

## SPAIN ASKS FOR A DELAY OF TWENTYFOUR HOURS.

### The Rawlins and Foraker Resolutions Declaring for the Independence of Cuba Referred to a Sub-Committee.

## SPAIN IS ANXIOUS TO AVOID A RUPTURE

### It is Believed She Will Recognize the Independence of Cuba if a Large Indemnity is Paid—American Loyalists Still Anxious to Force Matters.

Washington, March 30.—Mr. Bailey, the Democratic leader, presented as a matter of privilege, a resolution recognizing the independence of Cuba. A perfect whirlwind of applause overwhelmed the speaker from the galleries. Mr. Boutelle House in speaking to the point, declared that he had no purpose to raise disorder in the House. He believed he had a right to make it. The greatest confusion and excitement prevailed. Mr. Bailey said the House had a right to decide this question and accept the responsibility.

### RAWLINS AND FORAKER RESOLUTIONS.

The Senate committee on foreign relations failed to reach an agreement at its meeting to-day on any of the Cuban resolutions before it, but referred the whole matter to a sub-committee and then adjourned.

The members of the Foreign Relations Committee who saw the President to-day assured the other members that the Cuban situation would be decided upon a very few days and that Congress would be informed. The utmost limit placed upon the time when the matter will be settled one way or another was stated as one week, while others thought that it might be within forty-eight hours.

The committee considered it would be unwise in view of negotiation now on to precipitate matters at this time. It was said that Congress need not take action to hurry the Administration in view of what had been learned by members. The Senate passed a resolution on motion of Chairman Davis, of the foreign relations committee, allowing them to sit during the session of the Senate. The committee will resume its sessions at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

### Attitude of Republicans.

General Grosvenor, of Ohio, has expressed his willingness to call a caucus of the Republican members to decide upon action with relation to the Cuban situation if one is desired. But, some of the most radical Republicans do not believe a caucus should be held for fear it would lead to open division between Republicans in Congress and the President.

### Spanish Naval Movements.

The Navy Department has received a despatch saying that several Spanish warships have left Cartagena, Spain. The destination has not been learned as yet. The news excited great interest at the Navy Department. It was learned that the ships which left Cartagena are the armored cruisers Infanta Maria, Theresa and Cristobal Colon, and the torpedo boat destroyer Destructor.

### White House Besieged.

The White House was besieged by callers to-day, including Chairman Davis and Senator Frye, Cullen and Gray, of the Foreign Relations Committee, and Hanna, Burgess, Hawley, Spooner, Walcott and Allison.

### Spain's Attitude to-day.

No Promise Will be Given to Stop the Cuban War.

New York, March 30.—A despatch from Madrid says: A long cable message was held at yesterday lasting well into the evening. The reply to be made to the United States Government through Minister Woodford to the two notes sent last week by President McKinley. It can be stated on high authority that at least no final response has yet been made. The Spanish ministers can make no definite promise to terminate the war in Cuba.

Spain will promise to relieve the starving reconcentrados to her utmost ability, and will accept the cooperation of the American relief committees if unofficial and not accompanied by a naval demonstration that will encourage the insurgents. Spain is also willing to make home rule complete as an encouragement to peace, but the government cannot consent to any armistice which implies previous recognition by Spain of the belligerency of the Cubans; nor negotiate publicly or officially with rebels, nor enter into any discussion leading to the sale of Cuba or the independence of the Cubans.

The financial newspapers, in viewing the news in Madrid, and Barcelona speak frankly and do not believe in the success of the Cuban cause. Spanish four per cent. bonds have fallen to 40 cents on the dollar. The note circulation of Spain is within the limit of the maximum limit fixed by the financial laws. Spain has of national revenue to carry on the Cuban war. In such straits the best financial advice that will not be quoted, is to promptly restore in Cuba by the most drastic measures, sooner than cripple the finances and prosperity of the nation to come.

### HEARD IN OTTAWA.

#### Despatches Indicate That There is an Understanding Between Britain and U.S.

Ottawa, Ont., March 30.—(Special.)—Private despatches from Washington intimate that it is believed in well informed circles that a clearer understanding exists between the States and England than is generally imagined. The presence of the American fleet at Hong Kong and of a British fleet in West Indian waters is not

## MANY CHANGES IN QUEBEC'S SYSTEM

### Government Takes Steps to Raise the Standard of Education in This Province.

### NO UNTRAINED TEACHERS

#### One Examining Board for Protestant Schools.

#### CITY NORMALITES TO PAY \$4.

### NEWS FROM CORNWALL.

#### The Death of an Old Landmark—Arrest of Albert Whitney.

Cornwall, March 29.—(Special.)—One of the old landmarks of Stormont County passed over to the great silent majority on Thursday of last week in the person of Mary McPhail, relict of William Fisher, of McMillan's Corners. The deceased lady had been ill for about six months. She was 85 years of age, and was of a very kind disposition. Her nine children all survive her. They are Dan, William and Andrew Fisher, Mrs. Scott, St. Andrew's, Mrs. McDonald, 9th concession Cornwall Town; Mrs. Mulhern, 6th concession Roxborough; Mrs. Bellmore, McPhail's Corners; Mrs. A. McDonald, North Branch, and Mrs. Vasinder, of Cornwall.

### M'KINLEY WAITING SAGASTA'S ANSWER.

#### Meanwhile Diplomatic Relations Are Trembling in the Balance.

New York, March 30.—A special from Washington says—McKinley waits on Sagasta and the diplomatic relation between the two nations hang trembling in the balance. On the Cuban question the American proposition is that Spain arrange some time in the near future to accept Gomez offer to pay \$200,000,000 for Cuban independence; that an armistice be entered into, during which the Spanish troops are to be withdrawn from the island; that the Reconcentrados be released immediately and permitted to return to their homes, and that the United States furnish them not only with food, but purchase them farming implements. Spain is considering this in Madrid.

### ALFRED AUSTIN SINGS OF ANGLO-AMERICAN UNITY.

#### The British Poet Laureate Hails the Brotherhood of the Two People Bound by Ties of Blood to Preserve the Freedom and Peace of the World.

London, March 28.—The newspapers to-day published the following poem from the pen of Alfred Austin, the British poet laureate:

What is the voice I hear  
On the wind of the Western Sea?  
Sentinel, listen from out Cape Clear,  
And say what the voice may be.

"'Tis a proud, free people calling loud to a people proud and free,  
"And it says to them, 'Kinsmen, hail!  
We severed have been too long;  
Now let us have done with a wornout tale,  
The tale of an ancient wrong,  
And our friendship last long as love doth last, and be stronger than death is strong.'"

Answer them, sons of the selfsame race,  
And blood of the selfsame clan,  
Let us speak with each other, face to face,  
And answer as man to man,  
And loyally love and trust each other as none but free men can.

Now fling them out to the breeze,  
Shamrock, thistle and rose,  
And the Star-Spangled Banner unfurl with these,  
A message to friends and foes,  
Wherever the sails of peace are seen and wherever the war wind blows,

A message to bond and thrall to wake,  
For wherever we come, we twain,  
The throne of the tyrant shall rock and quake  
And our menace be void and vain.

For you are lords of a strong, young land and we are lords of the main.  
Yes, this is the voice of the bluff March gale,  
"We severed have been too long;  
But now we have done with a wornout tale,  
The tale of an ancient wrong,  
And our friendship last long as love doth last and be stronger than death is strong.""

ALFRED AUSTIN.

### TWO ARMS CUT OFF.

#### Two Men Mutilated in the Same Way by Circular Saws.

An employe of Messrs. Aquin & Co. and living at 1214 DuRoi street, had his left arm cut by a circular saw yesterday afternoon. His right arm was caught by a circular saw and cut to the bone. He was conveyed to the Notre Dame Hospital in the ambulance, where it was found necessary to amputate the arm.

### GROTHE STRIKE ENDED.

#### Master and Men Settle Their Differences and Work Will be Resumed.

The differences existing between the firm of L. D. Grothe & Co. and their employes have been adjusted to the satisfaction of all concerned. Mr. T. P. Tracy, international vice-president of the Cigar-makers' Union, had an interview with Mr. Grothe, and the matter was amicably settled. The question was not official, and was not authorized by the cigar-makers' organization. He further stated that there was no ill-feeling on the part of the cigar-makers against the firm. All the men who quit will resume work to-morrow noon.

### JUDGMENTS TO-MORROW.

The Court of Review will render judgments to-morrow morning, at the Court House, room 24, at eleven o'clock.

Mr. Justice Davidson will render judgments at half-past ten, at room 21, in the following cases:—Thompson v. Fulton, Davis v. Anderson, Lunn v. Houllston, Shaver v. Snyder.

