

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

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

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

BIRTHS.

HYNDMAN.—At Montreal, Ont., on the 20th inst., the wife of J. C. Hyndman, of a son.

SHAW.—At 285 Demontigny street, on the 23rd inst., the wife of Mr. James Shaw, of a son.

MARRIED.

ANDERSON—MACKAY.—On March 23, at Crescent Street Church, Montreal, by the Rev. D. H. MacVicar, D.D., LL.D., principal of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, the Rev. J. D. Anderson, B.A., of Beauharnois, Que., to Katherine, eldest daughter of the Rev. A. B. Mackay, D.D.

DIED.

DOUGLAS.—At Burlington, Vt., on the 22nd inst., of pneumonia, Mr. Robert Douglas, late of St. John's, Que.

Funeral on Thursday, the 25th inst., at two o'clock p.m.

FORCE.—At Lacolle, on March 25, of heart disease, Mrs. Caroline Force, in the 71st year of her age.

O'REILLY.—On the 25th inst., Thomas O'Reilly, aged 59 years, father of Mrs. M. J. Spillars and Mrs. F. M. Wilson.

Funeral from his daughter's residence, 75 Canine street, on Saturday morning at 6.45 o'clock, to St. Anthony's Church, and thence to the home of the deceased, for interment at Plattsburgh, N.Y.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

SAUNDERS.—At 5 o'clock on the morning of the 25th inst., Annie A. Sexton, widow of the late Thomas Saunders, aged 70 years and 1 month.

Funeral will leave her late residence, 125 Laval avenue, at 8.30 on Saturday morning for St. Patrick's Church.

SORLEY.—At Chicago, on March 23, C. H. Sorley, aged 63 years.

Funeral from Calvary Church, Guy street, Montreal, on Thursday, 25th inst., at 2 o'clock.

WILSON.—At 111 Crescent street, on Wednesday, the 24th inst., Jeanie Kilgour, beloved wife of J. C. Wilson.

Funeral from her late residence on Friday, at 2.30 p.m., to Mount Royal Cemetery.

Please omit flowers. 24

ADVERTISEMENT.

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GALOPS CANAL.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for the Cardinal Section of the Galops Canal," will be received at this office until 10 o'clock on SATURDAY, the 17th day of April, 1897, for the works connected with the enlargement of the Galops Canal.

Plans and specifications of the work can be seen on and after the 31st day of March, 1897, at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, and at the Engineer's office at Cornwall. Printed forms of tender can also be obtained at the places mentioned.

In the case of firms there must be attached to the tender the actual signatures of the full name, the nature of the occupation and residence of each member of the same, and further an accepted bank cheque for the sum of \$100,000 must accompany the tender. This accepted bank cheque must be endorsed over to the Minister of Railways and Canals, and will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted.

The accepted bank cheque thus sent in will be returned to the tenderer on the day when the tender is opened.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Contractors are specially notified that the condition requiring the works to be wholly completed by the 31st day of January, A.D. 1899, will be rigidly enforced and all penalties for delay exacted.

By order, J. H. BALDERSON, Secretary, Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, 20th March, 1897.

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Paine's Celery Compound.. 1.00	.62	Vaseline Camphor Ice... .20	.12
Hood's Sarsaparilla..... 1.00	.67	Packus Tar Soap..... .25	.22
Ayer's Sarsaparilla..... 1.00	.69	Eau de Cologne..... .20	.12
Warner's Safe Cure..... 1.00	.65	American Belle Soap... .10	.05
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Many advantages are offered to the prompt shopper, to-morrow in this department values like the following bring big business.

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Unprecedented values in Ladies' Umbrellas will be offered to-morrow just to open the season with.

Values like this will crowd the Umbrella Section all day: 300 Ladies' Gloria Silk Umbrellas, paragon frames, natural silver and gilt plated handles, the kind we usually sell at \$1.25 and \$1.50; no matter about the loss, the lot will be offered to-morrow, your choice for 99c each.

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Silk Dress Laces..... .07	.04½

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Low-price news which should bring joy to every thrifty housewife. A variety of new designs in Stamped Linens at much below regular prices.

A big lot of these necessary trifles, worth 10c and 12c, go on sale at 5c a box.

Dainty price tempters for to-morrow's buyers. Black Silk Laces, Cream Laces, White and Butter Laces, worth from 25c to 60c, for 10c a yard. Another lot, worth 10c to 15c, for 3c a yard.

The newest combs in Veilings. Worth much more, but our price is 20c a yard.

These are very seasonable. Now is the time when it is not safe to go three yards from your umbrella. We have arranged a table of Ladies', Gentlemen's and Children's Umbrellas, which we are selling at one third off. Prices run this way:—Worth \$1.25 for 83c, worth \$1.50 for \$1.00, worth \$2.00 for \$1.33. Many new styles in handies among this lot.

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The Daily Witness.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25.

GOOD TEMPLAR NOTES.

Terra Nova Lodge, which has been weekly adding new templars to its ranks, held a successful session last evening. Chief Templar Bro. A. Norwood presided and there was a good attendance of members and visitors. The programme, which consisted of a rifle competition placed Bro. W. Macklair first, Bro. G. Boas second, and Bro. G. Morris third. A short but stirring temperance address, delivered by Bro. J. Walton Jones, LL.D., closed the entertainment. Dr. Jones compared the manner in which public opinion in Canada is being educated and influenced by temperance societies, to the preparation of the Netherlands for revolt before the fall of the Spanish powers. He expressed his hope that every lodge would do its duty and that when the people were called upon to give their voice, an overwhelming majority from Vancouver to Halifax might declare for prohibition.

The District Lodge of the I.O.G.T. will meet in its adjourned session in Tourmaline Lodge Room next Tuesday evening.

PETTY THEFT.

In the Police Court this morning James Coogan, of no fixed place of abode, was sent to jail for one month on the charge of suspicion of larceny. The prisoner was arrested last night by constable Patenaude with a wagon cushion in his possession and he pleaded guilty to the charge.

Thomas Kent and Michael Furlong, arrested last evening by acting Detective Gallagher and McLaughlin of No. 2 station, on the charge of stealing two horse blankets from Mr. Jacob Jamais, of 111 Cadieux street, pleaded guilty in the Police Court this morning. Mr. Lafontaine, the presiding magistrate, condemned them each to one month's imprisonment.

SECOND REGIMENT ELECTION.

No. 1 Company, Second Regiment Canadian Artillery, elected officers last evening as follows:—President, Captain Barton; first vice-president, Lieut. Crowley; second vice-president, Lieut. Renouff; secretary, Corp. Barnes; treasurer, Serjeant's Helper, committee, F. Fyfe, Sergts. McCleave and Richards, Corp. Peard, Gunners Moore, Cromack, G. Cooke, Anderson, Herbert Mackey, J. J. Cooke, auditors, Staff-Sergt. J. W. Cole and Gunner Geo. Cooke.

OBITUARY.

New York, March 25.—A cable message from London yesterday informed the relatives of Howard Potter that he had died suddenly. Mr. Potter for many years was one of the most prominent lawyers in this city. He was one of the sons of Alonzo Potter, Bishop of Pennsylvania. Bishop Henry C. Potter is a brother.

RAMBLES IN ITALY.

Mr. J. Burt Sutherland will deliver a lecture entitled "Rambles through Italy" in the lecture hall of St. Basil's Church, Reform Episcopal Church to-morrow (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock. Silver collection.

GREEKS IN CHICAGO.

In common with American citizens everywhere, says the Chicago correspondent of a Boston paper, the feeling of indignation against the action of the powers in the case of Crete has run very high in Chicago. But it has expressed itself most decidedly among the few thousand Greeks, mostly from Sparta, who have made their home in the city. They have their own religious service every Sunday morning, are industrious, frugal, and almost uniformly successful in their efforts to obtain a respectable living. Few engage in what is called menial service. At present they largely control the fruit trade. Several have become wealthy and are always ready to advance the twenty-five or fifty dollars which a new comer required with which to start in business. With this money a push cart is obtained and the needed amount of fruit. When the debt has been paid the cart is often sold to a later comer and its own prosperous owner opens a fruit stand or a small store for himself. Security for the money borrowed is furnished by a lien or a mortgage on the homestead in Greece. To this the parents of the young man readily consent in order that he may have a start in the new world.

It is said that failure to pay is so rare as to be considered hardly a possibility. The Greeks observe their feast days in the Old Country, and keep April 6, the day of their independence, with as sacred a devotion as Americans the fourth of July. In summer they have their picnics, where they revive in their sports the memories of the Olympian games. They are charitable toward each other, caring for their own poor and unfortunate and extending to all new comers a warm welcome.

They do not live together in colonies but settle in different sections of the city. But they are one in their religion and in their love of country, although they make themselves acquainted as soon as possible with the institutions of the United States, take the oath of allegiance and almost to a man support the Republican party. The news of the action of the Greeks stirred patriotic fires which had slumbered and brought together assemblies in which something of the fervor of ancient oratory was exhibited and which led to the formation of a regiment which is ready to return to Greece at call.

APPENDICITIS.

A medical man seeks to combat the popular misconception as to the cause of appendicitis. It is commonly thought that this disease is invariably caused by a grape seed or some other seed becoming lodged in the vermiform appendix, and as a consequence people abstain from eating such fruits, thus causing themselves undue anxiety as to their diet, and depriving themselves of a very salutary part of it. While it is possible that the disease may arise from this popularly imagined cause, such an occurrence is not at all common, but exceedingly rare. One well known physician confirms this view by reciting his experience over a number of years. He has performed many operations, and has never found a seed as the cause of the trouble. He says, further, that a small piece of undigested food may find its way into the vermiform appendix if the neck is open wide enough to receive it. It may remain there for years and cause no trouble, and then, again, it may bring on appendicitis almost immediately. Out of a large number of cases treated for appendicitis, only four percent were caused by foreign matter becoming lodged in the vermiform appendix, while from fifteen to twenty percent were owing to concretions, and sixty to eighty percent recovered without operations being performed. Doctors are getting to know much more about appendicitis than as a class they once did, and there is no doubt that the treatment of such cases, so far as the physician is concerned, depends mainly upon his early and prompt recognition of the nature of the disease.

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Weekly Calendar.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25.

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GALLERIES CLOSED

Preparatory to the
SEVENTEENTH SPRING EXHIBITION.
Reading Room open to members, 9 a.m.
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FESTIVAL CONCERTS.

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9 a.m., at Nordheimer's, 215 St. James st.
Subscriptions can be paid in advance to
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selecting seats.
Sale of Seats to General Public will com-
mence on WEDNESDAY, 31st March at 9
a.m.

A. BROWNING, Sec.-Treas.
1724 Notre Dame street.

FRIDAY, MARCH 26.

CLAN MACLENNAN.

Ninth Annual Concert

WILL BE HELD IN
DRUMMOND HALL, Drummond Street.

FRIDAY EVENING, March 26th,
PROGRAMME—Part First.

Entrance of Chief and Guests.
Headed by Clan Pipers.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS—CHIEF LIGGETT
1—Overture from "Rob Roy" Foster
ORCHESTRA.

2—Song—
(a) "Loch Lomond" Old Scotch
(b) "Scots Wha Hae" Burns
MR. J. MARSHALL WILLIAMS.

3—Violin Solo, "The Campbells are Coming"
Hone
MISS L. BENGOUGH.

4—Recitation, "Takin' Him Doon"
Bella Harrington Hall.
5—Song, "Tender and True"
MISS MARGARET STARK.

6—Cornet Solo, "Blue Bells of Scotland"
Glebi
MISS STELLA MORSE.

7—Song, "Lassie Jo and a Lover"
MISS ALICE JENKING.
8—Dance, "Highland Fling"
Masters JAS. and MURDOCH MATHESON.

Part Second.
9—Song (Selected)
Master FREDDIE ULLEY.

10—Cornet Solo, "Highland Fantasy"
Rollinson
MISS STELLA MORSE.

11—Song, "Bonnie Brier Bush"
MISS MARGARET STARK.

12—Recitation, "Character Sketch"
Bella Harrington Hall.

13—Song (Selected)
MISS ALICE JENKING.

14—Violin Solo, "Recollections of Scotland"
Schmidt
MISS L. BENGOUGH.

15—Song—
(a) "I'm Wearin' awa', Jean"
(b) "The March of the Cameron Men"
Dunn
MR. J. MARSHALL WILLIAMS.

16—Dance, "Sword"
MASTER JAMES MATHESON.

17—Selection, "All Around the City"
Beyer
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"Auld Lang Syne" and
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ADMISSION, 25c and 50c.
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The Annual Public Meeting of Convoca-
tion for the conferring of Degrees in Com-
parative Medicine and Veterinary Science,
will be held in the William Molson Hall, on
FRIDAY, March 26th, at 3 p.m.

Members of Convocation will meet in the
lower room at half-past two p.m. for the
Reading of Minutes.

The friends of the University are invited
to be present.

W. VAUGHAN,
Secretary.

19th March, 1897.

RAMBLES IN ITALY.

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Interesting Entertainment of LIVING
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THE OPENING OF THE SESSION.

