

WHAT A. D. AMES TESTIFIED TO-DAY.

He Tells in Cross-Examination of the Hunt for the Accounts of the Police Department.

The hearing of the case of Messrs. Briarley and McKay, charged at the instance of Mr. G. A. Hughes, Chief of Police, with criminal libel, was resumed this morning at a quarter past ten. The examination of the witness, Mr. A. D. Ames, was continued by Mr. Quinn, Q.C., on behalf of the private prosecutor. You were elected alderman in February, 1898.

I was a good deal of excitement existed at that time concerning the election of the city. There were a good many election speeches, as usual, about alleged frauds. You were appointed to the Police Committee.

Between the time of your election and your appointment to the committee you enquired about the accounts? Yes, I remember. One of the first things your committee took up was the outstanding accounts of 1897.

No, there was an evident reluctance on the part of the chairman to go into back history at all. Who was chairman? Ald. Marsalis.

How long after the formation of the Police Committee was the sub-committee formed? About two months. It was not regularly named, but Mr. Laroche, the chairman and myself undertook to examine the accounts. Was the same done in the other committees? It was in the Health Committee.

You set about finding accounts due for 1897? We tried to, but effected little. Did you prepare any list? No official list. Did you get any from the department? We got a pile of accounts; whether listed or not I cannot say.

Would you look at this list and tell me if you know it? I recognize a number of items; but I cannot swear I have seen this list before in its present condition. This list must have been prepared considerably after the formation of the sub-committee, because I recognize items which were not given us in definite figures. I speak of the police sub-committee.

What date were those accounts before the sub-committee? Some time in May. We only met once, Ald. Laroche and myself, and we made no report.

Then those accounts were prepared since? So I should judge. How many meetings of the sub-committee were held? Not more than two; I only remember one positively.

Both in May? Probably. I regarded the work of that sub-committee as quite fruitless, and kept no record of its meetings. How often did the Police Committee meet?

Once in three weeks, on an average, from March, 1898, to March 1899. You say there was a disinclination on the part of the chairman to examine the accounts of 1897?

Decidedly so. Did these accounts ever come up? Not in definite shape. Then you know nothing of the Poiret account till October?

Not till the Claims Committee began to meet. You knew there was a large amount due in 1897?

I judged so from the number of claims I had seen presented. But from public rumor? I am not prepared to say that. I knew because I saw the things myself.

You would not say that you know from having heard the matter discussed in public that you knew of it? I should say I was reasonably certain. Would you not say you knew it? Yes.

That's what I asked you. Did you not have reasonably certain knowledge of the Poiret account? I do not remember having had knowledge of the Poiret account until the meeting of the Claims Committee.

That would be on September 24? The Claims Committee was appointed on September 26. Were you not aware that many committees had exceeded their appropriations even before you entered Council? No; I don't believe I was. I was not aware, before I entered the Council, that previous committees had overrun their accounts.

Yes; I asked for the sub-committee because I knew at that time that there had been a good deal of over-expenditure. Well, when you found that the city had been sued, and when you learned that a large number of accounts existed against the Police Committee, I suppose, as a good alderman, you began to investigate these accounts yourself?

I did. You saw a number of them? I saw a number of the warrants in connection therewith. Did you not see all?

No. You did not consider it your duty to examine all?

I could not get half of them. I had the greatest difficulty with the officials of that department. There was an evident intention to keep the accounts back as far as possible.

Is there not a sub-book to show what warrants were issued? I do not know; there is one to-day. Did you not ask for the sub-book, not even find out if there was one?

No. Your investigation did not go so far as to ask for the sub-book? I will correct my previous answer. I remember going to Mr. Dufresne's room and finding a sub-book and looking over it.

That would be a book of the warrants of the Police Committee? Yes. Did you at that time find a warrant there for Poiret?

I cannot definitely say. I only glanced through it hastily. So that you do not remember at any time finding out through any officer of that department, or by your own researches in the books of that department, that any amount was due to Mr. Poiret until the formation of the Claims Committee?

No, no recollection of finding any trace of the Poiret account. Or any warrants? There may have been, but I do not remember.

You say there was an evident desire on the part of the officials to prevent you from obtaining information. Did you look for those accounts? Allow me, please, to correct your first statement. I did not say there was an evident desire to conceal the accounts. There was an evident reluctance to assist us. I did look for the accounts. I looked for them in the controller's office, I looked for them in the police department, I looked for them with the secretary of the police department, and with Mr. Laroche, the bookkeeper. I examined all I could lay my hands on.

Well, since you make this distinction, we will have to proceed very carefully. Now, you say you investigated and never found out anything about the Poiret account. I said that, prior to the Claims Committee, I had no recollection of the Poiret account, or seeing any warrant or document concerning it. I may have seen initials, but I do not remember.

And yet you were looking for them? I was looking for them. Well, the warrant book which you saw in Mr. Dufresne's office—was that the warrant book for 1897?

I believe so. And the name of Mr. Poiret in that book never struck you? I did not remember having seen the name of Poiret in that book.

Well, would you look at the exhibits Z1 and Z2, and tell us if these are warrants of the Police Committee in favor of Poiret?

Yes, and I would call the attention of the court to the fact that there are no initials of the secretary on these warrants, to show that they were passed at a regular meeting of the committee, and that the probability is that they were not signed at a meeting of the committee, but outside, and irregularly. It is always customary for the secretary to put his initials and the date on which a warrant is passed. There are no initials nor date on the edge of these warrants.

We are not speaking of the action of the committee, but of the warrants. These are evidently taken from the regular warrant book of the Police Committee. The stub would show what the warrants are for.

Mr. Greenfield—I think we ought to have the warrant book here. The warrants seem to have been issued irregularly. There might be no entry in the stubs. Ald. Ames: The warrant book was formerly in the hands of the Police Committee; it is now in the hands of the controller.

Mr. Quinn—These are the ordinary warrants issued by the Police Department? Witness—These would not be considered by us as legally issued warrants, because the name of the secretary and the date are not attached.

But that is the regular form of warrant? Yes, as issued in 1897. A message was sent to the Controller's office for the warrant book.

The court remarked on the absence of Mr. Dufresne, and said that unless that gentleman remained in court, ready to appear when called, he would be committed for contempt. Meantime the cross-examination proceeded.

From whom did you get your first knowledge concerning the Poiret account? The court said the accounts were presented to us by the Police Committee.

By whom? By the controller, I think. Do you remember these accounts? I remember some. Do you remember the Poiret account? Yes.

What was the amount? The amount presented to our committee was \$1,700 odd. I am not asking you that. I am asking you what was the amount of the Poiret account when you first became aware of it?

I do not know when I first became aware of it. That is the trouble. We had a large pile of accounts presented to us that the controller brought in, and I may have glanced them through; but I cannot remember. We definitely dealt with the Poiret account on the 18th of October.

I remember nothing of the account before October. You mean the 18th? No; the month of October. So you had a knowledge before the 18th? Probably.

Did you or did you not? Mr. Greenfield submitted that the witness had already replied as far as he knew. Mr. Ames said he could not say definitely before the first week of October.

Can you give us all you know about it before the 18th of October? I think the account was among a number of others, delivered to the committee on the 11th of October, but I don't deal with it. Now, do you say you only think that? I believe that.

Did you not know that suit was entered? I do not remember. I kept a list as far as I could, of suits brought, and may have had that among them.

Did you not know that Mr. Martineau was the attorney for the plaintiff in an action against the city for the amount due Poiret? I did not know until the 18th of October that Mr. Martineau was attorney for the plaintiff. As I remember the circumstances, it was that night that I learned Mr. Martineau was Poiret's attorney.

At this point the warrant book was produced and the witness shown two stubs of warrants issued in settlement of the Poiret account for \$800 "horse keep." He did not know the handwriting on the stubs. The stubs were dated August 5th, and corresponded with the warrants as originally dated, although the dates had been altered to the 2nd and 3rd.

Is the handwriting on the stubs the same as on those which preceded and followed? I do not think so. This is the warrant book for 1897? I think so; it never came under my personal examination. It seems to have been used for a portion of 1898. Yes; I have seen some of the warrants myself.

You remember examining a warrant book on entering Council? Yes. Is this it? So although you examined this book, you did not see this warrant of Poiret's? This book was in the controller's office and we naturally examined in the books in the police department. I do not remember having looked over this book prior to the fall. When I was making an attempt to get at the accounts of the police department, I endeavored simply to get the accounts and warrants in the possession of the officials downstairs.

What time in the fall? In September or October. Do you not remember your asking one of my questions in cross-examination, "Did you investigate, after being appointed to the Police Committee, between the time of your appointment and the date of the formation of the Claims Committee, to know what accounts were due by the Police Committee?" and you answered "Yes," that you had gone to the controller's office and found the warrant book there. Is that a fact or not?

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NEW BRUNSWICK NEWS.

The Banquet for Hon. John Costigan—A Request for Earlier Winter Steamship Arrangements.

St. John, N.B., April 4.—(Special.)—Hon. A. G. Blair, Hon. John Costigan and his son Harry arrived on the C.P.R. this afternoon to attend the banquet in Mr. Costigan's honor at the Hotel Dufferin this evening. Premier Emerson and the members of his cabinet were also on the same train and will attend the banquet. Hon. Mr. Blair will return to Ottawa to-morrow.

This morning a large number of the members of the Provincial Legislature came down from Fredericton and an important session of the Provincial Institute was held. This afternoon Dr. Skinner, son of Recorder Skinner, formerly M.P. for St. John, was married to Miss Florence McMillan, daughter of Mr. J. McMillan, head of the large publishing house of Messrs. J. & A. McMillan.

The City Council has an interview with Hon. A. G. Blair this afternoon and will discuss the use of the dredge Cape Breton to do necessary work at West St. John, also that the Government this year advertise its winter steamship arrangements, but it was noted that this prevents the uncertainties that prevailed.

C. P. R. RUNNING POWERS

Intercolonial Men Still Here, but President Saughnessy has Gone to Quebec on Official Business.

Mr. Pottinger, general manager; Mr. Lyons, general passenger agent; and Mr. Wallace, general freight agent of the Intercolonial, are still in town, but as yet they have taken no direct or active steps to re-open negotiations with the Canadian Pacific regarding the running powers of the latter system over the Government railway between St. John and Halifax.

Mr. Saughnessy, the vice-president, who has the C. P. R. side of the negotiations, is expected to return to Montreal. The immediate charge has gone to Quebec on official business, and will not return to the company's headquarters until to-morrow. No official information was to be obtained this morning. Despatches were particularly "live" one, and developments cannot be far off.

FOUND A BODY.

The Remains of an Eighteen Pound Baby Discovered in Dufresne's Wood Yard on Guy Street.

For the second time the dead body of a newborn baby was found to-day in Dufresne's woodyard on Guy street, between William and Notre Dame streets. While patrolling this morning Constable Desjardins discovered the body of a girl baby, which weighed eighteen pounds. The body was closely wrapped in white linen, with an outer wrapping of black linen, on which was marked "Greenfield & Co. The linen was presumably some of the material saved from the recent fire.

IMMOVABLES SOLD.

Green Point Brought \$16,000 and Some Timber Limits Went for \$5,750.

Quebec, April 4.—(Special.)—The sale of immovables in the matter of the Cascade Pulp and Lumber Company, took place this morning and was purchased by Carrier, Laine & Co., of Lewis, and R. McLellan, of St. John, N.B. The property known as Green Point, at Manana, with mill site, was sold for \$15,000. The timber limits were sold for \$5,750.

Baroness de Hirsch Memorial Service. The Board of Directors of the Baron de Hirsch Institute met to-night to decide upon a special service in connection with the funeral of the Baroness de Hirsch in Paris. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has instructed Messrs. Fabre, high commissioner in Paris, to attend the funeral as the representative of Canada. The directors have also passed a vote of condolence, which has been cabled to Paris.

The death of the Baroness was a great surprise to those in Montreal interested in her colonization schemes. Only a day or two ago they had received some correspondence in relation to a fresh bequest for the schools in the Northwest, and there was nothing from which to infer that their benefactress was ill.

BETTER TARIFF RATHER THAN GOLD.

Senator Foster Has Been Investigating the Alaska Boundary Question.

HINT TO HIGH COMMISSION.

It Should Visit the Pacific Northwest and Make an Inspection of Alaska.

DUTY ON LUMBER DISCUSSED.