### CORNWALL WATER WORKS

#### The Appeal in the Arbitration Case Has Been Dismissed.

Cornwall, Ont., March 30.—(Special.)—Justice Street has given judgment in the appeal of the Cornwall Waterworks Company against the award of the arbitrators in the matter of the expropriation of the waterworks by the town. The arbitrators set the value of the works at \$78,225.85, which, with the statutory percentage amounted to \$86,401.75. The company claimed that they should have been allowed for the second canal crossing rendered necessary by a change of lock 18 of the Cornwall canal; that they should have been allowed for changes of intake pipe caused by low water in the river, and interest of the cost of the works during the time they were unremunerative. It was also contended that the arbitrators had proceeded on a wrong principle, inasmuch as they did not award the value of the works according to their earning power, which measure would make the company entitled to \$140,000. The appeal was dismissed with costs. Aylesworth, O.C., and McEwen, Laidell and Cline for the company; James Laidell, O.C., Cornwall, and E. D. Armour, O.C., for the town of Cornwall; Bruce, O.C., for mortgagees.

### PARALYSIS SET IN.

#### Mr. Thidale, a Coteau Notary, is Very Dangerously Ill.

Coteau Landing, March 30.—(Special.)—Mr. J. P. Thidale, notary for the Federal Government on the expropriations for the Soulanges canal was stricken with paralysis last night.

On account of this advanced age it is feared that he will not recover. Mr. Thidale has an extensive practice and has for over forty years been in the parish of St. Olet, in which he has always been the secretary-treasurer of the Municipal Council and school commissioners.

### 10 YEARS AND LASHES.

#### Heavy Sentence Passed on Albert Whitney at Kingston.

Kingston, Ont., March 30.—(Special.)—Albert Whitney was arrested at Cornwall on Monday for indecent assault on a young girl. He pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to ten years in Kingston penitentiary, with forty-eight lashes, twenty-four one week after entry, and twenty-four one month before entry. He is an old criminal.

### IT WAS A HUMAN THORAX

#### And Had Been Used for Dissecting Purposes.

The skeleton of a thorax found in a bush near St. Louis on Monday was examined yesterday by Dr. Wyatt Johnson, Government medical expert, and proved to be that of a human body which had been used for dissecting purposes. The bones were removed for burial. Corner McMahon will ask the inspector of anatomy, Mr. Hudson, to remind the colleges that the bones of bodies used for dissection should be sent to the cemetery for proper interment.

### M'GILL NOTES.

Lectures in the mechanical engineering course and arts closed to-day. Examinations in both faculties will begin to-morrow, and be continued through the course of next week.

In the arts course examinations in Hebrew take place to-morrow, and in Greek and Latin on Monday and Tuesday next. Convocation in these faculties will be held about the 2nd of April.

A meeting of the McGill Physical Society will be held on Saturday next for the reception of reports and the election of officers.

### THE ST. LOUIS CAR CASE.

Appeals have been entered in the case of Berger and St. Louis, and the Montreal Park and Island Railway Co. and the Town of St. Louis. The railway company, it will be remembered, was ordered recently by Judge Langelier to comply with the terms of its arrangement with the town for a five-minute service, cheap tickets, transfers, etc.

### SAYS HE STOLE THE NOTE.

Michel Labelle came before Judge Desnoyers this morning on a charge of stealing a note for \$40 from Alf. Frejeu. The latter is a market gardener at Rougemont, and the prisoner was one of his agents. Frejeu owed Labelle \$40, and gave him a note at a month's time, on the understanding that before that time he would pay the cash and have the note returned. He claims to have paid the cash and that Labelle kept the note and sold it. The case is still in progress.

### MASTER AND SERVANT FALL OUT.

On Monday afternoon when Louis H. Painchaud returned to his home, 483 St. Hubert street, he told his servant Willie Hubert to do some work in the stable, and Hubert, he says, refused to do it. High words followed, and arguments were soon exchanged for blows. Mr. Painchaud has

### A GUID SCOTCH NIGHT

There will be a concert given in the lecture room of Knox Church on Friday evening next. A good programme of music and song has been prepared, to ensue.

### Much Enterprise.

The Montreal Herald, under its new management has displayed much enterprise of late, so much so that it now occupies a leading place among Quebec dailies. Last Saturday this company issued a special Klondike edition that equals, if not surpasses, those given us by other journals. The large map of British Columbia, the Yukon Provisional Territory and Alaska, bringing out in a prominent manner the several routes to the Northwestern gold fields is worthy of preservation, and this is only one of the many interesting features to be found in this up-to-date number.

—Glengarry News.

## BIG SHAM BATTLE HERE ON MAY 24

### Arrangements Being Made Today for Military Show on Queen's Birthday.

### OUTSIDE BATTALIONS.

#### It is Expected Over 2,000 Men Will Take Part.

#### BATTLE FIELD NOT CHOSEN.

It has been definitely decided that the Queen's birthday will be celebrated by the regiments of this city by a grand field day, in which the entire militia force of the city will take part. It is also more than likely that the 62nd Battalion, from St. John, N.B., will be here for a few days at that time, and will join the local regiments in the review and in the field exercises. The regiments which will take part are the Victoria Rifles, 6th Fusiliers, 5th Royal Scots, 65th Battalion, Prince of Wales Rifles, and the 62nd Battalion of St. John, N.B. The Garrison Artillery and the two companies of Hussars will also take part. Part of the 85th Battalion will likely be present.

A number of the regiments were planning trips to outside cities, but after consideration these were abandoned. The field day will form a substitute and be of great service to officers and men, and will afford an imposing spectacle for the citizens.

Lt.-Col. Gordon, D.O.C., has spent a busy day perfecting the details of the scheme. As yet the battle field has not been chosen. That will, however, be settled this afternoon, as well as the composition of the opposing forces and the "generals" of the opposing forces.

The operation will likely last two days, May 23 and 24.

### BANKING AND COMMERCE.

#### Canadian Railway Accident Co.'s Application Withdrawn.

#### Victoria Insurance Co.'s Bill or This City Under Discussion.

Ottawa, March 30.—(Special.)—The committee on banking and commerce met this morning and took up the Canadian Railway accident insurance company. There was great objection taken to the clause fixing the number of directors at twenty and the quorum at seven. This was asked because the directors are scattered all over the Dominion, and it would be difficult to obtain a meeting of them all, although all would have a right to attend the meetings. Several members objected to handing over the control of a company to a minority of the directors and Sir Louis Davies pointed out that it was possible whether probable or not, that two quorums of seven could get together and pass conflicting resolutions.

The superintendent of insurance proposed a clause to be added to the bill, preventing the company from taking risks on sickness not terminating in death until an extra sum of \$5,000 capital stock has been paid up. The present subscribed capital is \$175,000, of which \$34,000 is paid up. The deposit made with the Government is \$20,000 and before being able to do a business in insurance against sickness they would have to deposit \$10,000 more.

Mr. Fitzgerald believed this would leave too small a margin of working capital and so he asked for an insertion of the clause. The committee agreed to this and thereupon Mr. Belcourt, the promoter of the bill withdrew it.

The Manufacturers' Guarantee and Accident Insurance Company, which has had its name changed to the Dominion of Canada Guarantee and Accident Insurance Company, was given power to issue preference stock.

The next bill taken up was that to incorporate the Victoria Fire Insurance Company. Objections were taken to the name on behalf of the Victoria Mutual Fire Insurance Company, a Hamilton concern, and Mr. Quinn replied that he was willing to have any addition to the name that would make it distinctive. He insisted on the retention of the word "Victoria," in spite of the objections of the Hamilton members, and finally the name was fixed as "The Victoria (Montreal) Fire Insurance Company." The remaining sections of the bill were those usual in Acts of incorporation. The capital is fixed at one million dollars, of which \$300,000 must be subscribed, and twenty-five per cent. of that paid up, before the provisional directors are succeeded by an elected board.

### THE JUDGE CAUGHT THEM

#### Four Young Men Who Were Destroying Property.

Judge Dugas has the interests of justice at heart, even when not on the Bench. Last night, or rather, this morning, as he was returning from the station at Catherine street, he caused the arrest of four young men who were creating a disturbance. As he passed through the streets, he saw four men tear down a sign from a store and carry it into the middle of the street, causing a great disturbance. Garbage barrels heaped received some attention. The judge went to No. 5 P.R. street, where the disturbance was taking out the cause of the noise, and the four were arrested. They were Joseph Monette, Alexander Woodman, Francis Delber, and John Mayberry.

### AN INDICATION.

The following telegram was received by an official of the R. O. & N. Co., yesterday; it explains itself.

Montreal, Wis.—Will you inform me of the greatest draft which can be taken through the rapids in order to reach Montreal?

(Signed) A. B. Davis,  
Capt. U. S. Revenue Cutter Graham.

### CRUSHED BY CARS.

Edward Burke, aged 22, living at 88 St. Andrew street, was crushed while pushing a cart at the C.P.R. Windsor station about eleven o'clock last night. The appliance of the General Hospital was called, and Burke was removed to that institution for treatment. On enquiry this morning he was said to be doing nicely.

