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TELEGRAPHIC.

CANADIAN DESPATCHES.

OTTAWA.

Personal-Movements of Public Men.

Influential Press Men in the Cap-

itol.

OTTAWA, November 27.—The Marine

Department has given instructions to dis-

band the North-West river police.

Sir Hector Langevin left to-day for

Three Rivers to attend the banquet to

Mr. Ross.

The Fisheries Department has received

a number of claims for bounties for 1883.

Mr. Lowe, Secretary of the Depart-

ment of Agriculture, has returned from

a visit to the North-West and from en-

quiring into matters relating to immigra-

tion at Port Arthur.

Major Durnett and Messrs. Henderson

and Ritchie, of Belleville, who arrived in

the city yesterday en route for Montreal,

had an interview with the Minister of

Public Works respecting harbor improve-

ments at Belleville.

Mr. Hayes Sawyer, American corres-

pondent of the European press, and Mr.

George W. Fellows, correspondent of the

American and European press, are in the

city.

A man named Jean Poitras has been

arrested in Hull on a charge of counter-

feiting. He is accused of passing 50 cent

pieces which he is said to have moulded.

Mr. Frank M. Macdougall, of this city,

left this evening to argue the case of Pink

vs. the Corporation of Ottawa which

comes up in Toronto to-morrow. Mrs.

Pink got a verdict at the assizes here for

damages sustained through a defective

sidewalk, and the defendants are now

appealing for a new trial.

Mr. W. R. Henderson, of the Marine

and Fisheries Department, lectured to-

night under the auspices of the Literary

and Scientific Society on "Methods of

Illumination."

Hon. A. P. P. Caron left to-day to at-

tend the banquet to Hon. Mr. Ross,

Premier of Quebec, at Three Rivers, this

evening.

An accident, which proved fatal, occurred

at Madawaska a week from Tuesday

last. James R. Bailey, of the Township of

Eardley, Ottawa county, was in the em-

ployment of Messrs. Bronson & Weston,

shantying on the Madawaska. On the

date mentioned he was engaged in cutting

a tree which struck him rather severely as

it was falling to the ground. He

managed to walk to the shanty and

get into bed after the accident

occurred. On the following day he

died from his injuries, which were of an

internal character. He was buried near

the shanty. Word was immediately sent

to Messrs. Bronson & Weston here. De-

ceased's father left yesterday for Mad-

awaska and will bring the remains home

to Eardley for interment in the family

burying ground.

In the Supreme Court to-day the case

of St. James vs. St. Gabriel was taken up

and argued. This was a suit for damages

for a contract for laying pipes in con-

nection with the water works of the Mu-

nicipality. St. James was at first awarded

the contract, but as there was

some delay in signing the same

it was given to another. St. James sued

for \$10,000 damages. The first court

TRADE AND COMMERCE.

Table with 2 columns: Dividends, Amount. Rows include Montreal, half-year, 50c., and various other financial entries.

ANNUAL MEETINGS. Windsor Hotel Co., Dec. 2, at 3 p. m. THE HERALD OFFICE, Thursday Evening, November 27.

The Montreal Stock Market. The stock market opened this morning at about yesterday's closing prices, and no new feature of any kind was disclosed. Transactions were limited to sales of 15 shares of Merchants, ex-dividend, and 25 of City Passenger, Merchants bringing 109 and City Passenger 118 1/2.

The total sales to-day were 617 shares in all, of which 294 were bank stocks and 323 miscellaneous, as follows:—

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name, Price. Rows include 15 Merchants ex div., 25 City Pass, 88 Montreal ex div., etc.

The following are the quotations of the stock market to-day as specially reported for THE HERALD by D. Lorn MacDougall, 11 Hospital street:—

Table with 2 columns: Stocks, Price. Rows include Bank of Montreal, Bank of Commerce, Bank of New York, etc.

NEW YORK FUNDS. New York funds are unchanged in this market and sales were made to-day at 1-10 premium. The rates are unchanged at 1-10 to 3-16 between banks, and 1/2 over the counter. Sterling was more active, sixties having changed hands to-day at 83-16, and 120's at 74. The following were the rates: between banks, sixties 8-16/32-5/16, demand drafts 83-15/16-9/16, over the counter, sixties 83-15/16-9/16, demand drafts 94, and cables 94. Documentary sixties would sell readily at 8 p. cent, but there are none now making.

WE HAVE NO QUOTATIONS for sterling in New York to-day. Private advices say that cotton bills are coming in freely but the advance in the London market has operated mainly to weaken the market for sterling in New York.

THE FOLLOWING FOREIGN EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS are reported specially for THE HERALD, by Jackson & Drummond, brokers, 57 St. Francis Xavier street:—

Table with 2 columns: In New York, In Montreal. Rows include N.Y. Fds., 100/100, 100/100, etc.

GENERAL NOTES. The latest commercial news by telegraph will be found on our first page. A Wall street sheet (November 26) said: "A bull point on Canadian Pacific comes from Montreal to the effect that an English syndicate has bought \$10,000,000 of the stock." But an hour or two later it added: "In regard to the Montreal dispatch that an English syndicate had purchased \$10,000,000 stock the Canadian Pacific Railroad, we learn that this \$10,

000,000 of stock was the last of the company's treasury stock which was unapportioned. The syndicate came forward, took up and paid the loan and bought the stock outright at very nearly the present market price. The transaction was concluded about two weeks ago." This was what is popularly known as "piper's news."

ELECTRIC LIGHTING IN AMERICA.

No part of the expert evidence submitted to the Parliamentary Committee impressed more strongly than that elicited from American witnesses. The lucid and confident manner in which the cost of lighting a square mile of London at a little under £100,000 was set forth, gave a high idea of the extent and success of Transatlantic achievements in electric illumination. Not for the first time, John Bull was deceived, not only as to the actual facts relating to the condition of things electrical in English cities, but also as to the state of affairs across the Atlantic. Facts were either misrepresented or withheld.

We have lately had the opportunity of examining, from unimpeachable sources, the cost and revenue of the only electric light station in the world which has seriously undertaken the task of competition with gas. We propose, therefore, to give our readers a brief history of this station from its foundation two years ago, with the financial results at the present time. Financially supported by the firm of Drexel, Morgan & Co. and many of their clients and supporters—to the exclusion, however, of Messrs. J. S. Morgan & Co., who from the first declined any financial connection with the concern—Mr. Edison opened a New York in September, 1882, the First District Illuminating Station. This portion of the empire city is the most densely populated part of the business or "down town" quarter. The area lighted is contained in a square of 2,400 feet, and has therefore, an area of square feet less than a quarter of a square mile. The district contains about fifty blocks of buildings, and is intersected by some fifteen streets or passages. The necessary permission to open the streets to lay the electric mains was obtained, not by Act of Congress or by other legislative or official means, but by the simple and perhaps less costly method of

A PAYMENT TO TAMMANY.

The sum which passed amounted to about £10,000, and in exchange for this payment the Edison Company is free to tear about the streets whenever it pleases it so to do for electric lighting purposes. On September 4th, 1882, the station was started with 2,323 lamps, contained in about eighty-five houses. These lamps have increased in number until last month 13,540 lamps had been installed, the present capacity of the station being now attained. The largest number of lamps ever burning at one time was 5,530 in January of this year, and their average life, based on about 12,000 renewals, is a little more than 400 hours. Shortly after the installation of the station, it was found that some customers did not require the light in the summer, and that consequently their electric bills were lost. It became necessary, therefore, to call from among the customers those whose demand was less than an average of 23 hours per day for every lamp connected on their premises. If their consumption fell short of this standard, they

WERE QUIETLY GOT RID OF.

so that the actual average consumption of light per lamp was artificially raised above the normal gas average of the district. This process of natural selection in New York is important, because, under the English Act, a customer using but half an hour's light in a month can not only claim to be supplied, but must, under grave penalties, be supplied by the utility company. During the first year little money was received from customers, partly owing to the novelty of the enterprise, and partly owing to a natural desire on the part of the management that criticism should be disarmed before claims were lodged for the amount of the lighting bills. The cost of the gas in the First District of New York is about 9s. 2d. per 1,000 cubic feet. Competition, therefore, with the elder illuminant, having regard to the power of picking the good customers, and of unserved access to the streets, was rendered distinctly favorable. Added to this was the fact of Mr. Edison's presence; and the supply of ample funds for the purposes of

THE MOMENTOUS EXPERIMENT.

These favorable elements notwithstanding, the financial result, when viewed from an impartial standpoint, is not only disappointing, but absolutely and finally disposes of any idea that electric lighting in England contains the germs of remunerative investment. Before giving the figures of the capital investment, running expenses, and revenue, it must be premised that the management of the station has been—at any rate during the period over which the returns in our possession extend—able, economical, and efficient. Not only is American genius more suited to the exploitation of new industrial developments than that of older countries, but there is a scientific disposition to help along a new scientific undertaking, which is significantly wanting in England. The cost of the station is somewhat in excess of £200,000, and the annual expenditure is at the rate of nearly £16,000 a year, without allowing for depreciation, sinking fund, or interest on capital. The excess of receipts over actual cash outlay amount to about £6,000 a year, or 3 p. cent. on the capital invested. When, however, a due allowance is made for unforeseen contingencies, such as the bursting of a boiler or other heavy casualties, it will be seen that

THE ALLEGED PROFIT IS ILLUSORY.

and, if, at most, expenditure is equal to revenue, it is certainly not less. In order to appreciate the precise nature of the result of this experiment, it is necessary to suppose that each gas lamp is replaced by a five-foot gas-burner, and that the amount of gas consumed to produce an equivalent of light be computed. The result of this calculation gives 6s. 11d. as the cost per 1,000 feet of the gas thus consumed. If, however, a sixteen-candle lamp be held to compete with a seven-foot gas jet, then the equivalent is as nearly as may be 5s. per 1,000 cubic feet. To compete with gas at 3s., the cost of maintenance—i.e., of production—must be reduced by two-thirds. On examining the means of reducing the cost of establishment, there is no reason to doubt that an equally efficient plant could be laid down in England for half the sum expended in New York; but it is improbable that the cost of maintenance could be seriously diminished. From the foregoing, it is clear that such stations as the Victoria and Holborn installations, established by the Swan and Edison Companies respectively, or the Colchester experiment of the South-Eastern (Brush) Company, must inevitably lead to a permanent consumption of the available re-

sources of the companies in question. Finally, we are driven to the conclusion that, so far as central station lighting is concerned, the prospects in England are hopeless until a radical improvement in principle has been effected; and Boards of Directors maintaining the contrary, in the face of the experience gained on both sides of the Atlantic, incur a responsibility which, for our part, we are disinclined to share.

PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS.

MONTREAL, November 27.

Flour—Again no business was reported, but it was admitted that values are easier. Change was specially quiet to-day, owing to the observance of Thanksgiving Day in the United States, and there being no markets there. We quote:—

Table with 2 columns: Flour, Price. Rows include Superior Extra, per brl., 3.75 @ 3.80, Extra Superfine, 3.60 @ 3.65, Fancy, 3.50 @ 3.55, etc.

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APPOINTMENTS.

Academy of Music—Performance at 8 p.m.
Theatre Royal—Performances at 2 p.m., and 8 p.m.

Prof. A. R. MacDonald's assembly at Queen's Hall Assembly Rooms.

Dancing—Professor Durkee, 118 Mansfield Street.

AN IMPORTANT TABLE.

Appended to the verbatim report of the proceedings of the Grand Trunk Railway Company there is a statement showing the progress made by the Company for the twenty years ending 1883. The figures show that, while the mileage has increased 944, or 66 per cent., the gross receipts have increased by \$2,463,000, or 115 per cent. The proportion of net to gross revenue, which in 1864 was only 23.5 per cent., was last year as high as 33.3 per cent. The following is the table:—

Year	Mileage.	Gross Receipts	Net Receipts
1864	1,377	\$1,146,539	\$271,074
1865	"	1,289,656	221,377
1866	"	1,356,790	304,999
1867	"	1,313,509	218,231
1868	"	1,402,960	266,511
1869	"	1,410,741	261,000
1870	"	1,498,267	254,900
1871	"	1,711,223	338,220
1872	"	1,834,417	344,017
1873	1,883	1,939,897	340,445
1874	1,884	2,135,692	434,327
1875	"	1,955,425	397,128
1876	"	1,872,318	379,633
1877	1,891	1,971,495	435,019
1878	"	1,859,392	439,120
1879	1,890 to 12th Aug.	1,811,071	458,657
1880	1,278 to 31st Dec.	2,150,399	734,914
1881	1,470 to 31st Dec.	2,191,669	705,880
1882	2,303 to 31st Dec.	2,823,673	961,987
1883	2,490 to 30th June	3,009,156	1,188,295
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The mileage, then, last year was 2,321 and the gross earnings amounted to \$2,823,673, or \$18,045,780. That is to say, the gross earnings were \$1,555, or \$7,775 per mile, a sum equal to the first cost of many minor railways in Canada. The net earnings were \$961,987, or \$2,580 per mile, or a total of \$1,188,295, or \$5,991,475—say six millions of dollars, in round numbers, for the year. On a first class road, costing \$40,000 per mile, this profit would represent six per cent. interest. And this has been earned in the face of bad management, an extravagant staff, snow blockades, a long list of frightful and costly accidents, improvident leases, the incorporation of unprofitable roads, certain Grand Trunk lines competing with each other, etc., etc. The facts show that the Grand Trunk is a terrible tax on the business interests of Canada, for most, if not all, of its profitable traffic is Canadian, the through traffic being pretty generally handled at a loss. With better management, and a more economical staff—with the unprofitable burthens of the Grand Trunk removed and the main line rid of those which act as competing lines—with greater care and protection against accidents involving heavy damages, the Grand Trunk could give lower rates and realize greater profits for its owners. Should the Grand Trunk pass into the hands of the Canadian Pacific there would, no doubt, be such changes initiated as would greatly reduce the expense of managing and operating the system. The abolition or reduction of the Grand Trunk staff at headquarters would alone make an enormous saving, and that would be only one item in a hundred in which the pruning knife could be judiciously applied. The track, of course, would need to be kept at the highest point of efficiency, and anything approaching "skinning" in that direction discouraged.

When it is seen that notwithstanding that the net earnings amounted to about six millions of dollars, the dividends declared by the directors could only be paid with the aid of "windfalls" and monies borrowed from reserve funds, and that these dividends only went to two or three of the many classes of investors, it must soon be apparent to the English mind that it makes little difference to them what the Grand Trunk earns, as only a select few can hope to save anything out of the grand total of investment. It is clear that the present Grand Trunk management can not hope to be more highly favored than it was last year, when the road's gross and net earnings reached so high a figure; and if it could not do better for the shareholders than last year, when is it ever likely to do it? The truth is that the mountain of liability for capital account and the burthens imposed on the revenues by onerous and profitless leases may well cause the Grand Trunk shareholders to turn their eyes to the Canadian Pacific in the hope that the practical and able railway men connected with that enterprise may find for them some way out of their difficulties and salvation of some kind for their property.

To-day we have no United States market reports, yesterday having been Thanksgiving Day in the States and all the Exchanges closed. We are also without our English financial markets and Liverpool markets. These come to us through United States sources exclusively, and when they are not received or published in the States they are not received or published here. This servile dependence on the enterprise of foreign business men and newspapers is not creditable to Canada and should receive the immediate attention of our Boards of Trade, Corn Exchanges, and Press. It is time we had independent market and news reports by cable, instead of having everything of the kind filtered through foreign hands.

THE GLADSTONE GOVERNMENT AND THE SKYE CROFTERS.

The subject of the condition of the crofters of Skye and the despatch of a body of military to the islands having been brought up in the House of Commons on the 14th inst., the Home Secretary, Sir Vernon Harcourt, in the course of his speech dealt with what he called "the remedies" suggested as applicable to the crofters' case. We quote from the Telegraph's report of his remarks:—

Proceeding to discuss the remedies suggested for the distress, the right hon. gentleman said that there was, in his opinion, no analogy between the distress in Skye and in Ireland. According to his knowledge, there was not the same prevalence of eviction and over-renting in Skye as there had been in Ireland, and therefore the same remedy could not be applied. He thought that the proprietors in the island ought to be prepared to make moderate sacrifices in order to conduce to a settlement of this question. (Hear, hear.) He did not think it would be untrue to say that a hundred years ago these crofters of the Western Highlands constituted the population of the country, and had their grazing lands. The chief of the clan did not object to his clansmen, turning their black cattle on the hills. These clansmen and the proprietors of sheep farms lived together in their rude or certainly not very refined life with comparative comfort. But there came a sudden growth in the wealth of the Highlands by the introduction of an extended system of sheep farming, under which men who were formerly poor hundreds found themselves in possession of thousands. Sheep farming had produced an increase of rent without any corresponding increase of expenditure. There was never a stronger instance of unearned increment.

Lord R. Churchill: Except in Belgrave Square. (A laugh.)
Sir W. Harcourt would not dispute with the noble lord on that hostility to dukes which he always displayed. (Laughter.) The next great windfall which happened to the Highland proprietors was the game farming, which almost doubled the rent. In more recent years, there had arisen even more profitable thing than sheep farming or game renting—viz., the deer forest. What was the result? Why, that the grazing of these people had disappeared. And about all this there was not that mitigating influence which happily in England softened the harsh outline of proprietary rights. (Hear, hear.) In modern times we had an example of the operation of a movement sustained by the action of Parliament. He wished it had begun earlier. It was a work and a policy which was mainly conducted by a man whose loss he had recently to deplore (Mr. Fawcett). He referred to the movement for preventing the enclosure of commons—(hear, hear)—which arrested the absorption into single hands of all those lands which concerned the interests of the great mass of the population. These considerations seemed to him to point to a remedy, which he could not help thinking the patient might administer to himself in a great degree. (Hear, hear.) Just consider what would have happened if, when these large tracts of land in the Western Highlands were being turned into sheep farms and deer forests, there had been a more moderate use of the power of the proprietors; if, while thousands of acres were taken for those purposes, a few hundreds had been reserved for the small population of the districts, it would not have destroyed these sheep farms at all, the proprietors would have obtained a reasonable rent, and it would have made to the crofters all the difference between penury and comparative ease. Was it not possible to come to a settlement in a question like this? Considering each locality, would it not be possible to apportion to these people a single hill in the immediate neighborhood which might be worth £30, £40, or £50 from the value of a sheep farm? (Hear, hear.) Was not that a form of settlement worth consideration? There was no doubt whatever that there had not been those modifications of the rights of proprietorship in Scotland which had been effected by the common law of England. He had endeavored to show that there were methods in which these people and the Government might be greatly aided by a wise and prudent generosity on the part of landlords themselves. There was immense difficulty in the way of compulsory legislation, although he did not say it might not be necessary. The real truth was that in all these cases the innocent bore the burden of those who were most to blame. A single landlord who exercised his rights unfairly and harshly brought discredit upon many who deserved no blame at all. He believed that to be the case in the Western Highlands of Scotland. (Hear, hear.) It would be unfair to say that the landlords in the Western Highlands were generally unjust or harsh to their people; but he believed that by far the best and wisest thing to be done at the present moment would be for proprietors to consider how they could best heal the sore which it was to their interest should be closed, the Government co-operating with them in so much as required legislation for the removal of the discontent which everywhere must deplore. (Hear, hear.) He desired to say that the Government most distinctly recognized the responsibility which belonged to them in this matter of endeavoring to find some adequate remedy for the state of things which were developed in the report of the Royal Commission.

