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THE NEWS.

M. Victorien Sardou, the dramatist, is prostrated by an attack of influenza. News has been received in London that the Austrian Lloyd steamer Juno has stranded at Smyrna.

The main building of Converse College at Spartanburg, S. C. was burned Saturday night. The loss is \$60,000.

The failure of S. W. Loche & Co., merchants of Oakley, Miss., has been announced. Liabilities, \$75,000.

Saturday night's fire at Nashville is now estimated to have amounted to \$475,000, with insurance of \$307,200.

Mrs. Frazier Troxell and her little child were killed by an explosion of gasoline near Clay Centre, Neb., Monday.

Paris is encumbered with snow and inconvenienced by the want of cabs, a strike among the drivers having begun on Monday.

The Chinese Highbinders have renewed their disturbances in California by the murder of a Chinaman in Crim Cook Valley.

Edwin Ball, four years old, died of hydrophobia yesterday at Newark, N.J. The little fellow was badly bitten by a mastiff on Dec. 11.

The condition of Walt Whitman is not changed. Although he took some nourishment yesterday, he is still too weak to see friends.

Gen. Nettleton, who has been sick with the grippe for a few days, is much improved, and expects to be at his desk in Washington during the week.

A farmer, named Desjardins, his daughter and a boy, named Roy, broke through the ice at L'Assomption, near Montreal, Monday night, and were drowned.

The Austrian Government has decided to postpone the proposed international jubilee art exhibition until 1894, in order that it may not clash with the World's Fair at Chicago.

A feeling of decided hostility to President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor showed itself at yesterday's meeting of the Chicago trade and labor assembly.

Monnet Sully, in Paris, denies that he is coming to America. He says that perhaps he will come in a year or two for a two months' tour, playing Hamlet and other leading parts.

The influenza has claimed another distinguished victim in Emile Louis Victor de Lavallaye, the noted Belgian writer on political economy, whose death at Liege was announced yesterday.

Representative Mills has so far recovered his health as to be able to undertake a trip to his home in Texas, whither he started yesterday. He will be absent ten days or two weeks.

A car containing 10 non-union operators which the Western Union was sending south to take the place of strikers was broken into at Texarkana Saturday night and three of the men were killed.

Professor Angelo Heilprin of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia will have charge of a party organized for the relief of the Arctic explorer, Lieutenant Peary, next summer.

The New Haven express on the Pittsburg, McKeesport and Youghioughy Railroad ran into a freight train at Rock Bottom, Pa., last night. It is reported that two persons were killed and several injured.

A train of the Kentucky and Indiana Bridge Company at Louisville became derailed Monday and one car fell from the bridge 35 feet to the ground. Conductor Frank Mahan was crushed to death, and Pacon, a passenger, was injured.

Cashier John Gleason of the Cleveland Iron Mining Company of Ishpeming, Mich., was shot and killed by unknown persons yesterday morning. He was found in an unconscious condition in his office and died soon after. His pockets and office were rifled. No clue.

Mr. Ryan, the United States army pensioner who was arrested at Queenstown in the scare which followed the explosion at Dublin Castle for having a revolver and ammunition on his person, was yesterday adjudged guilty of carrying concealed weapons and sentenced to pay a fine of £2 and the costs.

A regular meeting of the Forestry Commission was held at Albany yesterday. A number of applications for the purchase of State lands in the Adirondack region were received and filed. The bill which the Commission is preparing will be presented to the Legislature immediately after its re-convention.

Countess Tolstoi has written to a friend in Munich describing the famine in Russia and the methods she adopts to relieve the starving people. She says that the only real society of relief is the Red Cross, for which her sons collect money to buy grain and other necessities, while her daughters make visits from house to house and invite the destitute to the free soup kitchens.

Governor Flower gave a hearing yesterday on the application of the Governor of Texas for the extradition of J. B. Dular, the great cigarette manufacturer, who is wanted in Texas on the charge of felony. The charge stipulates that he is guilty of conspiracy in trying to regulate the production, manufacture and price of tobacco and cigarettes in the State of Texas. He was indicted by the grand jury of that State and a warrant issued for his arrest. The hearing was adjourned.

FROM ALL OVER CANADA.

Arrest of a Kingston Man by Montreal Detectives on a Serious Charge.

NATURAL GAS AT CAYUGA.

James Hudson, of St. Catharines, May Die Through Injuries Received by Falling—Instant Death of David Robb, a G. T. R. Conductor, at Tilsonburg, by Falling Between the Cars.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

KINGSTON, Ont., Jan. 6.—C. Weaver, who assigned a few days ago, was to-day arrested by two Montreal detectives on a charge of obtaining goods on false pretences. He has been taken to Montreal for examination.

BORERS STRIKE IT RICH.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

CAYUGA, Ont., Jan. 6.—Natural gas was struck here this morning at five o'clock, the depth being about five hundred and fifty feet. The supply is said to be something unusual and is likely to be increased, as this is only the first layer gone through.

THE CANDIDATURE OF EAST SIMCOE.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

ORILLIA, Jan. 6.—A mass meeting of the Liberal Conservatives of East Simcoe was held in the Auditorium this afternoon, James Quinn in the chair. Mr. W. S. Bennett, who ran in the last general election was the only name brought before the meeting and his nomination was unanimous. The Reformers meet in convention on Tuesday.

MAY LOOSE BOTH FEET.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

BELLEVILLE, Ont., Jan. 6.—A young man named Percy Noyes, in the hospital here, will probably lose both feet, which were badly frozen while walking from Napanee to Deseronto last week.

A CONDUCTOR INSTANTLY KILLED.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

ST. THOMAS, Ont., Jan. 6.—David Robb, of Point Edward, a Grand Trunk Railway conductor, fell between the cars while walking over his train at Tilsonburg this morning and was instantly killed. He leaves a widow and one child.

FATAL RESULTS ARE FEARED.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

ST. CATHARINES, Ont., Jan. 6.—James Hindson sustained such injuries to-day by a fall, that fatal results are feared.

THE CHANNEL BOND ROBBERY.

A Thief Made to Disgorge by Being Choked by a French Detective.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The \$40,000 bond robbery has finally been cleared up, after a year's delay, by the Scotland Yard detectives, and Frederick Pemberton Peach, a financial agent, was to-day arraigned at the Marlborough-street Police Court.

The bonds were stolen on the way from Paris to London and Deceptive Altitude of Scotland Yard, was put on the case. He went to Bologna and spotted four men. One of them, a man named Powell, when arrested, was found cneering something and was choked by a French detective and compelled to disgorge. It was found that he had been trying to swallow a cloak-room ticket from Victoria Station.

Saturday night was set for the finishing night and the season was closed in "good old Yale" style. After the performance the bills against the company, amounting to more than \$900, were settled, and then all the girls were invited to a spread at the manager's expense. Everything in and out of season was ordered, and washed out of sight with wine.

These four men represented a long-existing conspiracy by which the Channel packets had frequently been robbed of large amounts.

The Victoria Station cloak ticket was found to call for a bag in which were some coupons from the stolen bonds. The bag in the Charing Cross Station was that which contained a portion of the bond, and had been watched for months, until a woman at last came for it, and was arrested together with a man named Kutche.

All the bonds were recovered—\$3000 worth in Vienna—and the entire gang is now in prison, except Peach, who attempted to sell a portion of the bonds in the city. He is a well-dressed fellow and is supposed to be an agent of the thieves. The case was continued.

Epidemic in Genoa and Milan.

ROME, Jan. 6.—The public schools in Genoa, and Milan have been closed in consequence of the epidemic of influenza which prevails in these cities.

So many of the inhabitants of Genoa and Milan are down with the disease that the transaction of business is greatly impeded.

Among the better known residents of Genoa who are afflicted with the disease is the Most Rev. N. Magnasco, Archbishop of that See. So low is his condition that his physicians state that his death is a question of only a short time.

The Cow Died Suddenly.

PLAINFIELD, Jan. 6.—A Plainfield veterinary surgeon was called upon to-day to make a post-mortem examination of a cow which died suddenly.

He found in the animal's stomach the following array of hardware: Thirteen nails, nine pins, one safety pin, nine tacks, three hinges, three glass buttons, three pieces of wire, one piece of glass, one piece of china, one dress hook, one suspender buckle and 26 other pieces of metal.

FROM THE QUEEN CITY.

Official Figures in the Recent Toronto Elections—Charged With Murdering Her Baby.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

TORONTO, Jan. 6.—The results of the official count in the majority election were made known this morning, and a few follows: Fleming, 8622; Osler, 8277; McMillan, 4746; Beatty, 603, giving a plurality for Fleming of 345. On the Sunday question the official count of the votes cast shows: For, 10,350; against, 14,287; majority against 3937. Neither these figures nor any of those giving the result of the aldermanic or school trustee elections show any material change from the results first announced.

The Criminal Assizes opened this morning before Judge Street. The principal case to be heard is that against Edward Handcock charged with the murder of his daughter Sophia, which will probably come on this afternoon.

Barbara McDougall was arrested this morning after 1 o'clock charged with the manslaughter of her two-year-old baby girl by reason of refusing to procure care and attendance when suffering from a mild type of diphtheria, the child dying, it is believed, in consequence of the neglect. The arrest was made on the strength of the verdict of manslaughter found against the mother by the coroner's jury this morning at 1 o'clock. The inquest was commenced on New Year's day, when John McDonough claimed to be the father of the child and gave his name as John Greulich. It has transpired that he is the brother of the child's mother and he has been arrested. It is probable that an inquest will be held to-day into the case of Wm. Hickerson, who was recently admitted to the hospital suffering, it was believed, from pleurisy, but on examination it was found that some of his ribs were broken. He died last night.

At a meeting of the outgoing Municipal Committee on the Ashbridges Bay reclamation scheme this afternoon, Col. Alexander, whose tender to carry out the scheme has been very favorably considered, declared that an alderman and a newspaper of the city were mixed up in a blackmailing scheme by which the tender was to be put through the dying council on payment of \$10,000 by him. Col. Alexander declared he had a letter in his pocket which would substantiate what he said. Col. Alexander thought a Toronto man by birth, has lived for the last 30 years in the United States, latterly in New York. The charges will no doubt be inquired into.

QUIT COLLEGE FOR COMIC OPERA.

Two Rich Yale Students Get a Lot of Experience in a Short Time.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 6.—The "Said Pasha" disbanded here Saturday night after a short season of great prosperity for its members, but an expensive one for its backers, two young men named Pratt, who recently fell heirs to over half a million apiece.

The brothers are under 21 years of age, but have expensive tastes. Thomas H., the elder, owns a \$20,000 steam yacht, the Trophy, and cut a wide swath at Bar Harbor and other fashionable resorts last summer. Charles does not seem to have the faculty of getting rich of his money quite as fast, but thinks nothing of spending a few thousands a week.

Thomas became infatuated with a burlesque actress, who introduced him to Milton and Sargent Aborn, supposedly owners of the Milton Aborn Opera Troupe. The Aborns offered Thomas a position as manager in consideration of a few hundred dollars, which he quickly deposited.

The girls in the troupe looked upon him as a vulgar Monte Christo, and the male portion as a bank from which money could be drawn in unlimited quantities.

Both boys left Yale University, where they were students, to travel with the company, but the members of the troupe finally became so pressing in their borrowing that the backers lost patience and decided to quit.

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CHINESE REBELS TRIUMPHANT.

Pillaging the Country and Repeatedly Defeating the Imperials.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—Li Hung, leader of the rebel forces, has a force of 30,000 or 40,000 men, mostly robbers, disbanded troops and roughs generally. He is devastating the country from Chaoyang in every direction, and the loyal troops are being defeated again and again.

Advices from Tientsin show that a chief of the rioters succeeded in gathering together a body of men and fought the Imperial troops, but was defeated. He then fled to the hills and succeeded in raising a third following, but this time, instead of fighting he notified the Imperials that they would all return to their homes if they were allowed to go unpunished. These negotiations were pending when the above advices left Shanghai.

Death of the President's Nephew.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 6.—Carter L. Harrison, nephew of President Harrison, died to-day on the road near Palestine, Tex. He had been to San Antonio for his health, and his father was bringing him home. A message from the White House announces that a member of the President's family will attend the funeral. The dead man was 29 years of age and a son of United States Marshal Carter L. Harrison of this city.

The Fox-Hunter's Terror.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—Lady Hesketh, formerly Miss Florence Emily Sharon daughter of William Sharon, of Nevada was following the Grafton hounds near Sulgrave yesterday. She jumped a brook and when her horse landed on the far side of the water, he became entangled in a barbed wire fence. The animal plunged about wildly, and it was by great good fortune that she escaped with a few slight cuts.

AFFAIRS AT THE CAPITAL.

Terrible Downfall of a Young Man of the Most Respectable Parentage.

NOW BEHIND PRISON BARS.

Lance Labelle Arrested on a Charge of Causing the Death of His Wife a Few Days Ago—No Change in the Condition of the Iron-Workers' Strike—Mr. Arnold Wants Mr. Perley as a Witness.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

OTTAWA, Jan. 6.—All the Government offices were closed to-day, this being the Epiphany, it being the third holiday in three weeks.