### TO REDUCE THE INTEREST.

Ottawa, March 30.—(Special.)—The Government has decided to reduce the interest in the Government savings banks from 2 per cent. to 1 1/2 per cent. The reason for this is principally due to the fact that money can be borrowed for about this amount, and the Government generally tries to keep the interest at the amount for which money can be obtained.

### STOCK EXCHANGE CANARD.

London March 30.—It is reported on the Stock Exchange this morning that President Kruger of the Transvaal Republic, who was in circulation on the Stock Exchange here to-day, at the Department of the Interior, was shot and killed. The story is probably a Stock Exchange canard.

### SETTLERS FOR CANADA.

Ottawa, March 30.—(Special.)—The following telegram has been received from M. V. Molines, immigration agent, Detroit, at the Department of the Interior:—"One car load of settlers and two cars stock and effects left here to-day." The telegram is dated yesterday.

### FAIR AND COOL.

Minimum temperature, 37; maximum, 57; wind, S.W.; clouds, 3; rain, 0.1; bar, 30.1; humidity, 65; wind, S.W.; clouds, 3; rain, 0.1; bar, 30.1; humidity, 65.

Probabilities—Westerly winds; fair and cool to-day and on Thursday.







RESOURCES OF THE YUKON DISTRICT. A Great Deal of the Gold Found in Pockets. THE WORKING OF CLAIMS. It is Quite Different from What Many People Think.

Bennett, March 7.—Though it is impossible at the present stage of development to form an adequate estimate of the resources of the Yukon district, sufficient work has been done to justify great expectations. Development has chiefly gone on in the northern part of the territory and when the rich strikes of the Eldorado and Bonanza were in the first instance very meagre, and when word went out that great strikes had been made on these creeks, old miners in the country paid attention to the cry, thinking it merely the work of speculators. This is why these two great creeks, the Eldorado and Bonanza, fell to the lot of new-comers into the country. Mining in this country is practical rather than theoretical. Often where least expected gold is found, and where, on the contrary, the rock formation should indicate the presence of gold, it is to be found. Then again, a great deal of the gold unearthed in this country has been found in pockets. There has been struck, then a dip in the formation of the stratum has caused a pocket into which the gold has dropped and lain there. Though the development has chiefly proceeded in the northern part of the territory, there is every evidence of yet richer strikes being made in the southern part of the district. Considerable prospecting has been done along the Hootalinqua district this winter and indications seem to be that that part of the territory has immense gold deposits. The gold has been found everywhere, but the sources from which it came have not yet been traced. I am acquainted with several gentlemen who stated to me that they had staked a quartz vein in the locality, and who claim it is one of the richest discovered, but as far as indications go at the present time, ever made. The exact location of this vein they would not divulge. Again on the Phil Walsh Creek, about four miles north of the Big Salmon River and seventy miles from the Hootalinqua, prospecting has been going on all winter, with the result that the Phil Walsh Creek is being located as rapidly as people can get down to it. This is a placer mining creek, and the discoverer informed me he had taken out \$150 to a pan at a depth of seven feet. I myself, saw gold taken from this creek as large as wheat. I cite these instances merely to show that the auriferous strata are not confined to the northern district, but extend to the southern part of the territory as well. Indeed, this has been amply demonstrated by the findings in the famous Cassiar Bar, from which \$6,000 was taken in 30 days. Phil Walsh Creek is situated just 8 miles below the Cassiar. In fact there is no reason why the whole 600 miles from the southern to the northern boundary of the district, should not be as rich in gold as the northern 100 miles has proved itself to be. The extent of the gold deposits of this country can only be arrived at by exploration and discovery, but the fact that the country is fabulously rich in the precious metal there appears to be little doubt, not only in placer mining, but in quartz mining as well. As far as other minerals are concerned there are indications of great copper belts and I believe application has already been made for a large coal belt. Prospecting and Working of Claims. There seems to be great misconception in the east as to prospecting and the working of claims in this district. One cannot just walk out anywhere and pick up gold by the bucketful. On the contrary it can only be obtained after hard and arduous work. In the summer time around Dawson City there is a mass of ice covering the ground about a foot in depth, which the sun of summer melts. Through this the prospector must wade for perhaps fifty or one hundred miles carrying his provisions and his bedding on his back. The most that any man can carry wading through this melted moss is fifty pounds. Suppose this fifty pounds would last a man 20 days. This is a liberal time to devote to the consumption of fifty pounds of provisions by Yukoners. It is astonishing how people eat in this country. A good citizen of Manitoba expressed it on the way out over the ice this winter, when he said, "I could eat my arm." Suppose the prospector decided to prospect a creek ten days' march from Dawson, where would his supplies come in? This is really no supposition, it is what has actually occurred in this country, and there have been many instances of men, who have gone out on a prospecting tour, being without food for two, three and more days. Suppose the wash-up of this year in the Dawson district reaches \$10,000,000, which is according to the estimates of Yukoners who come out over the ice this winter is a low calculation, the public will think it wonderful, but I doubt very much if it will cost from \$6,000,000 to \$8,000,000 to get the \$10,000,000 out of the ground. NAVIGATION AND TRANSPORTATION. I treat these three subjects—navigation, transportation, and general supply of the Yukon district—under one head, because they are inseparable. Hitherto the only source of supply for the Dawson City dis-

trict, and, indeed, as far south as Selkirk, has been the Yukon river, from St. Michael's. Two corporations appear to have controlled the entire trade, and held the people practically at their mercy. Transportation by the Yukon river is altogether too uncertain, and the season of navigation altogether too short to be the permanent route of supply to this country. A single steamer cannot make at most more than two trips in a year from St. Michael's, and in many instances but one and a half, being stopped on the second trip at Fort Yukon or some other point on the river by the closing up of the waters. Nor does this appear to be the natural route. For instance, steamers have to come up stream against the current laden down with supplies, and return light to St. Michael's. On the other hand, coming by the Teslin lake or Skagway and Dyea routes, navigation with the loaded boats is with the current. Two months is the limit for the Yukon from St. Michael's can be depended upon for transportation purposes. On the other hand, navigation from this end can be depended upon for five months in the year. Both the Teslin lake route and the Skagway and Dyea routes are preferable to the route from St. Michael's as routes of transportation for supplying the country. Of the two routes, Teslin lake and Skagway and Dyea, it seems to me from all the information I can gather, the former is unquestionably the natural one, and presents infinitely fewer barriers to navigation. I have been over the Skagway-Dyea route, and I have not been over the Teslin route, but from all I can learn of the latter there are no obstacles of any account against making a thorough system of transportation. With the construction of a railway from Telegraph Creek to Teslin lake, and the putting in of lake and river boats, and the putting of transportation will have been opened to the interior of the Yukon district. The Hootalinqua river, one of the links in this route, is, I am informed, navigable for steamers of small draught of paying capacity, and there are no obstacles to overcome in the way of rapids or otherwise. Again the Teslin route calls for no such passage to cross as the Chilkoot or White Passes. Many people imagine that once they have crossed the Chilkoot or White Pass, their troubles are all over. On the contrary, their troubles are just beginning. It is amusing to watch the pilgrims sit down on their loads after crossing one of the passes and look about in a wondering way and ask themselves, "Well, where am I going now?" The truth is they know nothing about what they are undertaking. I must not, however, wander from my subject. The route from Skagway and Dyea via Bennett to Dawson presents serious obstacles to navigation. Many of the waters are too shallow to permit boats of paying capacity to navigate them. Then there is the Canyon to run, which makes many a man tremble, and just below that the White Rapids, where it is necessary to make a portage or run serious risk of losing everything. At the present time a tramway is being built from above the Canyon to below the Rapids and this obstacle might be overcome, but there is still another obstacle in the famous Thirty Mile River. The Thirty Mile is an exceedingly swift river and full of huge rocks and boulders. It is one of the most dangerous stretches of navigation along the whole course of the Yukon. It seems to me that when the main source of the Yukon was named as running from the Skagway and Chilkoot Summit via Bennett, Tagish, La Barge and Thirty Mile, a great mistake was made. The main river, in my opinion, is from the Teslin Lake and Hootalinqua river. It certainly appears to be the natural course. Inasmuch as general supply of this district. The natural route for transportation purposes must be the natural route of supply. The food supply is the one great problem to be solved before anything is done. The development can take place which the resources of this country appear to merit. Cheap food is the cry, and without it hundreds of miles of gold paying mineral lands must remain idle, when there are hundreds of miles that, with cheap living, could be worked at a good profit; but with living from \$5 to \$15 per day it must remain unworked. Only provide transportation to cheap food and I venture to say development will go forward in this country which would astonish the world. The territory is sufficiently large to support an enormous population, and the area of low pay-dirt so vast that with cheap living, the mining interests here would be good for generations to come. In another letter I shall take up various other subjects, which time does not at present permit me to touch upon. Indeed in the hubbub of surroundings generally it is very hard for one's thoughts to follow consecutively. Dufferin Patullo. THE TIMBER SUPPLY. Again in working a claim a great deal of expense and labor is necessarily incurred. Every foot of the ground has to be melted and shovelled out. When bed-rock has been struck, if no gold is found, another hole must be sunk or the claim abandoned as the owner deems advisable. If gold is struck, then drifting along the pay creek commences. About four feet down there is a stratum of gravel and as the drifting goes the stratum has to be propped up. Frequently a cave occurs, which causes further expense and labor, and then, too, the pay creek is not infrequently lost, and in one instance it cost \$50,000 to find it again. Instances are not infrequent where the cost of getting the gold out of the ground has exceeded the gold. One instance occurs to me in which \$18,000 was spent to get \$13,000 out. I am speaking now more particularly of mining in the Dawson district. From all indications both prospecting and mining will be easier in the southern portion of the territory. The one thing essential to any development in this district, the territory fortunately possesses in abundance, and that is timber. In fact, if there were no timber here, it would be a parallel to a journey to the North Pole. All along the lakes and rivers, good timber can be found for camping places or routes to any part of the interior, and good timber can be found at various points throughout the district suitable for the construction of boats. Of course at Dawson City, where so much wood has been required in the working of mines, a great deal of ground has been cleared and the price of timber has gone up; but there are any number of men who will raft down logs from the upper portion of the river to Dawson City. To the poor pilgrim on route, the abundance of timber is a boon. There is timber here sufficient to last for many years to come, and perhaps by that time large coal deposits may have been uncovered, or railroads will be running into the territory which will supply the country with fuel, and where small-draft steamers can not navigate, lumber can be imported for the construction of boats. This, however, is looking ahead. A ST. HENRI VACANCY. Mr. S. D. Valliers has resigned his seat in the St. Henri Council, as a result of being unable to agree with his fellow-aldermen. The election of his successor will take place on April 23rd.