Tacoma, Wash., April 4.—United States Senator Addison C. Foster, after spending several weeks investigating in the East and Middle West, the attitude of the High Commission on lumber and coal tariffs and the Alaska boundary question, has returned home. He says:

"I am of the opinion that the removal of the duty on lumber is one of the most important concessions sought by England. In fact, while the desired port of entry to the northern gold fields is much in demand among Canadians and Englishmen, rather inclining to the opinion that a satisfactory adjustment of the lumber and coal schedules are equally, if not more so, in demand. On my way west I consulted with various senators and congressmen on this subject, and I find, all things considered, that our lumber people in all parts of the United States are inclined to yield a little in this matter, and, if possible, can be made a part of the treaty. Lumbering is a great industry, and we could not for a moment consider the proposition of removing the tariff altogether."

"The lumbermen, as a rule, would be willing to make a reduction on the tariff from 25 to 15 per cent, provided that rates were made a part of the treaty, and thereby become permanent as with the treaty laws. This would constitute a reduction of twenty per cent, in the lumber tariff as now in force."

Senator Foster is opposed to making reduction in the tariffs on lumber special grades. This, in his opinion, would not prove satisfactory, and would be certain to result in abuses of the privileges granted.

"We strongly favor the Joint High Commission, or at least members thereof, visiting the Pacific Northwest and making a trip of inspection to Alaska."

He has already invited a number of friends to the Coast, and believes much work can be done. He has already agreed upon if the members of the commission were thoroughly posted by a personal inspection regarding the conditions existing here and in Alaska.

Senator Foster urges the policy of expansion as being a part of the commercial necessities of the age. He holds that the United States must expand commercially, and would be certain to result in abuses of the privileges granted.

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STREET RAILWAY EARNINGS.

The Past Half Year the Largest in the Company's History.

Figures That Show What Montrealers Pay Out for Car Fares.

For the past six months the earnings of the Montreal Street Railway have amounted to \$750,208.58, which is an increase over the corresponding period last year of \$84,412.21. During that time the Montreal street car earnings were \$122,03, and the average daily increase \$42.82.

The earnings for the half year are by far the largest in the company's history, as the following figures show:

	1898.	1897.	Increase.
October	\$133,619.63	\$116,293.09	\$17,326.54
Nov.	125,335.36	110,930.24	14,405.12
Dec.	117,750.42	111,281.91	14,468.51
1899.		1898.	
Jan.	125,450.96	110,140.83	15,310.13
Feb.	114,038.02	102,825.49	11,212.53
March	123,934.29	111,477.91	9,276.38
Average daily earnings	\$750,208.58	\$667,796.47	\$82,412.21
Average daily increase			\$42.82
Comparative statement for first six months of last five years:			
			Increase over previous year.
1894-5	\$462,431.30		
1895-6	563,022.18		
1896-7	602,059.07		
1897-8	607,785.83		
1898-9	750,208.58		\$82,412.21

ON THE WAY TO KLONDIKE.

A Score of French Canadian Farmers Artisans and Laborers Leaving for Yukon Gold Fields.

The district passenger agent's office at Bonaventure station was crowded at one o'clock to-day with French-Canadian farmers, artisans, and laborers from the neighborhood of Montreal who have been smitten by the gold fever and were completing arrangements for their transportation to the Klondike fields. The party all told numbered twenty, and they are now busy finishing the details of their outfit preparatory to their departure from the station to-morrow night. At the head of the party, which consists of young men between thirty and thirty-five years of age, strong, vigorous and hopeful, are Mr. F. Renaud and Mr. Binette, experienced Klondikers, who during two and a half years' residence in the Yukon region have acquired numerous claims on the Bonanza, Eldorado, Hunter and Dominion creeks. Amongst them are B. Renaud, St. Isidore; J. A. Brunet, St. Isidore; A. Ravell, St. Isidore; J. Methot, St. Zolme; P. Wallier, St. Clot; C. Marlow, St. Clot; J. B. Seguin, St. Dominique; O. Seguin, St. Dominique; J. Seguin, St. Dominique; L. Distrac, St. Clot; B. Besner, St. Clot; Baptiste Lalonde, St. Dominique; and Victor Girouard, Montreal. The party will travel to Vancouver by the Grand Trunk and Northern Pacific, and thence they will journey to Skagway by steamer and follow the usual route from there to Dawson City. This morning the group was photographed at the studio of Mr. J. A. Dumas.

A New Toronto Liquor Journal.

The Liquor Journal and Hotel Gazette is a new paper which has just made its appearance in Toronto. Its mission, if it may be so designated, says the editor, will be to disseminate commercial information on the essentially trade topics of moment to the industry. The issue before us is a very creditable production from a literary and topographical point of view, and should meet with favor among those whom it seeks to interest.

Bickerdike Club.

A special meeting of Bickerdike club is called for to-morrow, the 5th inst., at the usual place, corner Notre Dame and Chatham streets. Mr. Robert Bickerdike and many other prominent Liberals have promised to be present. All are cordially invited to attend.

An Independent Mayor.

Toledo, Ohio, April 4.—Samuel M. Jones, independent candidate for mayor, was yesterday re-elected by 6,000 majority over both the Republican and Democratic tickets.

MARRIAGES AND LOVE UNITED.

The Wealthy Young Folks. W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., and Miss Fair, Married this Morning.

A SCENE OF GREAT BEAUTY.

Description of the Wedding Gown Which was Magnificent and Costly.

WILL SOON GO TO EUROPE.

New York, April 4.—Youth and beauty and millions in money were joined together in matrimony at noon to-day when Virginia Fair became the bride of William K. Vanderbilt, Jr. About one hundred and fifty guests were present at the ceremony, which took place in the 5th street residence of Herman Oelrichs, whose wife is the sister of the bride. The house was surrounded by a curious mixed crowd.

A little before noon the guests commenced to arrive at the Oelrichs' house. The Rev. Thomas F. Murphy, acting pastor of the Church of the Sacred Heart, at 10th street, was in charge, early, accompanied by two little acolytes. The conservatory and ball-room had been transferred into the semblance of an old English garden. Quaint old pots and flowers nodded from corners. At the end of the conservatory a dais had been raised. Over this was a canopy of latticed smilax, clinging vines, and blossoming peach trees. The Rev. Thomas F. Murphy, acting pastor of the Church of the Sacred Heart, at 10th street, was in charge, early, accompanied by two little acolytes. The conservatory and ball-room had been transferred into the semblance of an old English garden. Quaint old pots and flowers nodded from corners. At the end of the conservatory a dais had been raised. Over this was a canopy of latticed smilax, clinging vines, and blossoming peach trees. The Rev. Thomas F. 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TUESDAY, APRIL 4.

SIR HIBBERT'S RETREAT.

Sir Hibbert Tupper evidently believes that "he fights and runs away" practices a high order of strategy. He has explained to newspaper correspondents in Winnipeg that, having delivered himself of a speech six and a half hours' long about the terrifying incapacity, or worse, shown by the Government in the administration of the Yukon, all that is now necessary is for the House to hold the Ministers to account, he himself, meanwhile, having too much else to do. Mr. Tupper, his partner, has to attend to his legislative duties or lose his seat, and as business is good just now Sir Hibbert finds himself obliged to go west and attend to it. For the comfort and edification of those of his colleagues in Opposition who have been induced to look forward to a session full of discussions of Yukon scandals, and who confidently believed that he had a whole portfolio full of such charges as would drive the Liberals from power by their merely being stated, Sir Hibbert good-naturedly affirms that there are plenty of members who know as much about those things as he does himself, and, for Sir Hibbert, as everyone knows is modest in such matters, probably a great deal more. The interests of the country are therefore safe, for whatever else may happen the Ministers will surely not dare to ask the House to do any other business until they have disposed of the generalities contained in the speech Sir Hibbert came across the continent to deliver. And if the Ministers and the other members of Parliament do not see things in just the same light as he does, of course Sir Hibbert can come back later on, or perhaps next session, and demand explanations. For it is always to be remembered that the man who fights and runs away may live to fight another day.

The mysterious part of the business, however, is that Sir Hibbert should have come east at all when there are others in the House who, by his own admission, know more about those things than he does himself. Of course it goes without saying that Sir Charles Tupper knows more about it than any other living man, as he does about all other subjects. It is not credible that Sir Hibbert should have come all the way from the Pacific Coast to demonstrate that he could talk for six and a half hours on one subject when Sir Charles could only hold out for four and a half hours with the whole field before him. Neither is it conceivable that the men who know more about these things than he does himself, and whom he now leaves to take up the fighting would have let the Government off so free. They are expected now to support the statements that have been made, and to take the hard knocks Mr. Sifton has always proved himself as well able to give as to take. Yet they do not get credit for having drawn the attention of Parliament to the subject. Sir Hibbert has appropriated that glory, and has left his colleagues to do the fighting. Explain his conduct how he may, and the interviews published yesterday show that he sees the need of explanation. Sir Hibbert cannot be relieved of the odium of having postponed his attack on Mr. Sifton until the very eve of his departure, and of having made that attack well knowing he would not be in his place to hear the reply or be prepared to stand to his guns and substantiate his allegations. This is all the more sorry because at one time Sir Hibbert appeared to be a real fighter, and managed thereby to command a certain admiration which was denied to his colleagues in a Ministry that could neither take up a position nor fight for one. It begins to look now as though he is no better than the rest.

EXPORT TRADE IN TENDER FRUITS

An exceedingly interesting bulletin has been issued by the Dominion Department of Agriculture on the prospect of an export business in tender fruits. The bulletin consists of an address delivered at the last meeting of the Ontario Fruit-Growers' Association by Professor Robertson, Dominion Commissioner of Agriculture, and recounts the results of some trial shipments made by the Department of Agriculture in 1897 and 1898. Professor Robertson's attention seems to have been drawn to the desirability of undertaking these experiments after having, like many other observers, come to the conclusion that the supply of first-class fruits has in recent years been largely in excess of the home demand. The reason for this phenomenon he found in the fact that the general fall in the prices of cereals a while ago made many give up grain farming, in which they had had experience, and for which they had natural aptitude, and go into fruit-growing, without either the special knowledge or personal fitness for making a success of that business. Great areas of Canada are devoted to fruit-growing for that reason. When the ordinary operations of farming did not pay well, there was much discussion as to whether fruit-growing would not pay better. There was a great deal of information of the most indefinite kind diffused over the Province in regard to the benefits and advantages and profits of fruit-growing, and the consequent agitation led a great many men into that business. That was a good thing for agriculture and a good thing for those men, because for a while the fruit-growing business paid very well—much better than the land which was devoted to it had paid

the occupiers through ordinary farm work. Naturally, this soon led to the production of more fruit than could be sold at profitable prices in the home market, and the problem now is how to dispose of the surplus without undue loss. Professor Robertson's deductions from the experiments already made are that Canadians may have a continuously-growing trade in the exportation of pears; that a very large trade in the tender sorts of apples can be developed by shipping in gold storage; that there is a possibility of getting a trade that may leave profit from shipping tomatoes; that there is no likelihood of making a success of sending over Crawford peaches; and that as yet the demand for Canadian grapes does not exist.

THOSE "GREAT" SPEECHES.

Once upon a time, so the story runs, an English ambassador arrived at the court of Sultans. He was a young man who shaved every morning, and so presented a startling contrast to most of the natives of the Kingdom of Patriarchal Beards. The Dey, upon beholding him, was greatly angered and amazed. "What!" he exclaimed, "has his Britannic Majesty the audacity to send us a beardless boy!" Whereupon the new ambassador, making due obeisance, answered, "Sire, had his Britannic Majesty known that you judged wisdom by length of beard, he would no doubt have sent you a hegoat!"

In like manner Canadian Conservatives appear to estimate wisdom by length of speech, and so we have their press calling upon the world to admire the talking powers of their leaders in Parliament.

"Boom, boom!" Sir Charles Tupper makes a great four hours' speech! Sir Wilfrid spoke only half that time!"

"Ta-ra-ra!" The great Foster makes a great speech—(see Gazette bulletins)—of three hours' duration. Sir Richard spoke an hour and three-quarters only!"

"Ring the fire bells! Davin eclipses himself! Talked for five hours or so, and beat his own record by a hundred fols! Great speech! Great speech!"

"Unanswerable! Unanswerable! Sir Hibbert, the worthy son of his sire, has spoken for six hours! The championship belt is again held by the Tupper family!"

They evidently look upon Parliament as a political six-day's bicycle race, where wind tells, and mileage wins.