Lance Labelle, the civic servant arrested to-day on a charge of murdering his wife, will be arraigned before the police magistrate to-morrow. On Monday, Dec. 28, the body of the unfortunate woman was discovered lying in bed unclothed and cold in death. An inquest followed and the evidence showed that the woman came to her death from a dose of carbolic acid. The jury's verdict was "that Mrs. Labelle had come to her death from a dose of carbolic acid, but how administered the evidence did not show."

At 11 o'clock this morning Sergeant Moylan and Police Constable Hanahan arrested Lance Labelle on the charge of murder. Labelle was standing at the corner of Sparks and Canal-streets when the officers took him into custody. When arrested he made no resistance, but simply muttered the word "Sacre" and went quietly to the station, where he was placed behind the bars. The warrant for the arrest was sworn out to-day by Patrick Flannigan, brother of Labelle's dead wife. The wording of the document says: "That Lance C. Labelle, within the space of three months, to wit, on the 27th day of December, 1891, felonously, wilfully and of malice aforethought, did kill and murder one Catherine Labelle."

Sergeant Moylan says that the police have been keeping an eye on Labelle for some time, as it was said he was about to leave the city. He (the sergeant) was on his way to the Union Station, as it was stated Labelle was going away, when he met him on Sparks street and placed him under arrest. Mrs. Labelle, the mother of the prisoner, arrived in the city last night and put up at the Grand Union. It is stated by the police that Labelle was to go away with his mother to-day to her home in Montreal. The prisoner was spoken to shortly after being taken to the station, but declined to make any statement further than to say "It's too bad." Labelle will appear before Magistrate O'Gara in the morning and will be remanded. The police say that a lot of new evidence has been discovered which will throw some light on the mystery of Mrs. Labelle's death. The missing garments, of which no account could be given at the inquest, have been discovered. Detective Montgomery refuses to say where the garments have been found or anything in connection with them.

Lance C. Labelle was lieutenant in the 65th Regiment of Montreal and served during the Northwest rebellion of 1885, being a warm personal friend of Lieut.-Col. Oulmet, commanding the regiment. He is a son of the late Capt. Labelle, who was M. P. for Richelieu and president of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company. Mrs. Labelle, the prisoner's wife, was a daughter of Mrs. Flannigan of Ferret-street. She married Labelle three years ago when 18 years of age.

Patrick Flannigan, the brother of the deceased woman, who was very much distressed with the finding of the jury, has been working on the case for some time, quietly making investigations. He discovered the missing garments behind some old boxes hidden away on the premises occupied by his sister. The garments, it is said, smell strongly of carbolic acid. This afternoon Mr. N. A. Bellcourt was in the police station in consultation with the prisoner.

THE STRIKE IS STILL ON.

There is no change as yet in the position of the iron workers' strike. The men are still out, but are not interfering in any way. The masters have sent to other cities for workmen and say they expect a sufficient number in a couple of days to take the places of the strikers. At the first meeting of the local branch of the society it was disclosed that only the sum of £110 had been subscribed for a district having 83,000 population verging on starvation. Many million roubles have gone into the coffers of the central committees of the society in St. Petersburg and Moscow, and nobody knows how the money has been expended.

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Mr. W. J. Macdonald, Crown timber agent of the Ontario Government at Ottawa, died yesterday at his residence here, at the age of 55, from an attack of the grippe. He leaves a wife and family to mourn his loss. Mr. Macdonald was well known in Ottawa and respected. He was a member of Bank-street Presbyterian Church and taught in the Sunday School. A native of Perth, before coming to Ottawa, he resided for a number of years at Arranport. He was a provincial land surveyor by profession.

A later despatch says Conductor Jefferson died this evening at 7 o'clock from the effects of the accident which occurred here to-day. The remains will be taken to his home in Montreal on the morning train.

Alfred Lynn, of New Edinburgh, foreman of the works of the Hogg's Back dam, was killed, and his body dreadfully mutilated by a dynamite explosion to-day. Lynn was attempting to dig from a hole a dynamite cartridge that had missed fire, when it exploded, throwing the unfortunate young man some distance away, tearing off both his hands and smashing in his face and head. He was picked up and carried to

the canal office near by, and a doctor sent for. Before the messenger had gone far the victim had expired. He was only 24 years of age, and was unmarried. Dr. Mark at once notified the father. The contractor requested the coroner to hold an inquest.

Fined for Posting Debts.

At the assizes to-day Mr. Antoine Choquette, a printer, sued the Canadian Debt Collecting Company and Messrs. S. & H. Borbridge for compensation for injury done his reputation by having his name posted on one of the Debt Collecting Company's black and yellow posters advertising debts for sale, when he did not owe the sum of 60 cents mentioned in this poster. Alexander Jacques, bill-poster, testified that he had posted about 180 of the bills advertising debts for sale. Judgment was given for plaintiff as far as the collecting company was concerned, but the charge against the Messrs. Borbridge was dismissed without costs. The plaintiff was awarded damages of \$25 and costs against the collecting company.

Crushed Under Car Wheels.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

CARDINAL, Ont., Jan. 6.—To-day while the east bound way freight on the Grand Trunk Ry. was at work in the yard of this station, Conductor Jefferson, who was in charge of the train, accidentally slipped from one of the cars and fell under the wheels, which severed one leg and one finger from his body. The conductor was picked up and carried into the station agent's house and medical aid at once summoned. The doctors found the man badly injured and did everything possible that could be done for him, but they fear that he cannot live as he is sinking fast this afternoon.

A BADLY SINGED BUTTERFLY.

"Mere Papillon" Lies at the Morgue After a Chequered Career.

PARIS, Jan. 6.—The whole city was surprised to-day to learn that "Mother Butterfly" is lying at the Morgue, for she was a character, who, in one way and another, had managed to make herself very well known.

She was the daughter of a Prefect under the Second Empire, who educated her and her brother, his only children, in the best possible manner, and who, after spending his money with a lavish hand, died absolutely penniless, in consequence of his extravagance.

The daughter went on the stage, and became notorious at the Alcazar d'Niver, when Theresa ran it. She was taken off the stage by a very rich American, who, after making her his companion on his journeys all over the world, and spending a fortune on her, quarrelled with her, and left her in Philadelphia without a cent in her pocket.

She managed, however, to return to France, and then went to live with her brother, shortly after which she fell in love with an actor and eloped with him, taking 10,000 francs which belonged to her brother. With this sum they started a circus, the lover doing the equestrian act. Eventually the circus was burned out and "Mere Papillon" had a narrow escape from a terrible death. When she was taken ill and finally became insane, when she was put into an asylum, where she spent a long time.

After recovering her reason she returned to Paris and obtained a position at the Grande Magasins du Louvre as a saleswoman, and she also began a career as a fortune-teller, in which role she attracted all Paris. She was so skilful in this that she drew customers from all classes, even the richest, and a line of private carriages was often to be seen standing in front of her house.

She made so much money at this that she became reckless and took to drink. Thus she dropped out of sight and was last heard of as a frequent visitor of the Chateau-Rouge, in the Rue Galande, which was once the palace of Louis XV, and is now the nightly resort of criminals and drunkards of a low type. There she used to tell anybody's fortune for two sous and a glass of absinthe.

She died three days ago from the effects of drink, in a squalid den in the Quartier de la Villette, where she lived. The morgue was crowded to-day with all sorts of people who were elbowing each other in their eager desire to see the bloated remains of "Mere Papillon."

TO HELP THE HUNGRY.

"Share a morsel for the Starving" Placarded in Places Where Men Eat.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—Advices received here from Cracow say that the movements of Russian troops along the frontier have ceased.

Every hotel and inn in Warsaw displays large cards in the dining-rooms and elsewhere bearing the inscription "Share a morsel for the starving."

Nilist proclamations have been discovered among the troops in Poland. A number of non-commissioned officers who were stationed at Radom and Lublin have been sent to St. Petersburg prison for circulating Nihilistic manifestoes.

The mortality among the troops in the western provinces is heavy. The Government finds difficulty in supplying them with an adequate quantity of provisions.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—A correspondent making a tour of the famine districts of Toulus writes: The wealthier land-owners keep away from their estates, leaving the entire burden of helping the shiftless peasantry upon the poorer gentry, who are little better off than the starving. Careful lists that have been prepared of the stores of each family show many instances where a peasant with six children has only 180 pounds of grain to last through the winter.

"There is a general fear that the famine will recur, leaving Russia in a state of national bankruptcy. In the mean time aid from the zemstvos is visionary. The chief reliance is placed in the Red Cross Society."

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Gibbins' toothache gum, price 15 cents. At all druggists.

BIG BLAZE AT HAMILTON.

Described as the Fiercest and Most Destructive Known in Many Years.

WANZER WORKS BURNED UP.

The Well-Known Sewing Machine Works, Which Are Closed Down Owing to Financial Troubles, Burned up at a Loss of \$100,000.—The Place Said to be Well Insured by the Mortgagees.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

HAMILTON, Jan. 6.—The fiercest and most destructive fire which has visited this city for a number of years broke out about 5:15 this evening in the Wanzer Sewing Machine Company's premises on Barton-street. The building is a two story brick structure and extends along Barton-street for a full block between Mary and Elgin-streets. It covers a big area in the rear and has a large two story addition facing on Elgin-street. It also extends down Mary-street for about 200 feet, and is altogether one of the largest factories in the city.

In the building was a quantity of valuable machinery; also oils, unfinished machines and a large quantity of lumber. The premises have been unoccupied for some months. Mr. Wanzer is a financially embarrassed, and unable to carry on the business. The Toronto Permanent Loan and Mortgage Company had a mortgage of \$140,000 on the plant and machinery, which was foreclosed some time ago, and as the Loan Company was unable to sell the place to advantage, they have kept it shut up. About half-a-dozen men have been working in the factory lately, putting the finishing touches on a few machines, but none of the men appear to have been in the vicinity when the fire occurred. As far as can be ascertained the fire originated in the japanning room, and before being discovered it had secured a good hold.

From the first it was inevitable the building, with its valuable machinery, etc., was doomed, and the efforts of the fire department were confined to keeping the fire under control. All the upper story of the main building facing on Barton-street, as well as a portion of the ground flat, was destroyed, and hardly anything of an inflammable nature on the second flat was left uninjured. A portion of that part of the factory fronting on Elgin-street, in which was stored a quantity of lumber and other material, was saved. The building and plant are insured for a large amount and all the principal insurance companies represented here are interested, but the various amounts cannot be ascertained this evening. The total loss will probably reach \$100,000.

Addresses For the Farmers.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

PERTH, Ont. Jan. 6.—The Farmers' Institute meeting for South Lanark was attended last night by a very large number of farmers and townspeople. The meeting was addressed by Principal Mills, of the Guelph Agricultural College, on "Farming as an occupation," and by Mr. Fraser, from Simcoe county, on "Corn in the silo." Both addresses were sound and practical. The principal lecture was especially admired for its sharp points and common sense. Mr. Wm. Lees, ex-M.P., Fallbrook, spoke on "The handling of cheese," and Mr. Sam. Wilson, Burgess on "How to prevent immigration." Excellent music by Prof. VanAmburg's orchestra was given between the addresses. Mr. N. McLenehan, M.P., occupied the chair. A vote of thanks was given the professors for their excellent addresses.

Chinese With Many Names.

LOCKPORT, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Four strange Chinamen were arrested here the other night. They claimed that they had been brought over from Canada, waylaid and robbed. To-day, before United States Commissioner Pounds, they presented certificates of leave from Canada, bearing the names Au Bah, Chang Lee, Hing Lu Loy and Chang La Floy. The names differed from those they had given when arrested, but they calmly explained the discrepancy by saying that they had given their family names, while those on the certificates were their business titles. They also said that they each had a marriage name besides. Their certificates bore a suspicious appearance, however, and the Chinamen were sent back to jail.

Making Good Time With the Mails.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

RIVER DU LOUP STATION, QUE., Jan. 6.—The first English mail special from Halifax this winter over the I. C. Ry. left there at 3:45 this morning, arriving at Levis at 8:35 p.m. The run from St. Flavie to River du Loup was made in 1 hour and 50 minutes, a speed of 46 miles per hour, and from River du Loup to Levis in 2 hours and 35 minutes, or at the rate of 45 miles per hour. This is exceptionally good, considering that part of the run was made in a snow storm.

News Notes From St. John.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., Jan. 6.—The funeral of the late T. W. Daniel to-day was the largest seen in this city for many years. At St. Andrews to-day the trial of the petition against A. H. Gilmour, M. P. for Charlotte, was postponed until January 19, and the time for the trial extended until September.

Shipping Notes.

The Dominion Line steamship Oregon, from Portland, Dec. 27, arrived out at 7 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 6.

DEATH.

PARKER.—On Jan. 6, John Harold, beloved son of John H. Parker, 101, died at

THE PALO ALTO BREEDING FARM.