THE TRAINING OF PROFESSIONAL TEACHERS. New Regulations Have Been Brought Into Force. Candidates for Diplomas Must Take a Course at McGill. Quebec, March 29.—(Special.)—The proposed regulations of the "Protestant Committee in regard to professional training have now come into force by order-in-council. Candidates for elementary diplomas must take either a four months' or a nine months' course at McGill Normal school. The examination for admission to the Normal school is to be the second grade academy examination, or such examination as the Central Board may indicate, and will begin on Monday, the 30th day of May next. Those who wish to qualify for entrance to the Normal school should apply to the secretary before the first day of May, upon forms that will be provided by him. All who pass the examination to the satisfaction of the Central Board may enter the Normal school in September for the long course, or in January for the short course. After completion of either course the candidate undergoes an examination upon the work done in the Normal school, and if the examination is satisfactory the Central Board an "advanced elementary diploma" is granted to one who has followed the long course, and an "elementary diploma" to one who has taken the short course. All persons who hold third-class diplomas issued last year which promise a second-class diploma upon re-examination in one or two subjects, should apply before the first of May, sending the usual fee and certificate of moral character. They will receive their second-class diploma without attendance at the Normal school if successful at the examination. The examination for admission to the Normal school in order to obtain a Model school diploma begins on the 30th of May, and is the third grade academy, or A. S. examinations. Persons who already hold elementary school diplomas are exempt from the examination fee and will be liable to examination only in algebra, geometry, Latin and French, with such additional subjects as the Central Board may prescribe in particular cases. But satisfactory evidence of having taught successfully for eight months gives exemption from such examination. Academy diplomas are granted only to graduates in arts, who have taken a course and passed satisfactory examinations in education, and in practical teaching, under control of the universities or of the McGill Normal School. Kindergarten diplomas are granted by the Normal School to those, who having taken an advanced elementary diploma, take a special course of nine months' duration in the Normal school. For any grade of diploma the Protestant Committee may grant through the Central Board of Examiners, diplomas to candidates in special cases upon any examination specifically indicated by it. Fees to be sent with application for examination are two dollars, three dollars, and four dollars for elementary, model school, and academy diplomas, respectively. Ages for candidates—Those who apply for examination to enter either elementary or model school must have entered upon their seventeenth year at the date of application. Similarly, model school candidates must have entered the eighteenth year. Forms for application and for certificates should be asked for by candidates without delay. Since the examinations are ordinary in character, the robust physique of the members, and the efficiency of the equipment, it would be safe to add that none will be more likely to have their efforts crowned with success. The party is made up of seven; Messrs. W. B. Baptist, Jack Baptist, Albert Blair, and four French-Canadian voyageurs and lumbermen from the St. Maurice district. The presence of Ottawa to complete their outfit, which have been prepared for them by Mr. W. J. Woods, of that city, from which point they will continue over the Canadian Pacific Railway to Vancouver, taking steam or thence for the Stickeen River, it having been decided after careful watching of all the facts obtainable that this route presented the greater facilities and advantages—possibly it would be speaking more correctly to say "the minimum of difficulties." The party have taken with them the very best outfit obtainable, with a supply of food for two years. One was convinced on looking into the weather-beaten and god-sent faces of the strapping voyageurs, and a fact in compelling the robustness of the entire party that they were the proper "stuff" for such an undertaking. It is noteworthy that two of the men Mr. Baptist takes with him in this exploration into the far northern regions are descendants of men whom his grandfather had in his employ when he was opening up the lumber trade in the district of Three Rivers, where for many years the Baptist mills have been located. 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**BABY ANSON TO BUY THE TEAM.**

He Will Likely Control Chicago This Year.

**THE BIG WHEELMEN'S MEETING.**

This is the Day the Great Dooley Team Gathers.

Chicago, March 30.—Captain Anson's scheme to purchase the Chicago Baseball Club assumed a rosate hue yesterday. The following telegram dated New York City was the cause:

"I will take \$75,000 stock in the club. Be in Chicago April 1, to close deal."

This was received by the prospective purchaser of the local baseball club early this morning, and the good news was further augmented before noon by the pledging of \$10,000 each by four Chicago friends. Anson declined to give the name of the New York man. According to figures and vanced there is but \$14,500 more to be secured to put him in control of the club.

**THE DOOLEYITES.**

This is a red-letter day on the baseball calendar, for the reason that our own Dooley has named it as the day that the greatest aggregation of ball players on earth is to gather. There is no need of stating what the aggregation is—everyone knows.

No less a person than our own Dooley is at the head of it, and that means a whole lot. The team will practice and proceed to get into shape just as soon as possible. It seems more than likely that at first the score boards may show us to be a little on the wrong side, but as Dooley used to say, "just wait." By the time the team lands in Baltimore the game will have been struck, and the trouble can be dated from that time. Our own Dooley will lay himself out to do Baltimore with one swoop, and after that the third rate aggregations, like Brooklyn and New York, will be deemed easy. When the Eastern league season opens the other clubs will be disposed of so quickly, and the Dooleyites will have so much leisure time on their hands, that they will take up marbles as a pastime.

**THE WHEEL.**

**THE CITY CLUBS.**

At a meeting of the delegates of the various city bicycle clubs held last night in the Turkish Bath Hotel, the following delegates were present:

Montreal—W. R. Granger, Primrose—A. B. Rattray, Point St. Charles—Geo. Tait, Victoria Rifles—H. Houghton, Voligeurs—C. M. Provencher, St. Denis—N. Duquette, Les Montagnards—A. Laberge, Wanderers—M. Duff, Warwick—T. P. Cartwright.

The chair was occupied by Mr. Rattray chief consul of the district and the first business was to hear the report of Messrs Duquette and Duff, the committee appointed to report on the advisability of accepting a track for bicycle purposes during the coming season. As the conditions formulated at a general meeting of the clubs were accepted by Mr. Danlunand, it was unanimously agreed that the Queen's Park Bicycle track should have the support of the subscribing clubs.

A special meeting of the district council, called to discuss the four amendments to the constitution to be voted on on Good Friday, met next. There was some discussion of all four amendments, but the sense of the meeting was that the district vote should support Mr. Donly's amendment and that otherwise the constitution be left as it stands.

A suggestion also made by Mr. Conway (relating to finances) was that 50 per cent of the fees should be retained in the district on the understanding that the "Wheelmen" should be self-supporting.

This was about all the real business done, but all the members were enthusiastic about the Winnipeg meet.

**VARIOUS MEETS.**

New York, March 29.—In a bulletin issued by Chairman Mott, of the L.A.W., racing board yesterday, the appointment of Paul I. Aldrich, of Boston, is announced as official handicapper for the New England States, having been some sanction have been granted to the managers of the new Woodside Park track at Philadelphia, on all available racing days from May 28 to October 29. This wholesale award of dates will enable the track owners to award sanctions to the local clubs, a departure not favored by the bicycle organizations. A number of new records have been accepted.