It is admitted that these poor people are being starved to death to make room for sheep and deer, and all the remedy the wisdom of the Government can devise is to suggest to the proprietors to lay aside a piece of land here and there as "commons" for the crofters! It is all very well for the Home Secretary to say that the Government recognizes its responsibility to endeavor to find an adequate remedy for the state of things revealed in the Royal Commission's report, but the report has been before the Government sufficiently long to enable it to find a remedy if there were any heart in the search for one. The Home Secretary's pledge, in the face of the Government's delay, can not amount to much, and no other member of the Government spoke during the debate. The small amount of interest taken in the proceedings by an English House of Commons is shown by the fact that one of the speakers addressed a "House" of six members! Probably matters in the crofter districts will be allowed to drift until other parts of Scotland take up

their cause, and then the Government will awake to the discovery that it has another Irish land question on its hands. One Scotch M.P., Mr. Pierson, spoke out plainly on the subject, foreshadowing what may happen in the not distant future. "He questioned the advisability of leaving the difficulties and sufferings of these poor people to the charity of the landlords. (Hear, hear.) He expressed the deep feeling of sympathy entertained in various large centres for the sufferings of the people, because it was felt that the principles apparently involved affected the whole kingdom, and that the cause of all the difficulty was only a special instance of the result of the absorption of the land by the few to the detriment of the many. The tenants were suffering acutely, and unless some remedy, and a legislative remedy, was found for them dark days would come for them and for Parliament. He admitted that property had rights, but there should be some legislative changes which would make those rights consistent with the happiness of the people. Interest in the land question was growing, and the attitude the House took upon this subject would influence the mood and temper of the millions who were shortly to receive an accession of political power."

COMPTON AND THE SCOTT ACT.

The decision of the people of Compton County not to range themselves under the Scott Act has called down upon them the abuse of the Montreal Witness in the following terms:—

Compton has decided to make itself the pot-house for the surrounding country. The drinkers who have been driven out of the temperance counties of Ontario will find a nice go-ahead place to live in here in the East, where no law will make them ashamed to spend their evenings at the tavern. Compton has chosen its course for three years to come. It is likely to have experience in these three years that will make it glad to change its verdict. When men's sons come home drunk they will remember their vote in favor of open taverns. When their daughters' hearts are broken they will call their vote to mind, and will say to themselves "this is my doing."

There is no county in Canada where the people are more intelligent, more prosperous, more law respecting than they are in Compton. And what is their offence? They have simply voted that in the light of the experience of Scott Act counties in other parts of the Dominion, they do not believe the Act will answer the purposes intended. This information they have repeatedly received through the columns of the Witness, whose correspondence from Scott Act counties has admitted the Act to be a total failure. Yet because the majority of those who voted in Compton can not believe that the Act is perfect, because they do believe the testimony of temperance men as presented in the Witness, our contemporary perpetrates a violent assault upon them and charges them with contemplating high crimes and misdemeanors!

The Witness' allegation that the adoption of the Scott Act by a majority at the polls prevents men's sons from going home drunk and prevents sorrow and suffering in families, is, we regret to say, as far from the truth as possible. The fact is, the very reverse is the truth. In counties where the Act has been adopted there are more places where intoxicants are sold, more drinking on the sly, more vile liquor consumed than there were before. In fact, the Act has totally failed. Take the latest evidence on the subject from the pen of a gentleman who was appealed to to testify in support of the Act—the Rev. Dr. Macrae, ex-moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, who has had opportunities of hearing of and witnessing the operation of the law in several Scott Act counties in New Brunswick.

Writing only a few weeks ago Dr. Macrae said:—

I have reiterated to correspondents well-nigh innumerable, and say once more, that my only hope of suppressing the liquor traffic, so far as legislation is concerned, is from prohibition; that prohibition absolute is the only really sound course; that the provisions of the Scott Act, to the best of my judgment, are not either thorough, or, in any adequate sense, manly, making room, as it does, upon the traffic on the small scale, while legislating on its behalf on the large, and that as far as I can gather, it does not, any more than any other similar partial acts of the past, ANSWER ITS EXTENDED PURPOSE.

It is but a few days since the Witness published temperance correspondence showing that the Act was a dead letter in certain counties in New Brunswick. Surely men may hold such views as these—men who believe the Scott Act to be a very imperfect, even a worthless measure—without being accused of encouraging drunkenness and of ruining young men and breaking young women's hearts! It is this intolerant attitude of the Witness and other over-zealous friends of the Scott Act that is bringing the temperance agitation into disrepute and driving moderate men to resist what they regard as a heartless tyranny, based not upon reason or experience but upon a simple determination to force a certain nostrum down the people's throats whether their judgment is convinced or not.

SIR RICHARD CARTWRIGHT AND CANADA'S FUTURE.

While Sir John Macdonald (Conservative) is declaring in England that the Imperial Federation the representation of the Colonies in the Imperial Parliament is not to be thought of, Sir Richard Cartwright (Liberal) is expressing himself in much the same sense. Sir Richard does not favor Imperial Federation; he rather inclines to an Anglo-Saxon League, to include the United States. It is satisfactory to learn from both of those gentlemen

that they do not favor any scheme of Federation which will involve our surrendering the political and legislative control of our own affairs. The schemes both of Sir John and Sir Richard seem designed for the mutual protection of English-speaking countries, and if the United States could be included in it, Canada would have all the guarantee that would be needed against trouble in that quarter. It is not to be expected, however, that the United States will enter any Anglo-Saxon or other league. They do not need, nor are they likely ever to need, to do so. No nation is likely to lay its hands upon the United States or to encroach upon that country's territorial or other rights. The very fact that the United States have kept aloof from the troubles and intrigues and wars of other countries has made that country the favorite home of the emigrant who desired to escape the army draft and other old world persecutions. Any Anglo-Saxon league or any other league that will implicate Canada in the wars of the Empire will not be acceptable to Canadians. It has not yet been shown that a political change of any kind is an immediate necessity; what we do want is a frank acknowledgment of our right to negotiate such commercial treaties as we please, that we may bring about such commercial changes as may be advantageous to Canadian interests.

SIR RICHARD CARTWRIGHT ON THE FUTURE OF THE DOMINION.

Sir Richard Cartwright, in conversation with a representative of THE HERALD, spoke of the future of Canada with the utmost freedom. He gave his opinions as those he entertained personally. He wished it particularly to be understood that in these speculative matters he did not speak in a representative capacity. He spoke rather as a Canadian than as a Liberal.

In the first place, Sir Richard evidently does not believe that Canada can stand still. It must move in some direction; and the question is, in what direction? He sees three, or rather four, courses open to the people of this Dominion. The first is Imperial Federation. That path is a tempting one to many, but in the opinion of Sir Richard there are obstacles in the way of their pursuing it just now, and if the writer understood him right he is not very clear as to where it may lead if it is entered upon. The second course is Independence. The question with him is, has the time arrived in which it is wise for Canadians to assume the burdens, the cares and the responsibilities of Independence? He, as he indicated in his Toronto speech, is of the opinion that Canadians are not yet fully prepared to take that rough and thorny path. But he is quite convinced that if the people of Canada are determined to set out on a career of independence, Great Britain will offer no opposition to their trying the experiment.

Annexation is an alternative to which, it is clear, Sir Richard entertains a strong repugnance. He considers that it would be humiliating for Canadians to make their country part and parcel of the United States. He looks upon such action on their part as an ignominious surrender, as national suicide. Even if he did believe that such a union would be for the material advantage of Canada, he would be opposed to Canadians "bartering" their birthright for a "mess of pottage."

The modus vivendi for Canada which Sir Richard Cartwright does favor is its being a member of a great Anglo-Saxon League. This league is to be formed of all the English-speaking nations and communities of the world, Great Britain and the United States of America being, of course, its principal members. He does not look upon such a union as by any means an impossibility. He, on the contrary, believes it to be practicable and fraught with the greatest benefits not only for the communities composing it but for the whole human race. While none of the countries forming this proposed league would surrender its independence they could all work together for common ends and would form the most glorious and the most powerful Confederation that the world has ever seen. He believes, too, that Canada is in a position peculiarly favorable to act as a mediator in bringing the great English-speaking nations into closer union for their own and the world's benefit. Sir Richard adheres to all that he said in his Toronto speech on the subject of Canada's future. Reflection and enquiry have apparently only deepened his convictions and strengthened his resolutions. The impression produced on the writer by what Sir Richard said on this subject is that, at any rate, he is far from believing that Canada, in matters political, has reached finality. On the contrary, he believes that change is inevitable, and he is taking measures to be prepared for it when it does come.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING.—The article which we copy, in another column, from the London Statist, "Electric Lighting in America," appears to deal fairly with the question. The value of electricity as a light is not questioned, but the question, "does it pay as an investment?" is decided in the negative. The experience of Mr. Edison and his friends in lighting a portion of New York city is taken up and analyzed; and the conclusion is reached that, to compete with gas, there is no money in it for the investor. That is to say, electricity up to the present time costs too much and must be cheapened to be popularized and go into as general use as gas. This, we think, is the experience of most persons who have tried the electric light as a light or have invested in electric light stocks.

SAYS A London, Eng., Journal:—"It is stated on credible authority that a Sheffield firm are sending skilled men to Russia to teach the Russians to roll armour-plates, which have been hitherto

exclusively rolled in Sheffield. We gather that eight men—foremen, rollers, and furnace-men—were despatched about a fortnight ago 'to roll armour-plates for the Russian Government under a five-years' contract, and others are to follow.' What puzzles most people out of England is to understand how English manufacturers can expect to supply the brains and the machinery for building up manufactures in foreign countries and to supply these countries with the manufactures too.