Senator Stanford Talks About His Famous Horses—Sunol and His Lameness.

OUR WINTER PASTIMES.

The Montreal Snowshoe Club Tramp—Crescent Club At Home—A Local Pool Match—Crescent Baseball Club—Slavin Turns Out to be a Bluffer—New Boat for Harvard—The Wrestling Match.

Senator Stanford said the other day: "When I began breeding blooded horses I commenced studying the anatomy of the horse until at the end I could take the skeleton apart and put it together with the accuracy of a skilled watchmaker who deals with the mechanism of a timepiece. In my studies of the anatomy of the horse I soon discovered where his greatest powers were, the uses he made of his muscles, and the secret why one horse was capable of greater speed than some other horse.

"As I studied and pondered and experimented as the years went by I became impressed with the fact that extreme speed came from three things—viz.: breeding, physical conformation, and will power, or what is more properly called nerve force. To begin with, it did not take me long to appreciate the fact that cold blood did not produce speed; hence as soon as I was able to pull myself together and fairly get my bearings I began to lay deep the foundations of my breeding stud on an oriental basis, and am every year eliminating from my establishment as far as circumstances will permit all traces of cold blood wherever it has crept in in the far past.

But it must not be presumed that I am not extremely critical in the selection of thoroughbred mares. I long since realized that there never was a really great horse that did not have a dam that also possessed great qualities. Our fathers, unfortunately for the breed of American horses, argued differently. They held that the sire was everything, the dam scarcely anything of value except to bear and suckle the foal. Now, I early recognized the fallacy of the proposition and in so doing Palo Alto occupies the high rank it does as a breeding establishment. I selecting a thoroughbred breeding mare in judge largely by the shape of the head and the expression of the eye. If the head and eye do not suit me, although the conformation and breeding be perfect, I pass her by. For, although a horse does not trot with his head, yet unless he has a head he cannot trot.

Talking of Sunol the Palo Alto owner said: "I never could discover the cause of her lameness. She was carefully examined and the only thing that presented itself to the eye was a bunch the size of a pea on the inside of her right hind leg. On account of her lameness we had to work her very carefully; in fact, never did get her in shape for her best effort, which is equal to about 2:05 or 2:06. It has been said that Sunol is a delicate mare; that she has a frail constitution, little vitality, etc. This is all nonsense. She is a powerful animal when you come to examine her; wonderfully muscled; great wide chest, and possessed of lungs that betoken marvelous strength. It is her greyhound build that impresses superficial observers that she is delicate."

"It is true that Dame Winnie, her dam, could show speed at the trot?" "Yes. In fact all of my thoroughbred mares could trot. Why, do you know that it was the speed shown by Palo Alto's dam at the trot that led me to buy her? My man Hovey saw a boy ride her by his hotel when in Kentucky one day while he (Hovey) was standing on the piazza. She showed such speed at the trot he called after him, and after looking her over and finding how she was bred bought her."

"Will Not Let Up on Him. "It has been presumed that because Palo Alto wears the stallion crown that we are now going to let up on him and relegate him to the stud," says Stanford. "This is a mistake. Just previous to leaving for Washington I had him carefully examined and found that the seat of his lameness is in his right foot, the result of a contracted heel. With proper shoeing and restoration of full frog pressure I am satisfied that he will in the intervening months fully recover. Next summer, after a brief season in the stud, he will be sent to lower his record of 2:08, and I am satisfied that only 2:06 will stop him if he has four well feet on which to stand. Why, if he can trot a mile in 2:08 with only three well feet what ought he not accomplish with four good ones?"

TURF.

Jockeys and Trainers Looking for Licenses for Next Season.

The Board of Control has announced that the following jockeys and trainers have applied for licenses for next season: Jockeys—Marty Bergen, Murphy, Garrison, Doggett, John and James Lambell, Midgely, Wall, Goodall and McDermott. Trainers—Allan, Cahill, Gilpin, McCreery, Pincus, Harding, Rogers, Jayne, and Durham. As the date upon which these applications were made has not been made public, the announcement gives no indication of the side which the trainers and jockeys named will take in the present racing fight. Many of the applications were forwarded before war was declared.

A Plot of Jockeys.

At the very opening of the season in Vienna last spring it was observed that the favorites were being beaten in almost every race. Famous horses, in the best possible condition and ridden by the ablest jockeys, would be beaten by the rankest of unknown outsiders.

In the first 50 races the favorite only won in five. In all the others both first and second places were taken by horses almost unknown, against which overwhelming odds had been bet. Apparently there was no explanation for it. But when it went on, week after week, and hundreds of thousands of dollars were being lost by the betting public, suspicion became active.

It came out that an elaborate conspiracy had been formed, comprising nearly all the jockeys and a number of

other confederates outside. Before every race they would meet, in some coffee house usually, and arrange all the details, which horses should win and which should lose. By varying the order from day to day in which the horses came to the winning-post, they were able to keep up a show of honest riding.

The outside confederates, of course, did the betting. Some of them would bet against each other, to divert suspicion. But they would, in general, bet against the horses that they knew were to lose, and on those that had been appointed to win. After the race they met again, and the spoils were equally divided all around.

Sometimes as high as \$200,000 was cleared in a single day and the plunder of the whole season must amount to some millions.

Baron Uechrecht, one of the directors of the Vienna Jockey Club, lost so heavily that he had to sell out his stables, ostensibly, and really too, in utter disgust, but more particularly to raise funds to pay his debts. Herr Von Pechy, another well-known director, is in the same scrape, having lost, it is said, nearly half a million dollars. One of their colleagues, however, who is the head of one of the oldest and noblest Magyar families, has fared much better.

All through the season he was observed to be betting heavily against his own horses, whenever they were favorites, and to be putting his money on comparatively obscure beasts. His winnings are estimated at some hundreds of thousands of dollars. He, too, has now closed out his stables, but it is believed that he has done so only for the sake of freeing himself, if possible, from suspicion, says a correspondent of the Philadelphia Press.

A number of the jockeys have been suspended and otherwise punished. Two of them, the best known and most accomplished riders in all Europe, have been irretrievably expelled, so that they can never ride again on any reputable course in any European country. They will not be paupers, however, for their stealings must amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars.

They have been living in princely style and spending money like millionaires. One of them is known to have lavished in gems and other gifts more than \$50,000 upon a woman within a single week.

More than a month ago action was taken by the jockey club against these men and it was hoped that thus the wrath of the public would be appeased. But it was not. It became known that members and even directors of the club were suspected of complicity with the jockeys, and that only their exalted social rank saved them from conviction and exposure. This made the public simply furious, and the demand has been made that the whole corrupt institution be swept away.

Twenty-One Years Ago.

A glance over the racing record of 1871 shows the names of many horses and mares that have since become famous. Longfellow and Harry Bassett, and Helmbold, who came to Canada. Alarm and Monarchist are among the names frequently seen, while Salina, the dam of Salvator, Nellie James, daughter of Jack of Hearts, and other mares whose progeny have won fame and fortune since then, are recorded on the pages of the book. Two names that would not call for special mention because of turf prowess, although both were fair performers, are Judge Curtis and Judge Durell, both sons of Lexington. Both came to Canada and became famous here. The former is a sire of many good driving horses and hunters of the highest quality, while Judge Durell sired a horse called Texas Jack, who took a record of better than 2:30 at the pacing gait. Texas Jack has five of his get in the 2:30 list already, and more are coming.

AQUATICS.

Still Another 46-Footer Ordered by a New York Yachtsman.

Bristol, Jan. 6.—The Herreshoffs are overrun with orders for new boats, and the most interesting bit of news in this announcement is the fact that still another racing 46-footer has been ordered by some New York yachtsman, who has given a contract to the famous yacht builders for the best racer of that class they can produce. Several other yachtsmen have corresponded with these designers with a view to building 46-footers, and it is expected that when next season's yachting begins there will be a fleet of gloriansa contesting for honors.

The announcement that the Herreshoffs are to build a second new racing 46-footer will be received with great pleasure by all yachtsmen. It creates a new and greater interest in the class, and besides this Naval Architect "Nat" Herreshoff will be put to a severer test than any designer who has ever preceded him. His present boats are quite near high line, and his best ideas of originality, both in design and construction, will be called into play. It is certainly no small job to outbuild the new Gioriana. Of course the designers refuse any information as to the dimensions of the new 46-footer, and they also refuse to give the name of her owner. It may be Commodore Morgan, J. Roger Maxwell, Royal Phelps Carroll, or Mr. Foster, who formerly owned the famous Chocaw. It is known that Mr. Ziegler, who owned the old sloop Thistle, has the "racing bee" in his bonnet. Perhaps William C. Langley and Joe Ellsworth may be the owner and skipper.

Mr. Herreshoff, when asked if the skipper had been selected, replied that he had not. In answer to the question, "Is Capt. John Bart the man?" he replied: "Not that we know of, but we think very well of him. We do not know whom the owner has selected."

It will be known within a month whether the fleet of 46-footers will receive any more additions from the Herreshoff yards next season. With regard to the 40-foot class, John B. Herreshoff said: "My opinion is that the 40 footer will never be the racing class again. The jib and mainsail 30 and 35 footers will be the racers in the smaller classes, and 40 is so strongly established that it is bound to live, because the strongest yachtsmen in the country are in it."

The Herreshoffs have orders for 25, 30 and 35 footers for the coming season. The latter boats will be raced on Lake Erie. A 25-footer, very similar to the boat going to Scotland, will be raced in New York and Newport waters, and, as her owner is a good racing man, there will probably be lots of sport. A jib and mainsail boat has been ordered by a Boston yachtsman.

It is to be hoped that the Valkyrie will come over next season and have a "clinch" with our new 46-footers. For the Valkyrie to allow the latest 46-footers their time she would have to show a good turn of speed. A race over a windward and leeward course, say of ten miles, would be most interesting. It would also be a good thing for the Titania, K-trina and Shamrock to take a hand in the next Goelet cup race. Many

doubt if the Titania could give the 46-footers time allowance. Such a race would furnish an immense amount of data and information.

Mr. Herreshoff would like very much to build a 70-footer under the British rule and send her across to take part in next season's races.

The Famous Burgess Cutter Pappoose Sold to Mr. Mott of Oswego.

New York, Jan. 6.—The famous Burgess cutter Pappoose, which was practically the pioneer of the 40-foot class, which developed last year into the 46-footers, has been sold by Mr. Gailbraith, her owner, to Mr. Mott of Oswego, N. Y. It is said that Mr. Mott has purchased her for the express purpose of beating the Fife cutter Tama, which was built at Winttingham's yard, Bay Ridge, in 1890, for Mr. Allen Ames of Oswego. The Tama has been signally successful on the lakes, and has won every race in which she has started. As she is the more modern and powerful craft, it is doubtful if the Pappoose can defeat her, although she will undoubtedly give her a good race.

ROWING.

Davy to Build a New and Improved Boat for Harvard.

CAMBRIDGE, Jan. 6.—Davy, the boat builder, has already started on the frame of the shell for this year's Harvard 'Varsity crew. The lines of last year's boat will be reproduced, but there will be several new features, the principal result of which will be to make the shell lighter. The first point where a new idea comes in is in the space between the gunwale and the "rising." This piece of wood, which is parallel with the gunwale, usually stops at the cockpit, but in the new plan it is carried to the end of the boat. Then the gunwale is to be made five pounds lighter. A thin brace is to be fixed across the square spaces and next to the ribs of the craft, which will more than make up the loss in strength.

The gun, naturally speaking, will be in the greater stiffness of the craft, which is in itself a great consideration, and also will allow for a thinner straining than otherwise would be needed. Here is where the difference is expected to be between the new and old boats, which, with the saving on the gunwale and ribs, will bring the weight of the boat to about 230 pounds. This probably will be the lightest eight-oared shell ever made.

BASEBALL.

The Make-up of the Twelve Clubs in the New League.

New York Journal: Now that the baseball war is a thing of the past, much interest is manifested in the make-up of the 12 clubs which will form the great league.

President N. E. Young and Zach Phelps, the committee appointed to assign unsigned players, have finished their labors. Several changes will be made, however, and the exact make-up of the teams will not be known until after the coming meeting to be held in this city. Danny Richardson is assigned to Washington, but the New York Club will make a hard fight to retain their old second baseman.

Connor, Clark, Whistler, Welch, Coughlin, Burrell and Glascock will not again be seen in New York uniforms, and it is doubtful if Westervelt will.

The list assigned New York by the distribution committee is as follows: Catcher, Ewing, Boyle; pitchers, Rusie, King, Sharrott, J. Ewing, Sullivan and VanZant; shortstop, Fuller; third base, Lyons; outfielders, O'Rourke, Gore and Tierman; Bassett, substitute.

It will be seen that first and second base positions are vacant. Captain Ewing or Boyle will cover that position unless a first-class man can be secured. It is decided to play Ewing permanently in that position, then "King" Kelly, of Boston, will probably be secured to help out in the catchers' department.