**HOW RACES SHOULD BE JUDGED.**

The Cycling Gazette in its issue of March 24, has the following editorial comment:

"The New York Sun calls attention to the fact that mistakes in judging races are more often caused by the manner in which the numbers are pinned on the backs of the riders than by any other reason. The Sun is right. Numbers should be pinned not only over the hops of the riders, but on either arm as well. The present system of placing numbers between the shoulders of the contestants makes accurate judgment an impossibility, since in every finish the men bend over the bars, com-

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polling judges to jump in the air in order to read the figures. In England the riders are virtually covered with numbers, and in England there is seldom a complaint the men are not rightly placed at the finish.

**OTTAWA WILL BE THERE.**

Ottawa, Ont., March 29.—(Special).—The O.A.A.A. Bicycle Club will run an excursion at a cheap rate to Toronto on Good Friday to the C.W.A. meet and expect to take over two hundred spectators with them. They will stop at one of the leading hotels and boom Ottawa for all its worth.

**THE OTTAWA TRI-COLORS.**

Ottawa, March 29.—(Special).—A large attendance and great enthusiasm made last evening's meeting of the Tri-Color Bicycle Club the most successful in its history. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mr. J. M. LaRoche; vice-president, Mr. T. J. Brule; secretary, Mr. G. L. Brunelle; treasurer, A. St. Laurent. Ottawa will be supported for the provincial meet and Mr. T. A. Beaman for the presidency. No delegate will be sent to the meeting on Good Friday, but the club's vote will be sent by registered letter.

**QUEBEC WHEELMEN.**

Quebec, March 29.—At the annual meeting of the Quebec Bicycle Club the following officers were elected for the following year: Patron, His Worship, Mayor Parent; hon. president, Cyr Duquet; hon. vice-presidents, Hon. R. R. Dobell, Victor Chateaufort; president, J. U. Roy; 1st vice-president, H. E. Scott; 2nd vice-president, H. McNaughton; secretary, F. C. Stocking; treasurer, R. Quessent; captain, A. Henry; 1st lieutenant, E. Laiberte; 2nd lieutenant, A. D. Scott; committee, Messrs. Ross, Strang, Robert Hunter, A. A. Belanger, Louis Bruneau. It was also resolved that the club cast its vote at the C.W.A. meeting as follows: For president, Beaman; vice-president, Dufresne; Labor Day meet, Winnipeg; Provincial meet, Granby.

**100 WERE KILLED.**

London, March 30.—According to a special despatch from Bucharest, the outbreak among the Albanian and Kurdish troops in the barracks of the Yildiz Palace, Constantinople, during the evening of March 15, was in reality a fight which followed the discovery of a plot to assassinate the Sultan of Turkey. It is added that 100 men were killed.

**THAT ELEVATOR COMBINE.**

Winnipeg, March 30.—From evidence adduced before the Agricultural Committee of the Legislature, it would appear that a few grain dealers, who have not capital to build elevators, are chief movers in the agitation against the so-called elevator combine. No complaints have been received from actual farmers.

**TURF AND TRACK.**

**BOWNE WANTS TO BUOK GENTRY.**

New York, March 28.—The offer of James A. Murphy to back his pacer, Guinette, 2:05 1/4, for any amount from \$10,000 up or down against any harness horse in the world, Star Pointer, 1:59 1/4, and Joe Patchen, 2:01 1/4, barred, brought out a counter proposition at the Fasig sale yesterday afternoon from E. R. Bowne, the trainer of Lewis G. Tewkesbury's great side-wheeler, John R. Gentry, 2:00 1/2. Bowne said to Murphy that he would wager \$10,000, pay or play, on a series of four races, to be paced during September, the first to be John R. Gentry against Guinette, and the other three, Gentry against Star Pointer. Murphy declined to make the match. He renewed his offer to race Guinette against Gentry, but said that he had other plans for Star Pointer and that the record holder would not be matched. Bowne's proposition was for one race a week, the amount staked on each contest being \$2,500 a side. Few turfmen believe that Guinette can beat Gentry in a race, but the Chicago horseman still sticks to his offer to match "Guinette" against the whole world, his own horse and that of his intimate friend, C. W. Marks, barred. It is said that Guinette worked a mile below 2:03 last year.

**AN INTELLIGENT HORSE.**

On Sunday a mover in a prairie schooner passed through this city going west. He had a small drove of mules and several horses, all loose, following the wagon, and among them was a beautiful sorrel horse, with bridle and saddle on, but no rider. People on the streets noticed that the sorrel seemed to be overseeing the herd, and would round them up occasionally. As the caravan reached Central avenue, the sorrel horse ran ahead, and stood in the middle of the street, looking up and down, as if watching for danger. After satisfying himself that the way was clear, he rounded up the herd, and the caravan started again. Having reached "Katy" crossing the animal again went ahead, and, standing in the centre of the tracks, looked intently each way.

When the herd had partially crossed the tracks he suddenly pricked up his ears, and, hurrying to the rear, he rushed the herd across on the run. A train was coming from the south, and passed shortly after he had got safely over.

He hurried to the next track, which branches off several rods from the main line, and, seeing a train coming from the west, he rounded up his herd and waited until it passed. It was a most remarkable performance, witnessed by a large number of people on the streets. The horse was evidently a high-bred animal, built like a racer, with small ears and very intelligent head.

During all this time the mover did not get out of the wagon, but left the management of the whole matter to the horse.—Parsons, Kan., Eclipse.

**ROWING and SAILING.**

**TORONTO UNIVERSITY DESIRES RECOGNITION.**

The following circular has been issued asking support for the University of Toronto Rowing Club:

"As you may be already aware, early last spring a rowing club was formed at the University of Toronto. This step was rendered possible by the offer of the Argonaut Rowing Club to give the new organization a temporary home at their quarters on the Lake Ontario front. The formation of the club took place with the full approval and co-operation of the University authorities. While the promoters of the venture confidently looked for success for the University in this branch of athletic sport, yet they have been agreeably surprised at the splendid result of the first year's work.

"Under the training of Mr. Edward Hanlan an undergraduate crew of the university carried everything before them in the four-oared events of the North-western regatta at Detroit last summer. This is the first University Rowing Club formed in Canada, and as the University of Toronto is regarded not only as the Provincial, but also as a national university, the management of the rowing club feel that they are not going too far in looking forward to the time when their club through its crew shall assume a represen-

tative national position in the great college boat races of the day.

"Too much stress cannot be laid upon the benefit of such an advertisement to the University of Toronto and to the country at large. The management feel that the scope of the club must be enlarged if its life and activity are not to be cramped. The home very kindly offered to the club by the Argonauts is but a temporary one, and the time must come when the growth of the university will necessitate the providing of headquarters for itself. Then, too, as it is well known, rowing involves expenditure, but yields no revenue owing to the nature of the sport. As an instance of a necessary outlay, the club must provide itself with an eight-oar shell this spring. This is only one of many items.

"The management realize that if the club is to be successful in their hands provision must be made for the calls of the immediate future, and for the promotion of vigorous life within the club itself. With that purpose in view, and in order that the club may have a status in the eyes of the public, the committee have obtained the consent of the following gentlemen to act as an advisory board of the club:—President London, Dr. Reeve, Prof. Baker, Prof. Huton, Messrs. Byron E. Walker, T. G. Blackstock and William Macdonald (honorary treasurer).

"The position of affairs and the desirability of the club in the public mind of rowing as a Canadian sport, which has always retained its reputation for 'cleanness, together with the position of the University of Toronto as a representative Canadian institution, affords us ample reason for bringing this matter to your notice and soliciting from you moral support which tends to the good of a club in its own eyes and in the eyes of the public."

**LACROSSE.**

**THEY BURY THE HATCHET.**

Toronto, March 29.—Lacrosse circles here are greatly stirred by the fact that the Tecumseh have decided to throw in their lot with the Torontos. The deal was effected at the T.A.C. last night, and the outcome of it is that Peter Knowles, the Tecumseh captain, was elected field captain of the Torontos. The team resulting from the amalgamation will be the strongest representing Toronto for many a day. The additions from the Tecumseh will include Grimes, York, Davis, Gamble, Peaker, McVey and possibly German.

**THE CAPITALS.**

Ottawa, March 28.—Several changes of importance will probably take place in the affairs of the Senior Capitals and the Intermediate Capitals before the first match takes place. As is generally known, the latter club has not been a successful one as far as money matters are concerned and the executive are tired of supporting the club out of their own pockets. A scheme is now on foot to unite both clubs under one management with a common bank account between them. The one executive would control both teams and this would be a change for the better in itself. The expenses for grounds, travelling, etc., would be equally shared. The seniors and intermediates would be affected. Four or five members of the latter team will be selected to act in conjunction with the Senior executive. The annual meeting of the Capitals will be held during the first week in April.