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CHILDREN'S CLOAKINGS!

OUR PARIS LETTER.

The Gay Capital Under the Cholera Alarm. Crude Treatment of Public Singers. A Remarkable Defence. The Metropolitan Railway—Canary, Pigeon and Hair-Dresser's Shows.

LONDON, Nov. 14, 1884.

The consoling belief that the cholera was about to disappear from the scene of its exploits in the south of France without showing itself in the rest of the country has been rudely dispelled by its appearance in this city, after having put in its appearance in various other towns in the western portions of the country. The authorities, municipal and medical, have responded to the cry of alarm sent up by the population in the first moment of its terror on learning that the dreaded enemy was already in our midst, with promptitude and intelligence, and the first feeling of alarm has been diminished by the knowledge that such has been done to clear away conditions favorable to the development of the malady. But those conditions are so numerous and ubiquitous that entire exemption from the plague is not to be hoped for. Ignorance, dirt, drunkenness, insufficient vitality consequent on underfeeding as a rule among the ill-paid and ill taught masses that constitute so large a proportion of the inhabitants of all countries cannot be removed in a day, and only by the gradual improvement of the conditions naturally invite the disease and intensify its virulence. Perhaps, in course of time, the dangers thus created for the cleanly and well-to-do minority of the people of this planet may convince them in the matter of disease as in everything else, the only effectual preparation for war must be made in time of peace, and the only getting rid of the social injustices which result in poverty, dirt, drunkenness, over-crowding, and the poisoning of food, air, and water, that

THE OUTBREAKS OF CONTAGIOUS DISEASES are to be avoided. As an instance (if any were needed) of the intimate connection between disease, take the fact that, a couple of days ago, a woman here, who stated that her sons were "laid up with diarrhoea" on being asked what she was going to do for them, replied, "Give them a good dinner, with a salad." What sort of a dinner? "I enquired of my sister-in-law, and she told me that she had a little lettuce or chow-chow with cabbage." On being further pressed with questions, she admitted that the cabbage would be raw, adding that her boys thought nothing gave so nice a flavor to a salad as a little raw cabbage sliced in with the lettuce! And this when "the boys" were most probably suffering from the promontory substance of the disease which, under the action of so insatiable a meal, has probably carried them both off before this and carried their sisters into half a dozen neighboring houses.

The disease first appeared in an asylum for aged people, in a poor and squalid quarter of the town; the hospitals and barracks are also attacked, and, in general, all the quarters least favorably inhabited, and where the supply of water is most impure. Two sentries, however, mounting guard at the Ellysées, have not been attacked, and the malady is evidently spreading through the town, but up to this time, its action has not been very severe.

There were six lady students of surgery and medicine among the 347 candidates for the post of house surgeon in the various hospitals of this capital; of these four were Russian, one Roumanian, and one Turkish. The 341 male students were so greatly incensed and alarmed at this dangerous rivalry that they have agitated against lady doctors with such success that the medical schools of Paris are henceforth to be closed against them.

The popular young diva, MARIE VAN ZANDT, has just been the victim of a very cruel piece of injustice on the part of the public that has been so zealously petting her as a "humming-bird," a "musical fairy," and so on. She was to appear, on Saturday next, at the Opera-Comique, as Rosine, in the *Barber of Seville*, a peculiarly difficult part, and one concerning her first appearance in which she had been making herself nervous and anxious for a month beforehand. She was ill and had come to the house in a condition of great nervous excitement. Her family physician, the fashionable homoeopathic doctor Lov, prescribed a remedy to calm and strengthen her. She appeared on the stage weak and trembling, unsteady in movements, suffering from acute pain in the brain, blinded by the glare of the lights, and her head reeling with vertigo. She tried to sing, but no sound came from her lips, and she would have fallen on the floor of the stage had not some one caught her in his arms. Some brute among the audience hissed forth the words "She is drunk!" and the audience, echoing the cry, hissed, stamped, and shouted, "Shame! Shame!" "Tough! Send down the curtain!" "She is drunk!" "Give us back our money!" while the unfortunate girl, unable to make a sign, was carried hastily from the stage. Two of the physicians of leading theatres, who were present, as well as the one attached to the Opera Comique, hastened to the dressing-room of the poor little "Humming-bird," and helped to get her out of the theatre and back to her own house, where she is laid up with a cerebral attack, from which she is slowly recovering. All these physicians have declared that she was really suffering from acute and violent illness, that there was not the slightest particle of drunkenness in the attack, and that, in point of fact, she had eaten nothing all day and had drunk nothing but a little orange-flower water. A host of journalists, only anxious to be first to spread the astounding news, rushed out of the theatre and hastened to flash the news of "Van Zandt Drunk" all over Europe, which read the false and cruel aspersion next morning in its accustomed newspapers. Such an outrage on a promising young singer, much beloved by all who knew her and who speak affectionately of her generosity, frankness and artlessness, is most unmanly and reprehensible. As

THE TRUTH OF HER ILLNESS (an attack of cerebral paralysis) is becoming recognized, many persons of high rank, as well as others eminent in the literary and theatrical lines, are leaving cards at her house; and she will doubtless be consoled, in part, for this undeserved mishap by an enthusiastic reception when she is able to reappear on the stage.

This strange severity of a Paris audience, actually less prone to jump to hasty conclusions against than for the stars of the scenic heavens, forms a curious contrast with the amazing clemency of French juries in admitting "extenuating circumstances" in their appraisal of the most atrocious crimes. The discredit into which trial by jury is thus being

brought in France is not likely to be lessened by the decision just given by the jurors who have been trying a case at Moulins, and who have now set the example of shaping their verdict not according to the facts of the case, but according to political considerations. A corn dealer was charged with having committed several forgeries. The fraudulent intention was clear, and the evidence against him was so conclusive that he was compelled to admit the facts. All that he could say for himself was that "the parties whose signatures he had imitated" were reactionists, as were the bank clerks who detected his forgeries and the manager who instituted the prosecution. The jurors seem to have considered that this was a valid excuse for the commission of the "imitations" in question, for they acquitted the forger.

A week ago, it was stated here that Kharouna had fallen and that Gordon was killed. The rumor, again circulating here, may too probably be true, to the everlasting disgrace of the mischievous octogenarian who has already done so much to ruin the honor and imperil the safety of the empire that persists in

THE SUICIDAL POLLY of maintaining him at the head of its affairs. The comments of the French press and public on the state of parties in England, and the course of British action in Egypt, Africa, and elsewhere, is anything but gratifying to English residents in the French capital. The latter, however, is about to imitate English example in one important respect; and the concession for the "Paris Metropolitan Railway" has at length been signed by the Minister of Public Works. Before laying the bill before the Chamber for ratification of the concession, the Minister will nominate a committee charged to arrive at an understanding with the contractors relative to tariff and traffic arrangements. Such a relief to the frightful crowding of the principal thoroughfares is urgently needed; deaths and broken bones are, as they have long been, the order of the day for pedestrians in this beautiful city. The line will be almost entirely without tunnels; it is to be finished in time for the great international exhibition of five years hence. The commission for this grand affair has just been named; an obscure individual has been placed at its head, as a compliment to the names of Gambetta, whose friend and agent he was. Much dissatisfaction is expressed at this nomination; but the present high-handed rulers of France are quite above being influenced by so unimportant a consideration as the unpopularity of men or measures. The exhibition is to be of unparalleled splendor and to be located in the Champ de Mars, as in the exhibitions of 1879 and 1887.

A CANARY SHOW, meantime, is being held at a cafe on the Quai de la Cite, under the auspices of "The Serenophile Society," who are busy discussing the best means of encouraging amateurs of Dutch canaries. Each of the members of the above society raises an average of thirty canaries yearly, giving a total of some 1,500 birds; these raised by private amateurs probably being the average number of canaries sold in Paris, each year, to nearly 4,000. The pigeon fanciers are equally active, and have just held a curious and interesting show of these birds, among which the carrier pigeons carried off the highest honors. The ladies, also, have just held their annual gathering, the programme consisting of a grand tournament of artistic displays in hair arrangement, followed by a dance to show the new fashions, and a ball with supper, to finish up the gathering. It appears that hair is to be combed up on the top of the head and then to descend in a long ringlet going down the back at its own sweet will. It is pretty certain that should these long tangles be ventured on in the streets, some disagreeable specimen of the genus "boy" will lose no time in giving them sly pulls, in emulation of another of that same "genus" who, a few days ago, placed a basket, with his battered cap in it, on the "improver" of a lady, who pursued her way in happy unconsciousness of the addition thus made to her toilette and to the huge delight of the perpetrators of the joke.

A DISREPUTABLE MONARCH. The London Times attempts to whitewash the late King Leopold of Belgium and his confederate, Baron Stockmar, in the matter of Katherine Bauer, by suggesting that the unlucky actress was a "reader and singer" to the Prince, and that she "perverted that relation into a tale of dishonor." It is difficult to say whether there is more of ignorance or of impudence in this wonderful explanation. The fact is that Leopold has always been one of the most overrated characters of the century. He was weak, vain and exceedingly capricious, unprincipled, and throughout his life he was perpetually involved in discreditable liaisons. He has been praised for selecting so unexceptionable a character as Prince Albert to marry the Queen; but the Prince was only a happy accident. If he had been as disreputable an adventurer as was Leopold himself when he was dragged out of the gutter to marry Princess Charlotte, it would have made no difference, for all Leopold wanted was to get a member of the Saxe-Coburg family as a band to the Queen, in order that he might himself play a part in England's affairs; but this sinister design was defeated by Prince Albert's firmness and sagacity. As to Stockmar's position with the King, one might have said what the Irish Judge said to the unscrupulous attorney of a knavish client, "You are worthy of each other. May you never be separated."—London Truth.