In Brooklyn the faces of several old-time favorites will be missed. Among the number started to go are: Caruthers, the high-salaried pitcher; Darby O'Brien, and only remainder of the famous old Mets; Kinslow, Ely, J. O'Brien and Hemmings.

Crescent Baseball Club.

The first annual smoking concert of the Crescent Baseball Club will be held on Wednesday evening next, January 13, in the hall, Fanet street. The Crescents are the winners of the amateur league pennant, and whatever patronage is given is certainly well deserved.

RING.

Frank P. Slavin Turns Out a Genuine Bluffer.

The Press says: Frank P. Slavin, by not meeting or having any representative to meet Charlie Johnson, of Brooklyn, the authorized backer of John L. Sullivan, at the Herald office yesterday morning, brands himself as a "bluffer" of the first water and virtually acknowledges that both he and Charlie Mitchell were "working" the sporting public of America. Although Mitchell and Slavin were obliged to go to Chicago to fill a theatrical engagement, yet they certainly should, out of common courtesy to the backer of Sullivan and through him the American sporting public, have had some one to represent them at the pre-arranged meeting. Mr. Johnson was at the place of meeting, willing and anxious to back his and the country's pugilistic favorite for the biggest wager and purse ever offered.

An event of this kind, world wide in its importance, would appear to be of sufficient interest to either Slavin or Mitchell to at least have induced them to authorize a representative to meet Mr. Johnson. But not so. They came here to get what American dollars they could on the most stupendous exhibition of "gall" and bluff ever seen in the history of pugilism in this or any other country. They skipped to Chicago on a month's engagement in a cheap variety show, leaving a prospective match for the pugilistic championship of the world and

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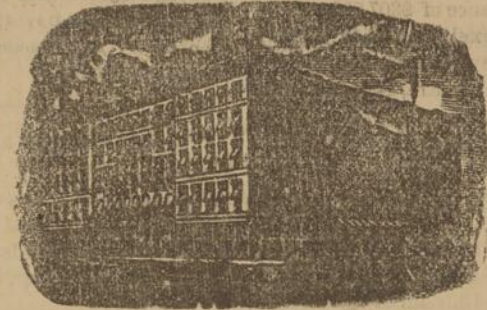
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 See them, the bridge-builders, come and
 go,
 Gray-beards and binny-eyes, mothers and
 midges,
 All of them busy a-building bridges.
 High be they? Low be they?
 Who can tell?
 Each keeps his secret, and keeps it well.
 Steadily, steadily, see them build.
 Not one is idle of all the guild.
 This one is planning and placing and plying;
 That one is trusting and tracing and try-
 ing.
 Strong be they? Weak be they?
 Who is there, who is there?
 Knows if the bridges will break or bear?
 Cleverly, cleverly, day by day,
 Toil the bridge-makers, sand, stone, or
 clay,
 Fashioning after their own designing,
 Some for rejoicing and some for repining,
 Ugly or beautiful,
 Who can know
 What is the pattern the bridges show?
 Ceaselessly, ceaselessly, year by year,
 Grow the abutment, the arch and the pier,
 Grow on the builder's brow wrinkles and
 ridges,
 Caused by the rearing of memory-bridges
 Deep be they? Shallow be they?
 All may see
 What sort of furrows those furrows be.
 Finally, finally, each must tread
 Over the memory-bridge he's made,
 Over the deeds that are long past doing,
 Over the faults that are left for finding.
 Light is it? Hard is it?
 They may ken
 Who've crossed the bridges from Now to
 Then.

A STORY OF GRENADA.

Carmen was 16. Everything about her was seductive, of a penetrating charm and enchanting grace. Her sweet youthful visage, of an alabaster white, slightly tinted with pink, bore the imprint of rare distinction, large black eyes, shaded by long lashes, gave her at times a grave air, which was quickly dissipated by the smile upon her lips. A corsage garnished with jet usually decked her feathery bust, her short skirt revealed thin feet with finely turned ankles, which more than one aristocratic senorita envied her. Her voice had a melody of exquisite purity. She sang and danced ravishly.

Not less handsome was Miguel, the youth upon whose arm Carmen was leaning; in stature slightly above the medium, admirably proportioned, of lofty bearing, with bright eyes and intelligent forehead, he seemed born to protect the noble young girl.

They were slowly walking along a path bordered by orange trees and myrtles forming a terrace above the Duero, the waters of which flowed between the shaded banks through the Valley of Paradise.

It was the anniversary of Carmen's birth; on this occasion Don Luis Ayelo, her father, had invited a few friends to spend the afternoon at the country residence he owned at the gates of Grenada. In the first rank of these friends was the Ortega family of which Miguel was the eldest son.

Miguel and Carmen had grown up together. An invincible penchant had drawn one toward the other. For a long while a brotherly and sisterly affection had subsisted between them; then, without their knowledge this affection had been transformed into a deep and ardent love, but they had not as yet mutually confessed it.

Of what were they talking? Of a thousand insignificant things which delighted them. Their glances were full of tenderness and they bent with confidence one toward the other.

The young Spaniard experienced, for the first time, the voluptuous thrill of passion by the arm or hand of the beloved woman. And when his curly locks touched Carmen's forehead he felt in all his being an explicable, but delicious faintness. His voice, which had grown softer and more penetrating, delighted the young girl's heart. In her also the flower of love was blooming and its perfume intoxicated her. A strange sensation, wholly new, gradually invaded her; she clung more closely to the arm of her childhood's friend.

With a sudden spring their lips met, they both uttered an exclamation; this first avowal and this first kiss sealed their betrothal.

Happy and blushing, Carmen, as if to regain possession of herself, led Miguel to the edge of the terrace, where they gave themselves up to vague contemplation.

Miguel and Carmen, absorbed in their thoughts, saw nothing of this splendid picture, which besides was familiar to them, nor did they admire that plain of the Vega covered with vineyards, fig trees, mulberry trees and orange trees, a vast orchard which beneath the blue sky of Andalusia, produces the effect of an immense emerald set in sapphires; they perceived only in the distance the huge masses of the Sierra Nevada bordering the horizon, casting their severe aspect over the splendors of the plain and communicating a secret languor to the soul.

The two young people finally tore themselves from their reflections and re-joined their families. From that day they were happy only when together. And when they were separated they thought and dreamed but of each other. All that was not Carmen was indifferent to Miguel; all that did not concern Miguel had no interest for Carmen.

This happiness lasted two months. An unforeseen catastrophe suddenly put an end to their joys and hopes; a reverse of fortune fell upon the Ortega family; it speedily found itself ruined.

Carmen's father would no longer hear of his daughter's union with Miguel. But the young man, fortified by his courage, energy and resolution were equal to the occasion.

"Your father," said he to Carmen, "declines me as his son-in-law because I am poor, but I love you and no power on earth can make me give you up. Since fortune separates us I am going to Brazil; I will create a position for myself worthy of my beloved, and when I have it I shall return and demand your hand. Until then, Carmen, be faithful to me."

"Faithful until death," she answered. "Remember your oath. That I may succeed I must be sure of your love. Carmen, swear to me that you will not replace me in your heart."

"I swear it. You alone shall be my husband—I will have no other; I will wait for you. Go without fear, my Miguel; have faith in the word of your betrothed."

It was one Sunday morning at the door of a church that Miguel and Carmen exchanged their oaths; the young man put all his soul in the supreme embrace which he gave his fiancée, and, while with eyes reddened by tears, she went in to kneel at prayer, he fled desperately, broken hearted and with brain on fire, toward his father's dwelling.

A few days afterward he embarked at Cadix on a vessel ready to set sail for South America. The Ortega family quitted Grenada. Carmen no longer heard Miguel mentioned; no one could give her news of him.

An old custom exists in Grenada. Every year a grand ball takes place for the benefit of the poor. Not only do all the members

of the city's high society consider it a duty to be present, but also a great number of persons of distinction come to Grenada on that occasion from the other towns of Andalusia and even from Madrid.

The attraction of the fête consists in the right which each cavalier enjoys of soliciting of a lady the honor of dancing with her. He buys this privilege with a sum of money which is immediately paid into the treasury of the poor. Several claimants can contest simultaneously; a veritable auction is then established and it is with the last and highest bidder that the lady is compelled to dance.

No woman can escape this obligation; no husband can prevent his wife from dancing with a stranger unless he offers a larger sum than his rivals of the moment.

Such is the law of the fête; all are aware on entering that they will be compelled to submit to it. Don Ramon Moreno was ignorant of this when he took his young wife to the annual charity ball which had been a great disadvantage in truth had she not appeared there, so remarkable were her grace and beauty. Nonetheless in her dreamy eyes one saw a shade of sadness which accentuated still more the pallor of her complexion and the delicacy of all her features. She replied only in monosyllables to the questions addressed to her, and with a smile of deep melancholy to the compliments of her numerous admirers.

"My love," said Ramon, offering her his arm to take her upon the terrace that she might enjoy the cool evening air, "can nothing divert you from your thoughts?" She arose without answering, placed her hand upon her husband's arm and was preparing to accompany him when she was shaken from head to foot by a violent emotion; her eyes, opened to the widest extent, were fixed on a stranger whom she had not noticed until then, but whose ardent and passionate glance had not quitted her since her arrival at the ball.

"He!" murmured she, with joy mixed with fright, "he!—Miguel!" And she sank down upon the chair she had just quitted.

"What ails you, Carmen?" asked Ramon Moreno. "Are you ill?" "Why did you deceive me?" cried the young wife. "Why did you assure me he was dead? Oh! what you have done, Don Ramon, was unworthy of an honest man—you bought my consent at the price of a lie."

"Of what are you talking, Carmen, and what signifies your language?"

"It signifies that I do not wish to marry you; that I wished to remain faithful to my old and sole affection. My father insisted that it was my duty to renounce it. You know to what threats, to what prayers he had recourse. His fortune and his life were at stake. For a long while I resisted and never would I have yielded, had not he and you affirmed to me Miguel's death. Well, Miguel is not dead, since there he stands!"

And her glance shot toward the stranger. Don Ramon had no time to answer, for Miguel had quitted his place and was advancing with a calm but resolute air. When he reached them he said, bowing respectfully to Carmen:

"Madame, will you do me the honor to dance with me?"

She grew faint and put up her hand to her heart as if to restrain its throbs, realizing that all eyes were fixed upon her and feeling her husband's arm tremble, but resolved to have an immediate explanation with Miguel, she demanded of him according to the usage:

"How much do you offer?"

"A thousand piastres," replied he. "It is I, Senor, who will have the pleasure of dancing with my wife," replied Don Ramon, "and I do not believe I shall pay too much for that pleasure by giving to the poor two thousand piastres."

"And I will give ten thousand," coldly resumed Miguel.

A sudden rage took possession of Don Ramon Moreno's heart.

"You are making this a personal affair, senor!" cried he. "So be it! I will give twenty thousand!"

"A hundred thousand!" said the impassible voice of Miguel.

The spectators could not repress a murmur of approbation. Don Ramon realized that by persisting further he would render himself ridiculous. Besides he was there and would not lose sight of his adversary. What danger could there be in letting him dance with Carmen? It was upon another field that he counted on taking his revenge. Hence he strove to compose his features and said in the most amiable tone he could assume:

"Indeed, senor, I should with ill grace deprive you of a satisfaction which flatters me as much as it honors me. Your persistence would prove to me, were I not already aware of it, what value I should attach to the possession of a wife whom a cavalier so perfect esteems sufficiently to pay a hundred thousand piastres for the mere favor of dancing with her!"

Miguel drew a checkbook from his pocket, filled up a check for a hundred thousand piastres, tore it out and handed it to one of the commissaries of the fête; then he offered his arm to Carmen.

During this colloquy the young woman had not made a movement. Faint, half dead, she nevertheless had the strength to raise and follow her cavalier. Miguel encircled her waist with his strong arm and the waltz bore them away in its whirl.

"Ah! madame," murmured the young man in Carmen's ear, "not only a hundred thousand piastres, but all my fortune, the millions I have amassed in order to lay them at your feet, my very life, which henceforth has no charm for me, would I have given for this moment! Not that I new attach the slightest value to the honor of dancing with you, but because I want to tell you that I despise you!"

"Have mercy!" whispered Carmen, whose heart bled beneath the insult.

"There is no mercy for a perjurer! You promised to wait for me, to remain faithful to me until death, and you have broken your oath!"

"But, Miguel, you do not know—"

"I know but one thing, Carmen—that you are the wife of another and lost to me. I am devoured by jealousy and wish to avenge myself!"

"Yes, you are right—avenge yourself. I merit death—kill me, Miguel! Better die than live since I have lost you. What would life be to me now that I have found you again and cannot be yours? For it is you alone I love! My father forced me to marry that man, but I have never loved him."

"Then let us fly together!"

"Fly! I cannot do it—it would dishonor me!"

At that moment they passed before Don Ramon. The sight the man who had robbed him of his love and happiness sufficed to dissipate the tenderness with which for an instant Carmen's words had softened Miguel's heart. Drunken with jealousy and fury, he hastened the movement of his steps and then madly, passionately, in the sight of all, snatched a long kiss from her lips.