The "degenerate party" is disappearing in a Noah's deluge of speeches. Speeches that twist, and twine, and strangle each other. Speeches that wander in mazes, in circles, or lines always divergent from the subject in hand. Floods of invective, catenades of superlatives, shallows of argument! A vast waste of talk, without limits, endless, sublime in its ridiculousness! A rhetorical world without form and void, and without the faintest hope that the spirit of common-sense will give it shape. A chaos like Milton's—

"A dark, immitable ocean, without bound,
Without dimension, where length, breadth
And height,
And time and place are lost."

CANADA'S POSITION IN TRADE.

Whether it takes a long or short time for the United States to come to an appreciation of Canada's importance as a trading country, the fact is that Canadian trade has gone on increasing with a rapidity that must prove startling to our neighbors when they come to learn about it. That the fact is not more generally known among them is due to the practice of many public writers of leaving the name of Canada out of statistical tables.

The following, signed W. E. Curtis, and taken from the Chicago Record, has been going the rounds of the American papers: "Japan is the only country whose foreign commerce has increased more rapidly than that of the United States. Ten years ago three nations—Great Britain, France and Germany—surpassed us in the volume of their export trade. Since then the United States has climbed from the fourth to the first place, and leads the world. During that period the exports of Japan have increased 63.1 per cent.; those of the United States, 51 per cent.; Netherlands, 33 per cent.; China, 18.1 per cent.; Germany, 13.5 per cent.; France, 10.8 per cent.; British Australasia, 9.9 per cent.; and Belgium, 4 per cent. The exports of the United Kingdom have fallen off 1.4 per cent.; those of Russia, 8.1 per cent.; and those of British India, 5.3 per cent. On the other hand, the United States has a very small increase in import trade, because we have been able to supply our own market faster than the growth of our population. We import only 5 per cent. more goods than we did ten years ago. In imports, Japan leads again, showing an increase of 121 per cent. in the last ten years. Russia's imports have increased 61.4 per cent.; the Netherlands, 34 per cent.; Great Britain, 10.3 per cent.; Germany, 10.3 per cent.; and China, 18 per cent. The imports of France have fallen off 1.8 per cent.; those of British India, 11.1 per cent.; and those of British Australasia, 7.9 per cent."

We quote them at length because the figures are in themselves interesting. There is lacking, however, a very important detail, which is that within the last decade Canada's exports increased from \$89,000,000 to \$164,000,000, or at the rate of about 85 per cent., thus surpassing both Japan and the United States. In the matter of imports, Canada's position is nearer to that of the United States than to that of Japan, which is to say that this country is able to "supply its own needs." The whole goes to show that the Dominion is one of the most soundly progressive countries in the world. Uncle Sam is big and should be generous enough to recognize it.

Canadian protectionists never tire of quoting correspondents of protectionist American newspapers regarding the growth of protectionist sentiment in England. If there is any such growth there must be other evidences than statements made in cable letters which are designed for American readers. Has any leading man on either side of Parliament spoken words which may fairly be interpreted as evidence? Would not the growth of public opinion manifest itself in the speeches of leaders? If then we hear of nothing of the kind it must be because the growth is not taking place. People whose minds will harbor doubts and whose tongues will question the soundness of the Free Trade doctrine there will ever be in England while the human mind is as it is. But he is a shallow observer or a writer who wishes to please his readers who will give him more than his right importance.

JOINT HIGH COMMISSION BUSINESS.



Mr. Bull—What with good wine, good cigars and good company, my dear Mr. Jonathan, I shall always remember this meeting with pleasure.

Mr. Jonathan—Wal, Mr. Bull, I guess I've had a real good time too. Never knew what a first-class fellow you were till this evening.

Mr. Bull—And now, Mr. Jonathan, can't we do a little business together—something mutually advantageous? Canadian lumber now, for instance, or a line in tar and open doors?

Mr. Jonathan—H'm, you're just the kind of man I like, Mr. Bull, but I ain't taking any Canadian logs just now, and it makes me tired to fool round with doors that won't shut.

Mr. Bull—Oh, come, Mr. Jonathan, just for the sake of the good time we've had together. You said just now I'd been a help to you in that little Spanish business—this'll help us both.

Mr. Jonathan—Wal, guess there's something in that; and, bless me, I want to be friendly with the old firm—

(Discussion to be resumed.)

From the Westminster Budget, and reproduced in the American Review of Reviews.

NEWS AND VIEWS.

Next to those chronicling the deeds of the heroes at the Philippines, the most prominent articles in the American press just now are those which tell of the direct bribery of state legislators by corrupt politicians and promoters of great enterprises. Friends of the Republic would wish for its sake that the victories of its armies would be more real and the reports of corruption less true; but, unfortunately, the weight of evidence is all the other way.

The Legislature of New York has just decided to hold an investigation in answer to charges that bribery had influenced its action in the adoption of a new police bill for Greater New York. The papers which stand for purity say that the move is only intended to head off a more serious enquiry and to shield the guilty parties.

But it is in connection with the recent election of Senators that the huge story which is seating in the American body politic has been most thoroughly exposed. With the existing political morals it has been apparent for some years that any millionaire wishing to be elected Senator has a great chance of succeeding, if he is willing to spend money freely. The Senators being elected by the Legislature, the ambitious person has an opportunity to begin the work of bribery even before the legislative election. The first thing to do is to influence the caucus of the party to secure the nomination of men who shall be disposed to yield to the charms of the baron of wealth. "Organized" will go a long way in that direction. The next thing to do is to secure the election of these candidates. If the plans have been well laid, our would-be Senator finds himself with a majority in the Legislature, a majority of men for whom intelligence and integrity count for nothing. Such was the case with Mark Hanna in Ohio last year.

This year the wealthy men have not been so lucky. The most notorious, in a way, of these would-be Senators, is Gasman Addicks, of Delaware, so-called because he made his fortune by manipulating franchises for gas companies in a most unscrupulous manner. He is notorious because this is the second time he has lost election to the Republican party of Delaware, and he promises to do it again until his ambition is realized. The Republicans had a majority in the previous Legislature, and in the present one; but some of their representatives, who did not vote their election to Addicks' money, refused to accept him. As the Democratic minority voted to a Democratic candidate, it was impossible to secure an absolute majority for either of the three candidates, and the State of Delaware is meanwhile deprived of a representative in the United States Senate. Since the adjournment of the Legislature it has been proved that Addicks offered as high as \$50,000 to members for their vote. Three Democrats yielded to his persuasion have been expelled from their party; but the laws of Delaware provide no punishment for bribery!

In California it is admitted that the choice of a United States Senator was defeated because of the exposure of the purpose to bribe members to vote for a certain candidate; in Montana it is generally understood that the lavish use of booze effected the election of the chosen candidate; and in the case of California the representatives were offering \$1,700 per vote.

In Pennsylvania there is a deadlock in the Legislature for similar reasons. Senator Quay, who is under criminal indictment for having used several hundred thousand dollars of State funds for his personal ends, wants to be re-elected Senator, and besides, wants to have the jury law amended so that he may have a chance of escaping prison. He controls two-thirds of the Republican members, while the Independents and Democrats will not come together to defeat him. The deadlock has lasted three months. Now an investigation has been started which shows that several members have been offered large bribes for their votes.

Of course there is great indignation displayed in the press and among the public. But the bosses go on in the even tenor of their way, apparently assured that they will succeed in the end. In view of these facts, an agitation has been started to amend the constitution so as to have the Senators elected directly by the people. Whatever may be thought of the change, all will concede that the election of Senators by the Legislatures would not be a very promising means of Senate reform in this country.

The other day one of the most remarkable as well as one of the most indefensible boycotts imaginable was instituted against the New York Evening Post by the dry goods advertisers of the metropolis. Previously the advertising columns of that newspaper had been liberally patronized by the leading dry goods merchants and furnishing stores of New York. From this it may be inferred that the Evening Post was satisfactory as an advertising medium.

not gradually, as would have been the case had each advertiser conducted for himself that the medium was not bringing in returns commensurate with his outlay. Therefore both the newspaper and its shopping subscribers were justified in concluding that the concerted cessation of advertisements was the result of a conspiracy.

It did not take the newspaper long to get at the bottom of the matter. It was quickly informed that its discussion of the customs regulation, by which the baggage of passengers landing in New York from transatlantic steamers, did not please the dry goods firms. These took exception to the statement in connection with the baggage matter that some goods are cheaper in Europe than in America, and that the inspection nuisance was an attempt to make Americans pay more for articles which they could buy cheaper in England or Europe.

Brindly put, the action of the advertisers resolved itself into a conspiracy to boycott the New York Evening Post for having the courage of its political opinions.

French Lecture in Philadelphia.

(Philadelphia Times.)

Something novel in the line of lectures was given at the University of Pennsylvania yesterday afternoon, when M. Edouard Rod, a noted French critic and novelist, gave a series of four lectures in French on subjects connected with literature. The chapel was well filled, and M. Rod was given a hearty reception. His lecture was a cultured one, as the opportunity was embraced by many to hear of French literature from one of its literary circles and through the medium of the French tongue.

The subject was "The Origin of Tragedy." M. Rod said in part: "The tragedy has had a long existence in France. It began in the Renaissance, and the religious enthusiasm of the time, and its earliest manifestation was the religious drama. It borrows largely from the old classical forms, but it does not copy them. The subject was 'The Origin of Tragedy.' M. Rod said in part: 'The tragedy has had a long existence in France. It began in the Renaissance, and the religious enthusiasm of the time, and its earliest manifestation was the religious drama. It borrows largely from the old classical forms, but it does not copy them. The subject was 'The Origin of Tragedy.' M. Rod said in part: 'The tragedy has had a long existence in France. It began in the Renaissance, and the religious enthusiasm of the time, and its earliest manifestation was the religious drama. It borrows largely from the old classical forms, but it does not copy them.'

M. Rod was entertained Tuesday evening by Miss M. Carey Thomas, dean of Bryn Mawr, where he also delivered a lecture on the subject of French literature.

La Minerve's Opinion.

(La Minerve.)

The Herald returns to the charge and puts us out of the circle of the Conservative party.

It omits, however, to give us the name of the Conservative member who went to weep on its breast. "It would," it says, "be unworthy of a respectable newspaper to divulge the name of the 'gentleman' who has so taken us into his confidence."

All that shows that The Herald is playing its ignoble part; that it cannot support its cowardly insinuations with any shadow of proof whatever.

We shall not complain of this cowardice; it fits our confederate, and in practice, as in everything, it can only do one thing: to defame, in order to obtain a little notoriety, in the Canadian press.

It must have sunk very low to resort to such devices.

THE CASE OF GEOGHEGAN.

Deposed Minister's Congregation Asks That His Case Be Re-considered.

Hamilton, Ont., April 4.—In spite of his conviction by the Court of Trials, and his suspension from the ministry for seven years on a charge of immorality, Rev. Thomas Geoghegan still enjoys the confidence of a majority of his congregation. At the vestry meeting of St. Peter's Church last night, there was considerable discussion over the matter. It arose over the moving of a resolution that a committee be appointed to ask the bishop to reconsider his decision in the case, and restore the rector to the charge. The resolution carried.

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WESTMOUNT AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

The 3rd Annual Meeting of the Westmount Amateur Athletic Association, will be held at the Town Hall, Westmount, on Friday, 17th inst., at 8 o'clock p.m., for election of officers, the reception of reports, and general business.

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Tete-a-Tete.

The marriage of Miss Waller, daughter of the late W. H. Waller, at one time Mayor of Ottawa, is announced as shortly to take place to Dr. Freeland, of Rideau street.

Mrs. Robert Bell, of Ottawa, accompanied by Miss Alice Bell, spent Sunday in Montreal.

Lady Aberdeen was to have opened the Irish Industrial Bazaar in London on the 20th ult., but in consequence of the death of her sister, Lady White-Ridley, she was unable to be present, and in her place Lady Duffin kindly came forward and declared the sale open. Lady Lansdowne, too, was prevented by influenza from looking after the Bazaar, and her daughter, Lady Evelyn Cavendish, officiated instead; then the Duchess of Abercorn, who is at present in Ireland, could not look after the Bazaar, and her daughter-in-law, Lady Hamilton, reigned in her stead.

Queen Margaret of Italy possesses the rarest pocket handkerchief in the world. It is of lace, is estimated to be worth \$5,000, and took twenty years to weave. The handkerchief is so light that it is scarcely felt if placed on the hand, and so small that it is kept in a little gold case less than an inch in diameter.