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OUR LONDON LETTER.

Death of the Postmaster General.

His Services to the Corporation—Mr. Fawcett introduced to Mr. Gordon—How His Blindness Came About—His Political Policy—Gale of Mr. Gladstone—The Lords Still Struggling for Ascendancy—Stealing Government Documents—Means of Prevention—Trick of Political Propriety—Death of A. M. Sullivan—The Montreuil Hotel.

LONDON, November 15.

You will have heard that we have lost our Postmaster-General. How important an officer of the State the Chief Postmaster may be, needs no telling in Montreal. Mr. Fawcett made more of it than any other postmaster we have had. He gave us postal orders—he gave us the parcels post and many other conveniences which we never had before. The history of the need of these devices and the many representations made by the previous postmasters which passed unheeded would be an interesting story. Mr. Fawcett, though blind, attended to more things than any previous postmaster did, who could see. It was only necessary to make a clear, practical suggestion to him, and it was sure to receive his attention. His acquiring a high position and doing so without any sign of a national influence of good and courage. Thousands of persons with sight have been ashamed out of inactivity when it was known what he did who was deprived of sight. On the day of his burial I was at Leicester, a town in the very heart of the midlands of England, where I had been to speak upon the subject of Honesty Business Investment. Mr. Fawcett had died at Cambridge where he had a house at Brookside—a bright, clear, deep, real brook, running before the doors, and colleges and spacious fields all in view from the house. The morning of the 10th was cold, and a dense fog covered the town and country. At an early hour it was necessary to set out for Cambridge. Three times on the way to the station I was misdirected by persons who themselves

MISTOOK IN THE MIST the streets down which I should turn. When at last I arrived at the station, it seemed a repelling journey to go seventy-seven miles through a fog to a grave. But a sense of duty and fitness, as well as real regard, induced me cheerfully to persist. It seemed that some one long connected with co-operation should be among those who paid their respect at the grave of Mr. Fawcett. His father was a neighbor of Mr. William Galpin of Salisbury, the chief promoter of the first co-operative Home Colony Association, 46 years ago. Mr. Fawcett when a youth was sent to the socialist-owned schools at Queenwood, where Prof. Tyndall, since so distinguished, was then a teacher of science, and Mr. Fawcett was one who learned of him. It was on last Monday Henry Fawcett was buried in the quiet rural, old-fashioned churchyard of Trumpington. The borders of the grave were decorated with flowers and the bottom of the grave also. There was no hearse or dreary plume, and the coffin was laid on a low platform and was entirely covered with flowers, and in that state drawn by two horses to the churchyard. An immense concourse of men and women were there, and the chief officers of state and of universities down to the humble representatives of popular movements, with which Mr. Fawcett was identified, by sympathy or defence. More than any political economist, save John Stuart Mill, Mr. Fawcett had assisted in giving co-operation recognition by that science. At Edinburgh, where the Social Science Congress met there many years ago, when confusing notions of co-operation had been introduced, Mr. Fawcett, at my request, readily went into the Economical Section and defined the nature of Industrial Partnerships and distinctions between communism and co-operation. The authority of his name was in those days important to us.

It was at Edinburgh where (in the second part of the History of the Rochdale Pioneers) how shortly after Mr. Fawcett's blindness, when he was quite unknown to the public.

MR. COBURN INTRODUCED HIM to me one night at the House of Commons, saying he wished me to know him, as he believed he was a young man destined one day to be useful and he that I should be acquainted with him. So we became acquainted and our friendship continued until his death. On the occasion of the election, when he first became member for Brighton, Mr. Mathews, one of the leaders of the working men, sent to me on the eve of the poll to ask how far Mr. Fawcett could be depended upon, as much was being said against him, he being little known and untried in Parliament. I replied by telegram, which was delivered at a public meeting that night, saying that "Mr. Fawcett was to be believed in all he said and trusted in all he promised." The way in which he lost his eye-sight was described by him in a letter to my son, Maltus Questell, in 1863, saying, in reference to a notice which Mr. Joseph Weyman, M.P., wished made for the *Newcastle Chronicle*: "An accident while partridge shooting totally deprived me of my sight. The accident was very remarkable, as only two shots struck my face, and one went through the centre of each eye. The whole structure of the eye was of course instantaneously destroyed." It was very singular that a mathematician should be blinded in that manner, and that only two shots should strike him and that they should penetrate exactly the pupils of each eye. It was his father who had the unhappiness to cause the misfortune. At a large meeting at which I spoke in the Secular Hall, Leicester, on the Sunday before the burial, a motion of condolence to Mrs. Fawcett was unanimously passed, which I had the honor to communicate to that lady. We owed, as I have said, more improvement at the post office to Mr. Fawcett than to any predecessor there, and unless Mr. Shaw Lefevre or Mr. Stansfield succeeded Mr. Fawcett we shall not see the other improvements which near time should bring us.

Mr. Fawcett had

A CERTAIN POLITICAL PERSISTENCE which took little or no account of consequences. If he took up a position he maintained it. This was an advantage and a source of trust, but sometimes it led to permanent disunion in a Borough when he refused to withdraw, although his election was impossible, and when the enemy could triumph by his persistence. Sometimes his speeches damaged the Government on whose side he was, and measures which could not be carried he pushed to divisions, although the Government might fall. If Mr. Fawcett had become premier and his supporters had held power a fortnight. It was, no doubt,

his blindness led to this, which prevented him seeing the effect of this policy on his colleagues. But no man doubted his honesty in whatever he did, and that is a main cause of the unusual honor in which his memory is held.

Mr. Gladstone is certainly the gayest-minded politician out. The best of the others have shadows on their canopies when they paint political things. The Premier is a Claude Lorraine among orators. What could be brighter than his Liverpool speeches the other day? There was sun in every sentence. No Liverpool man could give a more thoroughly local account of the limited part of that city and the greatness of its possible expansion in the future. It was the pleasant and light-heartedness of his speech, no less than its topographical accuracy, which charmed both hearer and reader. He may now any day be met walking down St. James's Street, London, alone, with the air of the least occupied man in the city, though doubtless in the recesses of his mind lay all sorts of projects for dealing with the refractory Lords, with Diocesan Conferences, and the Hittites. He had found time to send a remarkably wise letter to the Church Convocation counselling them so to conduct the affairs of the church as not to necessitate disestablishment from within. All the while he wrote no word which could lead any Dissenter to infer that he would not himself disestablish the church if public opinion outside demanded that step. The letter was a prodigy of circumspection in expression.

THE METHOD OF DEALING WITH THE LORDS

which is most popular, because the most direct and least disturbing, is the creation of new peers. If the Lords were willing to give way, this step ought to be taken. If they consent to pass the Franchise Bill, it will be merely to retain thereby their despotic powers of continual frustration, of which they cannot be deprived without a protracted period of national convulsion; when all other measures of reform will be delayed, while members of Parliament can be got in sufficient numbers to abolish the Second Chamber. Whereas, if the new peers are chosen, they will effect the desired reform from within. After much obstruction and determined speeches on the part of Mr. Gladstone, and energetic action on the part of Mr. Speaker, in suspending one member and warning others, the Franchise Bill has gone up again to the Lords. So far as is foreseen, they will throw it out again, when the Crown will be obliged to interfere. The question is getting quite aware that the question is that of the ascendancy of the Commons or their subjection to the Hereditary Chamber. Mr. Gladstone has given the Lords notice that humiliation must come to them, if it pleases their Lordships to persist in their present course.

It is pleasant to learn that the leaders of the Government document will not escape. It appeared in the *Standard* without any explanation of how they came by it, and, of course, they have not disclosed what agency they obtained it, though it appears that the Government are aware of it, and are considering whether they shall proceed against the receiver as well as the thief. It is time that some method was adopted which affords greater security in printing.

DRAFTS OF PRIVATE DOCUMENTS.

A suggestion has been made by the present writer to those concerned on the subject. When sent to a printing office, the document of private interest must pass through many hands, and the slightest inattention might lead to a spoiled proof being abstracted; property of the company, pressmen, and others, may be cognizant of the contents, or obtain a copy thereof. There are other processes than by printing of reproducing private documents for the use of the Cabinet, in which only two persons need be concerned—one to work and the other to receive the product. In these days of type-writers, not to mention other contrivances, celerity and secrecy can be commanded in which the chances of disclosure are much less than necessarily attaching to a printing office. In the case of the theft of a treaty by Marvin, under the late Government, a document was disclosed which caused considerable annoyance at the time. That was owing to the document being entrusted for copying to a hand which was untried, and which could not be depended upon. Now, there have been perfected so many contrivances for suddenly producing copies enough for the Cabinet of any secret document, that it need not be entrusted to the knowledge of the many persons who must be cognizant of it in a printing office, when rapidly in its execution is insisted upon. The honor of printing offices is so general, and as a rule, can be so certainly relied upon, that the Government have hitherto had little reason to seek other modes of producing impressions of papers they required to circulate among themselves only. Details of the methods suggested I need not recite here which are needed, now that respectable journalists will buy stolen documents, and are not ashamed to exhibit them.

It is a very old trick in public affairs for pretentious aspirants to look round and see what is inevitable within a short time, and then publish a menace to the Government that unless they do that thing—why they

WILL RAIN HOT WATER UPON THEM. In due time the thing occurs in the natural order of events. Thereupon the pretentious persons announce to an admiring and misinformed world, that they had brought it all to pass and had they not threatened the Ministers with their high displeasure, nothing would have been done. On this principle, which journalists sometimes adopt (the *Times* is an old offender herein) we have heard that the Ministry were to be overthrown unless Mr. Trevelyan was withdrawn from Ireland. His exhausted health made this inevitable long ago. The *St. James's Gazette* does not scruple to declare that it has been done to purchase the Parnell vote—the malodorous commodity the Parnell vote—the *St. James's Gazette* calls it. The Irish vote, which the Tories always court and accept, is "malodorous" now. The Irish vote is coming to acquire the reputation of the Swiss guard of the French revolution days.