Don Ramon saw it; he sprang forward to stop him and tear away his wife from his embrace. When the two rivals were face to face Miguel opened his arms and let Carmen fall into those of Don Ramon.

Don Ramon received only a corpse—Carmen was dead, stifled by her lover.

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Wholesome Words to Farmers the Theme
 of His First, and Points on the Feeding
 of Steers the Second—Weeds, Their De-
 velopment and their Extirpation.

It is a good thing for a neighborhood that has won an excellent reputation in any one particular, to strive to excel still further in the same line. Somebody's clear thinking precedes all rational action that makes for the improvement of the social, industrial or commercial world. Meetings such as have been held by this Board of Trade help to bring out the best thought and the best action that are in the several members, who compose it. Then the good name and the superior reputation which has been won for the factories in the Lachine district, have created a measure of enthusiasm which has had a very beneficial influence on the salesmen, on the cheesemakers and on the thousands of patrons of the factories. Any individual or any action which helps to inspire one with confidence in himself and hope in the future of his district and country is most commendable. These form the best part of the country's capital and should be encouraged and conserved by every possible means. It is a great mistake for farmers or other citizens of our country to depend upon any outside, far-off or foreign source of help in the solution of the difficulties that meet them in the prosecution of their own business. The hard times in a country can never be made to yield entirely to any sort of legislation. Dairy men and other people need never expect to safely rely upon Government to legislate good times. The only real basis for substantial, permanent and progressive prosperity is the application of industry with skill in every sphere of endeavor and the exercise of economical frugality and fair dealing between all men and classes. These with the blessings of Providence and good harvests, alone are adequate to bring and to keep good times. Still the attitude of the governments of today is most friendly towards the agricultural interests; and they have lent almost every desirable and practical help to the farming community towards increasing their profits and improving their condition.

—Jas. W. Robertson, Dairy Commissioner

Points in the Feeding of Steers.

In the matter of feeding steers last winter at the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, some information of great value to the farmers was brought out. Three sets of steers were put up to fatten. The ration of one lot was composed of hay, roots and meal. The ration of the second lot was made up of corn ensilage and meal. In the third lot, the ration was a mixture of hay, roots, corn ensilage and meal. The steers fed upon hay, roots and meal cost 11.0 cents per day. Those upon the mixture of hay, roots, corn ensilage and meal cost 15.6 cents each per day. The steers which were fed upon corn ensilage and meal gained over 30 pounds each more than the others, and the cost per head was only 11 cents per day against 19 cents as the cost of those that fed upon hay, roots and meal. The supply of hay to Great Britain and meal, beef by dairymen, as well as cattle raisers, when they use ensilage generally. In my judgment every dairyman should keep on an average half as many fattening steers as he keeps milking cows, and but few farms have at all sufficient help to attend to as many cattle in the form of milking cows as a farm should keep.

On most farms enough corn ensilage can be produced to feed all the milking cows which can be attended to by the help available on the place and for half as many steers besides. There is still room for very large increase in the number of live stock, which we send to Great Britain and meal, about 20 per cent. of the cattle which he imports. To grow steers to advantage, the cows as far as can be controlled, should be made to come in in the fall of the year. That means that a sufficient supply of skim milk and whole milk will be available to the farmer to raise calves of the best constitution and form. So far as has yet been learned in cattle husbandry there is no cheap and efficient substitute for milk and skim milk in the raising of calves and young pigs within reach of the ordinary farmer.

The supply of milk during the winter would also make it possible to engage in butter making upon an extensive scale in creameries, but one most important advantage would be the increase in the number and the improvement in the quality of the cattle and swine kept upon the farm where the practice prevailed.

—Jas. W. Robertson, Dairy Commissioner.

Weeds.

It is not alone in the form of useless and obnoxious vegetation in our fields that we can accept the definition of the word heading this article. Weeds are not alone to be found as a burden that prevents the necessary growth or development in our cultivated crops. Though perhaps not so glaring to the casual observer, weeds are ruinous in the stud, in the herd, and in the flock. It is the poorly developed animal that fails to bring a price equal to what it costs to produce. It is therefore weed growth that takes the sustenance from the growing crop. It is the weed among the animals that occupy the room that should be given to the good and saleable horse, whose presence on the farm is a delight to the owner, while the other is a nuisance at home, and cannot be sold because there are so many such in the market. Weeds upon the place of the best shipping steers, and in their place there grow animals that not only occupy the room, take the feed, but worst of all, prevent their owner from developing a love and taste for his work without which he cannot possibly attain success in his calling. Who would go to see a field of grain abounding in noxious weeds with any expectation of pleasure? Who would realize any satisfaction in showing a friend a lot of colts that are weeds in his own eyes, and whose chief characteristics are their different degrees of unsoundness? The task of selling a lot of scrub steers whose narrow, bare frames are such as only the poorest class of butcher will buy, exemplifies the case. It is the lower-grade farmer that produces them, it is the lower-grade butcher that buys, and he sells to the lower-grade consumers, the result being a lower-grade price all through. Where laudable ambition fails to move men to aspire to better methods in their calling, very shame steps in and prevents a too great falling away. For this reason good farmers are required in every locality to assist in illustrating that in farming for profit a high aim must be taken, or they will strike below the mark, which causes the balance to appear on the wrong side of the ledger. A drive through the country will convince the observant that many farms which should continue to produce bountiful crops, will very soon be largely occupied by weeds, unless a radical change in the farming operations is brought about.

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THURSDAY MORNING JAN 7

SCARCITY OF SALMON IN CANADIAN RIVERS AND ITS CAUSE.

It has been the general experience of the lessees and owners of the fishing privileges in Canada of late that salmon have been growing more and more scarce each year. At the majority of the rivers the fishing this year has been a failure. There is no longer any doubt that the cause of this growing scarcity is the constant and excessive netting of these fish on their journey from the ocean to their fresh water spawning beds. Instinct directs the fish when about to breed to fresh waters, where the young can be hatched under conditions favorable to survival and growth; and so strong is the instinct that once started the fish never turns back. Their habit is invariably to closely follow the line of the shore as they ascend to the rivers in which they breed, and the result is that the perfected net appliances now in use along the shores of the lower waters are fatally effective. When one considers the great number of nets now in use, and the long shore line over which they are set at the points most favorable for their purpose, the wonder is not that salmon are now scarce in the upper waters, but that any escape successfully all the snares planted in their paths from the sea.

Persons most familiar with the facts are of the opinion that unless the Dominion Government promptly adopts some decided and effective measures to enable a larger number of the fish to safely reach their spawning grounds, great danger of total extermination of the species will be incurred. At present all nets are supposed to be raised from six o'clock p.m. on Saturday to six o'clock a.m. on Monday of each week. But it is asserted positively by numerous and reliable witnesses that even this regulation is in many instances not complied with. The owners and lessees of the privileges believe that they are entitled to somewhat more generous treatment, and propose a petition to the Government that these nets be hereafter raised during three full days and nights of each week, which shall be the same stated three days and nights for all nets. In this they ask only just consideration and fair play. The owner and lessee beside paying a large sum for his right to angle, is obliged at considerable expense to guard and protect the salmon while in fresh water. He provides employment during the fishing season for no inconsiderable number of persons, and incidentally makes a market for supplies which in the aggregate are heavy. And the proposed plan if adopted, would not in reality prejudice the interests of the net-fishermen, but in the long run actually benefit him by allowing a larger number of fish to safely cast their spawn, and thus increase the now diminishing supply. The sportsmen remain at the sea mon streams but a comparatively short season; and no amount of angling by however expert fishermen can possibly deplete a stream, since it is a well-known fact that only a small proportion of salmon can be induced to rise to a fly. Not so with the net-fisherman. Instinct keeps the ascending fish unfalteringly near the shore, and there the trapper sets his nets and keeps them set day and night between two and three months of each year. If the fish escape the first net they must still encounter scores of others, some perhaps more skillfully arranged to make their capture certain. Their chance of reaching the spawning ground and perpetuating their species is infinitely small. A large part of those that do escape are either wounded or badly scarred by the nets, as any angler can attest.

One important fact should be borne in mind by the authorities to whose charge the interests of the Canadian salmon rivers are entrusted, viz: The salmon always return to breed in the same water where they themselves were bred. If the families native to those streams are prevented from reproducing their species as nature intended, they will have no successors of their kind, and the grandest fish that swims must there become extinct.

Besides this evident interest which the government ought to feel to guard and preserve and perpetuate its salmon, it ought in justice to recognize the right of the anglers to a fair consideration for the large sums which they contribute to the revenue for their privileges. The net-fishermen pay but a nominal sum for the right to set his nets and seems to be reaping a harvest at the expense of the angler. It is an injustice which should be remedied, and the intended petition seems to be a reasonable one, which should meet with favorable consideration, especially as the salmon rivers would thereby become more valuable

and return increased revenue to the Government from rentals.

PRECIPITATED BY A MAHATMA.

Some one is either gazing us with a queer parable or our correspondent is one of those strange beings who view the actions of men from a distance, and not comprehending their motives or hearing their speech must often be puzzled by the strange contradictions they see. Our correspondent, who may be chief of the Mahatmas and head centre of the theosophists, says: "I was transported by the spirit, above a beautiful city full of large edifices, by the side of a magnificent river and commanded to view attentively and write down that which I saw. And looking down I beheld a great multitude who seemed to dwell in peace and amity together, buying and selling and working diligently. And the crowds of gaily dressed people and the number of horses and carriages and vehicles that travelled like the wind, with puffings and snortings as if drawn by some mighty Behemoth, were all admirable to behold. After gazing attentively I observed three men whose actions attracted my regard. One was a man of rosy face and smiling mien, full of politeness, whose wares exposed for sale brought him much custom, and who apparently stood in high esteem with his fellow men. The other two were standing in two boxes and before each one lay a ponderous volume, which he frequently slapped with one open hand, while he made threatening motions with his other hand and shouted at the top of his voice and reviled and abused all such people as passed him by and would not stay to listen to him. And as I studied attentively and wondered what this strange scene might portend, lo! a procession of grave and reverend men appeared, headed by one bearing a chain and badge of office. And on nearing the three men, they caught the quiet, inoffensive man by the throat, and after robbing him of all that he had they handed him over to the torturers to be cast into prison. Then, turning to the two men who were still reviling the public, they handed over to them the plunder taken from the first man along with much other booty, and bowing to them reverentially passed on. Then said the spirit, Mortal, dost thou understand what thou seest? And on my answering no, he said, then I will read the riddle to thee. Behold, the city thou seest is the great city of Montreal, the pride of the Canadian Dominion. The three men to whom thy attention was particularly directed were, the one a butcher and the other two clergymen. The procession of grave men were the aldermen, headed by the mayor. The robbery and ill treatment of the butcher is known locally as the butchers' license tax, and the gift to the preachers is the tax exemption which puts into the pockets of the clergy that which is squeezed out of taxation.

THE QUESTION OF BUTCHERS' LICENSE.

We have so long, and so persistently argued against all legislation in restraint of trade, and more particularly against laws enhancing the price of the necessities of life, that we welcome the conversion to our side of the wholesale produce and provision men of this city. For the benefit of retail dealers who had taken stalls in our markets a by-law was enacted that called for a very heavy license on all non stall holders selling provisions within a certain radius of the market. It was no matter that such a law was unjust to both buyer and seller. Housekeepers might protest that they did not want to be driven in all weathers to the not over clean precincts of the nearest market so long as some trader in their own neighborhood was perfectly willing and able to supply their wants. The city fathers knew what was good for them better than they did themselves, and the tradesman daring enough to supply them must pay the penalty. Want of union among the parties interested, and want of public opinion generally, enabled the City Council to carry their point against the butchers, and they were sentenced to be dragged into submission. All this time the wholesale men had carried on their business without molestation and with a selfishness, born of an imagined security, had never lifted their voices against such an outrage. But their time came next. Having beat down the opposition of the butchers the authorities next turned attention to the wholesale produce and provision merchants, and as most of their places of business were within the prohibited limits a rich haul seemed in prospect. A few legal documents, however, seemingly distributed at random among them as feelers, brought the wholesale men to their senses. So long as retailers alone were affected they were willing to acquiesce in any law, no matter how unjust or ridiculous, but when their own corns were trodden on they soon gave tongue. A meeting, that might be almost called an indignation meeting, was called yesterday at the Board of Trade Rooms, and a strong and united protest went out against the iniquitous by-law. Unfortunately the wholesale men were too selfish or too inconsistent, or, from some reason or other, unable to grasp the idea of the injustice to the public of such a law and only resisted, in so far as it affected their own particular branch. What is an inquiry in a retail storekeeper is just and proper when done by a wholesaler. That is their line of argument, and all they ask for is that the enforcement of the law shall be stayed, so as to give the counsel time to repeal it, in so far as it may affect themselves. But the public has also an interest in the matter. They do not care five cents whether one man or one set of men are exempt from the operation of the penal law, but they do

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ANOTHER NEW BRIDGE IS PROJECTED OVER the St. Lawrence in the neighborhood of Kingston. Canadians are certainly either pluckier or less cautious than Englishmen. The very idea of a tunnel under the channel between England and France, though twenty-six miles long, sent army and navy and both houses of parliament into fits, and a shiver of fright went all through the nation, while we allow tunnels and bridges to be built without stint. But then, we keep an army of custom house officers at the entrances whose heavy charges are enough to dismay even a regiment of boys in blue.