**THE RING.**

**DWYER'S DEFI.**

The following challenge from Jimmy Dwyer is self-explanatory:—Editor Herald,—I hereby challenge any man in Canada to a ten or fifteen-round contest, to weigh in at the ringside at one hundred and twenty-three pounds on the day of the contest, for a purse of two hundred and fifty dollars; give or take two pounds.

Montreal, March 26th. Jimmy Dwyer.

**DEATHS IN THE RING.**

The death of Henry Braun, the pugilist who was knocked out by Jack Smith at Trenton the other night, once more illustrates the carelessness of matchmakers who persist in putting on low-priced bouts between men or boys who are physically unfit to engage in such contests. Fight promoters who saw the Trenton bout unite in saying that no such calamity would have occurred if the fight had been stopped in its early stages, and the authorities, by calling a halt at Trenton, where such affairs seem to have predominated lately, have apparently acted with a considerable degree of wisdom.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

**THE IDEAL SPORTSMAN.**

As the accomplished artist should be master of detail, so should the sportsman be thoroughly informed in all minor matters which bear upon his amusement. The man who never rises above the killing stage misses much of the most enjoyable and exciting attributes of sport, for in the thorough mastery of details lies the really enduring pleasure. Moreover, I have found that, as a rule, the better informed a sportsman is the less game he kills—not because learning interferes with his skill, but rather that he has learned enough not to kill too much.

My ideal sportsman—and we find him here and there—is the man who has outgrown the desire to make big bags, who has passed the point when pleasure is measured by the pile of dead, who has educated himself till he has risen above the selfishness of mere slaughter, and who has grown to consider the rod and gun as accessories to, rather than essentials of, pleasure afield. Such a man's path winds through places so pleasant that he never wearies of them, and his game grows lighter as his understanding of nature broadens. He becomes more natural than sportsman (in the ordinary acceptance of that term), and, while he probably is an excellent shot, the very knowledge of his ability to kill when he so desires, tempers his eagerness to do so.—Ed. W. Sandys, in Outing for April.

**WESTMOUNT CRICKET CLUB.**

A general meeting of the above club will be held this evening at 8 p.m., at the Westmount Boys' School, 232 Wood Avenue, Westmount. All members are invited to attend.

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**A BRILLIANT VICTORY.**

**Capture of Shendy Must be Followed by a Decisive Battle.**

Cairo, March 30.—The capture of Shendy by which 600 slaves were liberated and 160 Dervishes killed, was a brilliant manoeuvre, as the main body of the Dervishes, who had advanced against the Anglo-Egyptian forces from Shendy, is now cut off from its base and its reserve depot is destroyed. The Dervishes who advanced against the Anglo-Egyptian army are entrenched at El Higt, on the Atbara river. They are suffering severely from lack of food and are subsisting on plain nuts. The destruction of their supplies at Shendy will compel them to give battle for which the Anglo-Egyptian expedition has been eagerly awaiting.

News of the crushing defeat of the Dervishes is expected here hourly.

The special table d'hôte served at the new Hotel Carlslake, 5.30 to 7.30, is fast becoming popular. No such value (600) ever given in the city. Meals a la carte from 30 to midnight. Suppers after the theatre a special feature.

**ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL.**

The closing conference of the winter session of St. George's School, Mr. Le Comte des Etangs, director, will be held on Saturday next, April 2. Besides the musical programme an address "Le Genre de L'Amorisme," will be given by Prof. Cousinat, D.D., of McGill.

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Major Ibbotson was in Ottawa yesterday. Mr. D. D. Mann, says the Ottawa Citizen, is in the city looking after his interests.

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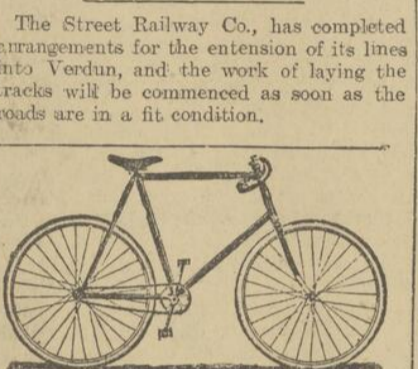
The Insurance and Provident Association of the Grand Trunk Railway held its 13th annual meeting last week in the new office of the company at Point St. Charles.

One of the most interesting questions which came up for discussion was whether members of the Homoeopathic School of Medicine should be admitted in the Association's Medical Board which was now made up of allopaths alone, in the persons of Sir Wm. Hingston, Dr. J. Alex. Hutchison, and Dr. T. G. Roddick, of Montreal, and Dr. James Thornburn, of Toronto. The matter was finally left in the hands of a special committee after much debate. After the election of Mr. Charles R. Moore as auditor for the association, the annual report was read.

The general abstract of receipts and expenditures of the sick benefit fund showed a balance to the credit of the society of \$40,047 in 1897, as against \$13,829 in 1896, a most satisfactory showing. The life insurance fund had paid out \$75,150 as against \$69,943 in 1896, leaving a balance of \$728. Of the 183 insurance claims assessed for 131 were for deaths and 52 for commuted insurance. Of the death claims 22 were on account of accident, one suicide, and the remaining 108 were from natural causes.

The Committee of Management was well represented. This committee include the names of Mr. Chas. M. Hays as president, and Mr. W. Wainwright as vice-president, and Messrs. G. B. Reeve, J. Stephenson, F. H. McGuigan, J. Hobson, F. W. Morse, W. McWood, C. Percy, H. W. Walker, J. W. Loud, W. E. Davis, A. Butze, F. E. Wyer, A. E. Moore, C. Street, D. J. Hay, R. R. Neill, G. Peppall, E. Leadley and J. W. Fuiter.

The Street Railway Co., has completed arrangements for the extension of its lines into Verdun, and the work of laying the tracks will be commenced as soon as the roads are in a fit condition.



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Things were looking quite rosy to-day, and the impression that Spain was beginning to take back water in the negotiations with United States gained a little more on fire.

As before stated things were more favorable. In the early part of the day there were some very quiet messages sent out from Madrid, and later on it was even stated that Spain was out to accept \$20,000,000 for Cuba.

Which is said to be held to be held by some of the banks at 5 per cent. This rate is not general, but there is some possibility that it may be. The market is in the meantime is firm.

Canadian Pacific was again one of the features of the local market and it sold fractionally better than yesterday. Nearly 20 shares were placed on the board of \$2 1/2, about 225 shares at \$2 5/8 and 450 shares at \$2 3/4.

Standard Oil stock went down 20 points in New York yesterday, and the speculative movements of the stock easily make it the most volatile security dealt in on that market.

International stocks and the local traction shares were placed on the board of \$2 1/2, about 225 shares at \$2 5/8 and 450 shares at \$2 3/4.

MORNING BOARD. Table with columns for stock names and prices.

LONDON STOCK MARKET. Table with columns for stock names and prices.

MRS. BOUQUET ON TRIAL. Mrs. Annie Bouquet, who attempted to commit suicide at No. 141 St. Lawrence street on Saturday morning by taking poison, was introduced on the witness stand this morning. She was resolute for acquittal.

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MONTREAL BROKERS AND WAR TALK. topic of conversation is the war situation. Occasionally someone will spring a remark about the rate of exchange, but it is lost in the discussion as to whether there is going to be a fight.

Somehow or other Montreal brokers do not seem quite as confident as they were some days ago, but that does not mean that there are not some who anticipate a peaceful settlement of the trouble.

In fact, several of the leading brokers on the street think that the present difficulty is going to be settled very soon, and they have said this all along. On the other hand, they have not advised any thoughtless speculation. They have all realized that it was better to be on the safe side, and it naturally gave them greater satisfaction to have a customer come in and pay for his stock outright than go in the market on a margin of say 10 or even 15 per cent.

One example of the confidence which is felt in Montreal at the present time is the investment buying, and it is understood that there was quite a lot of it yesterday. The leading stocks have already had a pretty stiff decline, and the opinion among some is that the market cannot go a great deal lower.

As to this, however, there is no saying, for in the case of an outbreak it would be difficult to tell just where the market would land. The brokers believe, of course, that in the case of war prices would naturally follow the varying fortunes of the conflict, up one day when the U. S. gained a point and down the next, should Spain make a score.

In the meantime the discussion keeps up and the market is just a waiting one. A few days ago when Canadian Pacific stood at 81 there was said to be some buying by people who knew a few things about the situation, but reports had it that they took their profits yesterday.

The Montreal money market is not easy by any means, and some of the banks are lending just about as little as they possibly can help. Three months' money was quoted yesterday at five per cent., and the nominal rate is four and a half to five per cent. The demand for money is only fair.

Millers on 'Change report some improvement in the export demand for Manitoba flour during the past few days, and yesterday there was a sale for May shipment of 2,500 sacks. Further negotiations are in progress, they tell us, and there is a possibility of more business.

Speaking of the foreign trading in the Wall Street market yesterday, a report said: "London traded on both sides of the account to-day. Its purchases were about six or seven thousand shares, of which more than half were Northern Pacific preferred, and the balance principally Aitchison common and Northern Pacific common. Its sales amounted to about 20,000 shares, of which one-third was U. S. Steel and the remainder chiefly Union Pacific and Nashville and Aitchison preferred."