The death of A. M. Sullivan is a great loss. He was an Irish politician, who was also a gentleman in the sense of always being

FOR FAIR FIGHTING. He had the courage to warn his partisans that dynamite applied to England would be very unpleasant to Irish families, when applied to themselves, as it surely would be if many lives were sacrificed here. Mr. A. M. Sullivan had great natural eloquence, a firm voice and educated ardor. He was the student of the French Revolution; but he had no power of being temperate in that work and generously performed the labor of many men besides the duties of a journalist. He

was not only a generous adversary, but a generous friend. It is to be hoped that Ireland will take care of his family, which is young and numerous. Mrs. Sullivan is not a less ardent politician than her eminent husband was. It is a most honorable fact in the Irish people that a sum of £1,400 was collected over the grave of Mr. Sullivan for his family.

There has been a great "Reform of the Peers" demonstration in Rochdale, at which Mr. O'Connor Power, M.P., spoke and made a "brilliant" speech, according to local report. It must have been a great pride to him to be received with honor and enthusiasm in a town in which he was once a prisoner. We have had nights in the Commons given to the reputed riots in Birmingham. In a short time the truth will be made clear. The Liberals made no riot. It was Tory made and manifestly intended.

We have had great rejoicings at the centenary birthday of Sir Moses Montefiore. Of course, if all birthdays were to be publicly celebrated we should tire of them. But so long as festivity is limited to those who attain their hundredth year, and that after a life of singular and considerable philanthropy, the competitors for the honor will not be embarrassing in numbers, until the average duration of life is greatly extended. Sir Moses' motto is curt, suggestive and unusual—namely, "Think and Thank." Hard as the human lot of many is, there are few who would not have more to be thankful for than they imagine—did they but "think."

GEORGE JACOB HOLYOAKE. A CHILIAN DEFAMER. His Extraordinary Conduct in Taking Refuge in a Convict.

PANAMA, Nov. 16.—The *Chilian Times*, of Valparaiso, this reports an extraordinary affair which recently occurred in that port.

The talk of the city for several days past has been the disappearance of an employee of the Santiago and Valparaiso Railway Company, named Francisco J. Argomedo, who \$30,000, which had been delivered to him by the company for the payment of wages. All attempts to obtain any trace of the fugitive proved fruitless, and it was generally believed that he had taken his departure from the country in a sailing vessel. While emissaries were hunting for the delinquent in every direction he quietly presented himself on Monday night to the authorities of the Court of the Sacred Heart, carrying with him the \$30,000 in notes and demanding asylum. His request was granted conditionally and on the following day the Superior of the Convent conferred with the cure of the Santo Espritu Church, and the latter, in turn, with the Governor, the result being that it was decided that the proper course to take was for Argomedo to deliver up the money in person to the Judge of Crime. On Wednesday night Argomedo, accompanied by Father Donoso, proceeded to the residence of the Judge and delivered to him the money. Argomedo was then given permission to return to the convent, where he was to be detained as a prisoner at the disposal of the Court and was not allowed to communicate with anybody. Father Donoso does not appear to have considered it necessary to accompany Argomedo back to the convent, and the latter, being left to himself, thought proper to pass the night elsewhere.

On Thursday morning, however, he resolved to return to the convent, and, taking a cab, proceeded in the direction of that institution. The driver was hailed and two gentlemen entered the vehicle, one of whom recognized Argomedo, and, knowing that he was wanted, called to a policeman to take him in custody. Argomedo urged the cabman to drive with all speed to the Convent, an injunction which was obeyed. The officer followed and arrived at the convent in time to see Argomedo enter the door. The police, however, exacted from the Superior a written guarantee for the safe keeping of the fugitive. The public is now on the tip-toe of expectation to learn something about the motive which induced Argomedo to act as he has.

CONKING. As Described by His Enemies.

Mr. Conkling hates everybody above him and despises everybody below him. He is malignant toward his country, his fellow-citizens, his neighbors, his inferiors. All his efforts are in the endeavor to pull down and destroy the first, and to do it he makes use of the second. When Arthur became President and Conkling a private citizen, he began to hate Arthur and plot against him. Blaine he hated and plotted against. These two men he has plotted to destroy with all the meanness of a nature that resents the rule of Jehovah as a personal indignity, and esteems the precedent of the Almighty over him as an outrageous blunder in the economy of the universe; the nature that would measure the Infinite with his own two-foot rule and use his own lamp to examine the sun by. His creatures claim with glee and chuckling that Conkling has killed both Arthur and Blaine for the Presidency, and the plan now in contemplation will leave both Arthur and Blaine in private life, and Conkling in the Senate, representing a party, beholden to no faction—dependent and free to act as he pleases. He will be a Senator at large, the great power and balance of power—not the Republican Senator Conkling, not Senator Conkling of New York, but Senator Conkling, the great Senator, Lord Roscoe, soaring above party, or State consideration, or geographical lines; his enemies cast down and destroyed, his feet upon the tempest and the storm, his head in the empyrean, and his haughty glance cast down upon the humbly mortals of common earth and clay.

INDIA AND CANADA. The Advantages of the Dominion—An Army Veteran's Experience.

(Toronto Mail.)

The Earl of Dufferin, our late Governor-General, is evidently a man of destiny. His appointment to the Viceroyalty of India is a deserved honor, and he will have the best wishes of every loyal Canadian. But he has no secure, English rule in India is a difficult thing to maintain—as the late Postmaster-General Fawcett often pointed out. The attempt to rule another on its own domain. Moreover, the ruling class will always be in a minority because the country is so enormous that Englishmen cannot colonize the country in any considerable numbers. Adults cannot long abide there without a change of climate, and children born there of Caucasian parents, invariably die if they are kept in the country over six years.

India has many natural advantages over other English dependencies, but Canada has a more healthful climate, and she is not vexed with the problem of the government of aliens.

The heat of the lowlands of India is something dreadful, the average being over 80 degrees. In the dry season the glass often registers 120°. Most of the wealthy class flee to the mountains in summer, but the army officers, the holders of the same place, merchant, on the ground of cruelty and cruelty.

Not long ago it was our privilege to con-

verse at some length with Mr. T. B. Deacon, of Goderich, who has served in Her Majesty's Indian army over 17 years. To our inquiry on how the climate affects the health of foreigners, he said:

"Well, one does not notice the change at first unless the dry and hot season is on. Indeed I endured the damp hot of winter and the dry heat of summer very well for many years. Not until 1877, did I begin to feel knocked up entirely. Then I lost flesh rapidly, my appetite was that capricious that I could find nothing agreeable, my bowels were stupidly torpid, my spirit was gone directly I wanted any wine, I got that yellow that I looked very like a lemon, and my legs swelled like in size to an elephant's. And sure enough, I was weak! No, I had no pain at all, I was simply quietly wasting away, my system being completely saturated with malaria. None of the army physicians could help me, and I finally went home for treatment, but the London medical men gave it up when they saw me and learned that I had been soldiering in India. Quite given out, I came to Canada, but got no help here either. I had about made up my mind that it was all up with me but by a very fortunate turn of circumstances I began to use the famous Warner's safe cure, and when I had taken nine bottles I got to be a strong and healthy man, having run from 92 to 141 lbs., the most I ever weighed. I have not had to take a drop of medicine in over a twelvemonth. No, I shall not go back to India and I don't advise any of my friends either here or at home to go there. The Caucasian has no business there whatever."

Some of us may at times feel like finding a little fault with our old Dominion, but take it all in all we have a climate much preferable to that of "India's coral strands," and we will stick to our own country.

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LOCAL NEWS.

SECOND HAND PIANOS for sale or to hire at the New York Piano Co's, 228 St. James street.

SHAKESPEARE TO-NIGHT.—Rev. Canon Norman lectures to-night on "Shakespeare in the Cote St. Antoine Schoolhouse, under the auspices of the Mutual Agassiz Association. Admission 25c; chair taken at 8 o'clock.

FLOR DE CUBANA AND DE CARANAS REINA VICTORIAS—A fresh lot of the above very fine brands of Havana cigars just received. S. Hyman, 1702 Notre Dame street.

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FINE PIANOS.—The N.Y. Piano Co., St. James street, are just now receiving some fine pianos, to which they invite the attention of the musical public.

\$5,000 FOR A HAND.—Samuel Griffin, a machinist, was an employee of the Canadian Pacific car shops in the capacity of foreman.

WIFE AND DISCHARGE.—On his duties a piece of machinery fell on one of his hands, rendering it useless for further work. He claims \$5,000 damages on the ground that the accident was the result of negligence on the part of the company.

A HEAVY CASE.—The case of Mr. Chausse, who was badly injured by falling through the elevator at the Ottawa Hotel, and who brought an action against Mr. Romeo Stephens for \$15,000 damages, came up before Mr. Justice Jette yesterday. The case had been brought before Mr. Justice Rainville, but on account of the latter's illness has had to be commenced again.

ST. GEORGE'S YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the St. George's Young Men's Association was held last evening, when Mr. F. Cole delivered an essay on the Pilgrim Fathers. Mr. Cole gave a very good sketch of the characteristics of the fathers, their stern piety and Protestant principles, their persecution in England and their immigration and final settlement in the New England states, with their influence on religion and life of those States up to the present day.