Things One Would Like to Know.
 If our people see through the sophistries of Sir Charles Tupper (Dominion High Commissioner) in London as respects free trade. The London Times does not expect to convince him of its advantages. Not likely! seeing he has personal interests that clash with all other Canadians. Mines and iron-works in Nova Scotia to "protect" you know. Whether it does not seem preposterous for the said dignitary to tell a Southampton deputation he will consider the best route for the mail (quick) steamers. Is there no one in our country (from steamship owners and agents) who can better judge the most suitable places of call than Sir Charles Tupper?
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LATE SPORTING NEWS.

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the largest prize ever offered. Their action is a direct insult to the sporting public of America, and the latter should be every day giving up their good American dollars to the pugilistic bluffers.

Charlie Johnson, after waiting at the Herald office an hour after the agreed time of waiting, called for his money, and as he pocketed the \$250 said: "That is the last chance Slavin will have at my money. He can't fool me any longer. I have waited now for six months for him and he has got all the advertisement he can out of John L. or me."

Renaud's Unknown a Likely Looking Man

OTTAWA, Jan. 6.—W. B. Renaud's unknown pugilist has arrived in town and in the course of the next week it is expected he will have a match with Gus Lambert, the heavyweight of Montreal. He is a likely looking young man of about 30 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches high, and fights at 164 pounds.

Maher and Fitzsimmons, SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

New York, Jan. 6.—Billy Madden called at the Police Gazette office yesterday and instructed Richard K. Fox to wire that Peter Maher would go to New Orleans and fight Bob Fitzsimmons in the Olympic Club for the largest purse that the Olympic Club would put up. Madden announced that the Irish champion would also meet Jim Corbett on the same terms. Richard K. Fox telegraphed President Charley Noel.

Knocked Into Dreamland.

New York, Jan. 6.—Nearly 200 New York and Connecticut sporting enthusiasts went to Stamford, Conn., last night to witness a glove fight between Bill Dunn of Jersey City and Frank Craig, the Harlem "Cooler." The battle was seconded by Tom Stewart and Bill Council, the famous "Coke Walker." Dunn was looked after by Tommy Warren and Tommy Danforth. Both men weighed in at 164 pounds. Walker De Baum was referee.

In the two first rounds the "Cooler" had quite a shade the best of it. He got in some good punches on the face and wind. Dunn fought on the defensive in the next and last round, and odds on the "Cooler" went up. Craig began the rushing in this round, intent upon doing his man, but he was met with a blow in the wind and face.

Dunn followed up his advantage, and catching Craig on the jaw felled him to the floor. That settled the colored man. When he got to his feet Dunn shot out his right and knocked the Harlem man into dreamland. The referee awarded the fight to Dunn.

Gibbons After Myer or McAuliffe.

New York, Jan. 6.—Austin Gibbons, the Paterson light weight pugilist, who recently defeated Andy Bowen at New Orleans, issued a challenge last night to fight either Jack McAuliffe or Myer for a purse of \$5000 before the Olympic Club at New Orleans.

Gibbons is willing to fight in two days or two months, as best suits Myer or McAuliffe, at 133 pounds, give or take two pounds. He will post \$500 to guarantee his appearance in the ring with any reputable newspaper.

Gibbons said he had received an offer to fight Jim Carney for \$300, but would rather meet Myer or McAuliffe, as there was more money in it.

SNOWSHOEING.

Crescent Snowshoe Club At Home.

The Crescent Snowshoe Club give their first at home of the season this evening, Jan. 7, at the Athletic Club House, and a large attendance is expected.

The Montreal Club.

The Montrealers tramped out to the Athletic Club House last evening and spent a pleasant time. There was a large muster and with customary luck a sufficient amount of snow for good trapping.

BILLIARDS.

A Local Pool Match Last Night Between Good Men.

A pool match was played last evening at the billiard rooms of Mr. V. Raparia, corner of Guy and Notre Dame-streets, between two local men of ability, and some two hundred persons witnessed the contest. Neither person desires prominence, but the game put up surpassed anything ever seen in the city.

HOCKEY.

The Games Scheduled by the Junior Hockey Club of Ottawa.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

OTTAWA, Jan. 6.—The Junior Ottawa hockey club are scheduled for the following games: Jan. 16, with the Junior Victorias at Ottawa; Jan. 22, with the Maples at Montreal; Jan. 23, with the Junior Victorias at Montreal; Feb. 6, with the Hawthornes at Ottawa; March 5, with the Maples at Ottawa; March 12, with the Hawthornes at Montreal.

The First Match.

The first hockey match for the championship takes place to-morrow evening at the Crystal rink, between the Ottawa and M.A.A.A. teams. The latter have been putting in some practice of late and have no fears of the result.

WRESTLING.

The Match in Cornwall To-Morrow Night Between Quinn and Unknown.

The wrestling match in Cornwall to-morrow evening between W. H. Quinn, champion of the Pacific Coast, and the unknown, supposed to be Harrison of Toronto, is commanding a good deal of attention in this city and several of the sports have signified their intention of going up. Quinn is, of course, the favorite, but in Harrison he meets a good man and the contest should be a hard one.

CURLING.

The Curling Contest for the Gordon Medal at Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 6.—The curling contest for the Gordon medal took place here last night. Six rinks took part; two each from Milwaukee and Chicago. The games were watched with the liveliest interest by curling men. The rinks were skipped by such veterans as James Bryden, B. Hill, W. Lorimer, O. W. Robertson and others. In to-day's games the Milwaukee rinks beat Chicago and St. Paul, and one St. Paul rink beat Chicago six points.

Bryden's Milwaukee rink secured the honors of the day, beating Hill's Chicago rink 20 to 13. The contest will be finished to-morrow.

Arriving in Toronto.

TORONTO, Jan. 6.—The curlers have begun to arrive in the city in connection with the international bonspiel of Friday. It is now considered likely that the visitors will be far fewer than was originally expected, owing to the snow storm prevailing. The local committee has decided to have meetings held in the city rinks instead of on the Grenadier's pond. The Thompson-Scovill match between Toronto and Buffalo will not be held for some days.

International Bonspiel.

TORONTO, Jan. 6.—The international bonspiel will be held on Friday instead of on Thursday. The postponement has been made at the instance of the United States visitors.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Billy Baker, the Pugilist, May Die of Blood Poisoning.

BUFFALO, Jan. 6.—Billy Baker, the Buffalo pugilist, who some time ago was shot by ruffians because he was protecting a girl from insult, is in a critical condition. After the shooting Baker was taken to the General Hospital, but was on his feet again a few days afterward; apparently as well as ever beyond weakness. The bullet was not abstracted. Saturday night he complained of pains in his legs, and Dr. Farmer was called in. An examination showed that the bullet was still there. It was decided to perform an operation. This was done late on Saturday night and the poisoned flesh removed. Another operation was performed to-day and more poisoned flesh taken out. The bullet is still there. It is said that 24 hours will decide Baker's fate. He will probably die. Dan Egan, the "Montana Kid," arrived here to-day to arrange a match with Baker, but finding that impossible will try to meet Jack Leonard.

Wants to Walk.

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD.

New York, Jan. 6.—The following was received at the Police Gazette office yesterday from Boyerlow, Pa.: I am a candy maker by trade. Last summer I traveled in small towns making candy in the open air and met with great success. I recently read an account of a proposed "Tramp Theatrical Co. to Chicago." My plan is to walk from New York City to San Francisco in 300 days or one year, resting on Sundays, and paying all expenses by manufacturing candy evenings, carrying candy tools, table and apparatus on a wheelbarrow. I should start from New York, going to Albany over the New York Central to Buffalo, thence along the Lake Shore to Chicago and Chicago and Alton to Kansas City, thence either the Union Pacific or A. T. & Santa Fe, stopping at small towns along the line. Yours truly, W. H. MANN.

McAuliffe Wants a Go With Goddard.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6.—Big Joe McAuliffe has written a letter to the Melbourne Sportsman asking that paper try to arrange a match between him and Joe Goddard. Several months ago the Melbourne Club was counting on having Goddard and either Jackson or McAuliffe for one of this year's attractions. When McAuliffe reached New York on his return from London he found a cablegram awaiting him in reference to a match with Goddard. He was then not financially able to go to Australia. His defeat of Cardiff, however, has given him a start, and he is now willing to make the long trip if given a match, or will fight Goddard in this country. The latter is not likely to come hither.

General Sporting Gossip.

Tom Kerr, the English sprinter, now over here, will make a starve-out of it in this country. He can do 101, but is a poor hustler.

Direct, 2.06, has been bred to Cricket, 2.10. It was the fastest combination on record and also one of the smallest, as they are close to the 15-hand mark.

Jockey Taral will travel and rest during the winter. He will visit Augusta, Ga., St. Louis, and may go to Florida for a few weeks before returning for his next season's work in the latter part of April.

D. T. Paleifer is getting rid of his superfluous stock of thoroughbreds. He has sold the 2-year-old Morgan G. to Jimmy McLaughlin; Onaway and Quartermaster to W. H. McCormick, and Puster, Jr., to George Lovell.

President Philip J. Dwyer, of the Brooklyn Jockey Club, is reported to have told a friend recently that there would be no effort made next spring to prevent the city pool rooms from getting the news of the Gravesend races. It is too costly.

Cuckoo Collins don't think much of England's athletes, and declares that there are only two real champions of anything in England, viz., Joe Nuttall, the swimmer, and Joe Darby, the jumper. There is a big doubt about all the rest, he says.

The statement of John Quinn in the suit against the stakeholder in the Smith-Farrell race to receive \$550, the Smith end of the stake has been filed. It is recounted that the affair was a gambling transaction, that all bets were declared off, and the plaintiff thinks he is entitled to his money. The case may not come up for argument for several months.

The famous old trotter Driver died at Pembroke, Me., last week. Mr. Pattee bought Driver of his breeder, Aldea Goldsmith, or his estate, and sold or traded him to Geo W. Leavitt, as whose property he died at Pembroke, Me. Last winter Driver was king of the road in Calais, Me., and that vicinity. The foot which was nerved three years ago finally gave out, rendering him useless.

It was no very strange thing that Starter Caldwell decided to stand by the Guttenburg authorities and defy the Board of Control. A salary of \$25,000 per annum and a two years' contract was ample inducement, when \$12,000 per year was all he could expect from the big tracks. The effect of the latest move in the racing warfare has been a square defeat for the Board of Control. Aside from the monetary consideration Caldwell's imperious disposition would naturally impel him to resent the attempt to coerce him into leaving the Guttenburg track.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

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He has also discovered the original cause of infection. The bacillus of influenza is the smallest bacillus yet discovered. Another doctor of Berlin, an assistant in the City Hospital, discovered the microbe of influenza almost simultaneously with Dr. Pfeiffer. The latter discovered the germ in the sputum, while the former found it in the blood.

This micro-organism strongly resembles the common inflammatory microbe, streptococcus pyogenes. Both doctors have reared it artificially and have inoculated animals with the pure cultures. It is not known, however, whether either has obtained a specific cure from the cultures.

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Opposition for Ald. W. Kennedy. Ald. W. Kennedy has found an opponent in St. Lawrence ward for the coming election. Mr. Enoch James aspires to civic honors and will see if he can secure more votes than "Ald. William."

Donations Acknowledged. Mr. Dick, of the Boys' Home, acknowledges the receipt of \$100 from Mr. J. H. Buchanan, and \$100 from "99," toward the enlargement funds. The last item was received yesterday in a letter with no name given.

Which Will Be First? The City Fathers will have a busy time of it on Monday next, when they meet for the first time this year. There are several "first orders of the day" to be dealt with, and it will trouble Mayor McShane to find out which "order" he will give preference to. Expectation!

Thieves at the Empire. The premises of the Empire Clothing Company, 2261 St. Catherine-street, were broken into on Tuesday evening. The thieves effected an entrance by prying open the basement window and then getting to the store by means of a trap door. Detectives Robertson and Barrett have the case in hand. When they visited the store yesterday morning they found a large quantity of goods strewn around the floor, the thieves apparently being particular as to what they took. Several hundred dollars worth of goods are missing. No clue to the robbers.