Miss Gwendolin Ermatinger, of Stratford, Ontario, who has been visiting Mrs. E. C. Pratte, Sherbrooke street, returned home to-day.

Miss Wilhelmina Gilbert, of St. Thomas, Ont., who has been visiting Mr. Geo. Savage, Greene avenue, has returned home.

Mr. H. A. Beatty is registered at the Frontenac, Quebec.

Mr. Arthur Henry is on a short visit to his relatives in Quebec.

Mr. Arthur Tschereau is spending a few days in Quebec.

Mr. William Turner, of the faculty of medicine, McGill, is visiting his family in Quebec.

Mr. Laurence Gorman, the well-known and popular purser of the Quebec, has been appointed.

Mr. J. W. Cook, of the firm of Atwater, Mackie, Duncanson & Co., Montreal, is on a visit to his relatives in Quebec.

Mr. C. E. E. Usher, general passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, is in Quebec.

The marriage of a Canadian, which recently took place at Nice, was that of Mr. Basil F. Vaughan-Powell, son of Mr. Casmo Powell, of Portage, and Winnipeg, Canada, to Florence Catherine, widow of the late Rev. Theodosius Broughton Leigh, of Leighton House, Chichester, Sussex, which was celebrated at the British Consulate and afterwards at the English Church, in the presence of a few leading English and American residents and visitors at Nice. The bride was given away by Sir James Harris, and was attended by Lady Macgregor, the officiating clergyman being the Rev. E. J. Langford, English chaplain, and the Rev. J. Adamson, American chaplain. After the ceremony the wedding party adjourned to the Mount Biron Palace Hotel, where a recherche luncheon was served, the happy couple leaving later in the afternoon for Geneva and Rome, where the honeymoon was to be spent.

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Mr. Oscar Elgort will also lecture at the same address Friday evening, and in Drummond Hall on Sunday, April 9th.

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THE POPE'S ILL-HEALTH.

It is Stated That He Had a Severe Fainting Fit and is Very Unwell.

London, April 4.—The Pope had a fainting fit yesterday, according to a despatch to the Daily Telegraph from Rome, which proved of the gravest character. Every effort is being made by Cardinal Rampolla, papal secretary of state, to conceal the real condition of the supreme pontiff. It is object being to prevent the powers from working for the next convalescence.

Kingston Notes.

Kingston, Ont., April 4.—(Special.)—Word was received here this morning from the Minister of Militia that a militia camp of 3,000 men is proposed to be held here in September next.

A new locomotive for the C.P.R. will leave the locomotive works here this week. It is constructed on a new model, and is the first of the kind to be constructed here. It has eight driving wheels, four on either side. The front end of the boiler rests on a pony truck having only two, instead of four, wheels. The cylinders are odd-looking affairs, one small and the other large. Steam is first used in the one cylinder and then passes over into the other, thus being used twice before exhausted through the smoke-stack.

The American Line of steamers start a daily season on the Montreal route between June 15th and 18th. The exact date will depend on the summer schedule of the New York Central Railway.

The steamer Argyle, owned by A. W. Hopburn, Picton, will make three trips a week between Toronto and Alexandria Bay, connecting with the American Line boats. She will

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The American Commissioners Tell
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PLANS FOR THE GOVERNMENT.

Manila, April 4.—The preamble of the proclamation of the United States Philippine Commission, which is the basis of the peace treaty of the Philippine Islands to the United States, refers to the appointment of the commission, assures the people of the cordial good-will and fraternal feeling of the President of the United States and the American people, and asserts the object which the United States Government, apart from the fulfillment of its solemn obligations, has assumed towards the people of the Philippine Islands, as the well-being, prosperity and happiness of the Philippine people and their elevation to a position among the most civilized people of the world.

Meanwhile the attention of the people of the Philippines is invited to certain regulations by which the United States will be guided in its relations with them. The following are of special importance:

The supremacy of the United States must be maintained throughout.

Every part of the archipelago, and those who resist it can accomplish no end other than their own ruin.

To the Philippine people will be granted the most ample liberty and self-government, compatible with the maintenance of a wise, just, stable, effective and economical administration of public affairs and compatible with the sovereign and international rights and obligations of the United States.

The civil rights of the Philippine people will be guaranteed and protected to the fullest extent; religious freedom will be equal assured, and all persons shall be equal before the law.

There shall be guaranteed to the Philippine people an honest and effective civil service, in which, to the fullest extent, to which it is practical, natives shall be employed.

The collection and application of all taxes and other revenues shall be placed upon a sound, economical basis, and those public funds, raised justly and collected honestly, shall be applied to defray the regular and proper expenses incurred by the Philippine people for the establishment and maintenance of the Philippine Government.

7. A prompt, speedy and effective administration of justice shall be established. The construction of roads, railroads and similar means of communication and transportation and of other public works, manifestly to the advantage of the Philippine people shall be promoted.

Effective provisions shall be made for the establishment of elementary schools, in which the children of the people may be educated, and appropriate facilities shall be provided for high education. The commissioners extend to the leading, representative men an invitation to meet them for the purpose of personal acquaintance and the exchange of views and opinions.

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A new, and in some respects entirely unique, business is about to be established in Montreal. Charters, letters of patents, etc., have been secured, and by the middle of May the Farnell Manufacturing Co., proprietors of a new and patented food for cattle, will be in full working order. The food is a combination of hay and a product of best sugar, and experiments have proved it to be highly nutritious.

Premises have been secured on McGill street, and machinery is being installed, much of which is also being erected by Mr. J. Macdonald O'Leary, the organizer of the company. Mr. Ewan Dowie, an expert sugar refiner, will be consulting engineer. Amongst the largest stockholders in the company are Sir Wm. Van Horne, Mr. T. G. Shaughnessy, Mr. C. R. Horner, Mr. R. Wilson-Smith, Mr. Jesse Joseph, Mr. D. A. McCaskill, Mr. Thos. Fyche, Senator McKen of Halifax, and Mr. E. B. Oler of Toronto.

The manufacture of this food will prove a special boon to cattle shippers, as a grade is to be manufactured for this particular market that will be most economical and at the same time highly beneficial to the cattle. Possessing a higher food value than hay and occupying only a third of the space, its advantage to cattle exporters will be instantly recognized. And not only will it give increased space to the animals, but as well, by reducing the quantity of hay necessary to the voyage, will minimize the risk from fire. The danger of this was well illustrated in the recent blaze on the Nunamin, which originated in the bales of hay.

Experiments have shown that cattle of all kinds take to the food readily, and in fact relish it such an extent that care has to be taken in the dispensing of the food. Six pounds of this constitutes a day's ration, and the compactness with which it is put up makes it an ideal food for transportation purposes.

A better grade is intended for the higher grade horses and prize cattle. It is heat-producing and fattening, and gives polish and firmness to the hide. Still an

Because you are buying something that is not an absolute necessity is no reason why you should pay an extravagant price. Extravagance and mystery are both squeezed from our goods.

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other brand will prove especially useful in the feeding of draught horses.

As bearing on this subject, it is interesting to note that the Experimental Farm at Ottawa, which have been investigating this subject, quite apart from the Farnell Co., speak highly of this type of food.

In conjunction with these, the company also intend to put a new vermin destroyer on the market. It will be known as "Hellepepper," and possesses the virtue of quickly ridding a building of mice, rats and insects, while being quite harmless to human beings.

STABBED AND MAY DIE.

Some Italians Act in a Rowdy Manner on St. Lawrence St.

A number of Italians got mixed up in a quarrel at the corner of St. Catherine and St. Lawrence streets yesterday afternoon, and before the police could interfere, a man named Gaetano Fournier, living on St. Catherine street, was stabbed twice. The Italians had gone up Main street to get a drink. When opposite the scene of the recent fire, where a large crowd of people were standing, they made their way through the crowd, heedless of whom they pushed or elbowed. Their action was resented by a man named Fournier, who during which he received two knife wounds, one in the right breast and another in the left leg. Constable Trudeau was near by and immediately placed Joseph Galario and Alphonsus Fournier under arrest. Fournier was brought to the General Hospital in a precarious condition. To-day his condition has not improved and the doctors say it is quite possible that he will die.

The police are confident that in Galario they have the man who did the stabbing, but he denies all knowledge of the occurrence whatever, save that he was in the fight.

This morning both prisoners pleaded not guilty and were remanded for trial.

LOIE'S EYES IN DANGER.

Has Faced Her Peril for Years—Piercing Rays of Light Flashing on Her in the Dances of the Cause.

Paris, April 2.—Loie Fuller's sight has long been seriously threatened by the piercing rays of colored light flashing on her in her serpentine dances. This terrible peril of blindness has been before her for years, but she has elected to stand by her art at all costs. Various attempts have been tried to protect her eyes, but none has answered.

When Loie leaves the stage she cannot see for several minutes, and only preserves her sight by lying for hours in a darkened room. She is now undergoing treatment at the hands of a myopic healer, who has worked what appears to be almost miracles among the blind, deaf, dumb, asthmatic, consumptive and generally afflicted clientele.

Loie thus speaks of her second vision: "When my turn came I allowed my eyes to be manipulated, and when I left the healer's hands I felt just as if I had been electrified. I am greatly hoping that my eyes will be cured. I have tried every great oculist in Europe without getting any hope that I could continue my work and see."

A STORY OF SUFFERING

Galician so Treated by His Employer that His Feet were Frozen and Had to be Amputated.

Saskatoon, N.W.T., April 4.—A Galician employed with a farmer near here, tells a pitiful story of his treatment by his employer. Some weeks ago the Galician hurt one of his ankles, which turned into an ulcerated sore. He wanted to go home and get it treated, but the farmer objected. The Galician slipped away, but was overtaken by the farmer with a team, and says that he was knocked down in the snow and afterwards compelled to return to the farm house. Once again he was treated as a trespasser by the farmer, who had previously given them to him. The Galician, however, started off again, eluding only in a pair of drawers on his lower limbs. In the darkness he lost his bearings, and wandered hither and thither all night. In the morning he was found by his brother about a mile from home. Both of his feet had become frozen, and amputation was rendered necessary, which was done by Dr. Stewart, of Duck Lake. The Galician also states he was compelled by his employer to sleep in the stable. The mounted police are investigating the matter.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

A Farmer is Assaulted and Relieved of \$150 on St. Paul Street.

Roch Meunier, of the parish of St. Jean Baptiste de Rouville, was brutally assaulted on St. Paul street last evening by a gang of toughs such as those who generally hang around that thoroughfare, and robbed of \$150. He immediately proceeded to the detectives' office and had a complaint filed against the individual who had been removed. The committee was agreeable, and then adjourned till Monday at 10 a.m.

DEATH DUE TO PITCH-HOLE

The Verdict Returned in the Inquest Into the Death of the Little Child, Marie Blouin.

An inquest was held this morning on the body of the child, Marie Blouin, killed under peculiar circumstances yesterday. It will be remembered that owing to bad roads on St. Elizabeth street, the husband of the child, brought the child's head into violent contact with a portion of the sleigh, which resulted in death.

The verdict was accidental death, due to a defective roadway, although the city council was held responsible. Enquiries brought out the fact that Mr. J. Frigon, foreman of that section, was obliged to keep the roads in repair with a gang of ten men, while 100 men were necessary to properly carry on the work. There was no money, and consequently no men.

HURT IN AN ELEVATOR

Mr. J. Lessard, aged 39, living at No. 10 St. Denis street, met with a serious accident this morning while attending to his duties. He is engineer in the La Presse building, and was making some repairs to the elevator when at the close of the day he was in the building. Without warning the elevator suddenly shot upward, and Lessard, who was in a stooping position, was badly injured about the back and legs. He was taken to the Notre Dame Hospital.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

AFTERNOON BOARD SALES.
250 shares Pacific at \$7.
50 shares Montreal at \$100.
50 shares Halifax at \$106.
50 shares Twin City at \$70.
700 shares Erie at \$3.90.
250 shares Gas at \$11.
50 shares War Eagle at \$2.00.
1250 shares War Eagle at \$3.61.
10 shares Cable at \$17.
50 shares D. Cotton at \$11.
75 shares Erie at \$110.
100 shares Richelieu at \$113.
100 shares Richelieu at \$114.
75 shares Toronto Railway at \$79.
475 shares Toronto Railway at \$113.
175 shares Toronto Railway at \$113.
75 shares Toronto Railway at \$113.
100 shares Toronto Railway at \$113.
450 shares Toronto Railway at \$113.