The second session of the eighth parlia-
ment of the Dominion opens to-day under
circumstances very auspicious for the
government. The Laurier administration
is now complete in members, the
appointment of Mr. Clifford Sifton to the
Department of the Interior having com-
pleted the government and given the
North-West its representative in the
Privy Council. The form of the Cabri-
ret will not be final until the Comptrol-
lers of Customs and Inland Revenue, Mr.
Paterson and Sir Henri Joly de Lotbini-
ere, as well, perhaps, as the Solicitor-
General, Mr. Fitzpatrick, are, as they are
most worthy of being, called to the inner
council. The only fault to be found with
the government now is that it is un-
necessarily strong, both in talents and
in numbers, composed as it is of seven-
teen members, two of whom are, how-
ever, without portfolios. The British
Cabinet is composed of only nineteen
members and the United States executive
of eight members, though the compari-
son is hardly fair, as the British Govern-
ment has many members not of Cabinet
rank and the United States Cabinet is
a purely executive body, not charged
with political, legislative and parliamen-
tary duties as our government is.

The Laurier Government also has the
satisfaction of meeting parliament after
having received from not a few constitu-
encies a popular endorsement in by-elec-
tions. Of eight by-elections it has
carried all but one, and comes back to
parliament with a reinforced following.
It has won three seats and has besides
representatives in two seats which
were vacant last session, because the
constituencies had elected members who
chose to sit for other constituencies which
had also elected them. The House of
Commons, therefore, is now composed of
a hundred and twenty-two Liberals,
eighty Conservatives, three Patrons
and three Independents, counting Mr.
Robertson of Toronto an Independent
and Mr. Clarke Wallace a Conservative.
There are five vacant unrepresented con-
stituencies. The government's majority
over the straight Conservatives is there-
fore in a full House forty-two, or, allow-
ing for the Speaker, forty-one; and over
all other parties thirty-four. If the Pat-
rons, McCarthyites and Mr. Robertson
support the government, as they did last
session, its majority will be forty-eight.

The government is also strong and
happy in having carried through success-
fully what was perhaps regarded as the
most difficult part of its policy, that of
settling satisfactorily the Manitoba school
trouble. This seemed a year ago to-
day an impossible task for any man or
party; but Mr. Laurier, with singular
presence of the state of mind of the
French-Canadian people, saw the way to
do so by the sunny path of conciliation,
and his success has been as complete as
it seems extraordinary and full of sig-
nificance. Even his strongest opponents
admit that the settlement is regarded
as satisfactory by both Roman Catholics
and Protestants as a whole. There are
a few Ultramontanes, as there are a few
Orangemen, who are dissatisfied, but
these are the irreconcilables. If the
Laurier Government had done nothing
more than settle this very threatening
trouble so satisfactorily it would have
deserved well of the people of the Do-
minion. Never before have the peoples
of the different provinces been so much
in accord, so thoroughly on good rela-
tions, so consolidated in fact as they are
to-day under Mr. Laurier, and, strange
to say, the school question has been the
means of bringing about this feeling of
unity.

The Manitoba school trouble being
out of the way, the government and
parliament will be able to devote the
necessary time and energy to the solution
of the tariff reform question, which has
been rendered more difficult by the pro-
tectionist attitude of the United States
Congress. It is unfortunate for both
Canada and the United States that at
a time when a Democratic tariff reform
party was in power in the United States
it was confronted in Canada by a
Conservative protectionist party in
power, and that now a Liberal
tariff reform party is in power in
Canada it is confronted by a Republi-
can protectionist party in power in the
United States. The protectionists in
the United States and Canada are able
to play into one another's hands in the
bad game of eaching tariff reform, and
this they do by stirring up ill-feeling
in each country against the other and
raising duties so as to destroy trade
between them. This is a fine game
for the protected few, but it is
fatal to the interests of the masses
of both countries. The Canadian

Government should, however, persist in
its friendly attitude, as we believe it in-
tends to do, at least until commissions
on tariff relations representing both
countries shall have conferred together
and tried to arrive at an agreement cov-
ering as wide tariff schedules as possible.
In the meantime a general scheme of
tariff reform simplifying the tariff, mak-
ing the duties broader and more even
over great classes of goods, substituting
ad valorem for specific duties, and thus
relieving the purchasers of the cheaper
classes of goods of the unjustly heavy
burden of taxation, will probably be car-
ried through by the government. No
doubt an effort will be made to reverse
the protection method of taxing British
imports more heavily than American
ones, and as much encouragement as pos-
sible be given to British trade.

THE EARTHQUAKE.

WHAT IS BEING SAID ABOUT IT.

A small boy, evidently possessing the
germs of a strong poetic imagination,
yesterday informed his companions in
one of the junior classes of Aberdeen
school that he had seen the earthquake
in bodily appearance on Tuesday. It was
of a "reddish green" color, had a square
head and a long tail, which latter it
beat against the ground. He added that
he ran after it wishing to bring it home
to his mother, but it escaped over the
mountain.

The shock of earthquake made itself
manifest on St. James street. One of
the occupants of a large building rushed
out on the street and the moment he
reached it recovered himself sufficiently
to call up to the servant girl, who was
looking out of the window, to fetch
down the baby right away.

"The shock was distinctly felt here,"
said one of the elevator men in the Im-
perial Chambers, to a reporter yesterday.
"It affected my car and myself in an en-
tirely different way from the previous
one. At that time it seemed as if the
building was swaying over. This earth-
quake shock felt different. I was on
the ground floor and had just started to
rise when the shock came. It forced me
fully a foot from the floor of the car,
and I could not tell you what I thought
at the moment. I made me afterwards
think that perhaps there had been a
boiler explosion in the vicinity."

The tenants in the fifth and sixth
stories of the building thought the eleva-
tor had collapsed and had no idea that
it was an earthquake.

THE VOTERS' LISTS.

AN UNPLEASANT RUMOR CONCERNING THEM.

The Board of Revisers completed the
voters' lists yesterday and sent them to
the registrar, Mr. Augé. The lists show
that altogether there are 57,098 voters in
the city. In St. Antoine ward there are
8,729 voters and sixty-one polling di-
visions. The number of voters in the
various other wards has already been
printed in the "Witness."

Some discussion has been caused by the
rumor that certain politicians have man-
aged to get copies of the lists, from
clerks who are helping with the lists,
and who when they were employed were
sworn to act with strict impartiality.
Under no consideration should copies of
the lists have been given to any one
before being deposited with the registrar.

One of the revisers was seen about the
rumor this morning, but stated the board
had no proof that the clerks had been
unfaithful to their oaths. They had
heard, however, the rumor that certain
politicians had managed to get copies of
the lists. Under these circumstances it
is difficult to say whether the rumor is
true or not.

THE WESTERN MAIL LATE.

The western Grand Trunk Railway
train, with the mails, was reported two
hours late this morning, no doubt owing
to the snow fall of last night. The
other trains, including those from the
United States, were fairly on time. The
conductor of one of the trains from New
York said there was not much snow to
be seen until Whitehall was reached. In
some places between that point and this
city the snowfall was heavy, but as it
was mixed with rain it did not obstruct
the trains, as it did those from the
west.

THE WEATHER AND ROADS.

We have had all sorts of weather dur-
ing the past few days but on the whole
it has been mild. The snowfall of last
night, which is gradually disappearing,
has not improved the roads in the city.
In the country it has improved sleighing,
but it is not likely to last long without
the expected colder weather.

THE SALOON KEEPERS WON.

Hamilton, Ont., March 25.—A by-elec-
tion was held in Ward 4 yesterday, to
fill the vacancy caused by the resignation
of Ald. Hall, who was appointed assess-
ment commissioner. The candidates were
ex-Ald. Hancock and Mr. John W.
Crooks. The latter was elected by a vote
of 709 to 326. He had a strong organiza-
tion, being supported by the saloon ele-
ment, while Mr. Hancock was alone in
the fight.

TORONTO'S NEW DIVINE.

THE REV. MR. MCCAUGHAN
REACHES THE FIELD OF
HIS FUTURE LABORS.

WAS ACCORDED A WARM WELCOME AND
AFTERWARDS CHATTED WITH THE
'WITNESS' CORRESPONDENT.

Toronto, March 25.—The Rev. W. J.
McCaughan was given a hearty welcome
here by about fifty representatives of
his new church, at the Queen's Hotel
yesterday. He accorded the "Witness"
correspondent an interview last night.
He chatted of his name, which was spelt
in old days McCahan. It was the his-
toric name of the McCahan Clan, a clan
most of whose members were slain in
a massacre in the Glen of the Wail. The
ancient McCahan Castle, still standing
near the Giant's Causeway, attests the
historic prowess of the McCahans.

"Most of my relatives in the United
States," explained Mr. McCaughan, "have
already returned to the original spelling,
the 'ug' was a Scotch Protestant addition
made to the family name about the mid-
dle of the last century."

"I have visited this continent about
every other year for the last twelve
years," he said. "When I came to
Toronto last year, it was without the
slightest idea of the pastorate of St.
Andrew's. Owing to my occupying the
position of High Chief Ranger of the
Foresters in Ireland, I was invited to be
a speaker at the annual Forester's de-
monstration in Canada."

"It is a mistake to suppose that Mrs.
McCaughan has more relatives than I on
this side of the ocean. My uncle at
Philadelphia has one of the largest sugar
refineries in the United States. It is
probably the only one outside of the
big sugar trust."

"No, I did not see much of the new
order of things in the United States.
Owing to the rough voyage on the 'Ger-
manic' and a physical breakdown, attrib-
uted by the doctor to overwork, I was
ill in bed for over a week after my ar-
rival."

"Seven years ago next month, on our
wedding tour, we stayed at the Prospect
House at Niagara Falls, and it caused a
smile when we were requested to meet
the committee there, almost on the anni-
versary of that event. We were married
at Philadelphia by the late Rev. Dr.
Blackwood, who was the minister who
also baptized Mrs. McCaughan."

"We arrived at Niagara Falls at one
o'clock in the morning. The forenoon
was spent again viewing the Falls.
Among those who met us at Niagara
were Judge and Mrs. Fitzgerald. The
trip from Wayne, Pa., where we have
been staying, to Toronto, was most
pleasant, and our reception this after-
noon a most gratifying one."

"Incidentally, the Rev. Mr. McCaughan
mentioned that he has for a long period
been a member of the Good Templar
Order."

A CONSERVATIVE VIEW.

Referring to the speech from the
throne to be given this afternoon, and
the probable mention therein of Mr.
Laurier's voyage to Europe for the
Queen's Jubilee celebration, the "Min-
erve" says: "How times have changed!
Oh, Dorian, you, the 'Enfant Terrible,'
what would your great radical soul have
thought if, when you were bringing up
young Laurier in the hatred of tyrants,
some one should have prophesied to you
that a day would come when your pupil
would go and draw the triumphal car of
perfidious Albion, and sing in an out-
pour of true voice the praise of a reign that
has been fertile in persecutions of all kinds?"

The article then quotes the government
measures that will form the ministerial
programme, and it mentions two other
measures as surely not to be included on
the list, but which the people have the
right to expect. The first is a remedial
bill restoring the rights of the Manitoba
minority, and the other a bill proclaim-
ing free trade and unlimited reciprocity
with the United States, for Mr. Laurier
has been promising such a measure for
nearly twenty years.

ST. LAURENT BAND OF HOPE.

St. Laurent Band of Hope is the name
given to the one formed yesterday.
Twenty girls and boys took the triple
pledge. Mrs. C. G. Jones, county su-
perintendent for Bands of Hope, explain-
ed the meaning of the Band of Hope,
saying that the children of to-day by-
and-by were going to do what perhaps
the older temperance people might fail
in-get prohibition. When asked by
their instructor what papers they read
the children answered the "Witness" and
the "Northern Messenger." Mrs. Fisher
spoke of the most successful departments
to be taken up. The following officers
were elected: Superintendent, Mrs. R.
Hislop; president, Thomas Coughy; re-
cording secretary, Russell Tait; corre-
sponding secretary, Minnie Tait; treas-
urer, Agnes Hislop; organist and super-
intendent of entertainments, Nellie Tol-
hurst.

The next Band of Hope will be
formed in the school-room of the
Church of the Advent, Wood avenue,
Westmount, on March 30, at four o'clock
in the afternoon. It will be undenom-
inational.

A QUESTION OF LAW.

(To the Editor of the "Witness.")

Sir,—The Provincial Secretary has is-
sued a circular to the Justices of the
Peace of Montreal calling their atten-
tion to what he claims to be 'grave in-
formalities,' three or four citizens who
had been committed to six months' im-
prisonment under the Vagrants Act by
Judge Dugas having been admitted to
bail pending an appeal to the Court of
Queen's Bench. The only irregularity
mentioned in the circular is that the
'Bail bond does not bear the \$4 stamp
required by provincial tariff on every
notice of appeal.' Now, although the
provincial authorities administer the
criminal law, the making of such law is
entirely in the hands of the Dominion
authorities, and as it is the spirit of the
British constitution to make appeal to
the courts free to all accused. No fee is
mentioned in the Criminal Act. The
provincial authorities have, therefore,
committed 'grave irregularities' in plac-
ing justice at such a premium. Accord-
ing to this procedure justice is only for
those who can pay the subscribed fee, es-
pecially according to the circular, as the
neglect of this payment 'causes to the
public treasury the loss of that much
money.' Are our laws thus to be ad-
ministered to the wealthy only or the
plutocratic thief who can furnish money
to the needs of our depleted provincial treas-
ury? Has justice stooped so low in
this province? The circular goes on
further 'to enjoin upon justices not to
interfere in the future in any manner
whatever in prosecutions or proceedings
commenced before the judges of the ses-
sions of the peace of the district of
Montreal.' From this it would appear
that the original duties of justices of the
peace are to be by this circular abroga-
ted, and that their distinction is to be
partake altogether of an honorary charac-
ter. In that case it would be better al-
together to do away with these officers
of justice, especially as through their in-
formalities there is this danger of
loss to the provincial treasury. The
Judge of the Sessions of the
Peace who has written or inspir-
ed a number of articles in the city
papers deprecating this interference with
his duties and who evidently has in-
sisted this circular, occupies no higher
position than ordinary justices of the
peace save when on the Bench he is
clothed with authority equal to two ju-
stices. The Provincial Secretary, there-
fore, has no right under such a circular
to attempt to take away authority which
is created by a Dominion law.