They Will Meet in Montreal. The annual meeting of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers will be held in Montreal on the 12th and 13th inst., and a conversation and reception to visiting members will be given on the evening of Tuesday, the 12th inst. The arrangements which the local committee have made are most complete, and a thoroughly enjoyable evening is in store for the invited guests. The rooms of the new Workman Building, at McGill College, have been placed at the disposal of the society, and the conversation will be held there. Besides music, the evening's program is to include an exhibition of apparatus and workshop practice by the students. In the latter will be embraced a "cast" in the foundry, etc., and will afford the ladies an excellent opportunity of seeing under favorable circumstances some practically applied mechanics and engineering. The president of the Society, Sir Casimir Gzowski, A.D.C., C.M.G., is coming from Toronto to preside at the annual meeting, and has also signified his intention of being present at the conversation.

AMUSEMENT NOTES. George Wilson's Minstrels are a Success—Other Attractions.

Minstrels are in Montreal again, after a long absence. George Wilson's minstrel troupe opened in the Queen's Theatre yesterday afternoon and last evening, the theatre containing good audiences for both performances. The company is not a large one, but it contains all the elements for a bright entertainment. There is nothing particularly new in the class of performance given. The curtain rises, as is usual in all minstrel shows, on the entire company seated in pyramidal fashion on the stage. The costumes, however, are more elaborate than are generally seen, and with the exception of the end men, the faces of the performers are not blackened. The centre men are dressed in the style of George IV, and handsome costumes they are. The songs given are nearly all new, although some old timers may have recognized something familiar in Maggie Murphy's Home. The jokes have evidently just been turned out of the factory, for not an old gag can be noticed. After the first part by the company came a laughable sketch of the adventures of Tenderfoot and Toughfoot, represented by George Wilson and Thomas Donnelly, in the Bad Lands of the west, and this was followed by an interesting dancing spectacle entitled Beaux and Belles, by the Fulton brothers, the Christie brothers and William Rowe. George Wilson is rightly styled the emperor of ebony comedy. He has new songs, new stories, new methods and new ideas, and while he was on the stage the audience were kept in a continual roar of laughter. A very clever, as well as a very amusing act was given by Napier and Marzello. The clown juggler Sparrow does some wonderful juggling. The entertainment closes with a burlesque called The Tar Tars, which, although there is too much horse play in it, is amusing.

At the Academy. On Saturday next the matinee performance will commence at half-past one o'clock. The doors will be opened at one o'clock. "Cleopatra" last evening was as big a success as ever, and the audience was large.

Gus Hill's Novelty. Many hundreds of people are visiting the Royal this week. Mr. Hill's company has made a big success, and for the balance of the weeks business is sure to be as large as the commencement.

The Night Owls. Next week we are to have a big show at the Royal. The Boston Herald in speaking of it says: "The Night Owls' Beauty Show" is evidently a strong attraction. The burlesque is far above the average, and is much better than any that has been presented at this theatre so far this season. The olio is decidedly strong in amusing and interesting specialties. The entertainment opens with a military spectacle, entitled "Blue and

Gray," presenting a number of beautiful and shapely women in gorgeous military costumes. During its action several clever singing and dancing specialties are introduced by members of the company. In the olio which follows, William J. O'Brien introduced a clever musical act, and gave some wonderful imitations on a violin; Miss Nettie Hoffman sings some very pleasing male character songs; Dunne's Imperial Japanese troupe gave a wonderful exhibition, in true Japanese style, of juggling, wire-walking, foot-balancing, a flying bamboo act by two Japanese children, and a wonderful slide for life down a rope from the gallery to the stage; Mackin and Curdy create merriment in a funny black face act; Heath and De Bossett appear in novel lighting drill and bayonet and sword exercise, and Miss Emma Bell contributes a neat singing and soft shoe dancing specialty.

Clara Morris Coming. Admirers of Sardon, Dumas' film and D'Emery, will each have an opportunity of comparing their plays during the visit of Clara Morris at the Queen's next week. Miss Morris has never appeared in Montreal, but her fame as a portrayal of the emotional drama leaves no doubt that for the first time in English will we have an opportunity of hearing the plays of these great authors given with the power, delicacy and intelligence in accordance with the conception of the authors. Miss Morris and her excellent company appears at the Queen's all next week, giving Olette, Camille and Renee De Moray in the order named.

HANCOCK POST, G.A.R. Officers Installed and a Friendly Social Thereafter.

An important meeting of Hancock Post, No. 105, G.A.R., took place last evening in the Veteran Army Hall, corner of Craig and St. James-streets, Commander A. Schelle in the chair, at which the annual installation of officers took place. Hancock Post always musters a good attendance at its regular meetings. The installing officer was Col. Taylor, of St. Albans, Vermont.

Commander—A. Schelle, re-elected. S. V. C.—P. Burns. J. V. C.—P. Rivard. Q.M.—T. Lyman. Adj.—T. A. Scott. Surgeon—Frank Doyle. Chaplain—J. Young. O.G.—George Sanr. O.G.—J. Barnes. Sergt.—Fred Jones. Q.M. Sergt.—J. F. Bannister.

A letter of regret was read from the American Consul, he being unable to attend.

The membership of the Canadian posts in Canada is nearly 200, and many veterans have been able to secure pensions, where formerly it was impossible. The following are the posts, where instituted, and their commanders:

1—Manitoba Post, 592, Department of Pennsylvania, mustered Oct. 25, 1889, at Winnipeg, Manitoba, Harper Wilson, commander; Wm. Wilson, present post commander, for 1892.

2—Hancock Post, 105, Montreal, Department of Vermont, mustered 19th May, 1890; A. Schelle, commander.

3—William Cook Post, 472, Department of New York, mustered in Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 6, 1891; J. N. Lovell, commander.

4—James S. Knowlton Post, 532, Department of New York, mustered May 18, 1891, Toronto, Ont.; Albert Johnson, commander.

5—Hannibal Hamilton Post, 652, Department of New York, mustered Oct. 27, 1891, at London, Ont.; J. D. McEwain, commander.

After the installation of officers those present were entertained by the ladies of the old veterans with tea, coffee and refreshments. During the evening the company were entertained with songs, readings and recitations. Miss Lorge presided at the piano.

During the evening the De Sallaberry Guards, with their band paid the Grand Army a fraternal visit, under command of Bro. Lorge. Before leaving, by particular request, the Guards were requested to "give The Adjutant," from the opera "Le Comte de Maïa," were rapturously enjoyed, and repeated it.

E. E. Ellsworth Camp, No. 73 Sons of Veterans.

The regular meeting of the Sons of Veterans took place in the hall, St. James-street, on Tuesday evening, for the installation of officers. About 34 members were present. Past Capt. W. H. Boyd, installing officer, installed the following:

Commander—R. F. Barrett. Vice-Commander—Joseph Laue. J. V. C.—George Rutan. 1st Sergt.—A. Sutherland. 2nd Sergt.—T. Coffin. Chaplain—E. Florence. Col. Sergt.—A. Barnes. Principal Musician—E. Barnes. Corp. Guard—James Mooney. Picket Guard—John O'Brien.

Camp Council—Messrs. E. M. Florence, E. Barnes and T. Coffin.

The meetings of the Camp take place on the first and third Tuesday of every month, at 411 St. James-street, and the members would like all sons of veterans not yet connected to at once give in their names and become members.

The W. R. C. This body held their installation service in their hall yesterday. The officers of the said corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, are:

President, Mrs. O. H. Mallett. Senior V.P., Mrs. John Large. Junior V.P., Mrs. Geo. Arless. Secretary, Miss Viola Hensley. Treasurer, Mrs. James Young. Chaplain, Mrs. Miller. Conductor, Miss Josephine Granier. Guard, Miss Anne Young. Assistant Conductor, Miss Cecil Sutherland. Assistant Guard, Miss Albertine Lorge.

There is no doubt this Women's Relief Camp will have the sympathy of the citizens of Montreal. The meeting closed with songs and sentiments by the lady members, and good wishes to all.

An Actress Burned. CINCINNATI, Jan. 6.—Miss Mary Bird, an actress playing at the Grand Opera House, was fatally burned last night. She was boarding at Hexter's Hotel, and was about to retire for the night when her clothes caught fire by the explosion of a bottle of face lotion, which she held in her hand unhooked.

She lingered until to-day when death ended her sufferings. Miss Bird was a native of New York, where she had a brother in the theatrical business. She was 22 years of age.

Mystery in the Dentist's Suicide. CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—James Charles, a dentist from Philadelphia, en route to Omaha, killed himself with a revolver to-day at the Brewster Hotel. He appeared to have money and was mysteriously hurt, but not seriously, on New Year's day.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Prepared by Our Neighbors in St. Henri. St. Henri's chief of police has issued the following annual report: The total arrests for drunkenness were 72; disturbing the peace, 28; loitering at late hours, 40; swearing on the streets, 2; arrests by warrants, 18; assault on person, 3; drunk and exposing person, 1; robbery, 8; protection 200 (most of whom were given breakfast).

There have been no serious crimes during the past year, which Chief Masse thinks a hopeful sign, considering that the population is one-third larger than in 1890. For 1890 the total arrests were 176; while last year with the increased population the total arrests were 177; an increase of only two.

Following is a report of the Fire Department: St. Augustine ward, seven fires and two false alarms. Gaye help to St. Cuneo in two fires; Cote St. Paul, three; Turcotte Village, one. There have been no accidents at any of these fires.

This station has a fine fire-engine and three reels; four horses and eight firemen.

The men are most comfortably quartered. Besides having airy bedrooms, they are provided with two sitting rooms, one of which is fitted up with a large number of plants, many of which were in bloom this morning. A large bathroom is located near the bedrooms. The station is furnished with electric light, and when an alarm is rung it opens the stable doors and the horses rush to the reels.

CHRISTMAS EXAMINATIONS At the Congregational College.—The Registrar.

Theology—Homiletics, senior year, class I: Gunn, Craik, Read (F.W.); pastoral theology, senior year, class I: Gunn, Craik and Read (F.W.); Old Testament literature, senior year, class I: Gunn, Craik and Read (F.W.); equal; Hebrew, senior year, class I: Gunn, Craik and Read; middle year, class I: Ross, Pritchard and Read (G.E.); equal; Hamilton, Grisbrook; class II: Donaldson; Greek, senior year, class I: Gunn, Read (F.W.) Craik; middle year, class I: Ross, Read (G.E.) Hamilton and Pritchard, equal; Donaldson; class II: Grisbrook; junior year, class I: Brown, Ball, Ridgeway; systematic theology, middle year, class I: Ross, Hamilton, Pritchard, Grisbrook and Read (G.E.); equal; Donaldson; junior year, class I: Brown, Ball, Ridgeway; New Testament canon, junior year, class I: Brown, Ball, class II: Ridgeway.

McGill College—Moral philosophy, fourth year, class I: Ross; class II: Hamilton, Pritchard. European history, fourth year, class I: Hamilton; class II: Ross, Pritchard. Geology and Mineralogy, fourth year, class I: Ross, Hamilton; class II: Pritchard. Moral Philosophy, third year, class I: Read, G.E.; Grisbrook, *Donaldson. Zoology and Paleontology, third year, class II: *Grisbrook. Greek, second year, class I: Day; first year, class II: Watt. Greek history, second year, class II: Day, Latin, second year, class I: Day; first year, class I: Watt. Elementary zoology, second year, class I: Day; class II: Brown; class III: Ball. Hebrew, second year, class I: Day; first year, class I: Brown; class II: Ball; class III: Ridgeway. Mathematics, second year, class I: Day; first year, class I: Watt. Botany, second year, class II: Day; class II: *Donaldson; first year, class I: Day; class II: Brown; class III: Ridgeway. Chemistry, first year, class II: Watt. German, first year, class II: Watt.

Note—Students indicated by * take only a partial course in McGill.

IT WAS NOT MURDER. Joseph Perron Came to His Death by an Accident.

Detective Lafontaine has been making a diligent investigation into the death of Joseph Perron, and has come to the conclusion that the man was not murdered. Perron was a heavy drinker. In the afternoon he had been brought home intoxicated by two men named Savari, brother of Mrs. Damase Cusson. They stayed at the house and played checkers with the family until after three o'clock. Then they left and visited their sister, Mrs. Cusson. At this time Perron was sleeping in his chair. About six o'clock he became uneasy, and in spite of his wife's remonstrances he went out. He did not say where he was going, but went straight to his cousin Damase Cusson's house at 735 Ontario-street. On arriving there he was very drunk. During the evening they tried to keep liquor away from him, but he insisted on having it, and three drinks at least were taken. The last time, his hand was so unsteady that he spilled more than he drank. Several times he had to be held up in order to prevent his falling. A few minutes he asked for his hat and left without saying anything. As he did not return, five minutes later Aime Savari, nephew of Mrs. Cusson, went to the door to look for him. He saw him about a block away going from one side of the footpath to the other. The boy went into the house, as Perron was on his way home. He is the last person who has yet been found that saw Perron before he was killed. During the investigation Mrs. Cusson, Perron's mother-in-law, said that last spring, when suffering from an illness brought on by drunkenness, he was told by Dr. Hurtubise, of St. Henri, that if he did not leave liquor alone he would not see this winter. She also said that once before his hair was frozen to the ground. The only witnesses at the inquest were: Varice Robert, father-in-law of deceased; Damase Cusson, his cousin; Sergeant Choquette and Constable Charpentier. The two Savari and the boy who saw him last were not examined. The father-in-law looks upon it as murder, but the other members of the family are satisfied it was an accident. The theory of the police is that after leaving Cusson's, Perron again changed his mind and turning back passed the house and went on to Papineau road. Rolling along the sidewalk there he fell on the frozen bank covered with stones, alighting on his head, fracturing his skull. This conclusion has been arrived at after considering all the circumstances and the fact that no motive for murder could be found.