DISMISSED BOTH THE FOREMEN.

Roads Committee Didn't Want Money to Be Saved When it Is Removing Snow.

DOWN ON CITY SURVEYOR

An Exciting Meeting of the Committee Which Controls the Roads.

COMMITTEE WANTS APPROVAL.

The Roads Committee held a long and stormy meeting this morning considering the motion making for the dismissal of City Surveyor St. George, and also of foremen Warren and Heffernan, who had written during the last snow removal to say that there were too many shovellers for the number of cars. The committee took this as a reflection on itself.

Ald. Wilson in making the motion for the dismissal of the two foremen said that shovellers were not to be dictated to by any employee of the city.

Ald. Gallary said the motion was not in order because Ald. Wilson had not embodied in the minutes of the last meeting the reasons for the dismissal.

Ald. Wilson said enough had been said on the subject, and the previous meeting had been devoted to wrangling over the question. A vote was then taken on the motion to dismiss the foremen, and it was carried on the following division: Nays—Ald. Turner, Gallary, Yeas—Ald. Dupre, O'Neil, Wilson and Martineau.

Ald. O'Neil then placed his motion on the table asking that the letter written by Mr. St. George to the committee was not sufficient reason to ask Council to dismiss Mr. St. George.

Ald. Laroque, who is not a member of the committee, suggested that the committee sent Mr. St. George's letter to Council just to be agreeable, as he had asked that himself.

Ald. Turner said the letter said nothing against the foremen, and he could not understand the action of certain members in asking for Mr. St. George's dismissal. Ald. O'Neil said it was disagreeable for him to press the motion, but Mr. St. George had been too haughty, and had practically walked over the wishes of the aldermen of his committee.

He reminded the chairman that a few years ago, when St. George had been elected, he had said that if the majority were in favor of Mr. St. George's dismissal, he would support it, and could not look back on that light, and could not look back on that light, and could not look back on that light.

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WHAT ALD. AMES TESTIFIED TO-DAY

(Continued from page 1.)

No, between the time I was elected and the time the Police Committee was formed I made no investigation. After I was appointed to the Police Committee I endeavored from time to time to get at the facts about the accounts. I went so far as to see it was a hopeless job. Soon after, the Claims Committee was appointed.

What time was it you saw the warrant book?

I have told you I have no recollection; but I was probably in the fall. After the formation of the Claims Committee?

I do not know whether the formation of the Claims Committee was induced by my seeing the warrant book, or vice versa. One of two things; you either remained a member of the Police Committee from March until September without having examined the warrant book, in which you would probably have found warrants not paid from 1897, or else you did examine them. Now, which was it?

I cannot say. I have no recollection as to the date.

Could you have looked over it without remembering?

Oh, yes. And you were looking for these accounts of 1897 which had not been paid?

That was one of a great many other things I was looking after.

I was looking for outstanding claims on four committees.

Did you in the Police Committee?

As well as the others.

If you occupied yourself with the outstandings of the Police Committee of 1897, would not your first source of information be the warrant book?

A first source would be the officials and the duplicates of the accounts. I was new in the Council, and did not thoroughly understand the working of the civic administration. You must remember, there were accounts for thirty thousand dollars, for which no warrants were issued.

You would not have been long becoming acquainted with the warrant book?

I do not remember. I remember that my first efforts resulted in finding twenty thousand dollars of overdue accounts, whereas there were really fifty thousand unpaid. The warrant book did not show half the outstandings.

You did not think the warrant book a reliable source of information?

I cannot say.

You think it unreliable now?

That was the probable reason I did not examine it then.

I am curious, Mr. Ames, to know what distinction you make between a reason and a probable reason.

Because, as under oath, if you ask me a reason, I would find it in my duty to remember if it was an influencing reason. It probably was an influencing reason, but I cannot now say for certain.

There were eighteen or nineteen issued in April?

Yes.

Were these signed by three aldermen?

If paid, probably.

You did not think it necessary to investigate?

I did not think it necessary to examine the slabs in each case.

I asked you whether you had ascertained whether three aldermen had signed the warrants?

The chairman said whether they were signed properly or not. They could not have been legally paid without three signatures.

If the Council approved Mr. St. George, the committee would be exonerated if the Montreal Street Railway or any private person had not signed against the city for not cleaning the streets.

Ald. Gallary said that Mr. St. George's letter was not a resignation.

Further discussion was held, and Ald. Martineau moved in amendment to Ald. O'Neil's motion that Mr. St. George's letter be submitted to the Council, and recommend the approval of the measures proposed by the chairman of the committee in appointing a greater number of men to do the snow cleaning.

The amendment carried on the vote of the chairman, the division being: Yeas—Ald. Brunet, Martineau, Turner, Gallary.

Nays—Dupre, Wilson, O'Neil.

What did you mean by saying you "understood"?

It has been so stated frequently since. You have no doubt about it?

No doubt, but no personal knowledge. You said you knew nothing about the account filed?

I have no personal recollection of seeing it before.

Or any other similar?

Or any other identical.

But a similar?

I remember seeing no statement coming to that amount, I prepared one myself, and it only came to \$20,000.

You say the Claims Committee took up the accounts indiscriminately?

They dealt with them in no regular order, taking each account as it came. It was impossible to observe a regular rule.

Was it usual to bring the heads of departments to meetings of the committee?

Only such as we thought necessary.

Who were present at the meeting?

I do not remember.

Was the City Attorney there?

I can't say positively.

Mr. Robb?

No.

Mr. Dufréne?

I believe he was.

Do you know?

Yes.

When did he come in?

I cannot say.

When did he go out?

I cannot say.

Was he there at the beginning?

I cannot say.

At the close?

I cannot say.

Was the Chief there?

Part of the time.

How long?

I don't know.

At the meeting of the 11th October, was Mr. Edith present?

The Chief?

I do not know.

Mr. Dufréne?

I do not know.

I refer to the 11th because you say that was the first day you saw the Poireur account. Might it not have been the 4th?

No; our committee was appointed on September 20th.

Was Lapointe at the meeting of the 18th?

He was not in.

Was he in the room when the Chief said he would not initial the account?

I am almost certain he was in the corridor at the time, but I cannot swear.

You say Ald. Martineau sat at the head of the table and you at his left and that Mr. Hughes sat behind you to the right?

Yes.

What was the first account considered that evening?

I cannot remember the order.

How many did you consider?

Thirty or forty.

There was not anything particular about the accounts?

We examined an account of Garth & Co., and their foreman was there to give us information.

What was the usual method of examining accounts?

The chairman would state that he had a certain account; he would give some particulars, and then pass it round for examination.

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Much is Going to Depend on the

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to Come.

BEARS RATHER RESTLESS.

A Decline in Cattle, But This Time

It Did Not Come as a

Surprise.

THE GOSSIP OF THE "STREET."

This was election day in Chicago, and

the Board of Trade there was closed.

A broker writing on the market situation

said: "With no change in the market

during the past month, we are charging many

reports to guesswork, and are not accept-

ing any as indisputable. We recognize

the reports as true, while not con-

ceding them true. They may prove true

and therein lies their influence. The market

is inclined to move prices, on the ap-

pearance of any encouragement, selling

will prevail. Chicago had advised that

the amount on passage to Europe decreased

710,000, and that world's shipments were

7,964,000. The visible supply stands at

29,087,000 against 30,225,000 last year, when

there was an increase of 163,000. Clear-

ances from interior receipts of 896,000 com-

pare with 376,000 last year. Principal as-

sessment of damage came from Missouri

and Nebraska. The latter has been classi-

fied as a spring wheat area, and the de-

cline in the production of winter wheat

therein has been the larger. The market

was not sustained, and we think we can

see a readjustment among these bearish

inclined at the moment, and a fair

weather, "sowing weather" as they call it.

We still think some decline the stronger

probability until we have a short market

again."

Last crop of wheat in Nebraska was

34,679,000 bushels on 2,000,000 acres, or

about the same area as sown this year.

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Government report for March very back-

ward and unfavorable for farm work.

Condition of wheat less favorable than at

end of February. Pacific Coast is more prom-

ising, except in Western Canada, where

cold weather and bare ground has per-

mitted damage.

English farmers' deliveries, 69,000 qrs,

at average price of 24 1/2, against 25 1/2

last week. Estimated deliveries all points,

1,382,000 bushels.

Kansas City reports the worst snow

storm in many years in Northern Missouri

and quite general in the section west of

the Mississippi.

The quantity of foreign wheat consumed

in France in February was 448,000 bush,

and for the season to date, 4,288,000 bush,

against 27,000,000 bush, last year.

Beebeholm says that advances from Odessa

report the weather warm and spring-like,

and was tolerably certain that the autumn

sown crops had suffered no damage.

The Market Report says regarding the

wheat plant that the investigations are

not based on sufficient data to carry con-

viction, and there is too much guesswork

to be reliable.

The French Commercial Record says that

if the Government estimate of wheat sup-

plies in farmers' hands is as conservative

elsewhere as it is in the Northwest, the

total estimate is the lowest of Great

Britain. The quantity of wheat in the

Northwest is 176,000,000 bushels in the

Dakotas and Minnesota, it is quite likely that

the total is 215,000,000 bushels, which would

add to receipts at the principal markets

of about 38,000,000 bushels up to the end

of the season.

The statement of the visible supply of

grain in store and afloat, as compiled by

the New York Produce Exchange on Sat-

urday, April 2nd, was as follows:

Wheat, 29,087,000; decrease 800,000 bush-

els. Corn, 32,227,000; decrease 500,000 bush-

els. Oats, 11,927,000; decrease 101,000 bush-

els. Rye, 1,483,000; increase 30,000 bush-

els. Barley, 2,320,000; decrease 60,000 bush-

els.

BOOM IN STEEL.

Activity is Not Checked by Advanced

Prices—Mills Very Busy.

Philadelphia, April 4.—The demand in

this market for steel appears to be

growing. The price of steel is

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and the market is quiet at \$3.70 to \$3.75

per barrel for rolled oats.

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ENGLAND TO AID ITALY IN CHINA

Agreement Arrived at Which Will Result in Italian Occupation of San Mun Bay.

TO TAKE IT THIS MONTH.

British Authorities at Hong Kong Demand Extension of Territory Already Ceded.

COERCION IS THREATENED

London, April 3.—The Rome correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says he learns in official circles that Italy and Great Britain have arrived at an agreement which will result in an Italian occupation of San Mun Bay, Province of Chia Kiang, China, before April 25.

According to a despatch to the Daily Mail from Hong Kong, serious disturbances have recently occurred in the vicinity of Canton, and a British torpedo boat destroyer has been sent there to protect British interests. The destroyer will soon be followed by other vessels carrying troops.

The Pekin correspondent of the Times says:—

The Chinese authorities have notified the British Consul at Tsin-Tsin the port of Pekin, that the whole of the railway recently opened at Port Chung-Woo-Tao is reserved for a Chinese mining company. The British Legation has entered a protest, pointing out that this action renders the opening of the port nugatory.

Friendly relations continue between the German Legation and the Tsung Li Yamen, and China offers to grant a railway concession if the German troops are withdrawn.

England Pressing for Extension of Territory Ceded.

Pekin, Sunday.—The Hong Kong authorities are pressing for an extension of the territory ceded to Great Britain by the treaties of Canton and Nanjing on the ground that more land is needed for government buildings.

They propose to build a custom house for the collection of Chinese duties and to increase the opium duties £40,000 (\$500,000) annually if the extension is granted. In case of refusal they threaten to remove the Chinese Custom House from British territory.

Hong Kong's seizure by Great Britain in 1841 was formally recognized the following year by its cession to the Nanjing treaty. At that time it was little more than a barren island, with a population comprising only a few thousand Chinese fishermen, whereas to-day the flourishing British colony contains more than 245,710 persons, and it is an annual revenue exceeding \$15,000,000. It is calculated that Hong Kong's annual trade aggregates more than \$100,000,000. The island itself is about eleven miles long and from two to five miles wide, with an area of about twenty-nine square miles. The Chinese Custom House referred to in this morning's despatch, is on a strip of land on the mainland known as British Kowloon, with an area of thirty-two square miles. The station of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs is located on British territory, which, to prevent smuggling, is separated from Chinese territory by an impenetrable bamboo barricade, eight feet in height, constantly patrolled by a force armed with repeating rifles and commanded by foreigners to insure integrity.

A TRAGEDY FOR LOVE

French Canadian Kills His Faithless Sweetheart

Then He Drove the Knife into His Own Heart and Fell Dead.