A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

A FORECAST

OF THE RESULT OF THE PAPAL ALEGATE'S
MISSION.

(Toronto, "Star.")
When Mgr. Merry del Val discovers
that the people must be alienated from
the church, or the bishops must mind
their own business, he will advise, as
Mgr. Salotti advised in the United
States, that the contest be immediately
discontinued. The Pope will never risk
any such fight as drove France into
secularism and led to the expulsion of
the Jesuits and the confiscation of all
church property in nearly every purely
Catholic country, excepting Spain.

The bishops of Quebec have over-mag-
nified their office. Their proceedings
have not been endorsed by either the
Catholic hierarchy or laity of Ontario.
They are untravelled and narrow-minded
men, bred in local seminaries and cut
off from the world, and are not repre-
sentative of the thought, progress, the
improvements of the Roman Catholic
Church, which will enter the next cen-
tury almost abreast of other religious
denominations in Anglo-Saxon countries.
They thought they had a little kingdom
of their own. They were the pets of
the late government, and thought they
ran the country

MORE LICENSES

ASKED FOR BY WOULD-BE LIQUOR-SELLERS.

The License Commissioners on Tuesday afternoon had quite a lengthy sitting considering petitions from parties whose licenses had not been granted for one reason or another.

In one case there was a dispute between the landlord and the tenant regarding certain alterations to be made. It was now claimed that these had been made. Chief Legault was called to say in what condition the premises were now in. The chief, however, did not put in an appearance. It has been known for some time that Mr. Legault, chief of the Revenue Police, was very indignant at the manner in which his reports concerning the qualifications of applicants for licenses had been treated by the commission. He was granted in direct opposition to his report, much more disposed to accept the statements of a liquor-seller who has been very conspicuous this year as the saloon-keeper's advocate, than that of the officer of the government who was honestly endeavoring to do his duty.

It was not surprising, therefore, that the chief was not present on Tuesday. The commissioners had his written report. Judge Dugas—Where is Legault? Is he sick again? Another commissioner suggested that he be telephoned for. Judge Dugas—No, I will not send for him. He has stated that he would not again appear before this board. Very well, Mr. Archambault, you will notify the treasurer that his office is not here to give a report. The application of H. Dunn for a new license on University street was also considered.

Against this there was an opposition filed by the Natural History Society, and one by Mr. Carson of the Dominion Alliance. Judge Dugas sneeringly referred to the latter as from Carson & Co., and stated that Mr. Carson always opposed, whether from good or bad reasons he did not know. Mr. Dunn stated that he intended keeping a first-class restaurant, such as for years he had kept down town. As the four hundred licenses had already been granted some one must drop out before this one could issue. Mr. P. Elliott of Aylmer street was willing to drop out to oblige Mr. Dunn, and so that difficulty was removed but there were other difficulties in the way. There was another application from Patrick Coleman for exactly the same premises. Now, both these parties could not be in possession of the same place, and then there was the promise of the commissioners given when Kearney was allowed to plant his saloon alongside the Natural History Society's building, that no license would be granted for the premises where Kearney had been. Judge Dugas desired it to be understood, however, that he did not intend that promise to be binding forever. A wholesale liquor dealer, who had a good deal to say on each case that the commissioners considered, made a vigorous protest against what he termed a monopoly being granted to any one person. Everybody did not want to go to Kearney's. He further declared that the majority of the people of the district were in favor of another license being granted.

He did not say, however, that the granting of this license would mean the closing up of Elliott's, on Aylmer street, and many people would be so glad to secure that, that they would willingly sign a petition to plunk the new saloon down a long distance from their own doors, say on University street.

Mr. Coleman's application last year was refused by the commissioners in fulfillment of their promise to grant no new license in the vicinity of the Natural History Society's Hall, and the conditions are unchanged this year, except that another party is applying. The commissioners reserved their decision this afternoon.

VETERAN FIREMEN.

A special meeting of the Montreal Veteran Volunteer Firemen's Association was held last evening in the Firemen's Hall, Centre Fire Station, Craig street. There was a large attendance of members. Mr. Cunningham, president, in the chair. On the platform with him were the two vice-presidents, Messrs. Bickelstaff and Lauzon.

A motion was unanimously adopted for the members to attend the funeral of the late wife of Captain A. McNaughton.

Mr. Hasley was present and delivered the new oaks to the members present. All absent members may get their caps by calling at Hasley Brothers, 252 St. Catherine street.

Mr. John Turner, an old volunteer fireman for twenty years of Three Rivers, was present, and made some very appropriate remarks about the firemen's work in Three Rivers. On motion he was elected as an honorary member of the association.

The meeting then adjourned.

BUTCHERS IN COURT.

In the Recorder's Court in August last a large number of keepers of private butcher stalls were fined forty dollars and costs for neglecting to pay their annual one hundred dollars license, due last May. The defendants applied for a certiorari in the Superior Court, but recently the petition was dismissed; consequently, orders have been given to the clerk of the Recorder's Court to collect this fine without delay so as to compel the delinquents to pay the license before the close of the year. Instructions have been given to the bailiffs of the court to arrest all who refuse to pay the fine and costs, which amounts to forty-two dollars.

ROAD COMMITTEE MEETING.

When the Road Committee met yesterday afternoon, Mr. R. Oulmet, representing the East End Labor Club, appeared before the Committee and asked that the remainder of the \$10,000 voted to give work to the poor by opening the quarries be spent for that purpose instead of a portion of it being spent upon buying stone from private parties. The committee said it would give the matter its consideration.

A letter was received from Mr. James Harper, praying the committee to remove from the corner of Manoe and St. Catherine streets a quantity of corporation stone, which has disfigured the locality for some years. The matter was taken into consideration.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Return of traffic earnings from March 14 to March 21:

1897	\$325,000
1896	341,000
Decrease	\$16,000

NOTES AND NOTICES.

Carreno Recital.—Seats for the approaching recital of Madame Carreno to be given at the Windsor Hall on March 27 at 8.15 p.m., can now be booked at the warehouses of Messrs. Willis & Co., 124 Notre Dame street (near McGill street), Montreal.

AMONG INDIA'S MASSES.

A GLIMPSE AT THEIR INNER DOMESTIC LIFE.

The missionary meeting held in Taylor Presbyterian Church last evening, which was addressed by Mrs. Stait (formerly Dr. Grant Fraser), a returned medical missionary from India, drew a large congregation of persons interested in the work of foreign missions. The Rev. Thomas Bennett presided and after conducting the opening exercises, he introduced to the meeting Mrs. Stait, who has labored with much success for over five years in India under the auspices of the Mission Board of the Presbyterian Church of Canada. Mrs. Stait gave an interesting description of the manner of travelling, of the construction of the houses, of the peculiar mode of living, and also of the terribly degrading nature of the native religion. A single household in India comprised a little community in itself, composed of the head man of the family, his sons, and their wives, his grandchildren, nephews, cousins, etc., all living together in squalor and filthiness. The more native religion the deeper the dirt. The filth of Leemish, the sacred walled city, was something almost beyond description. The self-imposed suffering and cruelty that the natives underwent in order to keep vows made to their gods were spoken of as horrible. Much difficulty was experienced in presenting the Christian religion in such a manner as to impress the dull intellects, and move the hearts that never had known the influence of love. The extreme cruelty to which the women and female children especially were subjected, robbed them of all dignity and crushed them into hopeless despair and wretchedness. Several instances were given which had come under the personal notice of Mrs. Stait, how children married at the age of four years, were maltreated by their mothers-in-law. Frequently, hot irons were held to the flesh, and in other cases children were made blind by having boiling liquid poured into their eyes. One child in particular, which came to Mrs. Stait for treatment, suffered from mortification of the top part of the head due to neglect and ill-treatment. Two years ago Mrs. Stait treated sixteen thousand patients (all registered cases) in one year. She treated sixteen thousand more. She was the sole physician in that part of India, the masses having been otherwise left to die from the unchecked ravages of disease. Native doctors were worse than useless. Opium was fed to the children by their mothers till they are two years of age, the stronger only surviving, while the weaker ones die out of opium and the pain of cruel punishment received in their homes. The lot of the child wife was insufferable, she being the burden-bearer and the abused of superstitious beliefs of the people. Mrs. Stait vividly depicted the sad treatment and sufferings of the widows in India, and closed with a touching appeal for Christian sympathy and aid on behalf of the millions of distressed humanity in that far off land. The audience was very deeply affected with the address, and with the intense earnestness of the missionary.

A TENNESSEE HORROR.

Nashville, Tenn., March 24.—The house of Jacob Ade, a German farmer, was partly burned at Paradise Ridge last night, and in the ashes were found the charred remains of his wife, his daughter, Lizzie, aged fourteen, and the ten-year-old daughter of Henry Moirer, a neighbor, who was spending the night with the Ade's. Henry Ade, a ten-year-old boy, is missing. The deed is supposed to have been the work of tramps who have lately been numerous in the locality.

AWAITS THE EMPEROR'S SIGNATURE.

London, March 24.—The Japanese gold standard has passed the House of Peers of Japan and only awaits the signature of the Emperor to become a law. The demand for gold on Japanese account continues in the market here.

BROKE THROUGH THE ICE.

Traverse City, Mich., March 24.—While fishing in the ice near here yesterday W. Kahaut, aged nineteen, and Tom Chesick, aged twenty-two, broke through the ice and were drowned.

SIR ARTHUR CHARLES RESIGNS.

London, March 24.—The resignation is announced of the Hon. Sir Arthur Charles, one of the justices of the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice.

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ALD. KINSELLA AND ALD. CONNAUGHTON.

(To the Editor of the 'Witness'.)

Sir,—My attention has just been called to an alleged interview with myself which appeared in the 'Witness' of March 16, and which I have seen to-day for the first time, which contains remarks attributed to me and which might be construed as reflecting upon Ald. Connaughton. I wish to give this report and the statements contained in it the most emphatic denial. I saw no reporter from the 'Witness' on either Monday or Tuesday last, and I never made use of any such expressions as are attributed to me in respect of Ald. Connaughton. I have the greatest respect and esteem for Ald. Connaughton, who is my colleague in the representation of St. Ann's Ward, and I would support him heartily as the candidate, if he wished to present himself. I regret that I did not know earlier of this article, or I would have contradicted its statements at once, and you will oblige me by publishing this letter and correcting the injustice done to me as well as to Ald. Connaughton at once.

ALD. T. KINSELLA, St. Ann's Ward. Montreal, March 23, 1897.

The reporter who saw Mr. Kinsella insists that he gave a correct report of the interview had by him, and which was published in the 'Witness' in perfect good faith among other items of news.

THE PRESS AND THE PRIZE FIGHT

(To the Editor of the 'Witness'.)

Sir,—It is fitting that through the columns of your paper (columns undefiled by the brutalizing and revolting accounts of that prize fight) should be conveyed the earnest, the grateful, the admiring thanks of all pure or even decently-minded women in not Montreal alone to those of our clergy who have not hesitated to both nobly and bravely rebuke the evil time-serving of the press. I am sure I am but voicing the feelings not alone of every good woman I know, but of all good women in thanking the Rev. G. Osborne Troop, rector of St. Martin's; the Rev. S. P. Rose, D.D., of St. James Methodist, and the Rev. J. Thompson, who also in St. Jude's preached in condemnation of the prostituting of the press and the awful evils that follow upon such doing. Perhaps, being an Episcopalian, I may be forgiven for drawing special attention to the eloquent, forcible and most truly Christian stand taken by the rector of St. Martin's. His words will live, and though we know they were not spoken to win admiration, still as I have said, they have inspired that and far more—even the gratitude of all interested in the highest, truest well-being of a nation—all of which, for gain, those who aspire to be the leaders of thought amongst us shamefully, shamelessly were contented

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to have go by the board, while dollars gathered were the price of the press's prostitution to infamy.

'VERITAS.'

JERSEYMEN IN BONAVENTURE.

(To the Editor of the 'Witness'.)

Sir,—Judging from your editorial of March 17, about Jerseymen in the County of Bonaventure, evidently you have not been well informed. Jerseymen are not Roman Catholics. Some fourteen years ago one family was to be found on the Island of Jersey who had joined the Roman Catholic Church. There are Roman Catholic churches on the island whose adherents are French and Irish, and the Jersey people living in Bonaventure County are Protestants; but there are a few exceptional cases who have joined the Roman Catholic Church. By publishing the above in your columns you will greatly oblige a Jerseymen who formerly lived in the County of Bonaventure, and who remains,

Yours truly, P. DUVAL. Chicoutimi, March 20, 1897.