MIXED UP CASE.—An action has been brought against the Canadian Cattle Lloyds' Company by Mr. W. H. Reid, cattle dealer, to recover a note of \$3,500 given by the company to Mr. Linham and transferred to him. Defendants claim that they are not liable, as the note was transferred after maturity and without the command was ever made for payment. It is also claimed that Mr. Linham is indebted to the Canadian Lloyds' in a sum larger than the sum now sued upon.

ALL orders for tuning and repairing pianos should be left with the N.Y. Piano Co., 228 St. James street. None but first-class men employed.

THE KILLING OF HUMAN BEINGS goes on, east and west, along the Grand Trunk. Says a Richmond, N. C., telegram to the Star of yesterday:—"A man named Robert Rudd was accidentally killed last evening by the cars on the Grand Trunk Railway. It appears he had some business at the depot, and while returning from there to reach the street he was killed. The depot is so badly situated that the trains have to pass between four tracks to reach the main street." How many does this make so far this week?

A YOUNG PICKPOCKET.—Numerous complaints have been received of late from travellers of having had their pockets picked at the Bonaventure Station. Yesterday a young man named Charles Levy was arrested by the Grand Trunk Railway police for snatching a coat out of a lady's hand and making off with it. He was brought before the Police Magistrate and pleaded guilty, and was remanded. When searched at the station a sum of money was found on his person, amounting to some \$54, which, he said, he had stolen from his father, who is a tailor, and also kept a confectionery store on Radisson street. Levy has been up before on charges of robbery, but managed to elude justice.

A NEW IDEA.—An order has been issued to the effect that in future the prisoners to be transferred from the Central Station to jail must be separated as to sex, instead of all riding together in the Black Maria. Yesterday one man and two women were sent down, the male prisoner was driven off in solitary grandeur, the vehicle having to make a second trip for the fair sex. This is but right. The proposition made in the Police Committee the other day to provide a female searcher for female prisoners has not come a moment too soon, and ought to be acted upon at once. It is a remarkable thing that such a provision was not made long ago.

THE TEN CENT STAMP CASE.—A cable despatch has been received by the Hon. Mr. Lacoste from his partner now in England, stating that the Privy Council had confirmed the judgment of the Supreme Court in the famous ten cent stamp case. The action was first instituted by Mr. J. J. Maclean, Q.C., contesting the right of the Provincial Government to institute a tax of ten cents upon all exhibits filed in the Superior Court as being illegal and ultra vires according to the constitution. The Minister, speaking of the decision, says that our Provincial rights have received a terrible blow and that it is evidently time that the constitution of this Province was revised as far as the Provincial and Federal rights were concerned.

A NUMBER OF GOOD PEOPLE have been aiding a good cause in a quiet way and doing it very thoroughly. Prominent among them is our esteemed fellow citizen Mr. J. K. Ward. The following announcement is self-explanatory.—Calumet, County Argentine, Nov. 20. The undersigned, inhabitants of the Calumet, desire publicly to express their gratitude to J. K. Ward, Esq., Montreal, for the munificent gift of a church and grounds. Also, to the following parties for contributions towards furnishing the same:—J. A. Matheson & Co., John Elliott & Co., Shilling, McCall & Co., Craithen & Caverhill, James Whitman & Co., Thos. Davidson & Co., W. S. Brown, Esq., R. B. Rutherford, Esq., Montreal, and to the friends in L'Orignal and the Calumet, for subscriptions to purchase an organ. Signed, R. Lanigan, on behalf of the Methodists; Jas. Wilson, on behalf of the Episcopalians; Robert McIntyre, on behalf of the Presbyterians.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.—The superintendent of the St. Andrew's Home acknowledges with thanks the following donations:—From Mr. James Johnston, Ailsa, 1 piece (28 yards) cotton sheeting; from Miss Morice, George street, 1 parcel cast-off clothing; 1 parcel cast-off clothing from Mr. George Patterson; 1 parcel socks and mitts from John Fraser, and from Mr. John Porteous, G. T. R., 3 barrels oatmeal and 2 barrels flour. The superintendent of the Boys' Home gratefully acknowledges donations from the following friends of clothing, etc.:—Mrs. A. G. Baeham, Friend per L. W. Scott, Mr. J. D. Thurston, Mrs. C. W. Morris, Mrs. McIntosh, Mrs. A. Murray, Mr. T. Harris, a friend, Mrs. M. Bigelow, Mrs. R. S.

Weir, Mr. Gentle 100 lbs flour, Boys of the Home 1 set lace curtains for the hall windows, Mr. Joseph Richard, Also subscriptions from H. H. Smith, \$500; Mr. G. A. Green, \$25; Mr. S. Carley, \$20; Mr. J. S. McLachlan, \$10; S. \$10; Davis & Lawrence Co., \$10; Mr. Arthur Masterman, \$10; Mr. Laird Paton, \$5; Mr. B. Benny, \$5; Mr. J. Larmouth, \$5; Mr. B. Dawson, Jr., \$5; J. K. \$2.

THE MANN CASE.—In a corridor of the Court House yesterday afternoon two farmers from Verdun had a spirited discussion over the verdict in the recent case against Mr. Mann. It was held that the decision arrived at would in future deter agriculturalists from using any species of fertilizing material for fear of incurring the wrath of summer residents from the city, who are not accustomed to such proceedings. Now that the case is disposed of it may properly be noted that it was impossible for any one to drive along the Lower Lachine road without being cognizant, through the sense of smell, of Mr. Mann's operation. The heaviest odor has been simply an abomination, and it was high time something was done to mitigate the nuisance. The doctrine that a man may do as he pleases with his own is played out, and the sooner people like Mr. Mann are taught that other people have rights to be respected the more smoothly things will move in the future.

VENUS'S ALMANAC.—Venus's almanac for 1885, edited by Mr. Walter H. Smith, Ass. B.A.A.S., has just been issued. It contains a mass of useful information, including the original biography of the lead scientist, whose name is perpetuated in the title of the book. A weather forecast for each week; the lunar influence on vegetation with tables for sowing to it in all latitudes, besides copious astronomical notes, etc. Before he died Mr. Venus made the following general forecast for the Fall of 1884: "From all appearances, we are at present in a very moist period, which, I believe, will continue for about two years, both in the United States and Canada. Europe will also be affected. The Fall of 1884 is likely to be very open, and a mild unsettled winter will follow, with a good deal of downfall in the shape of snow or rain. I look for a green Christmas and a mild New Year, 1885." January, 1885, is predicted to be mild; February, dry and cold; March, severe, with snowstorms, and the succeeding summer likely to be extremely hot. According to the forecast for January, Carnival week will open with fine, cold weather, moderating to snow or rain, and the month will close windy and mild.

THE COAL DEAL.—In the case of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal Company against the Exchange Bank, up before Mr. Justice Jette on Wednesday afternoon, the Hon. A. W. Ogilvie presided. The case had never been before the two Justices, signed by Craig, guaranteeing the payment of 26,000 tons of coal if shipped to Beard. Craig never brought the question of guaranteeing the payment of the coal before the directors prior to the suspension of the bank, certainly not in 1883. Craig did not speak to witness about these letters as mentioned in his deposition. He did not think that Beard's financial standing was such that the bank would ever enter into such a contract as that which Craig made with him. Witness repeatedly told Craig to be careful inside the bank, and Craig in reply promised to get Beard out of the bank inside of six weeks. In reply to Mr. Atwater witness said that he never saw Beard at the bank at first, because he always came after hours, when the bank was closed. Later he saw him when he had no money, and he was a guarantor, and had no knowledge of any such contract between the Philadelphia and Reading Coal Company and Craig. The remainder of witness' testimony corroborated that of the previous witness. Being cross-examined witness stated that he was aware that in July 1883, Beard was indebted to the bank to the extent of approximately \$40,000; but was not aware of any further indebtedness. The directors had the fullest confidence in Craig, but they did not allow him to make any transfers without their consent. After Messrs. Atwater and Geoffrey had decreed the Court on behalf of the plaintiffs, and Mr. Green shields had replied for the Bank, the case was placed before the Court, the counsel for the defence reserving the right to examine Messrs. Bunin and Bulmer, directors of the bank, if required.

PERSONAL.—Hon. Peter Mitchell returned yesterday from his visit to his constituents in New Brunswick, N.B., looking well and enjoying excellent spirits.

HERE AND THERE.—Eight names were on the sheet in the Recorder's Court yesterday morning, all for recording deeds.

It is reported on the authority of the Hon. Hy. Starnes that Ald. Grenier will run against Mayor Beaudry next election.

At 11.56 yesterday an alarm of fire was rung from box 74 for a slight blaze in a shed at 18 St. Andre street. Loss trifling.

The case on Monsiegnor Sueniers' report of the Levai question and other ecclesiastical matters is now on its way from Rome.

Yesterday was Thanksgiving Day in the United States, and the flag was flying on the United States Consulate building in honor of the event.

It is stated on the authority of Mr. C. J. Counsell, M. P., that no nomination will be made for the vacant senatorship until Sir John arrives.

The next mail for Europe is per the White Star Line steamship Celtic, and will be closed at the post office here on Friday evening at 4.30.

The proceeds of the late bazaar of the Temple Emmanuel are to be devoted to the erection of a new synagogue, for which a site is now being sought.

An action has been taken out by Messrs. McLaren, Leet & Smith at the instance of Mr. W. Leet, of Danville, against Mr. W. Ingram, manager of the Federal Bank here, for an overdue promissory note for \$1,000.

A leak broke out in the gas pipe at the corner of Victoria square and St. James street last evening about 6 o'clock and while the men were digging for the pipe the gas caught fire and burned for some time before it was extinguished.

Some time ago Alphonse Lebeuf visited Mrs. Latour, and while there, it is alleged, put some medicine in some porter which made the daughter of the defendant very sick. Her mother called her visitor some hard names for which he brought an action against the defendant. The case is now being tried in the Superior Court.