Point Pelee, Ont., April 4.—(Special.)—James La Blanche, a young French-Canadian, killed his sweetheart, an Indian girl named Ojama Postanie.

The Frenchman lived on the mainland and had not seen the girl during the winter. When he went to her home he learned that she had given her love to another, an American. He concealed his emotion, and begged of the young woman to take a walk with him.

When they arrived at "Lovers' Rock," a spot made famous because of the fact that an Indian chief had there murdered a French girl who refused to marry him, La Blanche is said to have stabbed Miss Postanie.

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He threw the body into the lake and then drove the knife with which he had killed the girl, he loved into his own heart, falling dead into the water after her.

La Blanche and Postanie were not missed until late in the day, and then it was supposed that they had sought the mainland to get married. A search next day brought to light the information just received from the island.

RETURNING PROSPERITY.

Ireland Has Reason to Believe the Best Days Are Dawning.

Complaints of Poverty of the Professional Politician Are Declared to Be Misleading.

London, April 3.—The failure of all efforts to reconcile the Irish political factions was foreseen by all those familiar with what is going on behind the sordid scenes there. There is reason to believe that Mr. Dillon is sincere in his desire for peace, but the other leaders are simply bluffing. The only practical outcome of the meeting held in London this week is to bring the Redmondites and Healyites into an informal alliance, which may soon become formal. Healy has a powerful clerical following, and he is in a position to bring about a reconciliation with the priests and Parliament. If he succeeds, the Dillonites will likely be driven out of public life at the next Parliamentary election.

Meanwhile it is understood that John Redmond and Dillon are each preparing a manifesto to the American people demonstrating that the other is an enemy to peace. There is no necessity for the American people to get excited over this business or to loosen their purse strings. Ireland is increasing in prosperity in a remarkable manner, and there never was so much money in the country as now. Deposits in the Government savings bank are increasing at a prodigious rate. The farmers are steadily paying incumbrances and getting clear of the money lenders. The parish priests for the first time in many years are managing to gather respectable incomes from their flocks.

Nevertheless, the times are cold for the professional politician, and each faction is gnawing over its depleted treasury and revealing the palmy days when money flowed like water from America to Ireland.

MUSIC AND DRAMA.

Her Majesty's.

The season of French opera provided by the management of Her Majesty's Theatre opened last night with an excellent performance and a well filled house. The audience was evidently well disposed toward the performance, and marked its approval of the excellent dramatic passages by hearty appreciation. At every fall of the curtain the principal performers were recalled twice and thrice. Evidently the French-speaking section of the community are prepared to endorse the project of a season of French opera well put on.

Perhaps some slight fault might be found with the choice for the opening night of a five-act opera, which the production lasted until after eleven o'clock. But the singing of the arias was invariably excellent, the ballet in the third act was of the highest quality, and the chorus was large, well trained, and well costumed, and contributed materially to the success of the whole.

The singing of Mme. Pierens, as Rachel, and M. Gauthier, as Elazar, were the features of the performance. Madame Pierens' voice is full and admirably modulated, and both in solo numbers and in duets with M. Gauthier, as Elazar, quite took the fancy of the audience.

The part in La Juive is a very difficult one, making tremendous demands on the voice. The fact that M. Gauthier showed no signs of tiring, even at the end, is the best possible tribute to the endurance of his training and his ability to sustain the most difficult notes. The bass singing of M. Rouxman was another specially meritorious performance, though it will doubtless appear to better advantage in other operas. If last night's performance may be taken as a criterion, the season of French opera will be a decided success.

Queen's Theatre.

The play at the Queen's this week is "A Night's Trouble," and although as a play it amounts to little, there is an abundance of fun and laughter which furnish a capital evening's amusement. Mr. W. K. Morrow, Miss Sallie Stiemler and Miss Mamie Fulton in the comedy, are worthy of special mention, but the best of the show was undoubtedly the singing of the French Canadian, young French-Canadian, killed his sweetheart, an Indian girl named Ojama Postanie.

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Waterbury, N.Y., April 3.—Fire at Sackett's Harbor, this morning, destroyed the Earl Hotel, Madison Hall, two churches and several dwellings. Loss not yet estimated.

Huntsville, Ont., April 3.—Fire broke out in the Morley Ladies' College and Conservatory of Music about nine o'clock on Saturday night, and despite all efforts, the building was completely destroyed. The furniture on the ground floor, amounting in value to about \$2,000, was saved. The total loss on the building and contents is estimated at \$12,000; insurance \$16,000. The cause of the fire is unknown.

San Francisco, Cal., March 31.—A fire, which started to-night in the engine room of the Pacific Folding Paper Box Factory, at 14 and 16 Fremont Street, spread to the adjacent five-story building, occupied by Miller, Stess and Sons, wholesale hardware dealers, totally destroying the factory, and the printing and publishing houses. The loss was estimated at a million dollars. Miller, Stess and Sons estimate their loss at that amount, but the sum quoted will probably cover all the losses.

St. Gabriel's T.A. & B. Society's Thanks At the regular monthly meeting of St. Gabriel's T.A. & B. Society, held on Sunday afternoon, President P. O'Brien in the chair, it was moved by Mr. J. J. Collins that a vote of thanks be extended to the St. Gabriel's Club and the other talent who so kindly assisted that society in the concert on St. Patrick's night.

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Zion Church "At Home." Zion Congregational Church Young Folks' Guild held an at-home last evening in the school room, when about 300 people were present. Rev. Prof. and Mrs. Warner received the guests. The room was handsomely decorated. There was an exhibition some valuable Aztec and Indian carved articles and a large number of Mrs. H. Robertson. Mrs. B. and Mr. J. K. Wilkes assisted in the musical programme given.

His Life for the Forfeit. Victoria, B.C., April 4.—The skeleton of a man has been found on the Upper Stewards with gold in his hand, and a note saying, "Big gold in the gulch. No white, no Siwash. Bill is lost."

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" 12.15 p.m. Lévis. 10.55 a.m. "

" 4.05 a.m. Rivière du Loup. 7.15 a.m. "

" 10.15 a.m. Campbellton. 1.10 a.m. "

" 3.40 p.m. Moncton. 7.45 p.m. Ar.

" 7.25 p.m. St. John. 4.30 p.m. Dep.

" 7.50 p.m. Truro. 3.20 p.m. Ar.

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Jefferson City, Mo., March 31.—The House has passed the bill proposed by Representative State, by which it is proposed to tax department stores out of existence. The bill classifies merchandise into 73 classes, and then makes 56 groups out of the classes. The group is supposed to represent a single line of business, and the tax is a percentage imposed thereon, but for each article added a special tax of \$500 a year is imposed. It is a serious case, and the bill is expected to increase the special tax of \$500 if they desire, but it is the minimum permissible.

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Agrees to Pay Off Quarter of St. Martin's Church Debt—Trinity's Devotion to its Rector.

REPORTS OF CHURCH WORK.

The annual vestry meetings of the various Episcopal churches of the city were held last night, at which the financial reports were submitted and officers elected for the ensuing year. In nearly all instances the meetings were largely attended, and there was a general expression of satisfaction by the different congregations at progress made during the past year, in regard to increased membership, financial standing, and work accomplished.

Christ Church Cathedral.

The annual Easter vestry meeting of the congregation of Christ Church Cathedral was held last night at the Chapter House. The chair was taken by the Rev. Canon Norton, D.D., rector. A satisfactory financial report was presented, after which churchwardens and other officers were elected as follows:

Churchwardens, Messrs. Percy R. Gault and W. J. M. Leamont; auditors, Messrs. C. E. Sprague and W. S. Kerry; delegates to the Diocesan Synod, Sir Melburne Tait, Mr. Justice Hall, and Messrs. Robertson, McCullough, Geo. Craig, David Dene, W. J. Turpin, C. A. Meeneke, W. H. Evans, F. S. Foster, W. A. Gundlach, T. Gilmour and J. C. Badgley.

St. George's Church.

Very gratifying and satisfactory was the session of affairs at St. George's church as revealed at the annual meeting of the parishioners, held in the school-room last evening under the presidency of the Rev. Canon Norton, D.D., rector. There was a large gathering of the church members, and the proceedings, which lasted upwards of two hours, were of an interesting character. The financial report, presented by the churchwardens, showed a balance of \$1,542.76; light, heat and taxes, \$1,000.43; and special appropriations for missions, etc., \$27.57. Mr. James Crathern and Mr. George Drummond were re-elected churchwardens. When the question of wows and means came up for consideration, Mr. J. Stevenson Brown was appointed to take in hand the extension of the envelope system as conducive to the best welfare of this congregation. The vestry expressed itself highly pleased with the results of the collections for church missions in the diocese, which amounted to upwards of \$3,700. There was an interesting discussion with regard to the musical service of the church, and a vote of thanks was passed to the choir for their valuable services for the improvement in singing and for the great interest taken by the members in the services of this church.

St. Martin's Church.

The annual Easter vestry meeting of St. Martin's church was held last evening, under the presidency of the Rev. Canon Norton, D.D., rector. The report of the financial wardens

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Mr. R. Wilson-Smith, showed a total revenue of \$9,150.87. During the year, it had been found necessary to repair and rebuild part of the foundation of the church, at a cost of \$943.30. The total expenditure under the head of maintenance and repairs of the church during the year amounted to \$2,083.62, as against \$1,323.67 the previous year. The church warden regretted the church had been unable to pay anything off the mortgage debt, but all outstanding accounts were paid to date, and they were able to show a credit balance of \$963.44 towards next year's expenditure. At the conclusion of his report, Mr. Wilson-Smith announced that this year he would not be a candidate for the position of financial warden. During the last ten years, excepting the year 1894, when that position, but for reasons, personal and others, he could not this year devote the time. At a future period, if the vestry wished, he would again be a candidate. Since 1888, when he had first accepted the position of financial warden, the church debt had been decreased from \$24,000 to \$12,000 and the annual interest from \$1,483.25 to \$720.

Mr. Smith reviewed at length the progress made by St. Martin's church during that period. The present system of voluntary offerings, which had not proved as beneficial to the church as had the system of pew rents, prior to 1890, when the former system had been inaugurated. Mr. Wilson-Smith said that it was the duty of the members of the congregation to contribute in proportion to their means to the maintenance of the church. Unfortunately that was not done. The burden was left on the shoulders of a few, and the great majority contented themselves with nodding as the sidesmen passed for the collection. Under the new rent system, which had been assured, and as that revenue was absolutely necessary, it would perhaps be advisable to return to the system of pew rents if the system of voluntary offerings was not more generously supported.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Thursday, March 30th, it was unanimously resolved to recommend:

"That the present system of voluntary offerings be continued for another year on the same terms and conditions as in former years, but, in view of the fact that this system has shown a considerable falling off, it will be necessary, in the opinion of this meeting, to resort to the system of pew rents next year, unless the voluntary contributions for the present year are very considerably increased."

Mr. Wilson-Smith said he would pay off one-fourth of the church debt himself if the congregation would pay the other three-fourths. This offer was received with applause, and a committee was appointed to solicit subscriptions among the members of the congregation.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year with this result: Rector, Rev. Canon Norton, D.D.; churchwardens, Messrs. J. R. Meeker and J. C. Badgley; delegates to the Diocesan Synod, Sir Melburne Tait, Mr. Justice Hall, and Messrs. Robertson, McCullough, Geo. Craig, David Dene, W. J. Turpin, C. A. Meeneke, W. H. Evans, F. S. Foster, W. A. Gundlach, T. Gilmour and J. C. Badgley.

Trinity Church.

The vestry meeting of Trinity Church was held last night, at which the financial report of the churchwardens was presented, and arrangements were made with regard to the church for the coming year. From churchwardens' report, it appeared that the receipts for the year amounted to \$8,486.35, and from collections \$8,892.08, making a total revenue of \$17,378.43. On the expenditure side, there appeared salaries \$6,949; music, including the salary of the organist, \$1,542.76; light, heat and taxes, \$1,000.43; and special appropriations for missions, etc., \$27.57. Mr. James Crathern and Mr. George Drummond were re-elected churchwardens. When the question of wows and means came up for consideration, Mr. J. Stevenson Brown was appointed to take in hand the extension of the envelope system as conducive to the best welfare of this congregation. The vestry expressed itself highly pleased with the results of the collections for church missions in the diocese, which amounted to upwards of \$3,700. There was an interesting discussion with regard to the musical service of the church, and a vote of thanks was passed to the choir for their valuable services for the improvement in singing and for the great interest taken by the members in the services of this church.