LONG SERVICE MEDALS.

(To the Editor of the 'Witness'.)

Sir,—It has occurred to me that possibly through the columns of your daily paper you could agitate in favor of 'long service medals' for the Volunteer Force. A term of twenty or twenty-five years might be made the limit of service, or the minimum limit that would entitle any of our Volunteer Force to a medal. This Diamond Jubilee year, I think is a specially auspicious occasion upon which they might be presented.

V. V. R.

NOTES AND NOTICES.

Report from the Government Physician, Port of Quebec.—I have used 'Pheno Banum' or 'Quick-cure' in a suppurating wound following a severe bite of a cat; after the usual remedies seemed ineffectual. This preparation cleaned up the wound and healed it after the second application. Its effect was most satisfactory. It has also proved a valuable remedy for removing pain, and destroying the cocci that cause boils and carbuncles, healing in some cases more quickly than if the microbes had been cut out. As it is now recognized to be proper treatment instead of poulticing, etc., this remedy has a grand future before it. Signed, J. H. Henchey, M.D., M.R.C.S., Eng.

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END OF THE MONTH SALE.

THREE DAYS,
Friday, Saturday, Monday,

OBSERVE THIS:

Our End of the Month Sale Bargains are of two kinds: 1st, Broken lines of regular stock which it is desirable to clear out at a big sacrifice, not because they are bad, but because ROOM is imperative in the various departments for the incoming season's goods. 2nd, "CHANCES" that have come to us from the manufacturers and others, and which in turn we pass on to the public. These Bargains are therefore GENUINE in the true sense, and—mark well—LIMITED. Preserve the following Example List until the sale is over! Thousands of other Bargains impossible to enumerate here, will be found at our Store To-morrow, Saturday and Monday:

MUSIC.

The Diamond Jubilee Waltzes, introducing the National Anthem, and other popular airs, composed by Prof. NORMAN, regular price, 50c; during our Sale, only 10c.

From east to west, from south to north, wherever the British flag is seen, On land or sea, the cry goes forth, God bless our loved and Gracious Queen.

500 pieces of Popular Music to be given away to our customers during this Sale.

SPONGES.

2,000 Sponges worth 5c each; during our Sale, two for 5c.

OTHER LINES OF SPONGES LESS THAN WHOLESALE.

CLOAKS.

We open the Spring season with over 2,000 Cloaks. Styles the latest, prices the lowest.

100 Ladies' Capes, \$1.45.
150 Golf Capes, \$3.50.
125 Ladies' Velvet Capes, very stylish, from \$5.



Children's Reeler Jackets from \$1.70.
Maid's Stylish Jackets from \$3.40.
Ladies' Stylish Jackets, black and colors, from \$3.50.

Rubber Waterproof Garments

We cleared at a big discount a manufacturer's stock of Rubber and Children's Waterproof Cloaks, which enables us to sell the same at about one-half regular prices.

100 Ladies' Waterproof Cloaks, worth from \$1.50 to \$3.50, all new styles. You can buy them at \$2.75 and \$2.95.

100 Children's Waterproof Cloaks, also at bargain prices, \$1.70 up, according to size.

WE LEAD IN ALL KINDS OF CLOAKS.

COSTUMES.

Tweed Costumes with Reeler Jackets and full skirts, all tailor-made; the colors are green, drabs and fawns; \$3.50 for only \$4.95.

SPECIAL.

Navy and Black Cheviot Serge Costume Jackets, lined silk, price only \$9.75.

SEPARATE SKIRTS.

Fine Cloth Skirts, assorted colors, \$2.45, worth \$3.75.

Black Mohair Skirts, \$2.65, worth \$3.35.

Over 300 Separate Skirts, all stylish and well made, and all marked at popular prices.

BLOUSES.

We show the largest assortment in Canada.

SPECIAL.

10 cases of Stylish Blouses just put to stock, well assorted, price 45c.

These Blouses are good value at 75c. Stylish Fancy Checked Silk Blouses, \$4.95, worth \$7.

Stylish Black Silk Blouses, also \$4.95.

COTTON UNDERWEAR.

Housemaids' Aprons in White Muslin, trimmed embroidery, 14c.

Striped Gaiters Aprons at half price, viz., \$1.50 for 75c; \$1.35 for 65c.

Rubber Aprons, 75c for 35c; \$1.50 for 75c; \$2.50 for \$1.00.

CHILDREN'S CHEMISES HALF-PRICE.

Ladies' Nightgowns, 43c.

Ladies' White Skirts, keep hem and tucks, boned back, 43c.

Ladies' Nightgowns, embroidered yoke and fronts and sleeves, 98c.

30 dozen Corsets, all sizes in grey and white, only 29c, worth 75c.

DRESS GOODS.

All remnants of Dress Goods, and all qualities during our Thursday's Sale at HALF PRICE.

15 pieces of Tartan Dress Goods, 42 inches wide, very useful for children's wear and for blouses, price only 17c yard.

20 pieces Odd Goods, assorted qualities, light and medium shades, worth from 50c to \$1.50 per yard; our choice only 25c.

HERE IS ANOTHER BIG PILE.

100 pieces Mohair Stollans in a very useful shade. We have four qualities, viz., 95c, \$1.25, \$1.50; your choice for three days, 69c.

GINGHAMS.

2,000 yards of Fancy Check and Stripe Gingham, beautiful designs, all worth 25c per yard; your choice, only 12c.

SILKS.

All remnants of Silks during our Thursday's Sale at 25 to 50 percent discount.

Several pieces of Black Broche Silks, assorted patterns, price 57c, cheap at 75c.

10 pieces Steel Grey Silk, assorted black stripes, regular value, \$1.25; all can have them at 69c.

200 yards Colored Satins for linings; the colors are Sky, Peacock, Buttercup, Green, Yellow, Pink, etc., etc. Regular value, 50c; they are yours at 25c.

Rich Handmade Silks for Blouses, worth \$6.50, the blouse length; the blouse length while they last, \$2.95.

LINENS.

Always a big lot of bargains to be had in Linen Goods; here are a few of them:

50 Linen Damask Toilet Sets, five pieces to each set, all fringed, and worth 30c, for 17c.

50 Hemstitched Toilet Sets, five pieces to the set, to clear at 17c the set.

200 Tray Cloths, fringed, and in the following colors, White, Pink, Yellow and Copper; as they must be sold the price will be 15c each.

Another big lot of Table Damask to be sold at the following special prices, 60c for 40c; \$1.00 for 65c; \$1.50 for \$1.35 for \$1.30.

Two cases of Victoria Lawns, 40 in. wide, to be sold as follows: 15c for 10c; 17c for 12c; 20c for 15c.

QUILTS.

SEE OUR WHITE QUILTS. Three special lines laid out for this Sale:—89c, \$1.15, \$1.25.

JEWELLERY.

All the Latest Novelties in Blouse Sets, Bracelets, Watch Chains, etc., etc. A FEW OF THE PRICES FOR THE 3 DAYS' SALE:

Cuff Buttons and Links, also Front Studs, 40c to 65c, for 25c.

200 Blouse Sets, Pearl, regular value 50c, Sale Price, 25c set.

600 Blouse Sets in Gold or Silver Plate, also Black, 25c, for 10c set.

Chain Bracelets, with Padlock and Key, worth \$1.25, for 65c each.

Maple Leaf Brooches, usually sold at 50c each, for 25c.

Collar Buttons and Pointers' Gilt with Enamel Backs, 20c, for 5c each.

Stick Pins, 10c for 1c; 25c for 10c; 35c for 15c and so on.

PERFUMES.

High Grade Perfumes at Ground Floor Prices.

Bulk Perfumes, all the best makes, over 40 different Odors, Bottles free; prices at and below wholesale.

Lavender Smelling Salts, 50c bottles, for 25c each.

Large Bottles of Violet Lavender and Lilac Water, 75c, for 45c.

Carlson's Cherry Tooth Paste, 25c pot for 15c.

Lotion Vegetable for the Hair, worth \$1.00, for 69c.

GLOVES.

For Fit, Finish and Durability our Gloves are known from Ocean to Ocean. Prices the Lowest.

Ladies' 4 Button Suede Gloves, Tans, 95c ones for 49c pair. Ladies' 4 Button Doekin Gloves, Dark Tans, worth 85c for 73c. Ladies' English Driving Gloves, Tans, worth \$1.25 for 97c pair.

UMBRELLAS.

Umbrellas at Wholesale. THESE ARE OUR POPULAR PRICES:

Ladies' Umbrellas, special value at \$1.00 and \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

Men's Umbrellas, extra value at \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50 each.

MEN'S FURNISHINGS.

Irresistible bargains in this line. Unlaundried White Shirts, 75c ones for 49c.

Unlaundried White Shirts, with Colored FRENCH CAMBRIC Bosoms and Cuffs, blue effects, neat designs, worth in the regular way, \$1.00; Sale Price, 75c each.

15 doz. Fancy Flannel Shirts, with Collars, Good Flannel, Neat Patterns, worth \$1.50; Sale Price, \$1.10 each.

Men's Spring Overcoats, extra fit and finish, sizes 36 to 44 chest, worth \$9.50 each, for \$6.47.

Children's Fz Caps, in Navy and Cardinal only, 19c each.

Men's Tweed Caps, regular 15c ones, for 9c each.

TIES! TIES! TIES!

20 doz. Silk Knots, all colors, prices 15c to 25c, for 7c each.

30 doz. Windsor Ties, worth 20c for 9c, or 3 for 25c.

Men's Kid Gloves (the Derby), Tans, \$1.50 ones, for 75c pair.

HOSIERY.

We can make it interesting to all in this Department. The following are A FEW EXAMPLES:

200 Ladies' Ribbed Vests, shaped and well finished, high necks and long sleeves; price to clear, \$3.35 each.

150 pairs Men's Fine Merino and Wool Sox to clear at 12c per pair.

40 doz. Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose, seamless, DOUBLE HEELS AND TOES, 3 PAIRS FOR 65c.

LADIES' TIES.

6 doz. Ladies' Ties in China Silk, assorted colors and 8 in. wide; price only 10c each.

8 doz. China Silk Sashes, assorted colors, also suitable to tie back curtains; your choice only 19c. These Sashes are 12 in. wide.

LACES.

1,000 yards of Laces in Cream, Butter and White, prices 4c to 25c, less 25 percent discount.

ALSO—

500 yards Lace Ruching, worth 60c, for 20c.

10 doz. Princess of Wales Belts in a choice assortment of colors, such as Black, Cardinal, Nile, Pink, Sky, Brown, only 38c.

BELTS.

12 doz. Princess of Wales Belts in a choice assortment of colors, such as Black, Cardinal, Nile, Pink, Sky, Brown, only 38c.

EMBROIDERIES.

50 pieces of Embroideries, worth 13c, 15c and 17c, your choice only 7c.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

35 doz. Children's Handkerchiefs, in colored borders, 6 for 12c.

25 doz. Ladies' Handkerchiefs, in White, with tape borders, 6 for 17c.

Ladies' Linen Handkerchiefs, with hem-stitched borders, worth 35c to 40c, for 25c.

BRAIDS FOR TRIMMING.

75 pieces assorted colors Mohair Braids, 12c per piece.

120 Cases of Toilet Soaps, with hem-stitched borders, worth 35c to 40c, for 25c.

TOILET SOAPS.

Nowhere can you find such a large assortment of Toilet Soaps, and nowhere can you get better values.

During this Sale we will offer—120 Cases of Toilet Soaps at prices that will make sales quick.

Murphy's Special Old Brown Windsor, 10c per dozen.

Murphy's Bouquet, extra quality, 4 1-c.

Virgin Castle Soap, 1 3-c.

Gele Freres' Toilet Powder (in white and pink), worth 15c, for 7c.

SCHOOL BAGS.

Children's School Bags, made from Heavy Canvas, and bound in Leather, Leather Straps, etc., only 19c.

SHOPPING BAGS.

A Large Assortment of Shopping Bags, 23c up.

BUTTONS.

We have still about 20 Gross Buttons, all sizes, and worth from 10c to 50c per doz., to clear at 1c per doz.

COMBS.

25 doz. Vulcanite Combs, assorted, at 5c each.

BRUSHES.

Hair Brushes, 12c each.

30 doz. Nail Brushes, 2c each.

25 doz. Tooth Brushes, 5c each.

Clothes Brushes as low as 10c each.

NOTIONS.

Curling Tongs, strong and well made, 34c.

Gilt Hairpins, 15c, for 7c per box.

250 doz. packets Hairpins, 3 packets for 4c.

200 pairs Elastic Garters, worth 20c and 25c, for 9c.

Crochet Silk Balls, in all colors, only 4c each.

4 Steel Busks for Corsets, worth 25c, for 8c.

AND

Hundreds of other Bargains at our Notion Counters.

STATIONERY.

100 dozen Lead Pencils, with Rubber Tops, 9c per doz.

Paperies, 6c per Box for Note Paper and Envelopes.

Envelopes in boxes of 125, for 16c.

Memorandum Books, 2c.

Exercise Books (ruled), 2c.