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ON 'CHANGE. Mr. A. Overend, the new foreign freight agent of the Canada Atlantic and Pacific Sound railway, is in the city, and was 'Change to-day, accompanied by Mr. John T. Rose, the road's agent in Duluth. Both gentlemen were introduced on the floor by Mr. William Stewart.

HON. MR. TARTE INDISPOSED. Ottawa, March 30.—(Special.)—Hon. J. L. Tarte has been confined to his room since Sunday.

WHEAT PRICES GO UP AGAIN. ASK GOVERNMENT TO PAY INTEREST.

Said to be Some Very Heavy Shorts in the Market. Harbor Committee Makes Its Report.

EXPORT DEMAND FOR FLOUR WHARF SPACES ALLOTTED. Important Meeting of the Harbor Board Yesterday.

Gossip of the Street and the Board of Trade. There was a firmer tone to the Chicago wheat market this morning, and the range of prices was considerably above the level of last night. A message to Mr. C. D. Monk from Chicago, said: "Local crowd is inclined to the bear side. Corn prices steady." Another message said: "Wheat dull, but strong, at the call price. We believe the market has had its break, and think that purchases made around the present prices will show a fair profit before the close of the week."

The opening price for the July option was 82 1/2, against 81 1/2, the closing figure last night. Later the market firmed just a little, but the fluctuations were narrow, and the range was 82 1/2 to 82 1/2. At 12:30 the price was 82 1/2 to 82 3/4. Cash wheat at the same time was quoted at \$1.03 1/2, after opening 1/2 lower than last night at \$1.04.

A report of yesterday's market in Chicago states that the war news made the traders bearish, and scared out those who had loaded up on the bulges of the day before. There was general liquidation in everything, and steady short selling.

Leiter's cash sales in Chicago yesterday were said to be about 150,000 bushels.

MONTREAL GRAIN. The Market For Grain Not Very Active. Flour For Export. While there was a moderate business in progress in the grain market at present the market as a whole shows comparatively little activity. As far as prices are concerned there is little or no change. No. 2 white oats are said to be offered at 34 1/2 to 34 3/4 afloat May delivery, while prices for the same grade in store run from 33 1/2 to 33 3/4. The general range is: No. 2 white oats, 33 1/2 to 33 3/4; extra 34 1/2 afloat May delivery; peas, 45 to 46 afloat May; buckwheat, 45 to 46; extra Ontario red wheat, 81 to 81 1/2; and white, 79 to 79 1/2 afloat the line.

The only feature of any importance in the flour market at present is the demand which has sprung up from the other side, and it is understood that additional business will likely be put through for shipment in May. Values are: Winter wheat, \$4.75 to \$5 straight rollers, \$4.50 to \$4.60; \$2.25 to \$2.30 Manitoba strong bakers, \$4.90; Manitoba spring patents, \$5.30.

A fair trade was done in feed, and the market is moderately active and steady. We quote: Ontario, winter wheat, bran, \$14 to \$15; shorts, \$17 per ton in bulk; Manitoba bran, \$15, and shorts, \$17 per ton, including bags.

The demand for meal is slow and the market is quiet, with no change in prices to note. Rolled oats are selling at \$4 per barrel, and at \$1.95 per bag. The tone of the hay market is firm under a good demand, and sales of No. 1 are being made freely at \$11 to \$11.50, and No. 2 at \$8.50 to \$9 per ton, in car lots on track.

PRODUCE MARKETS. A Fair Trade in Butter at Steady Prices—Cheese Very Quiet. There is a fair trade in butter at present, and supplies are not too large. Finest creamery has changed hands quite freely on the basis of 21c, and in under grades considerable has been done at 19c to 20c.

There was no change in the situation of the egg market, the receipts continue liberal for which the demand is limited, owing to the fact that buyers in many cases are holding off in anticipation of still lower prices by the end of the week, but it is doubtful if there will be. A quiet trade was done to-day on the basis of 10c to 10 1/2c per doz.

There was a good demand for maple syrup in wood, and sales of some fair sized lots were made at 4 1/2 to 5c per lb., but in the sales were rather slow at 4 1/2 to 5c, as to size. The receipts of sugar so far have been small, for which the demand is ample, and prices are maintained at 6 1/2 to 7c per lb.

THE CROPS. Prime Says That Winter Wheat Has Had Quite a Set Back. Prime, the authority, in his weekly review: "From lakes to Gulf of Mexico, and up into Northwest snowstorms and heavy rainfall, have brought country to a standstill, and nothing done or prospect of doing anything for some days in spring seeding. Winter wheat crop has had quite a setback the present week from extreme low temperature and tremendous rains which have flooded lowlands in winter wheat districts along Ohio and Mississippi rivers. Crop still continues very backward. Oat seeding brought to standstill, and what were in the ground were in States south and west of Mississippi. Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, and Ohio practically seeded not oats yet, and I look for very little oat seeding the coming week."

GRAIN STOCKS. The World's Available Wheat Shows a Decrease of 2,448,000 Bushels. Bradstreet's weekly statement of the changes in available supply of grain is as follows: Wheat, United States and Canada, east of Rockies, decreased 1,743,000; afloat for and in Europe, decreased 700,000; total decrease world's available 2,443,000. Corn, United States and Canada, east of Rockies, decreased 149,000.

Oats, United States and Canada, east of Rockies, decreased 1,201,000. Among the more important reductions not reported in the official visible supply statement are the decreases of 75,000 bushels at Northwestern interior elevators; 60,000 at Manitoba storage points; 49,000 at New Orleans, and 41,000 at Galveston. The rates, not otherwise reported, are unprofitably low and a bit tight.

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By the Harbor Master's returns it was noted that 796 sea-going vessels arrived during the season, with a total tonnage of 1,379,023 tons, being 87 more vessels and an increase of 162,534 over 1896. The tonnage of the inland vessels was 1,134,346 tons, being an increase of 130,229 tons over the previous year.

The matter of placing buoys came up for discussion and the opinion of the commissioners seemed to be that they should lay a tender before the Government and have entire control of this matter.

FRUIT CROPS WERE TOUCHED BY FROST. Reports From California That May Influence the Montreal Trade. Within the past day or two letters confirming previous telegrams regarding frost damage to California fruit crops have been numerous and come from all of the fruit growing districts, as well as from San Francisco, the chief distributing center.

The general tenor of these small advices is that the weather has been unusually cold and dry, the heaviest frost occurring on the night of the 17th inst., completing the destruction that had been begun during the preceding weeks. Prior to the cold snap a period of warm weather existed, which advanced the trees to such an extent that when the cold wave came they were well forward in the blooming stage.

The frost nipped and blighted the blossoms the reports say, and comparatively few were left to develop into fruit. Outside of the Santa Clara Valley the damage, these letters state, has been severe, and at the best not more than half a crop can be expected. All of the letters have been seen, and there are many, state that the almond and apricot crops will turn out well, the culture, the frost coming at a most critical time.

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# AMENDMENT OF FRANCHISE BILL

## Moved by Mr. Powell, But Voted Down.

### PASSED SECOND READING.

Messrs. Poupore and Ross Robertson Voted With the Government.

Ottawa, March 30.—(Special.)—The second piece of Government legislation passed its second reading last night in the bill to repeal the Franchise Act. The entire day was spent in debate on the principle of the measure, and a dull debate it was for the most part. At no time since the day when the second reading was moved by the Solicitor-General has the discussion been of a brilliant or animated description. The talking has been confined to the bank benches almost altogether, and little in the way of substantial argument has been urged against the measure by which an iniquitous piece of legislation, hateful to all parties, is swept out of existence.

The amendment prepared by the Opposition in caucus was moved during the afternoon, and was a colorless one. It admitted the need for greater economy in the preparation of the voters' lists, but affirmed that Parliament should not give up its control over the franchise both as to the qualifications of voters and the manner of preparing the lists. On this vote was taken, resulting in its defeat by 97 yeas to 48 nays. The second reading was then carried on the same division.

Mr. Davin began the business of the day by abruptly rising and asking what the railway policy of the Government was, moving the adjournment of the House in order to do so. He dragged in the Corbin-Van Horne fight and wanted Mr. Blair to reconcile some of his statements. His only thanks was a direct snub, for no one took the least notice of his remarks.

Before the orders of the day were called, Sir Charles Tupper asked if the statement was well-founded that the member for West Huron (Mr. M. C. Cameron) was to be Governor of the Northwest Territories.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier—I fancy if it were founded at all the matter would be made official; but as it has not been made official it is not well-founded.

The Drummond County Contract.

Mr. Foster referred to amended contracts with the Grand Trunk and Drummond County railways, laid before the Investigating Committee, and asked why, if important changes had been made, there was nothing laid on the table.