St. Martin's Church.

The annual Easter vestry meeting of St. Martin's church was held last evening, under the presidency of the Rev. Canon Norton, D.D., rector. The report of the financial wardens

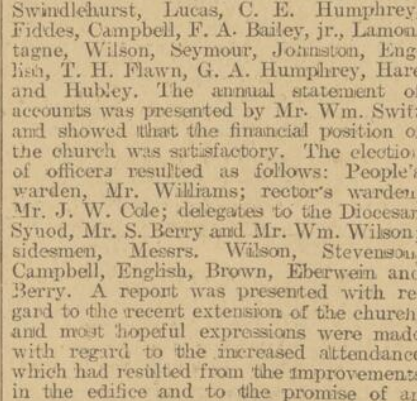
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the church of \$130.71; the total receipts being \$1,106.37 and the expenditures \$975.66. Of the receipts, \$816.15 was donated through envelopes and \$333.19 by plate collection. The average attendance at the morning services during the year was 129, and at the evening services, 150. The report will be audited, and it found correct, confirmed. The pastor reported that Sabbath school receipts had been \$70.83 and expenditures \$21.65, leaving a balance of \$49.18. The receipts for the poor fund were \$20.83 and the expenditures exceeded this amount a little. Votes of thanks were returned to the churchwardens, organist, leader and members of the choir, and pastor for services. The officers for the ensuing year are: Church warden, H. Walsh; people's warden, S. McCruden; secretary, W. T. Walsh; sidesmen, A. Wilson, A. Lurlew, W. Bower, W. T. Walsh, N. Freal, S. James; delegates to the Synod, T. R. Clark, Mr. Mount; auditors, W. Bower, A. Stark.

St. Thomas' Church.

The vestry meeting at St. Thomas' church opened last night at 8.20 p.m., when a comparatively good attendance of members of the church, and all expressed satisfaction at the progress which the various reports made apparent. The rector, Rev. Canon Norton, D.D., presided. The following elections took place: Rector, Rev. Canon Norton, D.D.; churchwardens, Messrs. J. R. Meeker and J. C. Badgley; delegates to the Diocesan Synod, Sir Melburne Tait, Mr. Justice Hall, and Messrs. Robertson, McCullough, Geo. Craig, David Dene, W. J. Turpin, C. A. Meeneke, W. H. Evans, F. S. Foster, W. A. Gundlach, T. Gilmour and J. C. Badgley.

St. Simon's.

The annual vestry meeting was held in the lecture hall of the church last night. There was a large attendance of members of the church, and all expressed satisfaction at the progress which the various reports made apparent. The rector, Rev. Canon Norton, D.D., presided. The following elections took place: Rector, Rev. Canon Norton, D.D.; churchwardens, Messrs. J. R. Meeker and J. C. Badgley; delegates to the Diocesan Synod, Sir Melburne Tait, Mr. Justice Hall, and Messrs. Robertson, McCullough, Geo. Craig, David Dene, W. J. Turpin, C. A. Meeneke, W. H. Evans, F. S. Foster, W. A. Gundlach, T. Gilmour and J. C. Badgley.

St. Mary's.

The annual Easter vestry meeting of St. Mary's was held in the vestry room of the church, the rector, Rev. Canon Norton, D.D., presiding. The meeting was largely attended, and a happy spirit prevailed throughout. The people's warden, Mr. A. W. Ross, was re-elected, and the appointment of rector's warden was deferred to an adjourned meeting. The lay delegates to the Synod are: Messrs. R. A. Dickson and G. E. Gault. The financial report presented by the churchwardens was satisfactory, and showed a small balance in hand.

St. James the Apostle.

The vestry meeting of St. James the Apostle met and immediately adjourned until next Monday.

Cowanville, April 3.—The vestry of Trinity Church, at the Easter vestry meeting held yesterday, elected the following officers:

Churchwardens, Messrs. J. R. Meeker and J. C. Badgley; delegates to the Diocesan Synod, Sir Melburne Tait, Mr. Justice Hall, and Messrs. Robertson, McCullough, Geo. Craig, David Dene, W. J. Turpin, C. A. Meeneke, W. H. Evans, F. S. Foster, W. A. Gundlach, T. Gilmour and J. C. Badgley.

St. Jude's.

The annual Easter vestry meeting of St. Jude's church was held in the reading room of the church, the rector, Rev. Canon Norton, D.D., presiding. The meeting was largely attended, and a happy spirit prevailed throughout. The people's warden, Mr. A. W. Ross, was re-elected, and the appointment of rector's warden was deferred to an adjourned meeting. The lay delegates to the Synod are: Messrs. R. A. Dickson and G. E. Gault. The financial report presented by the churchwardens was satisfactory, and showed a small balance in hand.

St. Barnabas.

The vestry meeting at St. Barnabas' church, St. Lambert, was held under the presidency of Rev. W. J. Dart last night. The financial report was read and found very satisfactory, showing an annual income of \$1,450. The following were elected officers for the ensuing year: Rector's warden, Mr. Thomas Riley; people's warden, Mr. F. J. Walker; delegates to the Synod, Messrs. J. W. Horsfall and G. W. Dawson; sidesmen, Messrs. A. Bourne, A. E. Kydd, J. H. Horsfall, Walter Dart; finance committee, Messrs. J. W. Horsfall, F. J. Walker, A. Johnson, D. Riley and J. J. Walker.

Grace Church.

The vestry meeting at Grace church, Point St. Charles, was held last night, under the presidency of the Rev. Canon Norton, D.D., rector. The report of the financial wardens was presented, and arrangements were made with regard to the church for the coming year. From churchwardens' report, it appeared that the receipts for the year amounted to \$8,486.35, and from collections \$8,892.08, making a total revenue of \$17,378.43. On the expenditure side, there appeared salaries \$6,949; music, including the salary of the organist, \$1,542.76; light, heat and taxes, \$1,000.43; and special appropriations for missions, etc., \$27.57. Mr. James Crathern and Mr. George Drummond were re-elected churchwardens. When the question of wows and means came up for consideration, Mr. J. Stevenson Brown was appointed to take in hand the extension of the envelope system as conducive to the best welfare of this congregation. The vestry expressed itself highly pleased with the results of the collections for church missions in the diocese, which amounted to upwards of \$3,700. There was an interesting discussion with regard to the musical service of the church, and a vote of thanks was passed to the choir for their valuable services for the improvement in singing and for the great interest taken by the members in the services of this church.

All Saints Church.

The annual vestry meeting in connection with All Saints Church was held in the parish hall of St. Denis street last evening, under the presidency of the Rev. Canon Norton, D.D., rector. There was a good attendance of members of the congregation, and the report of the financial wardens was presented, and arrangements were made with regard to the church for the coming year. From churchwardens' report, it appeared that the receipts for the year amounted to \$8,486.35, and from collections \$8,892.08, making a total revenue of \$17,378.43. On the expenditure side, there appeared salaries \$6,949; music, including the salary of the organist, \$1,542.76; light, heat and taxes, \$1,000.43; and special appropriations for missions, etc., \$27.57. Mr. James Crathern and Mr. George Drummond were re-elected churchwardens. When the question of wows and means came up for consideration, Mr. J. Stevenson Brown was appointed to take in hand the extension of the envelope system as conducive to the best welfare of this congregation. The vestry expressed itself highly pleased with the results of the collections for church missions in the diocese, which amounted to upwards of \$3,700. There was an interesting discussion with regard to the musical service of the church, and a vote of thanks was passed to the choir for their valuable services for the improvement in singing and for the great interest taken by the members in the services of this church.

St. Stephen's Church.

There has been a remarkable and exceedingly gratifying increase in the membership of St. Stephen's church during the past year. A similar improvement has been made in the financial standing, and the pastor, Rev. Mr. Elliott, spoke at the vestry meeting last night in very hopeful terms. There was a comparatively good attendance, and much interest was shown in the various reports. The treasurer's report showed a balance to the credit of

A. R. Macfarlane, delegates to Synod; Messrs. Evans and Freeman. The churchwardens were made for enlarging the church and erecting parish rooms.

St. Stephen's Chapel.

The vestry meeting at St. Stephen's chapel was largely attended. It was very enthusiastic and harmonious. Ven. Archdeacon Evans occupied the chair. The financial statement, presented by the churchwardens, was most satisfactory. The result of the election of officers for the ensuing year: people's warden, Mr. Charles Carson; churchwardens, Messrs. J. W. Horsfall and G. W. Dawson; sidesmen, Messrs. J. W. Horsfall and G. W. Dawson; delegates to the Synod, Messrs. J. W. Horsfall and G. W. Dawson; secretary, W. T. Walsh; sidesmen, A. Wilson, A. Lurlew, W. Bower, W. T. Walsh, N. Freal, S. James; delegates to the Synod, T. R. Clark, Mr. Mount; auditors, W. Bower, A. Stark.

Church of the Advent.

At the Church of the Advent, Westmount, Rev. Henry Katson was in the chair. The following officers were elected: Rector, Rev. Canon Norton, D.D.; churchwardens, Messrs. J. R. Meeker and J. C. Badgley; delegates to the Diocesan Synod, Sir Melburne Tait, Mr. Justice Hall, and Messrs. Robertson, McCullough, Geo. Craig, David Dene, W. J. Turpin, C. A. Meeneke, W. H. Evans, F. S. Foster, W. A. Gundlach, T. Gilmour and J. C. Badgley.

At Huntingdon.

At the vestry meeting of St. James' church, Huntingdon, the rector, Rev. W. P. Lewis, presiding, the following officers were elected: Rector, Rev. Canon Norton, D.D.; churchwardens, Messrs. J. R. Meeker and J. C. Badgley; delegates to the Diocesan Synod, Sir Melburne Tait, Mr. Justice Hall, and Messrs. Robertson, McCullough, Geo. Craig, David Dene, W. J. Turpin, C. A. Meeneke, W. H. Evans, F. S. Foster, W. A. Gundlach, T. Gilmour and J. C. Badgley.

St. Luke's Church.

The annual Easter vestry meeting of St. Luke's Church was held in the lecture hall, the rector, Rev. T. E. Cunningham, presiding. St. Luke's is one of the oldest Protestant churches in the East End, and it is therefore highly satisfactory to find that the collection last Sunday brought the largest amount in the history of the congregation, and that the year as a whole was also one of the most prosperous. The interior of the church has been entirely renovated at a cost of some eight hundred dollars, yet the financial statement showed that affairs were in a good condition. The Sunday school continues to be as largely attended as in the past, there being some three hundred pupils this year, while the Bible class, under the leadership of Mr. J. Dart, has an average attendance of over eighty. Everyone being pleased, the proceedings last evening were of the routine order. The following officers were elected: Rector, Rev. Canon Norton, D.D.; churchwardens, Messrs. J. R. Meeker and J. C. Badgley; delegates to the Diocesan Synod, Sir Melburne Tait, Mr. Justice Hall, and Messrs. Robertson, McCullough, Geo. Craig, David Dene, W. J. Turpin, C. A. Meeneke, W. H. Evans, F. S. Foster, W. A. Gundlach, T. Gilmour and J. C. Badgley.

SPAIN'S MONEY TROUBLES.

An Effort to be Made to Prevent Even Partial Repudiation.

London, April 4.—The Madrid correspondent of the Times, in the course of a favorable view of the financial prospects of Spain, says: "I have in my high authority that even partial repudiation is the last solution that would be contemplated by the Government. The programme, which will probably be accepted by the Sagasta ministry, as well as the internationalists, provides for a suspension of the sinking fund; an increase of revenue from the tobacco and other monopolies and increased import duty on colonial products; an increase in securities, including the coupons of the public debt, and export duty on minerals. The coupons of the exterior debt, however, will be paid fully and will not be taxed."

INCORPORATORS OF THE NEW MOUNT ROYAL CLUB.

Notice is given that an application will be made for the incorporation of the Mount Royal Club, the object being to acquire land and buildings in the city of Montreal and maintaining thereon a club for the purposes of recreation. The capital stock is to be \$100,000, divided into 1,000 shares of \$100 each. Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, Hon. George Alexander Drummond, Hon. Louis Forget, Robert Craik, M.D., Francis Wolferstan Thomas, Richard Bladworth Angus, Hugh Monaghan, Allan Hugh Andrew Allan, Edward Seabourne Clouston, John Try Davies, Hugh Graham, Charles Melville Hays, George Robertson Hooper, Henry Vincent Meredith, Harland St. Clair Macdonald, William Molson Macpherson, William Watson Ogilvie, Hugh Patton, James Ross, and Henry Stikeman, all of Montreal.