1,000 Scribbling Books, 1c.

CHINAWARE.

SPRING OPENING IN OUR CHINAWARE DEPARTMENT. A most complete and most carefully selected stock of Ware from all the best manufacturers in ENGLAND, FRANCE, GERMANY and AUSTRIA. It will pay all to buy here, at this Opening Sale. Housekeepers and those who anticipate housekeeping this Spring should visit this department.

Large assortments of Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Chamber Sets, Tete-a-Tete Sets, and an endless variety of Odd Pieces, Sugars and Creams, etc., etc.

Below are only a few examples out of the many lines offered.

Dinner Set, 97 pieces, English Stone, \$6.50.

Dinner Set, 97 pieces, English Gilt, \$10.00.

Dinner Set, 97 pieces, Semi-Porcelain, Gilt and Tinted, \$13.90.

Dinner Set, 115 pieces, Semi-Porcelain, Gilt and Enamelled, \$20.00.

Dinner Set, 94 pieces, Carlsbad China, \$15.85.

Dinner Set, 121 pieces, Carlsbad China, \$25.00.

Chamber Set, 10 pieces, Semi-Porcelain, \$2.43.

Chamber Set, 8 pieces, Gilt and Tinted, \$2.98.

Chamber Set, 10 pieces, Semi-Porcelain, \$4.00.

Chamber Set, 12 pieces, Gilt and Shaded, \$10.00.



Tea Sets, 44 pieces, Semi-Porcelain, \$3.00.

Tea Sets, 44 pieces, Gilt Porcelain, \$4.75.

Tea Sets, 44 pieces, Gilt and Tinted, \$7.85.

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JOYCE. A SLUM WAIF.

BY EMILY BULMER.

Author of 'A True Story,' 'Re-deemed,' Etc.
CHAPTER II.

'You're a sly one, you are! I always said you was a deep 'un. Now hand it over, quick. A fine thing it is me providing of you with virtuous, which I can afford, and you a-biding of your expenses and shillings, and likely savings, for all I know.'

'Oh, aunt, it is only sixpence. And I never had one before. The lady gave it me, she did, indeed. Didn't she, Peter?'

'Well, be that as it may, I'm not for saying as she didn't, but I do say as it's your bounden duty to give it to me; don't I keep and clothe you? All "free gratis, for nothing?" as the saying is.'

Over Joyce's face there passed the semblance of a smile, very pitiful in its sadness, and her glance wandered inquisitively to her threadbare clothes. The wind, a cold north-easter, comes blustering round the street corner, searching through the flimsy covering, and Joyce sets her teeth hard, to prevent their chattering. Her face looks pinched and blue, and there are great shadows under her eyes.

'Now then, the money!'

'Here it is, aunt,' and Joyce takes the treasure from her bosom, and holds it out to Mrs. Davis.

Very eagerly the woman clutches the coin, and then without so much as 'Thank you,' she turns away.

Joyce stands motionless for some time, watching her aunt as she hurries up the street, and disappears into the public-house at the corner.

There, Joyce, don't cry. Peter loves Joyce, he do! and little Peter comes closer to her, and gently strokes her hand. But Joyce cannot trust herself to speak yet; there is a great lump in her throat, and there are tears, torrents of tears welling up that must be checked by the dykes of a strong will.

'Let's go home, Peter; shall we? And Joyce'll make the room tidy,' she says, after a while.

Mrs. Davis finds congenial company already gathered at the Golden Fleece, and the sixpence is quickly exchanged from her pocket to the landlady's.

Greedily she drinks up the raw spirit, and as the fiery liquor circulates through her body she becomes loquacious and quarrelsome.

'You seem pretty flush of money to-day, Mrs. Davis,' Nanny Taylor remarks.

'He, he, he,' 'Twas easily added. That girl Joyce given it me. He, he, he.'

'Well, I never, for shame, Jane Davis, you mean wretch, to take the child's sixpence. Yes, look savage if you like. It isn't I who care for the likes of you. I tell you, you are a mean wretch to take the child's money. Yes, I mean it; you are!'

'Oh, I am, am I? And who has kept her in food and clothes all these years I should like to know?'

'Not you, anyway. The child's starving; dying literally of cold and hunger, and you spend the money here. Yes, I know all about it.'

'Why do I come here, then, do you say? Yes, why do I? Because I'm a fool perhaps, like the rest of you; but Nanny Taylor means to be a fool no longer, and with this parting salute Nanny gets up and leaves the room. There is silence for a few minutes, and then the women fire up.

'My, what next! I wouldn't stand it, if I were you, Jane. Such impudence! She allays was a cheeky 'un; but this beats all!'

These, and similar remarks are hurled at Mrs. Davis as she sits at the table, sullenly drinking.

It's that sneak of a Joyce, I know; she's been a prejudicing Nanny with her canting tongue. I thought it before, but now I know. She's like her mother, with her quiet ways. But I'll teach her a lesson; I hated her mother afore her, and I hate her.'

'Yes, Mag behaved badly to you, afore you was married, didn't she, Jane? She married Jim Halliday, and you wanted to. Wasn't that it?'

'Yes, married him again his will, poor chap! But she hadn't a long reign. Oh, these quiet ones, there's no reading of 'em.'

It is late afternoon before Mrs. Davis returns.

Joyce has made the room look quite cheerful. She has been very busy putting things straight, and now there is a bright fire burning, and the cups are set out, and the table spread for tea. Yes, actually they are going to have a real tea.

Miss Anderson, the mission lady, has been in to see them, and she it is who has provided the good things. Oh, the joy of unpacking the basket she brought. There was a little parcel of tea, and another of sugar, and a large loaf of bread; and actually another sixpence, which Joyce had expended in coals, firewood, and milk, and now Joyce and Peter are sitting quite close to the window, peering out into the street below, watching to catch the first glimpse of Mrs. Davis. Neither of them yet have touched the food, only their eyes have feasted on the good things.

Over the top of the chimney pots there is a glimpse of gold in the sky, just where the sun has dipped, and Joyce, looking up, wonder if up there is heaven. She has read somewhere of a place where —

'Over a golden threshold children are always at play,' and where

'Roses that cost not a penny grow in a garden fair,
Lilies that never fade blossomed in winter there,'

and Joyce thought it must be beautiful. How warm, and bright, and sunny! Why, it must be the very place her little book speaks of. Where! 'They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more,' and where 'there are no more tears, nor crying.'

'Wouldn't it be good to go, Peter—you and me together. Ay?'

Gently the shadows deepened over the courts and alleys. The golden hues had changed to a deep crimson, and this again had faded into a delicate pink, fading and fading, till now a tender grey had spread itself, like a curtain, over the opening where the sun had dipped. Heavy steps come lumbering up the stairs, and the door is opened with a bang. Mrs. Davis stares with astonishment, and then rubs her eyes. Is she dreaming, or has she got to the wrong house?

'It's all right, Aunt Jane,' Joyce remarks gleefully; 'and we've waited for tea, Peter and me has. See, the kettle boils now; Peter, old man, help Joyce.'

'Peter'll do no such thing,' the woman remarks. 'You've got the tea, have you; and where, may I ask? I suppose where the sixpence came from. Well, as you're so flush, you can go and get more from where this came. Meanwhile Peter and I will help ourselves, and opening the door Joyce is roughly pushed outside. For some minutes she is too stunned to realize what has happened, and then crouching down on the stairs she lays her head upon the steps and sobs aloud.

(To be continued.)

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

LAURA'S LITTLE BOOK.

(By Gussie Packard DuBois.)

'Mamma,' said Laura, 'I wish I could make a whole world full of people happy, and have every one love me as they do Florence Nightingale and such people, but I never seem to have a chance to make any one happy only once in a while, and there are so few in a whole summer.'

'Would you be satisfied to make three or four hundred people happy in a year?' said mamma.

'Why, yes,' and Laura curled herself up on the broad couch and tucked big pillows all around her.

'Don't you think if you tried real hard you could make one person happy every day?'

'I think I could, but one person—that's what I say; one or two are so few.'

'How many days in a year?'

'Three hundred and sixty-five.' Why, I never thought of it in that way before, truly, mamma; and she went off into a day-dream where she pictured herself as noted for her good deeds. But Laura was a pretty practical girl, after all, and she soon brought herself that the first thing to do was to begin right away.

'I want to sit here and read my new book,' she said to herself, 'but that won't help along my plan. I know mamma thinks I ought to be out-doors, but I don't feel one bit like it, the wind is so disagreeable. Then a new idea seemed to come to her, and she sat straight up.

'Why, I expect it would make mamma happy if I took a good long walk for exercise without being cold,' and she went and got the wraps. 'Mamma,' she said, 'I think a walk would do me good, and if you have an errand to be done, I can do it just as well as to go for nothing.'

'I am sure you have commenced your plan for making other people happy, daughter,' said this wise mamma, 'for you make me happy by going so willingly for your walk, and you may take this paper up to grandma if you wish.'

That was a pleasant errand, and Laura began to think she was making herself happy after all.

The next day mamma went down town, and she brought back a tiny little diary with just enough room each day to write a few lines, and under date of the day previous, which happened to be January 10, was this entry: 'Made mamma happy by going for my walk without being told.'

Laura felt very proud and pleased, and made up her mind that she would try and not leave a single day blank. Of course I cannot give you an account of the whole year, but I will tell you about a few days here and there. Late in February there came a cold day when the snow was thawing and the walks were all slush, and the sky was gray and gloomy. It was nearly night, and the day had been such an uncomfortable one that she was sure she had not a single entry to make in her little book, and if the truth must be told, she felt sulky and gloomy like the weather.

Mamma was out, and her two brothers, Ralph and little Nonie, were working in the barn with tools and boards. She stood idly looking out of the window when Theresa, one of the maids, came through the rooms with little Bernie.

'I am at my wit's end to know what to do,' she said. 'Bernie can't play out of doors, and she feels so cross, and I want to make a nice cake for supper.'

Laura let them go through the room and shut the door. She did not feel one bit like entertaining Bernie; then she thought of her little book and went and called her, 'Bernie, do you want sister to read to you?'

The delighted child came gladly, and among the pillows of the wide couch, curled up like kittens, they read 'Kittylene' until both forgot the bad weather, and when mamma came home were

laughing heartily. That night she put in her book, 'Took care of Bernie and made Theresa happy and her, too.'

One very warm Sunday in early spring she gave up her seat in the carriage to an elderly lady who was visiting in the neighborhood, which was very hard for her, for she couldn't help getting her shoes muddy, and she did like to have everything spotless. At another time she taught Nonie the golden text when she did want to finish her Sabbath-school books so she could return it and get another; and one entry read like this: 'I counted carefully all the time I was practising and made mamma happy.'

Toward the close of the year the spaces in the little book grew too small to write down all that she did, so she had to write, 'Made four people happy to-day,' and just add the names, for she had learned to look for chances, and she found they were everywhere; but one thing she learned that she never dreamed of, she began to be so happy herself all the time that every one noticed it, for she found that every time she made any one else happy she made herself happy, too.

'Mamma,' she said, when the year had gone by and she laid the little book in her hands with not a single empty day in it, 'I am glad I could fill my little book, but I think I was the happiest one of all.'—'Christian at Work.'

THE SOULS INQUIRIES.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25.

What confidence is this wherein thou trustest?—2 Kings, xviii, 19.

In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence: and His children shall have a place of refuge.—Prov. xiv, 26.

The Lord will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in time of trouble: and they that know Thy name will put their trust in Thee: for Thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee.—Ps. ix, 9, 10.

'Can you spare so much?' asked the pastor of a small Protestant congregation in Lyons, when an old soldier brought his three months' earnings to help to build a chapel. 'My Saviour spared not himself,' was the reply, 'but freely gave his life for me; surely I can spare one-quarter of a year's earnings to extend his kingdom on earth.'—The Church at Home and Abroad.

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The Boys' Page.

Racing Cockroaches.

Racing cockroaches is the latest device of the prisoners who are languishing in the Turkish prisons. These men are locked up for indefinite terms, often not knowing themselves what are the crimes of which they are accused, and in many instances being entirely forgotten by the officials as soon as the doors of the prison have closed upon them.

The prisoners perform no work, and are given considerable freedom if they have friends who supply them from the outside with money. In this way the prisoners meet daily in the halls and corridors of the prisons of Constantinople. Here they discuss the news of the day, smoke and read, and do what they can to while away the dreary hours.

The prisoners are over-run with cockroaches. The more intelligent of the prisoners make friends with these insects. Infinite patience is required to train a cockroach. But a man to whom time is nothing, like these Turkish prisoners, who may spend years behind the bars without coming up for trial, can easily afford to undertake the difficult task of educating a cockroach in the way he should go. Only the wealthy prisoners can do this, for by bribing the guards they are enabled to secure bread crumbs and pieces of sugar, which are eagerly sought for by the cockroaches.

By enticing a number of cockroaches into his cell every day, one of the prisoners discovered that they were possessed of rare intelligence and could easily be caught, if they were propitiated with molasses. After a few weeks' work he astonished his friends in the prison by bringing out for their edification a corps of trained cockroaches.

The cockroach fever at once spread all through the prison. Every man who could beg or borrow molasses began to train a company of cockroaches. It was found to be a most diverting and exciting pastime.