Mr. Blair replied that no evidence had been adduced before the committee which tended to show that there was an entirely new arrangement. The temporary agreements were asked for and were laid before the committee, but in so doing there was no slighting of the House. If the House wished he would bring it down.

Opening of the Canals.

Mr. Quinn asked the Minister of Railways to state what date the St. Lawrence and Welland canals would be opened, as the Montreal Board of Trade and Corn Exchange had been passing resolutions in favor of their early opening.

Mr. Blair stated that he had been in receipt of the annual inquiries from the transportation companies in Montreal. Naturally they were exceedingly anxious that the canals should be opened at the earliest possible date, but it was not possible for him to name a date. That would depend on facts over which he had no control. Every year these gentlemen were asking that the canals should be opened at an earlier date than the preceding year, but they overlooked the fact that every spring repairs had to be made to keep the canals open. The officers of the department, as well as himself, were thoroughly convinced of the importance of opening the canals as early as possible, and they did their utmost to this end, but more he could not promise.

Mr. Foster wanted to know if the statement made in the Senate by a Minister was correct, that the Government intended to construct a wagon road from a port in British Columbia to the Teslin railway for the Mounted Police to go on in.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier reminded the hon. gentleman that he had stated some time ago that the Government intended to have an appropriation made to survey a road from Observatory Inlet. What would be the policy of the Government in the event of a certain election happening in another place he could not say; that was a matter for consideration by the Government.

# THE FRANCHISE BILL.

## The Debate is Resumed and Carried on All Day.

Mr. Bourassa (Labbelle) made a brief but eloquent speech in support of the bill, and as a preliminary to his remarks reviewed the history of the electoral franchise since the time of the French Revolution. Speaking particularly for his own Province, he impressed on the House that the Province of Quebec was strongly against manhood suffrage. He was surprised that members of the Opposition advocated it, and that the Tory party, which had always been looked upon as the defenders of the constitution and church in Quebec, was ready to inflict on the Province the universal suffrage that was against their traditions and religious convictions. For his part he was disposed to give the franchise only to such citizens as were apt to exercise it intelligently, freely, and in the general interests. Hence he welcomed a bill which would give to the people of his Province the same control over the lists for Federal purposes that they had for Provincial purposes, while at the same time it would sweep out of existence a law which was so generally detested as the Franchise Act.

Mr. Clancy (Bothwell) contended that there was no public demand for the repeal of the Act, but he admitted that there were some small details in it which might be improved. These he accounted for by saying that no bill was perfect, and that faults could only be found in practice. The fact that the constituencies would be different in Federal and Provincial elections was considered an insuperable objection to the present bill being adopted, and in addition to this he did not consider it right that the municipalities should be put to the expense of preparing lists for the use of the Dominion Government.

Mr. Casey (West Joliffe) held that with the question of the cost to the municipalities of preparing the lists Parliament had nothing to do. The lists would be prepared for Provincial purposes and in Fed-

eral elections they would be available without cost.

Mr. Poupore (Conservative, Pontiac) said he had promised his constituents to vote for the repeal of the Franchise Act upon the first occasion that presented itself. He did not approve of the new bill in every particular, but it was vastly to be preferred to the law now on the statute book. The hon. gentleman knew of no more genuine way to find out the voters in a municipality than to go to the secretary, whose lists contained the names of all the solid men in its bounds. These could be used as a basis for making up the lists, being an easy and inexpensive means of discovering who were entitled to vote, but Parliament should not divest itself of all control of the Federal lists. Mr. Poupore declared that he had never found anyone to approve of the old Act.

Mr. Rogers (Frontenac) denounced the present law as expensive, ineffective and cumbersome. He asked that it should be followed by compulsory voting. If a man could not go to the polls by reason of illness, business or otherwise, he could easily make affidavit before a magistrate. "What penalty would you impose for not voting?" asked Mr. Davin.

"Oh! I think disfranchisement for two or three years would be enough," replied Mr. Rogers. The hon. gentleman also wanted an educational test applied to voters.

Mr. Stenson (Richmond and Wolfe) strongly advocated the adoption of the provincial lists. He explained the manner in which the municipal lists were prepared and revised, without interference from any Government officials. He had never heard any objection to the preparation of the lists, for politics had nothing to do with municipal organizations in Quebec. Elected as they were from among the prominent members of the community, councillors and mayors knew everyone in their districts, and were familiar with each man's right to vote. The man entitled to vote in local and provincial affairs was the proper man to exercise a vote in Dominion affairs, and the provinces were best qualified to choose their own electors. In revising the lists, municipal councils were not at all likely to fall into the same errors as partisan revising officers. The Government was pledged to this reform, which was also connected with another Liberal principle, that of provincial autonomy. Let Quebec have the control of her own franchise and she would allow the same right to every other province.

An Amendment Proposed.

Mr. Powell (Westmoreland), to whom was entrusted the moving of the Opposition amendment to the bill, began his speech by a sketch of the history of the franchise in the United States. He argued that under the Canadian constitution the local authorities had no right to any control over the lists on which members of Parliament were to be elected. The amendment read as follows:—"That the bill shall not be now read a second time, but that it be resolved:—That this House, while desirous of reducing the expense of the preparation of the lists so far as may be practicable, considers that no system of franchise will be satisfactory which does not reserve full control of the Federal Parliament, both over the basis of the suffrage and the voters' lists."

Mr. Martin (East Queen's, P.E.I.) resumed the debate after eight o'clock, and protested against the Federal Government imposing the making of its lists on the local authorities.

Mr. Britton (Kingston) held that Parliament was not ridding itself of control of its franchise. In adopting provincial lists it was their own doing, and at any time they could repeal the law if it did not work well. The member for Annapolis had objected that some of the provinces might give the franchise to women. This could be easily remedied by making the Act read "males of the age of 21, British subjects, and possessing the necessary qualifications for voting in the provinces where they reside."

Lieut.-Col. Hughes (North Victoria), in the course of a brief speech, explained why he opposed the bill, and impressed on the Government that they should retain control of the ballot box, a matter which the Solicitor-General at once pointed out had nothing to do with this bill.

Mr. W. J. Maclean (East York) opposed the bill, because, he said, he was a Federalist, prepared to fight to the end in vindication of the Federal Parliament against any of all the provinces. The man who introduced the bill, and many of the members of the Cabinet, were only provincial politicians and hence the provincial nature of the legislation the House was being treated to.

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# MR. HAYS DECLINES TO DENY REMOVAL

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### THERE ARE NEGOTIATIONS

#### But Until the Rate War is Over Nothing Will be Done.

When asked this morning to verify or contradict the report that the Grand Trunk Railway contemplated the removal of their offices from this city to Toronto, Manager Hays stated that he was not in a position to say anything about the matter just at present.

Manager Hays' reluctance to discuss the question is capable of but one interpretation. If the report had no substantial basis it would have been quite easy for Mr. Hays to have dispensed it by his official contradiction. His silence, on the other hand, in view of the information which is coming out in the Toronto press, is particularly significant.

Since November last, Mayor Shaw, of Toronto, has been negotiating with Mr. Hays for the removal of the head offices of the system from Montreal to the Queen's City. It is also understood that Toronto is prepared to grant the Grand Trunk concessions of a very tempting character, should such a move be seriously considered by the company. Immediately the existing rate war has been definitely settled, it is not unlikely some further developments of the matter will take place.

# THAT ASSESSMENT SOCIETY DEPOSIT.

## Government to be Easy on Bona Fide Societies.

### High Court Officer of Foresters Makes a Statement.

At the Masonic Hall, Place d'Armes Square, last night, a large number of members of local lodges of the Ancient Order of Foresters gathered, with their lady friends, to meet and welcome the executive officers of the order, now in Montreal on business connected with the interests of the Brotherhood. Brother Clendinning, Past District Chief Ranger, occupied the chair for the occasion, assisted by Bro. Moore, District Chief Ranger, and seats to his right and left were occupied by the hon. guests of the evening. The High Chief Ranger, Bro. Snelgrove, delivered an interesting address, in the course of which he referred to recent legislation enacted in this Province regarding the exaction of a deposit of \$5,000 from extrajurisdictional organizations operating in this Province. He condemned this as practically prohibitory and pointed out that the Government had itself admitted the measure, perhaps undue stringency of the measure by giving it to be understood that its spirit rather than its letter would be enforced. That was to say that bona fide fraternal societies would not be treated with more severity than was necessary to protect the public interest.

Bro. Williams, permanent secretary, read some interesting statistical information, from which it appeared that the average annual membership of the order in the Montreal district for the past five years had been over a thousand. The average annual contribution per member, for sick benefits, medical attendance, deceased members and deceased wives of members, had been six dollars and 50 cents. The receipts of the lodges of the Montreal District from the subsidiary high court had been in excess of their contributions, and the statistics of recent years showed that the average expense of medical attendance had been higher in Montreal than in the West.

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