Sardon Prostrated. PARIS, Jan. 6.—The attack of influenza from which M. Victorien Sardon, the celebrated dramatist, is suffering, is so violent that he is completely prostrated.

SPECIAL NOTICE! Sleeping car service on Canadian Pacific Railway between Montreal and Portland will be discontinued after January 7th, 1892.

BY-LAW 131

Discussed at a Representative Gathering Yesterday. The council room of the Board of Trade was more crowded yesterday afternoon than at ordinary Board of Trade meetings. There was a reason for this as the following circular will show:

MONTREAL, Jan. 4, 1892. Sir,—I am to invite your attention to a special meeting called under the auspices of this association for Wednesday, Jan. 6, at 3.15 o'clock P.M., to consider the by-law under which several of our members have been summoned before the Recorder for selling wholesale poultry, dressed hogs and other country produce.

The by-law is a very harassing one, and unless repealed will put an end to several branches of the wholesale produce trade in this city.

Yours obediently, G. H. HADRIEL, Sec.

In response to the invitation of Mr. Hadriel a goodly number of wholesale merchants assembled to discuss the question. They were met by a few of our most prominent aldermen who take an interest in the business of the merchants, who form the back-bone and sinew of the commercial metropolis of Canada. The chair was taken by the president of the association, Mr. McKergow, and he was supported by the following aldermen: Stephens, McBride, P. Kennedy, Stevenson and Nelson. The subject of the petition with list of names will show how the mercantile fraternity was represented:

To the mayor and aldermen of the City of Montreal.

The petition of the undersigned produce merchants of the City of Montreal, humbly sheweth: That your honorable council passed a by-law—No. 206—with a view to exempting the wholesale produce trade from the clauses and conditions of by-law 131 concerning markets, passed June 9, 1889.

That it appears that Section 3 of said by-law No. 206 does not have the desired effect, although specially intended to exempt wholesale produce merchants.

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that your honorable council will, with as little delay as possible, pass a by-law amending by-law 131, concerning markets, passed June 9, 1889, so that it shall not in any of its provisions apply to the wholesale trade of this city.

And you will do justice. Signed, J. Mc Kergow, Vice-President.

F. Duckett, A. A. Ayer & Co., Bell, Simpson & Co., Steel, Campbell, Duckett, Dodge & Co., W. Laing & Sons, James O'Brien & Co., J. A. Vallanceau & Co., Geo. Watt & Co., Charles Langlois & Co., Scott, Henderson & Co., W. M. Fuller & Co., Alex. D. McNeil, Kirkpatrick & Cookson, J. R. Clog & Co., James McIntyre, J. Hamilton & Co., Charles Duncan & Co.

The meeting was addressed by Ald. Stephens, who had evidently studied the subject and knew what he was talking about. In a short and practical speech he told the merchants there assembled that he had always been opposed to by-law No. 131 concerning markets. In referring to the old 500 yard restricted dealing Ald. Stephens said that it was a most iniquitous act and only a remnant of the unrighteous and unjust laws that prevailed in Medieval times. As to the tax on butchers for selling meat he thought this a gross injustice.

Unfortunately, he said, official donkeyism stepped in and the so-called aldermen at the City Hall were like the costermonger's "moke," they would kick if they could do nothing else.

Ald. McBride addressed the meeting in something like the same strain, leaving out the allusion to the obstreperous quadruped. He said that the gentlemen assembled should bring pressure to bear upon the mayor to call a special meeting of council to deal with the by-law affecting this question. It could not be dealt with in the ordinary course of business and therefore a special meeting must be called.

Ald. Stephens, in supporting what Ald. McBride had said, introduced the assembly that whatever might be done by their combined efforts at the time of meeting the display of genius exhibited by the city attorney and a few other officials around the City Hall would neutralize all that was proposed to be done for the common good.

Ald. Conroy and Ald. Kennedy followed in the same strain and promised to do all they could when the question came up in council.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

C. F. Richardson, of Toronto, is at the Hall.

S. C. Lacour, of Quebec, is registered at the Hall.

J. P. Williams, of Boston, is stopping at the Hall.

B. F. Van Allan, of Chicago, is a guest at the Hall.

C. J. Haigh, of Detroit, is a guest at the Windsor.

J. S. Simon, of New York, is staying at the Windsor.

Rev. Mr. Buett, of Chase Settlement, N.B., is in town.

A. Godby, of Toronto, is staying at the Balmoral.

W. L. Peck, of Chicago, is a guest at the Balmoral.

S. C. Rutherford, of Toronto, is a guest at the Windsor.

R. E. Murphy, of Huntington, is a guest at the Balmoral.

E. B. Bowell, of River du Loup, is staying at the Windsor.

Arthur Lieger, of St. Johns, P.Q., is a guest at the Balmoral.

W. S. Jones, of Chicago, is amongst the latest arrivals at the Balmoral.

H. Thompson, of Hamilton, is amongst the latest arrivals at the Windsor.

W. H. Barland, of Calgary, N.W.T., is in town and registered at the Balmoral.

E. J. Lafleur, of Ottawa, was in town yesterday and registered at the Windsor.

Among the guests at the Hall are: Geo. T. Davis, Sorel; Max Lieble, principal Berthier Grammar School; A. K. Ingram, New York; and W. Wilson, Toronto.

Among the late arrivals at the Albion are: Thos. O'Connor, St. John, N.B.; W. E. Ford, St. John, N.B.; C. E. Bailey, Bismark, Dakota; J. K. Leonard, Quebec; John G. Miller, St. John, N.B.; H. H. Shuffell, Halifax and W. McBride, Portland.

Among the late arrivals at the Hotel Rendeau are: H. Bousquet, O. Bousquet, Drummondville; H. Laugel, St. Eustache; A. Lamoth, A. Clement, St. Hyacinthe; F. Cloutier, La. Patrick, Quebec; Chas. Rasconi, Acadia; J. H. McCormick, Manchester; V. R. Dubreuil, Petit Metis; L. N. Turner, Fitchburg; G. J. Clark, Peterboro.

The Duke of Dural Dead. MADRID, Jan. 6.—Pierre d'Alcantara Marie de Guadalupe Theresia Isabel Francisco d'Assise Gabriel Sebastian Christine de Bourbon y Bourbon, Duke of Dural, a grandee of Spain and a member of the Spanish royal family, died to-day of influenza. He was born at Madrid on Dec. 12, 1862, and on April 6, 1885, he contracted a morganatic marriage with Marie de la Caridad Madan, a lady who was born Sept. 19, 1867, at Guantánamo, Cuba.

BILL NYE AS A DRAMATIST.

THE MONIST TELLS HOW HE SELECTS THE PLOTS FOR HIS PLAYS.

Some of the Devices by Which Mr. Nye Has Become the American Sardon—No Stage Villains.

Bill Nye in the Christmas Dramatic News.

Many correspondents have asked me recently to kindly write them briefly and tersely my ideas of dramatic construction. They are especially anxious that my remarks should be terse. Time would forbid an individual answer to each one, so I will pencil off a brief treatise on the subject in order that those few people who have not already written a play may do so without further delay.

First—How shall one prepare one's self, or, as we say, get into condition for playwriting?

I generally begin in the fall of the year to prepare myself by a rigid course of diet and daily exercise before writing a play in the spring. I awake at 7 o'clock and my valet is instructed to come to my apartments at that hour and insist on my getting up immediately. This I have him do that I may throw my heavy riding boot at him and again sink into a delicious slumber, which I call my beauty sleep. No one can enjoy slumber much until harshly told to get up, so my valet is instructed to insist on my getting up till he hears me snoring. Then he goes away. For this he gets my approval and an occasional high hat which I have outgrown.

At 8 o'clock I awake and think of something which would be good in the play and write it down on the cuff of my nightgown with a fountain pen which I keep tied about my neck by means of a heavy gold cord.

Then you may hear two little bare feet strike on the floor, and two little bright eyes looking in different directions may be seen peering out through the casement as who should say: "I wonder what sort of a day we will have to-day?"

I then plunge headlong into my tub. While under water I think of a good situation for the play I make a memorandum of it on the bottom of the tub with a piece of soap. I then come to the surface for more air, reminding one of a damp stien looking for enough mariners for a mess.

I now spray my limbs and foliage with tepid water, pausing now and then to make the memorandum of a good situation.

I then emerge from the bath, not gradually, like Sardon, but more like Moliere, though I fancy I really like no one else but myself. I may be said to have practically created the part.

While dressing I run over an act from some good French dramatist, and if he should be perfectly free from plagiarism and I am convinced that he got none of his ideas from Mr. Frohman or other American dramatists I cut out a few pages with a view to using them ultimately myself.

I dress very much as I did before I began play writing, only that I think I dress warmer, and my clothes, it is said, look more as though they were designed especially for me. My meals are similar to some respects to what they were before I became a dramatist, only that they are more frequent.

While eating I try to think of a motif for my approaching play. Most always I am not successful. While contemplating the construction of a play and pending the selection of a motif, I eat wheaten grits for breakfast, together with smears and fruit. If I contemplate a melodrama with a good deal of soggy woo I eat oatmeal. This I find makes me think of more ways of wrenching the heated tear from eyes unused to weep than any other food I can use.

After breakfast we gather round the cabinet organ and sing something, and if the pastor is boarding with us, I select a highly unobjectionable passage of Scripture and have him read it aloud. Some of my best situations have been suggested at such times, I think.

I now go to my study and write a few editorials for my press agent, while I run my eye over the papers in order to see what ones have mentioned me kindly and order the others stopped.

In this I differ from Bonicaux, who kept on taking a paper sometimes in order that it had ceased to dwell tenderly on his merits. Bronson Howard also permits papers to come to his house, whether they contain personals regarding his whereabouts or not. Shakespeare adopted the same policy which I employ, viz., to cut off such exchanges as should be silent regarding him. Possibly he and I have shown a vindictive spirit in this matter, but we cannot help it.

A year ago I bought a team of handsome carriage horses in Lexington, Ky., and called the attention of a morning paper to the fact, only to be given the laugh, as Joseph Cook might have put it, and inside of six months the foreman of that paper pined a form on one of his feet and recovered \$18 from the proprietor. All this in addition to the loss of my subscription.

At 10 o'clock I read for an hour the laws of dramatic construction and the statutes in such case made and provided. I then perform on the horizontal bar. Then I examine an English joke, taking out the sawdust and putting in new clauses, examining its mechanism and then remounting it and putting it away in a cool place. This puts me in touch with those who are fond of English humor.

I now go into the kitchen where our new dark eyed cook is trying to amuse herself, and there I study human nature till my wife comes down and says it is time to call a halt. Human nature is one of the very best and most interesting studies to the true dramatist.

One correspondent asks: "How do you introduce a villain into your play?" I reply at once, with my head thrown well back and with flashing eyes, that I do not use a villain at all in my play. Curse him! I say. I cannot use him. I tried to utilize him in my first and only great dramatic work, but kept forgetting about him.

I could not think of anything for a villain to say that seemed appropriate, so I discharged him, and now you can see him every evening in the audience (criticizing the play, or squeezing out and in search of a drink, and grinding up the feet of nice respectable people in a sickening way as he comes back and marches in across the heavy breast of row G, on the right hand side, he and his jag marching two abreast. I always said that a villain on the stage and another in the audience was a waste of salary.

Play writing is far simpler than it is generally supposed to be, and I often wonder why more people do not attempt it, so that we might have more manuscript plays to select from. Why is it that writers, journalists and novelists

hang back so persistently when there are so many calls for plays and such a booming market for them? I hope that every reader who ever may fall upon this essay will feel encouraged to go to work at once. It is easy enough. You will have no trouble. Write several plays and submit them to either of the dramatic critics of the New York press. They will be glad to read them for the ideas they may get out of them. Then if they write plays themselves in after years you can say, if you feel like it, that they stole the idea from your own. Study humanity faithfully and you will succeed if you successfully reproduce it in such a way as to score a success. This rule covers the ground. Sardon said that if I had written pages I could not have said more.

I also conceal my moral in the play so that it will not be offensive to New York audience. This is in a great measure the secret of my great success as a playwright. An exposed moral in that city may show great originality; but people, while they may apparently enjoy it, will not bring their family to see it.

This is the reason my playwriting, though purely American, has been regarded as resembling the best work of Sardon.

The coming summer I purpose writing a moral farce, which will be calculated not only to elevate the stage, but also at the same time elevate the mortgage on the opera house.

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