When the prisoners met daily they recited the feats of their pets, and reported the progress they were making in teaching them new tricks. Out of this grew the cockroach race. Two of the most highly trained cockroaches were pitted against each other, and the prisoners ranged themselves on either side of the corridor to watch the race.

Great excitement arose among the on-lookers as the new and novel contest was started. The prize for which the cockroaches raced was a small platter of molasses.

The owner of each insect prodded him with a piece of straw. As the cockroaches raced along the floor the excitement among the prisoners and jailers rose to fever heat. The insects had been so well trained that they deviated neither to the right nor left, but kept straight ahead.

The one that was beaten lost the race because he stopped to scratch his leg. The race between these two cockroaches was the most exciting event that has occurred in the Central prison of Constantinople for some time.

The prisoners at once started training cockroaches, and now races occur on the floor of the prison several times each day. Thus is afforded a welcome break in the monotony of the lives of the prisoners.—Journal.

A Boy Inventor.

Early in the present century a farmer named Timby settled in Cayuga county, New York, cleared away the forest and built a log house for himself and his family. As the latter increased and other families settled about him, this pioneer banded together with his neighbors and built a log school-house. Among the scholars who received the whole of their scholastic training in the little log structure was Farmer Timby's son, Theodore. When Theodore reached the age of about fifteen and his father sold the old farm and moved to Bath, Steuben county, the boy found his school days at an end. But no matter how hard the work or how long the hours of his toil, Theodore would "tinker."

One day, when not yet sixteen years of age, he hit upon an invention now known throughout the whole world as the "floating dry dock." In working out his scheme for the floating dry dock he incidentally devised a simple and unique contrivance for raising sunken vessels.

Full of enthusiasm he submitted his inventions to Mr. William W. McCay, agent of the Holland Land Company. Mr. McCay then took the "dry dock" model to nautical experts in New York city. Here the boy met with his first blow of disappointment. The New York experts pronounced the floating dry dock to be impracticable in tide waters. This the young inventor insisted had no bearing upon the case; but the adverse opinion of the supposed experts had its effect upon the men whom the boy might have actively interested in his invention, and they persuaded him to drop it. He did so—only to see, in after years, a world-wide use of the principle which he had discovered.

Four years after inventing the floating dry dock, young Theodore determined to see something of the world outside of Steuben county. After spending a few days among the wonders of New York city, he took the ferry for Jersey City. The principal object of interest upon the passage was Castle William, the old round brick fortress. Its circular

form and menacing tiers of gun holes attracted the alert mind of the country boy. His inventive genius was at once fired. He saw that if the fort could be constructed of iron and made to revolve upon a vertical centre, its defensive and offensive powers would be multiplied many fold, as every gun could be made available for firing in any given direction.

Going at once to the city of Washington, he made a crude but careful drawing showing the principle upon which he would construct a "revolving turret." He sent in his name to Senator John C. Calhoun, whose name he had seen in a school reader, and told him about his invention, and the great man told him it was "possibly practical," but advised him to have made some more perfect illustration of the principle than the rough drawing afforded.

Filled with new dreams of hope, the lad went to an ivory worker in Baltimore, and had a tiny model turned out of an elephant's tusk. When the "Monitor" was built with the revolving turret and put to the test, the world realized that the naval warfare had been revolutionized.

In later years he added to his laurels the invention of the "American turbine water wheel," and at least a score of modifications of the "revolving turret" for land and water defensive works. Universities have recognized his valuable contributions to science by conferring upon him the degrees of master of arts, doctor of laws and doctor of science. He now lives in Chicago and is seventy-four years of age.—American Agriculturist.

ADMIRAL NELSON'S IMPRESSIONS OF THE RECENT TRAFALGAR CELEBRATIONS.

(W. E. Harrison in "Tit-Bits.")

When instructions reached me to proceed with the decorations of the famous column in Trafalgar Square, I knew that I was in for a unique experience, inasmuch as I should be the first man in the world who had ever paid a visit to the effigy of Nelson since its erection.

Nelson made no comment while the ladders were being fixed against him, nor did he seem to notice my scramble up his side. But when I sat across his cocked hat, to take a survey of the slight repairs which required to be done, a guttural voice, as one awaking from a long sleep, grumbled out:—

"Avast there, what are you doing?" Then, looking blankly around, turning me meanwhile like a weather-cock:—

"Where am I?"

"In Trafalgar Square," said I.

"How long have I been mastheaded here?"

"Fifty-three years,"

"Who are those fellows around me below?"

"Military heroes."

"What? and they call this Trafalgar Square? Where are Collingwood, Vincent, Hardy, and the rest of my old shipmates?"

I was at a loss for an answer, so I put a counter question, and asked what he thought of the celebrations.

"Ugh!" said he, "mastheaded for fifty-three years, and only just remembered. Well, what are you going to do?"

"Oh, just patchy you up a bit."

"Is this going to be an annual affair?"

"What, the patching?"

"No, the festooning."

"I believe so; what do you think of it?"

"Well," and a tear trickled down his smoke and fog-begrimed face, "it proves to me that we are not forgotten; that I and the brave hearts who fell to French and Spanish bullets in the Bay did our duty, and our country is grateful."

A short pause ensued. Presently, "Who's organizing the affair?" he exclaimed.

"The Navy League," I replied.

"The Navy League," and here his features brightened up. "Ah, look here, sir, tell my countrymen to keep their weather eyes upon the Navy. In the strength of her ships and the valor of her sailor sons our country's greatness lies. If she is to retain her position as mistress of the waves, she must spare no expense over her watch-dogs of the deep. Every effort should be made to rouse the patriotic feelings in the breast of England's manhood; a love for the sea in the young should be fostered, and every facility given them for serving their country. Every man should be alive to a possible danger, and that danger, mark you, can only spring from a weakness in our naval power. That power can never be too great, the fleet can never be too numerous, or the ships too well manned. The greatest gratitude England can show the man she

now desires to honor, the best tribute she can pay to his memory, is to act upon his oft-repeated counsel, to let her fleet be her first consideration. If the outcome of these kindly celebrations is the infusion of patriotism in the breast of Englishmen, Nelson will be satisfied, and will stand prouder than ever at this mast-head where his countrymen have placed him."

Here I left the renowned Admiral, with conflicting emotions in my breast. I had seen the effigy of the man who, after all, was not forgotten, and whose famous signal, "England expects that every man this day will do his duty," still lives in every British heart.

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harm here," he said, triumphantly. His triumph was short-lived. The next morning some mischievous sub were at the mess-table before the major, and emptied all the salt-cellars, replacing their contents with powdered sugar. The major soon appeared, and with gloomy complacency attacked an egg, with which, according to his custom, he took a plentiful supply of salt. At the first mouthful his face turned purple with rage. "Sugared again!" he cried, and rushed off to his tent. Even the hens could not be trusted in this sugar-loving country.—Youth's Companion.

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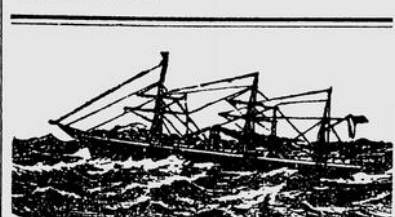
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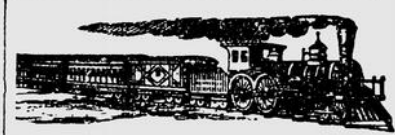
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SPORTS AND GAMES.

BOWLING.

The Victoria Rifles and Y.M.C.A. Bowling Club had a friendly match on the Y.M.C.A. bowling green last night, resulting in a victory for the latter team by 275 pins. The scores were as follows:
Y.M.C.A.—R. Walker, C. Harrison, G. T. W. O. Mowatt, G. Porter and A. P. Vincent. Total, 280.
V.R.—B. Simpson, L. Angvine, Dr. Simpson, W. Simpson, J. A. Wright, and T. Smith. Total, 251.
Y.M.C.A. majority, 29.

FOOTBALL.

The Montreal Football Club will hold their twenty-fifth annual meeting on Friday evening, when the report of last season's work will be read, and officers elected for the coming year. There will probably be a large attendance, and the competition for office, and the election of members of the M.A.A.A., will be a very keen one.

FISH AND GAME.

At the last session of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, spring duck shooting was prohibited. As reports have reached the House of Assembly that the effect of this prohibition is to deprive the sportsmen of a large amount of game, an extra force of game wardens has been put on and every effort will be made, the officers say, to bring the offenders to justice.

CHESS.

New York, March 24.—Pillsbury won today's chess game with Showalter. Score: Pillsbury 3, Showalter 2, drawn 2.

BASEBALL.

Reuben's Baseball Guide for 1897, the fifteenth year of publication, is, as in the past, a valuable and handy little manual of great interest. It contains an accurate record of last season and the newly issued National League rules, as well as a large amount of other interesting information. It is published by the A. J. Reuben Company, Philadelphia.

THE WHEEL.

New York, March 24.—A special to the Times from Chicago, says: "Until the term of the Chicago Police of the League of America, which expires, or he shows a disposition to consult the wishes of the officers of the Illinois division, the newly elected chief of the cycling world will be elected by this division. Mr. Potter seems to think he can manage what he has to do with Illinois without consulting any one in the state, and the state division has concluded that Mr. Potter's 'policy' is one that works both ways."

ATHLETICS.

Cornwall, March 24.—Although the 42nd Battalion of Ottawa have been obliged to postpone their visit to Cornwall until June 21, the Queen's Birthday will be fittingly celebrated here. Last night the Victoria Intermediate Lacrosse Club completed arrangements for a demonstration. The St. Lawrence Park and new athletic grounds have been leased from the Electric Street Railway Company, and the programme will likely be yacht and boat races in the morning, lacrosse match, bicycle races and other sports in the afternoon, and fireworks, an aquatic carnival and other attractions in the evening. The new grounds will be 500 by 350 feet with a covered grand stand that will seat two thousand persons. The grounds will be enclosed by a wide cinder track for bicycle and foot races. The citizens are encouraging the Victorians, and if granted fine weather the celebration will be a record breaker.

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LACROSSE.

Quebec, March 25.—The old Quebec Lacrosse Club is to be reorganized on a sound basis.

A NEW OFFER.

TO PROVIDE FOR THE WIDOWS OF THE ST. PETER STREET FIRE VICTIMS.

The committee which has in consideration the disposal of the money collected for the widows and orphans of the firemen killed at the St. Peter street fire have received from the officials in charge of the Firemen's Benevolent Fund a proposition to take over the \$15,000 collected and pay the three widows the sum of \$50 each per year for twelve years, or the sum of \$300 each for sixteen years. This would be equal to an interest of ten percent per annum. At the expiration of the time specified the capital itself would go to the benefit of the Firemen's Benevolent Fund.

The committee will meet in a few days to discuss the proposition, which is considered by many a very good one.

THE SALE OF DRUGS.

CONTRAVENTION OF THE LAW IS ALLEGED.

In the Police Court four cases came up yesterday, before Judge Dugas, of more than ordinary interest, involving a question of commercial usage. The proprietors of the Co-Operative Grocery Store, St. Antoine street, Messrs. Botsvert Brothers, grocers; Messrs. S. Carsley & Co., and Messrs. Hamilton & Co., dry goods merchants, are accused of exposing for sale in their respective stores, certain drugs, which is alleged to be in contravention of the amended Drugs Act. Mr. Ebenezer Muir, a member of the Pharmaceutical Association, and a chemist for over thirty years, said he purchased drugs from the stores of the accused. No persons except licensed chemists, he said, were allowed to sell the drugs produced, or any other drug. His Honor deferred judgment until Friday morning.

OFFENDERS PUNISHED.

Henry Roman was found guilty yesterday of the charge of stealing two hens, and Judge Dugas condemned him to jail for two months with hard labor. Yesterday, Antoine Laframboise, accused of impersonating a policeman and of obtaining five dollars from Mr. Robitaille, of Panet street, under false pretences, was found guilty and sent to jail for ten days. In the Police Court, yesterday, Judge Dugas imposed a fine of twenty dollars and costs on Alexander Smith who was found guilty on Friday last of having no visible means of existence. In default of payment the alternative is jail for two months with hard labor.

THE CONDITION OF THE LANES.

Mr. Dore, sanitary engineer, was seen yesterday about the insanitary condition of the lanes. He explained that the lanes would be cleared of garbage when the snow and ice were sufficiently gone to allow it to be gathered together and carted away. It was customary to begin clearing the lanes about the first of May—after moving time. He would see the lanes were cleaned as soon as it was possible to get at them. The City Surveyor said he was keeping the crossings on the streets swept, and this was all he had the money to do at present.

CIVIC OFFICIALS THREATENED.

THE CITY TREASURER AND THE ASSESSORS TO BE CALLED UPON TO REIMBURSE THE CITY.

It will be remembered that a short time ago Judge Curran rendered judgment condemning R. J. Demers to pay the city \$200 as special tax for carrying on business as a money lender. One of the pleas to this action was that a less sum had been accepted from other persons carrying on a similar business, and in connection with that allegation, Messrs. Demers & Demers, advocates, have now written to Mr. Robb, City Treasurer, informing him that after a delay of one month they will take proceeding in the name of a ratepayer named Claudius Lacroix, to make him reimburse the city the sum of \$300, lost, as is alleged, to the city treasury by Mr. Robb having accepted the sum of \$100 from Messrs. Choquette & Normandin, money lenders, as their special tax during the three consecutive years of 1895, 1896 and 1897, while they should have been charged \$200 according to the by-law governing the matter. Another letter has been addressed by the same firm of lawyers in the name of the same ratepayer to the Board of Assessors, informing them also that they will be called upon to reimburse the city in \$3,700, amount alleged to have been lost by their having made alterations on the roll three months after it had been completed, whereby the designations of certain persons, mentioned as 'money lenders' was altered to that of 'brokers.'