The secret of the large and constant sales of Mrs. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound probably lies in the fact that whereas there are many "Bitters" and "Tonics" of equal value, few are more or less pure than this one, and it is consequently superior to all other preparations specially recommended for the needs of women, and it has practically no rivals.

SOMETHING that will quiet the nerves, give strength to the body, induce refreshing sleep, improve the quality of the blood, and purify and brighten the complexion, is what many persons would be very glad to obtain. Such a medicine is Mrs. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and is remarkably successful in accomplishing the ends desired, as named above. It is useful to men, women, and children. Sold by druggists. Price, 50 cents a box. See advertisement.

AMUSEMENTS.

A large audience assembled at the Academy of Music last evening. Mr. and Mrs. Florence making their appearance in Our Governor for the first time this season. This piece, which was presented here last winter, is a most amusing one, and affords the eccentric W. J. and his partner a fine opportunity to display their many accomplishments.

A PARLOR MATCH.—Evans and Hoyt's Meteors will present a new talent wave at the Academy of Music next week, commencing Tuesday, December 2nd, in the form of a new farcical comedy from the pen of Chas. H. Hoyt, author of the Bunch of Keys, and entitled A Parlor Match. The New York press claims this play to be the best of its kind ever presented in the city. The New York News, speaking on the subject, says:—"A Parlor Match was produced at Pastor's Theatre last evening. As a Buch of Keys satirizes the hotel clerk, and A Rag Baby a druggist, so does A Parlor Match lead to satirize two of the most popular comedians of the tramp. Both are well drawn and are sufficiently amusing to please, while Mr. Hoyt has interwoven enough wit and humor to bring the parts into more prominence than those in either of his other successes. The story is of two farmers who dispute their ancestry, and quarrel over a trifling matter during the day. The play is as funny as any ever seen here, and is, without exception, the best of Mr. Hoyt's list. It was especially written for two clever comedians, who give us all they know, and, therefore, are pleasing. Charles Evans, the Book-agent, introduces many ideas that are humorously original. Mr. Hoyt's ability is too well known to need comment. The house was crowded, and the audience was kept in continuous roars of laughter from the rise until the final fall of their curtain."

A large audience, chiefly composed of ladies, attended the Royal yesterday afternoon to witness the first representation of 'Called Back' by the Bandmann-Baudet Company. The play is a rather weak dramatization of Hugh Conway's popular novel of the same name. The company, however, made the most of it, and managed to make the presentation a pleasing one. Miss Baudet, as Pauline, was most acceptable, and evinced much intelligent talent. Mr. Charles Thornton was very good as Gilbert Vaughan. The part of the villain, Macari, was fairly well played by Mr. R. P. Gibb. In the evening there was a very successful concert given by the Bandmann and company will present Richard III., Called Back, Narisse, and The Hunchback.

The Boston Specialty Company is drawing large audiences at the above theatre at each performance. Next week Miss Fanny Henderson will make her appearance in the wild Western drama, entitled, Little Buckshot.

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Dr. Kelly—Reception and Library—There are now on file in the reading room 130 papers and magazines. In the library 2,651 volumes, an increase of 273. The number of readers was 455; books taken out, 4,569.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Reception of Reports—Election of Officers.—Last evening the thirty-third annual meeting of the Montreal Young Men's Christian Association was held in the Assembly Hall of the building. A fair audience was present. In the absence through sickness of President Murray Smith, Mr. George Hague officiated as chairman. Address was opened by full hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Mr. G. S. Cole, travelling secretary of the general association, read a portion of Scripture from the second chapter of Ephesians, followed by prayer.

The chairman alluded to the good work of the President, and regretted that through affliction he had been unable to attend.

Mr. Cole spoke of the pleasure he experienced in being present, and was glad to have revealed to him the power of the work being performed by the Montreal Association. In his wanderings it was a pleasure to find an Association so full of life and enthusiasm as the one in this city. He had visited Associations which had been dead long enough to be buried, and which had a bad odor. To visit an Association such as flourished in Montreal was like a breeze of fresh air. The speaker having to leave by the evening train, his remarks were brief.

Mr. Budge read an extensive report on the work of the past year. The Montreal Association is the oldest one on the continent. Its work was increasing faster than that of any other Association. It was especially noted that it was in St. Catherine street west, as well as one at Point St. Charles; there is already one among the McGill College students. Five evening classes had been inaugurated, with a membership of 170. Were the necessary means on hand, the number could be doubled. The Association needed help from wealthy friends of the Association towards an educational fund. Work among the members of the society proper had been neglected during the year for the sake of stranger work. A training class was one of the great needs at present, and the Association was in need of a new building. The vast correspondence of the officers was indicated by the large postage account. Letters were sent and received from all parts of the world. This week one had been received from a friend in Italy, speaking of the benefits received by a person from the Association while here last winter. The departure of Mr. J. J. McLaren, Mr. Frank Holman, Mr. Hawkins, and Mr. F. W. Henderson during the summer was to be regretted. Mr. Hawkins is now secretary at Port Hope, while Mr. Henderson has become identified with the work in Honolulu.

The conference of Secretaries of American and Canadian Associations was held in this city, and had been attended with beneficial results. In October the Provincial Convention had been held at Peterboro, with a delegation of three members from Montreal.

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FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Erskine Church—Address by Sir Wm. Dawson, Rev. Professor McLaren and Rev. J. Campbell.—The anniversary meeting held at the Erskine Church last evening for the purpose of discussing foreign missions was well attended.

Sir Wm. Dawson occupied the chair and among the other gentlemen present were Rev. Prof. McLaren, Rev. J. Fraser Campbell, Rev. Prof. Springer, Rev. Chalmers, Rev. Dr. Laing, Rev. J. Bennett, Rev. B. Warden, Rev. Prof. Cousin, Rev. J. Patterson, Rev. R. Campbell, Rev. Principal MacVicar, Rev. J. Fleck, Rev. A. B. McKay, Rev. J. McCaul and Rev. A. B. Cruchet.

Sir Wm. Dawson, in opening the meeting, said that they had reason to congratulate themselves on being able to gather together such a number for such a purpose as promoting foreign mission. The foreign mission work had increased wonderfully during the last century, and certainly had had a beneficial effect on the world's progress. He had visited various foreign countries and had witnessed the missionaries at their active work in Italy, Egypt and Syria. In Italy the effect was very beneficial; in Egypt and Syria it put life into the Coptic Armenian, and Maronite churches of these countries.

The Rev. Prof. McLaren followed and gave a very graphic and interesting review of the home and foreign mission work during the year. They had been told that the Gospel was losing its hold on the world, but he did not think so, and the state of things abroad supported his view. A strong proof of that the Gospel was increasing its hold on the world was the fact that they could not at present pick out any large country in which the Gospel was not preached by the missionaries. This was surely a sign that the Bible was increasing in popularity. The skeptics and atheists might talk as they liked, but while the proofs were staring them in the face their arguments would not have much effect.

The nations who were sending out missionaries were the most advanced and enlightened in the world, namely, Great Britain and the United States. The depredations were likely to remain in the proud position, the was no likelihood of the mission work lagging. At the beginning of the century foreign missions had just commenced, and now let them look at the foreign mission work of the Evangelical churches. It had spread all over the globe, and they would not be able to find any climes, as living to bring the poor deluded heathen into the fold of the Lord.

The speaker then gave a brief review of the work in the several missions, and in conclusion said that he hoped that the citizens of Montreal would contribute as much as they could to the work in all parts of the world.

The Rev. J. Fraser Campbell, missionary from India, followed and gave a very interesting and graphic description of mission work in India, with a short sketch of the progress of the work. He said that the great majority of the inhabitants were in a state of the most abject poverty. The people of this country had no idea of the disgusting rites practised by the worshippers of Vishnu and the various other Hindu deities. These rites were too obscene to describe to an enlightened and Christian audience.

The missionaries at present in India were unable to cover the whole work completely, and it was terrible to think that all these people would die in ignorance of the Lord God. What they wanted were more missionaries to do the work. Canada had a town of over 3,000 inhabitants who only heard the Gospel preached once a year. Yet this was the case, and the minister who preached there had also to travel over a vast tract of country to preach in other towns. He hoped that the people of Montreal would open their hearts and their hands and help the General Assembly in sending out missionaries to convert these poor people from their sad and disgusting rites.

The benediction by the Rev. Father Chiniquy brought the proceedings to a close.

AMUSING PRINTERS' ERRORS.—The unlucky poet who wrote:—

See the pale martyr in his sheet of fire, must have been completely crushed when the line appeared as:—

See the pale martyr in his shirt of fire. We can sympathize also with the poet who wrote of a lady, assuming that he had "kissed her under the silent stars," and found the compositor had made him state that he "kicked her under the cellar stairs." True, it has been doubted if these two poets ever existed; but others, of less mythologic fame, have suffered badly at the hands of the printer. Burns, in a cheap edition of his works, is made to say:—

O gin my love were you red nose. A well-known temperance lecturer was indignant at finding the sentiment ascribed to him, and the entire afterword, whereas he had declared that it was "folly."

Much surprise was occasioned by Sir Archibald Alison, in his "History of Europe," including among the persons present at the funeral of the Duke of Wellington the name of "Sir Peregrine Pickle." There can be but little doubt but that the author had made an unaccountable slip, intending to name Sir Peregrine Pickle, the famous statesman, having referred to a speech of the Duke of Wellington in the House of Commons, the Treasury of Songs and Lyrics, the composer transformed the title into "Golden Treasury of Songs and Lyrics." A report in a Manchester of a recent dramatic performance mentioned the well-known farce of "No. 1 Round the Corner" under the amusing and suggestive title of "No One Round the Corner."