is extremely outspoken in expressing his views as to merits of certain candidates, but no evidence to show that he took more than a passing interest in municipal elections. His Honor finds no evidence to show any bargain between Messrs. Thompson, Noble and Shaw in 1899. In summing up, Judge McDougall said he entirely agreed with the opinion expressed by most municipal authorities that the police and firemen could only attain their greatest efficiency when entirely removed from the control of a constantly changing body of municipal representatives. The responsibility of making the change rested with the City Council or Legislature, subject to the approval of the citizens of Toronto.

NEW UNITED STATES CONSULS.

Washington, D.C., May 14.—The President to-day sent the following nominations to the Senate: Harry P. Dill, of Maine, now commercial agent at Port Hope, Ont., to be consul at that place; Ernest A. Wakefield, of Maine, now commercial agent at Orillia, Ont., to be consul at that place.

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