A MARINER'S PRIVILEGE.

Judge Champagne rendered judgment yesterday in the case of Honore Dery vs. J. L. Michaud. This was a claim for salary to the extent of \$39.53 for services rendered as a stoker on board the tug boat 'McNaughton,' and the plaintiff also took out a seizure on the boat. The point to decide was whether the mariner's privilege was limited to the cargo carried when the amount claimed was actually earned, or if it extended to the boat and its rigging for the whole season of the engagement. The Court held that the last mentioned interpretation must be accepted and consequently maintained plaintiff's action.

ANOTHER FIRE CLAIM.

Another action for damages in connection with the McDonald tobacco factory fire of April, 1895, came up for hearing before Judge Doherty, yesterday. The plaintiff in this case is Marie Berthe Gellinas, who claims \$2,000 on account of injuries received by jumping out of the windows. She alleges that if the firemen had given the proper alarm and allowed the operatives to go out, all could have escaped safely. The charge acted as prudence required; that all the needed appliances were furnished, and that the injuries received by plaintiff were due to her own imprudence.

NOTES AND NOTICES.

Extract of the 'American System of Surgery.'—Boils are caused by Microbes (or germs) called Cocci, which penetrate the skin, usually along a hair follicle, and unless destroyed they cause Boils and Carbuncles, being favored by constitutional disturbances and certain atmospheric conditions. Carbuncles are like Boils—at first superficial, but are caused when the microbe penetrates deeper, or into denser tissue. All Boils appear at first as pimples, or pustules. 'Quick-cure' removes all boils or pimples.

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OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED.

At the ordinary weekly meeting of the Board of Trade Council yesterday afternoon the Postmaster-General acknowledged the council's communication protesting against the forwarding of unstamped letters to the dead letter office, and said that the matter should have his early and very careful consideration.

Mr. R. Ewart Crane, of 1824 Notre Dame street, wrote informing the council that he had been appointed consul for the Guatemalan Republic.

It was decided to address the Minister of Public Works, urging the immediate commencement of the work of wharf extension, the need for increased wharfage accommodation being very apparent in connection with the desire of the Butter and Cheese Association that the Bristol Line of steamers be provided with berths in the upper portion of the harbor.

The chairman reported that since the last meeting representations had been made to the government, through Ald. Penny, M.P., respecting the board's desire that Montreal should be named the summer terminal port of the fast Atlantic service. The council followed up this action by adopting the following resolution for communication to the Minister of Trade and Commerce: "That the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade hereby presses the claim of the port of Montreal to be the summer terminus of the proposed fast mail service between Canada and Great Britain, to which end the council urges that in any contract made by the Government for such service, it shall be provided that the steamers shall come to Montreal each trip during the season of navigation."

The Board of Examiners for the Inspection of Leather and Raw Hides wrote protesting against the proposed removal of the hide inspection office from the city to the abattoirs, and urged that the present system of inspection of hides, viz., one inspector for city and district, with one office in the city, which came into force in October, 1896, be maintained, whereas all hides are taken to the office of the inspector and adjudged upon by him. In view of the absence of Mr. Stevenson, through indisposition, and the lack of full information in regard to the matter, the council deferred action until next meeting.

At the instance of Mr. E. L. Bond the following resolution was unanimously adopted: "That in view of the fact that Montreal is without an Admiralty Marine Court, such as is in force in Quebec, and in Toronto and other places in Ontario; and, further, that owing to the death of Judge Irvine, a fresh appointment for the Quebec district is under consideration, the present would appear an opportune time to press for recognition of the claims of the port of Montreal for the establishment of a Marine Court. Also, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Hon. Minister of Marine, with a request that this council be given an opportunity to be heard on the subject at an early date, before action is taken to appoint a successor to the late Judge Irvine under present arrangements."

THE CLUB LORANGER.

Addressed by THE HON. E. J. FLYNN. A meeting of Conservatives was held last night at the Loranger club-rooms, 1786 St. Catherine street, which was numerously attended. The chair was occupied by Mr. Alex. Lippe, the president of the Club Loranger, there being also present the Hon. E. J. Flynn, D. Parizeau, government candidate in St. Louis division; the Hon. Jos. Royal, Ald. Savignac, Major Atkinson, Wm. Barker, Capt. Carriere, A. T. Lepine, ex-M.P.; V. Allard, Conservative candidate in Berthier; Alfred Gattier, president of Lafontaine Club; Mr. Jos. Loranger, president of the Conservative Students' Association of Laval University, and many other prominent electors and members of the party.

After a few prelatory remarks from Mr. Lippe, the Hon. Mr. Flynn arose, amid applause, to address the meeting. Although, he said, it was perhaps the last club meeting, yet in face of such a demonstration he could not say it was the least. After speaking of the way in which photographs of the Hon. E. J. Flynn were being circulated through the province, Mr. Flynn asserted that if one followed the Liberal meetings, it would be seen that their favorite weapon was slander and calumny, and this for the simple reason that they had no other. The question was not one of Liberal or Conservative, but simply as to whether the electors wished to see a good and honest administration sustained. He did not fear to meet his opponents in open and public discussion, and claimed that his policy was broad enough and liberal enough to take in the best men of both parties. After remarking on the lack of any policy on the part of Mr. Marchand, Mr. Flynn proceeded to explain that of the present Provincial Government in dealing with education, agriculture and with colonization, and defended his land conversion scheme by which, he said, over \$1,500,000 would be saved to the province. In regard to the public debt of the province Mr. Flynn quoted figures to show that while under the Mercier regime the debt had increased by \$13,000,000 the Conser-

vative Government had reduced the sum total by \$2,000,000. In conclusion, he urged the electors to return Mr. Parizeau for the St. Louis division.

Speeches followed from Mr. D. Parizeau, the Hon. Joseph Royal, Ald. Savignac, Major Atkinson and others.

THE SANITORIUM.

In his petition to the special hospital fund committee, in connection with the Queen's jubilee, for aid in behalf of the Sanatorium for Consumptives, Dr. Laviolette points out that by generously devoting a portion of the money subscribed to the care and treatment of poor consumptives, a class of sufferers hitherto almost completely neglected would be reached, and not only the community at large would benefit by the preservation of a large number of useful citizens and a prevention of a spread of the disease, but an actual saving would also be effected, considering the cost of private treatment and the help that must be given to the families of the victims of the dreadful disease. The doctor also points out that all the preliminaries for the establishment of such an institution at the Tremblant Mountain, have now been completed, and the promoters are only awaiting material help to go on with the work.

MESSRS. CROSSLEY AND HUNTER. EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS IN SHERBROOKE.

The well-known evangelists, Messrs. Crossley and Hunter, commenced a series of meetings in Sherbrooke last Sunday, March 21. They occupied the pulpits of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches in the morning, and held a children's meeting in the spacious audience room of the latter at four p.m. In the evening the four congregations, Presbyterian, Methodist, Congregational and Baptist, with others, filled the house, in spite of the shush of the streets. The service was long, varied and interesting, a refreshing season was enjoyed, and while everything was quiet and orderly, a good deal of interest was manifested, many hands were raised for prayer and some afterwards testified of benefit received. A good meeting was also held on Monday evening, and the outlook is encouraging.

MRS. KEITH TO LECTURE.

Mrs. Ella M. Keith of Worcester, Mass., W. C. T. U. city and county superintendent of work among railway employees, is to lecture for the Point St. Charles Union in April. She will also speak in Waterloo and several places in Compton county. Besides her department work Mrs. Keith has several lectures which have been received with much acceptance. Some of the titles of these are "Opportunities, and how to improve them," "Up and doing," "The work and the workers," "Pro and con, or a clean sweep," "Unions desirous of securing Mrs. Keith should communicate with Mrs. R. W. McLachlan, 55 St. Monique street, Montreal. The date of Mrs. Keith's visit to this province will be from April 12 to April 22.

DAMAGES CLAIMED.

The hearing of the case of Monahan vs. the Montreal Street Railway Company was concluded before Judge Curran, in the Superior Court yesterday. The plaintiff claims \$5,000 damages on account of the loss of an arm in a collision between his cart and one of the company's cars, at the junction of Centre and Montmorency streets, in July last. Messrs. Ryan & Jacobs appeared for plaintiff, and Messrs. Abbotts, Campbell & Meredith for defendant. After hearing the evidence and argument, the Court took the case "en deliberé."

CONSERVATIVE HOPES.

Referring to the Champlain campaign, which opens to-day, the "Minerve" declares that the night will be a desperate one, and it hints that the most shameless attempts at bribery and corruption will be resorted to by the Rouges, who have sworn to win at any cost. It then concludes as follows: "Our friends in Champlain firmly await the Tarts, the Geoffrions and the Campeaus; they have no fear whatever on the final result. It will be the retaliation for Bonaventure and Wright."

A SEIZURE MAINTAINED.

Judge De Lorimier rendered judgment yesterday in the case of the Canada Paper Company vs. Boyd, et al. The Court resiliated the lease passed between the parties in 1894, maintained the seizure in reversion issued by plaintiff, and ordered defendants to deliver the effects seized, or in default to pay plaintiff \$279.94.

PROHIBITION IN MANITOBA.

THE LEGISLATURE TO SEEK SKILLED COUNSEL ON THE SUBJECT. Winnipeg, Man., March 25.—The Manitoba Legislature will seek the advice of skilled counsel as to whether under the recent Privy Council decision they can pass a prohibitory liquor law for Manitoba.

ACCIDENT ON THE CHATEAUGUAY.

Saranac Lake, N.Y., March 24.—A mixed train on the Chateaugay Railway was derailed near Standish this morning by a defective wheel on one of the cars. The engine and all the cars tipped over, and a passenger and a number of the train's crew were more or less injured.

THE PRICE OF OIL.

Lima, Ohio, March 25.—The Standard Oil Company has advanced the price of Lima oil to fifty-six cents per barrel for North Lima and fifty-two cents for South Lima and Indiana.

CIVIC COMMITTEES.

RESIEGE THE CITY COUNCIL FOR MONEY.

ALD. PREFONTAINE AND THE WATER AND POWER COMPANY—THAT EAST END EXPROPRIATION SCHEME.

The civic fathers managed to get through with considerable business at the City Council meeting yesterday afternoon. The Mayor presided and almost all the members were present.

A letter was received from the Montreal Exposition Company asking the city to grant it the sum of \$10,000 to be spent upon the annual exhibition in August next. The request was referred to the Finance Committee.

A number of citizens in St. Louis Ward were granted leave to incorporate a vocal club in that section.

A notice of motion was made by Ald. Prefontaine to the effect that at the next meeting of the Council he would ask that a committee be appointed to consider the difficulties between the Montreal Water & Power Company and the city, in order that St. Denis Ward and Maisonneuve would not suffer in their water supply this summer. It will be remembered that this company now owes the city about \$150,000.

The author of this notice of motion also made a notice of motion to the effect that a committee be appointed to consider the difficulties between certain landowners in the east end and the city. This is the matter in which ex-Ald. Hurlbut and other proprietors are interested. Under a former law these proprietors insisted upon the city taking certain lands which the city insists it does not want.

These motions will be more fully ventilated at the next meeting.

Ald. Marsolet moved that the City Attorney be instructed to appeal a case against the city in which the Bell Telephone Company was supposed to have the right to lay pipes in the streets without the permission of the corporation. The motion was laid on the table till next meeting, when an opinion from the City Attorney will be received on the matter.

A letter was read from the Central Trades and Labor Council asking for another investigation into the charge made against the Harbor Commissioners that they employed foreign labor in preference to local labor, and it was referred to the Mayor, who will consult the Harbor Commissioners about the matter. It appears that for various reasons the Trades and Labor Council are not satisfied with a certain investigation recently held by the Harbor Board.

A report from the Finance Committee asking that it be allowed to pay the \$478 for the funerals of the three firemen killed at the St. Peter street fire, was agreed on.

The following petitions for money were referred to the Finance Committee for consideration:—\$9,000 from the Police Committee for furnaces and repairs to certain stations; \$7,000 from the Health Committee to build new stables; \$4,000 from the Water Committee, to spend on thawing hydrants; \$1,000 from the Parks and Ferries Committee to open a boulevard on St. Helen's Island, and \$10,000 from the Road Committee, to spend upon buying stone.

It was decided that the Fire Committee should be allowed to sell old No. 7 Fire Station, as a new one is to be erected elsewhere.

The request from the Cemetery Trust to be allowed to open up a portion of the Mountain Park as a roadway to the Protestant Cemetery was referred to the Finance Committee.

The City Attorney was instructed to draft the new amendments to the market by-laws, as agreed upon by the Market Committee and printed recently in this paper.

A request from the Water Committee to sell certain civic property and apply the proceeds to making repairs in the Water Department, was sent to the Finance Committee.