A Clergyman's Setting Down.

St. John, N.B., April 3.—Rev. G. M. W. Carey, for twelve years pastor of the Baptist Church in St. John, was given a grand farewell in Brussels street Baptist Church to-night on his retirement from the active ministry. He leaves to-morrow for Ottawa to be present at the marriage of his daughter, Miss Alice Carey, and will then reside down to private life on his farm in Norfolk County, Ontario.

Defender of the Senate.

(Glenary News.)

Graham & Co., Montreal, publish the Star. It is a fairly enterprising newspaper, but its policy is known as a "twinkler," ready to change its hue at any time for any prospective advantage to the man whose eyes are riveted on the Senate.

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Tonawanda Has Smallpox.

Tonawanda, N.Y., April 3.—One new case of smallpox was reported here to-day by the members of the board of health. The school on the south side have been closed, and all the children vaccinated. There are now three well developed cases in different parts of the town and a number of suspected cases.

The Free Pew System.

Quebec, April 3.—At the Easter vestry meeting of the English Cathedral held to-day, the conditions of the board of health were accepted. These conditions include free pews and the envelope system. The new rector is a son of the late Bishop Williams of this city.

Washed Up from the Sea.

(From the Acadian Recorder.)

The Liverpool Journal of Commerce, of March 15th, says: "Two very interesting

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Of Interest to Women

TO HOUSEKEEPERS.

All housekeepers interested in this column are invited to contribute recipes. Only favorite, true and tried ones must be sent, and great care should be taken that all directions for mixing ingredients, etc., be very explicit. Mere skeletonized recipes, such as some cook books give, are not desirable. Hints on the care of flowers and household information in general will be gladly received.—Address "Cuisine," Herald Office.

Four smart German girls have made four snug little fortunes in a successful laundry business at Dawson City.

They got in on the ground floor, the real pay dirt, so to speak, soon after the Klondike was struck. They came from San Francisco with small cash capital, but with brains, energy and courage and a fair knowledge of washing gold in placer mining? Not of washing dirt.

The plant was soon secured. A camp stove in the open air, a few washbuds, washboards and flatirons and soap made the equipment and the Yukon furnished the water.

Money flowed in rapidly from the beginning. They charged \$1 each for cleaning and polishing white shirts. The price was stiff, but it was Dawson City and besides nobody but tenderfoot money and swell gamblers wore white shirts. Other prices were in like ratio. Collars were 25 cents each.

Moreover, the professional laundryman who came later found competition uphill work. The girls were popular. They made many friends and kept the respect of all.

The miners built a cabin for the girls and told every newcomer all about the best laundry in town. Then the girls went to work. During the summer months when work in the diggings is dull, many young men called at the little cabin to exchange the gossip of the camp. The girls had an ever ready tongue.

The callers were told that the supply of firewood was always short. The hint was sufficient. The latter was furnished with an axe and the conversation was continued to the music of the metal on the wood and the swash of the clothes on the washboards. Hot coffee was served later.

HERE AND THERE.

If you happen to own a big, beautiful old embroidered Chinese crepe shawl, with rich silk fringe, a heritage from an ancestress who wore the shawl tenderly as a wrap, if it has turned the shade of old ivory and is fragrant with the spicy scents of musk which it has lain for years, have it forth and turn it into a gown. A white silk gown with an overskirt made of such a shawl is the most modish and sumptuous dinner toilet possible at present, and if you wish to have the shawl tenderly as a possession in your shawl, just go to a dressmaker and price a costume with such a drape. She will ask you from \$300 to \$600 for the gown, the price being dependent upon the size and type beauty of the shawl drape.

About a skirt of pale cloth or silk the shawl is invariably hung in a series of points and the fringe and beautiful embroidery suffice for decoration. The most perfectly gowned brides of the Easter and spring season are going to the altar in dresses made from their mothers' and grandmothers' shawls and the bodices are skillfully worked up from small fringed shoulder shawls.

A goodly number of dresses simulate the genuine shawl effect by the drape of the shawl over the bodice edged with fringe and overlaid with ribbon flowers, applied on the surface. Of course, beneath the fringe of the overdress swirl about, about the feet, waves of soft chiffon flounces.

When the wedding season comes in, all bridesmaids will appear in gowns of transparent white stuff over slips of gay silk, and the flower for the wedding, the white lily for the bride and the pale mauve lilac blooms for the brides. The groom must wear a tuit of white lilac in his buttonhole, and the best man and every usher will accept his buttonhole in favor from the faintly tinted, rarely perfumed bouquets of the brides in waiting. The slip beneath the silk veil, not a ribbon or liberty gauze drapery of the brides' maids' dress is most apt to be wrought of that soft, brilliant and most popular fabric called tulle mousseline. It is used, by the way, a deal for trimming and for the points of chiefest honor in the structure of many smart and special toilets.

In a little village in the wilds of West Africa, Miss Slessor, a Scotch missionary, has lived for eighteen years without European companionship, and has devoted herself entirely to civilizing the natives. When Miss Slessor first settled among them she found that the most curious and cruel customs were practiced. For example, if a woman gave birth to twins, the babies were at once destroyed and their mother driven out into the forest, there to perish of hunger. Through Miss Slessor's influence this practice has been abandoned. At first she used to undertake the care of mothers and babies and threatened with this terrible fate, but now her word is law. In order to benefit the natives, Miss Slessor felt that she must know them, and to do so thoroughly she must live among them. This she did, and she also took infinite pains to learn their language. Then she taught them the art of building—first building her own house and then a model house. Her bravery and patience shown in Miss Slessor are most remarkable, and have borne good fruit. At present she is looked upon as the queen and prophetess of the district, and consulted in all important matters by the people, and is universally respected.

Violets, cornflowers, brilliant pink roses—these are a few of the decorations used "profusely" to use an appropriate term, in hat decoration. Ribbons are not so much in demand as are the soft folds of chiffon and mousseline de soie, which formed so important a part in last summer's military outfit. Feathers are to be as much worn as ever, only they will not be thrown on a single hat in such quantities.

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If neglected, often end in Pneumonia, Bronchitis or Consumption. Be on the safe side—Take Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup and cure the cough at once.

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There are plenty of "Pine" preparations on the market trying to live on the reputation and merits of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, so always insist on the genuine. Price 25c. at all dealers.

Long plumes are more in favor, with a tendency here and there to a Louis XIII. effect.

In walking hats the styles are identical with those of last year and the year before that and the year before that. They all look, as of yore, of uncertain age and of improbable past.

Several new designs in sailors have been noticed. The most attractive of them are the pretty little French affairs, with rosettes in the front and curling quills around the crown. These are, save the trimming, just about like the rough straw, small shape of last year.

"Miss Lucifer" is the nickname which some ingenious player on words gave to Mlle. Lucie Faure, daughter of the late President of France.

Mlle. Faure had by no means the colorless personality of most unmarried French women. She actually earned enough as a journalist to pay for her own dress. She draws well, and is said to be a good conversationalist.

She is described as tall and dark, with heavy black hair drawn down over her ears. She and her father were great comrades, even after her recent marriage to M. Paul Deschanel.

A German professor, in giving his experience as an explorer in Africa, says that the best protection against lions is an umbrella, as the beasts are especially afraid of one when opened suddenly upon them.

A Missouri man was fined \$20 for beating his wife, and the next day \$2 for beating his wife. Women who are interested can figure this out, but not to their satisfaction.—Ex.

THE CUISINE.

Some Good Recipes Specially Prepared for The Herald.

Doughnuts.

One cup of sugar, brown or white. Now add an egg, and beat it light. A little salt, with spice to taste. Three teaspoonsful of lemon juice. I find as good as any made; One cup of milk, now stir together. Just flour enough to roll them out. But not mind what you're about. And keep your lard a proper heat. You'll find these doughnuts hard to beat. This is a true and tried recipe.

Veal Collops.

Take about 2 pounds of the leg of veal, 4 slices of bacon, forcemeat, cayenne, egg and breadcrumbs, an ounce of butter, 2 tablespoons of lemon juice, a quarter of a pint water, flour. Cut the veal in long, thin collops, flatten them and lay on each side of a slice of bacon and forcemeat, roll up slightly; do not let them be more than 1/2 inches long; skewer each one firmly, dip in egg and sprinkle with breadcrumbs, fry a nice brown; they will require to be fried about 20 minutes, when done place on a dish before the fire, put the butter in a pan, dredge in some flour, add the water, lemon juice and seasoning, let the whole boil up and pour over the collops.—Mrs. C. P. Dixie.

Pineapple Pudding.

Five tablespoons corn starch, one quart boiling water, juice of two lemons; sweeten to taste; add a can of pineapple chopped in small pieces. Boil 10 minutes. Serve cold.—M. A. W., Westmount.

Daily Hints to Housekeepers

WEDNESDAY—APRIL 5.

'Tis the resurrection morning! May our souls the wisest wear Like unto the Easter lilies, Pure and guileless, clean and fair!—Ida Scott Taylor.

BREAKFAST.—Fruit, Soft Boiled Eggs, French Fried Potatoes, Popovers, Coffee. **DINNER.**—Cream of Barley Soup, Roast Wild Duck, Cranberry Jelly, Mashed Potatoes, Lima Beans, Olives, Celery and Egg Salad, Charlotte Russe, Coffee, Ice Cream, Nuts, Raisins.

LUNCH.—Banana Sandwiches, Canned Pineapple, Cake, Tea.

CHARLOTTE RUSSE. Dissolve 1 1/2 ounces of isinglass in one pint of milk, and let it boil down one-half. Scald one-half pint of milk with the beaten yolks of three eggs, and when cold sweeten very sweet and flavor with vanilla. Whip one quart of sweet cream to stiff froth and let it settle. Now mix the isinglass with the custard and when stiff mix it with the stiff part of the cream. Line small molds with sponge cake and fill with the mixture.

Otis Is Satisfied. Washington, April 3.—The following cablegram was received at the War Department early this morning:

Adjutant-General, Washington, April 3. Present indications denote insurgent Government in perilous condition; its army defeated, discouraged and scattered. Insurgents retreating to their homes in cities and villages between here and points north of Malolos, which our reconnoitering parties have reached, and desire protection of Americans. News from Visayan Island more encouraging every day.

(Signed) Otis.

This Trust Did Not Succeed. East Liverpool, Ohio, April 3.—The American Liverpool Company, the name given to the proposed \$27,000,000 trust to include the potteries of the United States, is dead. The projectors, it is said, spent \$250,000 in trying to effect an organization, but failed because of over-capitalization. They could not persuade investors to buy stock.

A Fatal Cave-In.

Joplin, Mo., April 3.—Five men working in a deep, narrow ditch here to-day lost their lives by a cave-in that caught them from both sides. Four of the men were buried under 15 feet of dirt and rock. One, named Neighbauer, was covered to the waist, and died before he could be dug out. The names of the others are not known.

Samoa Question Satisfactory. London, April 4.—The Berlin correspondent of the Standard says: "Mr. White, the American ambassador, expressed to me to-day (Monday) his firm conviction that the whole Samoa question is now in a fair way to a settlement satisfactory to all the powers interested."

St. Patrick's Day Procession. A correspondent writes to correct what he calls a mis-statement in The Herald's report of the St. Patrick's Day procession. He says that St. Anthony's Parish, as a parish, did not take part.

Automobile Cabs in Paris. Paris, April 3.—The regular service of automobile cabs, for which the public has been looking for a month, began to-day.

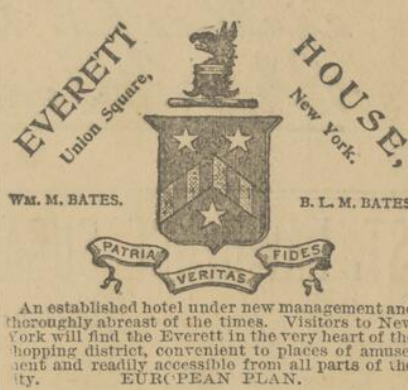
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MONTREAL, APRIL 4, 1899.

Banquet to the Mayor.

To-morrow evening the Laurier Club tender a banquet in St. Jean Baptiste Hall in honor of Mayor Prefontaine. It is expected that a large number of members of both the Federal and Provincial Governments will be present.

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