Quite a warm discussion ensued over a report from the Road Committee asking that Jacques Cartier street be named St. Timothy street, from Notre Dame street to Lagache street—above Lagache street the name changes to Montana street.

Ald. Jacques protested against Jacques Cartier street having two names, as the change would result in confusion, and made a motion that the whole street be called Montana street.

In the discussion which ensued, it transpired that a number of proprietors had petitioned the Road Committee to change the name of this street on account of the reputation it bore.

"Some thirty years ago," said Ald. Stevenson, "this street bore the name of St. Nicholas Tolentine street, but it was changed to Jacques Cartier street on account of its reputation; now it is proposed to change the name again. It seems to me that it is the character of some of its residents which needs changing." He went on to say he did not approve of the street having two names and that if any change were made, the whole street should bear the name of Montana street.

Quite a battle ensued over the matter, and the result was that the report was sent back to the Road Committee.

Ald. Jacques brought up again the question of having River St. Pierre, in St. Gabriel Ward, bridged over, on account of the stretch from it. He moved that the government be asked to do this work.

Ald. Sadler pointed out that this mat-

ter was most serious from the point of public health, and hoped prompt action would be taken.

On the suggestion of the Mayor, the matter was referred to the Provincial Board of Health.

A communication, accompanied by plans, was read from the secretary of the Montreal Bridge Company, giving details of the proposed bridge across the St. Lawrence River.—Road Committee. The Council then adjourned.

THE ANCIENT CAPITAL.

AN OLD CLAIM.

Quebec, March 25.—The Superior Court here yesterday dismissed with costs a very interesting suit. The plaintiffs, a family named Pinal dit Lafrance, claimed to be descended from and to represent the rights of Hebert, the first settler to clear land in Canada at Quebec, and as such they demanded to be replaced in possession of all the ground on which the Quebec Seminary and Laval University are built as part of Hebert's property. They failed, however, to establish their claim to the satisfaction of the court.

MURDER TRIAL AT RIMOUSKI.

A very nice legal question is involved in a murder trial now going on at Rimouski before Judge Larue of Quebec. In October last two brothers named Francois and Philippe Lecours, belonging to Cabot, near St. Octave de Metis, arrived on a train at Ste. Flavie. Francois, the younger of the two, was perfectly sober, but Philippe was very much intoxicated and inclined to quarrel with his brother, who wanted to keep him quiet, when Philippe suddenly drew a knife and struck his brother in the arm, severing one of the arteries. With the aid of the other passengers in the car, the flow of blood, which was rapidly draining the injured man's life away, was temporarily checked until the train reached Ste. Flavie, where it was expected that medical aid could be obtained.

But unfortunately Dr. Ross, the local physician, was absent at the moment and the wounded man had to wait until Dr. Martin of Rimouski could be brought on by another train. On the latter's arrival, he effectually staunching the blood and dressed the wound, telling the patient to keep quiet and to remain two days at least at Ste. Flavie before going home to Cabot. But, feeling better that night, he disobeyed Dr. Martin's advice, and left with his friends for St. Octave de Metis, saying that he could find doctors as well there. A fortnight or so later his family sent for Dr. Demers of St. Octave, to visit him, as his wound, they said, was still bleeding and emitting a bad smell. Gangrene had set in and, despite the efforts of Dr. Demers and Dr. Ross of Ste. Flavie to save the unfortunate man's life, he succumbed. Now, the question arises as to the responsibility for his death, whether he was not to blame for it himself.

The medical men agree in saying that had the wound been attended to at the outset and had the victim obeyed the instructions of Dr. Martin and not neglected proper medical care afterwards, the wound he received would have easily healed and he would have been alive still and as well as ever. But, however the question may be decided, the case is only another illustration of the evils of the liquor traffic.

A TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE.

A party of men, who left Isle aux Coudres, opposite Bay St. Paul, on Monday last, to cross over to the north shore in an open boat, were caught in the floating ice and carried about at its mercy over a distance of fifty miles and throughout part of a day and a whole night, before, half frozen, they could effect a landing on the Island of Orleans.

WRIGHT COUNTY ELECTION.

The Bleu papers here maintain a mournful silence over the latest Liberal victory, the proportions of which seem to be increasing hourly as the outstanding polls are heard from. On the other hand, the local Liberal organs are jubilant and ask how many more lessons of the kind are needed to show certain people that a spirit has been aroused even in this province, which is determined to put an end to the desecration of religion for partisan purposes. They also claim that the Laurier Government is now absolutely sure to win the Champlain election and that the days of the Flynn Government are numbered.

NOTES.

The "Chronicle" violently opposes the proposal to extend the Intercolonial to Montreal, declaring that the latter got the short line at a cost of \$5,000,000, that the act of confederation gave Quebec the terminus of the Intercolonial, that if it is to be moved to Montreal, the bridge which is to be built to bring it into Quebec would be useless, and it would be impossible to get capital to go into it, and that the political life of any man from this district who voted to extend the Intercolonial to Montreal would not be worth five minutes' purchase.

The Dominion Revenue cutter "Constance" arrived in port from Indian Cove yesterday to take in stores and coals before proceeding below. She is the first arrival of the season.

MANITOBA SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

Winnipeg, Man., March 25.—The Manitoba Legislature yesterday adopted the supplementary estimates, the chief item of which was sixty thousand dollars for a permanent building for the Manitoba University.

THE CRETAN DIFFICULTY.

A NEUTRAL ZONE TO BE ESTABLISHED ALONG THE GRECO-TURKISH FRONTIER.

London, March 24.—The "Daily News" says that the powers have accepted the proposal for the establishment of a neutral zone along the Greco-Turkish frontier and will require the Greek and Turkish troops to withdraw from the territory included in the zone.

London, March 24.—The "Daily News" will publish a despatch from Athens denying the statement that the Greek Government favors the making of the island of Crete a principedom under Prince George of Greece.

London, March 24.—The "Standard" tomorrow will print a despatch from Constantinople stating that the Porte has instructed the representatives in Europe of the Turkish Government to enter into negotiations for the purchase of three ironclads at a cost of £1,500,000.

Athens, March 24.—The "Eppermis," which is regarded as reflecting the views of King George, in an article on the Cretan difficulties, emphatically reaffirms the position of the king. The article concludes as follows:—"The king will never join himself with the powers in pressing the Cretons to accept autonomy and the suzerainty of the Sultan, nor will he ever consent to such a solution of the difficulties. The Cretons reject autonomy, which their king rejects also, and will accept only one solution, namely, that upon which the will of the nation and the will of the Cretons shall agree. Every pressure exerted by the powers in Crete will have its counter stroke on the frontier and beyond."

Athens, March 24.—Considerable anxiety is felt here for the safety of the Greek steamer "Hera," which started for Crete on March 19, with a cargo of provisions for the Greek troops in the island, and has not yet returned. On board the steamer were the President of the Chamber of Deputies and a number of other prominent persons.

THE SCHOOL SETTLEMENT.

THE AMENDMENTS ADOPTED IN THE MANITOBA LEGISLATURE YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

Winnipeg, Man., March 24.—The final act in the school settlement, as far as Manitoba is concerned, was taken by the legislature yesterday afternoon, when the bill containing the amendments to the Manitoba school law, in accordance with the terms of the Laurier-Greenway settlement, was read a third time. The third reading was adopted without a word of discussion.

PAPAL ALEGATE TO CANADA.

EXPECTED TO FINISH HIS MISSION IN TIME TO REPRESENT THE POPE AT THE JUBILEE CELEBRATION IN LONDON.

London, March 25.—The "Standard" today publishes a despatch from its correspondent in Rome saying that the Pope at the coming Consistory will refer to the mission of Mgr. Merry del Val, the papal delegate to the Catholic Church in Canada. If his mission is concluded in time, the despatch further says, Mgr. Merry del Val will probably represent the Pope at the celebration in June next at the completion of the sixtieth year of the reign of Queen Victoria.

Quebec, March 25.—The "Soleil," the French Liberal organ here, addressing the Toronto "Mail and Empire," with reference to the latter's strictures on the coming of Canada of the Papal Delegate, says:—"The intervention of the Pope, the common father of the great Catholic family, is only to settle a dispute between its members. Now, Catholics do not suffer by it either in their rights or their pecuniary interests. The Papal Delegate is not coming here to make laws. He comes to straighten out difficulties, to give civil liberty to a million of British subjects who were being treated as pariahs and slaves. He is not coming to perform his mission at the expense of the Canadian Government, but at that of the head of the Church. So much for the principle. But if we were permitted to publish the record which we have in hand, what a terrible chastisement it would bring to certain personages."

AID FOR FAMINE SUFFERERS.

Park Hill, Ont., March 25.—The council of the town of Park Hill appointed a committee of ten persons, two from each of the five churches, to get up a concert to aid the sufferers by famine in India. All worked harmoniously. The concert was held last night, Mayor Miller occupying the chair. Eighty-two dollars and thirty-five cents clear was the result, with everybody well pleased. The committee decided to send the money to the acting Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, Sir Casimir Gzowski, to be forwarded to the proper authorities.

NAVIGATION RESUMED.

Toronto, Ont., March 24.—Navigation opened this morning the first arrival in port being the steamer "Lakeside" from St. Catharines, whose captain secures the silk hat always presented by the Harbor Commissioners to the first arrival. The date of opening was much earlier than usual this year. Last year's date was April 4 and in 1895 the date of the first arrival was April 11.

MR. GREENWAY COMING EAST.

Winnipeg, Man., March 25.—Mr. Greenway goes to Ottawa immediately on the close of the Manitoba Legislature to consult with Mr. Laurier.

CANADIAN WATERWAYS.

DEEPENING OF THE ST. LAWRENCE CANALS TO BE COMPLETED IN TWO YEARS.

Toronto, March 24.—Important correspondence between the Hon. A. G. Blair, Minister of Railways and Canals, and Mr. E. A. Wills, secretary of the Toronto Board of Trade, was today made public. Writing on March 13, Mr. Wills raised the questions of the enlargement of the St. Lawrence canal system to a fourteen feet draught, saying that a rumor was current that the government did not intend to put in the estimates a sum to cover work not now under contract, thus not completing this important work. The marine section of the Board, Mr. Wills stated, was strongly in favor of the completion of the work within the century, and thought that other transportation schemes should be subordinated to this. He added that the late government declared its intention to finish the work by 1899.

The Hon. Mr. Blair, writing on March 18, states that he is not in a position to make a definite statement as to the policy of the government on the canal system, though he does not doubt that the government is prepared to push the completion of the canal system with all proper expedition, his own view being that the sooner it is done the better. He adds that the appropriations made by the late government were not large enough to countenance the idea that it intended to complete the work by 1899.

Writing on March 22 Mr. Blair says: "I am happy now to be able to inform you that since my former letter I have had an opportunity of laying the whole matter before my colleagues, and that the conclusion has been arrived at to push the work forward, looking to the completion of all the St. Lawrence canals with the utmost despatch. Our present expectation is that a waterway will be available for traffic by the spring of 1899. Unless some unforeseen or unavoidable difficulties arise, the trade may count upon this result being accomplished. The efforts of this department will, at all events, be directed to this end."

THAT LUMBER TARIFF.

Toronto, March 25.—Martin Burton, Barrie, lumberman, has arrived from the Saginaw. "If the United States Government insist upon putting a duty of two dollars per thousand feet upon Canadian lumber," said Mr. Burton, "there is no doubt the Dominion Government will retaliate and place an export duty upon logs. The lumbermen in the Saginaw district know this, and are striving to have the import duty cut down to a dollar. They have a strong case, and expect help from Mr. Alger, Secretary of War, who has large lumber interests in Canada. The impression is gaining ground that the United States Government will compromise and reduce the duty to a dollar. This will be accepted by both parties, both in the United States and Canada."

THE ARBITRATION TREATY.

Washington, March 25.—An agreement was reached by the Senate in executive session yesterday afternoon on an hour for voting on the amendments to the general treaty of arbitration between the United States and Great Britain, but consent to an agreement for the final vote was refused. At two o'clock next Wednesday the vote will be taken on the amendments then pending, and the treaty in its then shape is to be printed for the use of the Senate the next day. At four o'clock on Thursday the vote is to be taken upon all amendments that may be offered in the meantime, and this will be the last of the votes on proposed amendments. From that time the debate will proceed on the treaty proper.

EMIGRANTS RETURNING.

New York, March 25.—Seventeen more Canadians who had been enlisted to colonize in Brazil by an agency in Montreal arrived here today on the steamship "Wadsworth" from Rio de Janeiro. They were taken to Ellis Island to await the action of the British consul, who assisted two former batches of returning emigrants, all dupes of the same scheme. Guarantees of work were not observed, and men, women and children return in a pitiable condition, ill-nourished and scantily clothed. They were forwarded to New York by the British consuls in Brazil.

AN INTERESTING CASE.

London, March 24.—A petition presented by the Hon. Thomas F. Bayard, United States ambassador, on behalf of the President and citizens of the United States will be heard at St. Paul's Cathedral tomorrow by the Chancellor of the Diocese of London, Mr. Thomas H. Tristram, Q.C. The petition asks for the custody of manuscript deposited in the library of Fulham Palace containing the records of the early history of the Pilgrim Fathers and their voyage to America in the "Mayflower."

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