

LONDON TOPICS.

No Dissolution of Parliament Expected This Year.

NEW REDISTRIBUTION BILL.

**COMMENT ON THE RECENT
GEORGIA LYNCHINGS—
POLITICAL GOSSIP.**

(New York Times' Cable.)

London, April 29.—The inaccurate report of the speech of Lord Salisbury, Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, by which he was made to say that a dissolution of parliament was imminent, would not have attracted so much attention if it were not an open secret that the Conservative party managers in the provinces have recently sent alarming reports to London concerning the waning power of their side, and warning the government that the longer dissolution was postponed the worse the election would be for them. The languor and dissatisfaction of the Conservatives in the Commons are conspicuous. Many members, disillusioned concerning parliamentary life, will not stand again, and the government itself is honeycombed with personal misunderstandings and cross-currents of conviction. There will, however, be no dissolution this year. The government cannot go to the country except upon some notable issue or after some striking legislation. Neither of these is in evidence to-day. In secret councils of the Tory party following, intentions prevail, after passing the London Government bill and minor measures, that the present session be closed as early as possible in August, and that there will be no autumn session. When parliament reassembles the Queen's speech will announce a bill for the redistribution of parliamentary seats by which the Irish representation in the Commons will be considerably reduced, and a number of English county members will disappear. A fierce fight will take place over this bill, but it will be passed by the government's overwhelming majority. Thereupon Lord Salisbury will dissolve parliament about the middle of next year. If the Conservatives win the election he will retire, Balfour becoming Prime Minister. At any rate, whether this programme be carried out or not, the announcement of the redistribution bill may safely be regarded as the signal for the next election.

LORD ROSEBERY'S PLANS.
Meanwhile the political developments which I anticipated last Sunday will come off next week. The extraordinary demonstration of popularity occasioned by the wedding of Lord Rosebery's daughter, which, if rumor may be trusted, has evoked some jealousy in quarters usually thought inaccessible to such sentiments, has decided Lord Rosebery himself to re-enter within certain very definite limits the political sphere. On Tuesday he takes the chair at the dinner of the Eighty Club, a militant Radical organization founded to commemorate the sweeping Gladstonian victories of 1880. On Friday he presides at the dinner of the London City Liberal Club, one of the few organizations which remained unaffected by the home rule split, and contains Unionists and Radicals in equal numbers. Nothing is further from Lord Rosebery's intention than to make any kind of a bid for the Liberal leadership or to modify, so far as he personally is concerned, his retirement from active participation in politics. It may be taken for granted, whatever be affirmed or denied by uninformed writers, that one of two things would alone bring this about—one a clear and virtually unanimous call from his party, or, second, the conviction that on any particular issue patriotic duty imposed speech upon him. The latter was the case at the Fashoda crisis. But the Liberal leadership being now decided for the time, the party having settled down harmoniously and enthusiastically to work, there is no reason why Lord Rosebery as an individual should not express his opinions upon certain matters of general principle deeply concerning the future of Liberalism. This, I believe, is what he will do next week, notably with regard to true and false imperialism, and the effect of his utterances in the country will assuredly be very great.

THE ANGLO-RUSSIAN ENTENTE.
On March 20 I cabled you that the Anglo-French African convention was about to be followed by a convention with Russia, only the details of which remained to be put upon paper, and that in England would recognize the Russian position in Manchuria in return for Russian recognition of British predominance elsewhere. To-day's "Morning Post" in its second edition announces from St. Petersburg that this agreement was signed yesterday, Russia binding herself not to attempt to obtain, or to assist another power to obtain, railway or similar concessions in the Yangtze Valley, while Great Britain gives an identical pledge regarding Manchuria. There is some ground for the belief that the



YESTERDAY'S GREAT FIRE.
THE SCENE FROM ST. CATHERINE STREET.

agreement is not to be limited to China. After the undeniable sharp practice of the Russian Foreign Office—to use the mildest term—which resulted in the immediate change of the British Ambassador, everybody will await the exact terms of the agreement before attaching any value to it. If it proves satisfactory, important developments will follow, for Witte, the Russian Minister of Finance, is a most enlightened man, and because Russian finance and commerce are in such tight straits that the most influential Russian statesmen recently submitted a secret report to the Czar declaring that British capital and British purchasers are absolutely essential to Russian prosperity, and adding that these will not be forthcoming unless British opinion be reassured upon Russia's policy and good will. Meanwhile to all the Russian difficulties which I have previously pointed out new embarrassment is added. Except in Finland, whose loyalty survives even the perfidious blow at its independence, there is not a single high-class educational establishment open to-day. All have been closed by the police till the end of the year, and only a minute proportion of the students is undergoing examinations. The St. Petersburg prisons cannot find room for more students, yet arrests and domiciliary visits are occurring nightly. Many of the students have been exiled to Siberia. On Thursday last 230 girls in the Women's High School were ordered by the police to leave the city within forty-eight hours. The social disintegration thus caused now and the disorganization in the public service which will result in the future are incalculable and add greatly to the Russian necessity for relief from external anxiety.

AMERICAN AFFAIRS DISCUSSED.
The fact that the same week brings news of the Filipino's overtures for peace and their repudiation of the attractive offers of the President's proclamation, justifies those British experts who all along declared that hard knocks from General Otis and General MacArthur would do far more for peace than any printed invitations, however amiably phrased. All the London papers during the week have published columns of detailed description of the fighting, accompanied by cordial comments upon the gallantry and the tenacity of the American forces, and particularly of the magnificent personal initiative and dash of officers and men alike. The opinion prevails that if operations are now for a short time pushed on more vigorously than ever, wholly regardless of the rather insolent request for an armistice, while the bad season advances and the Filipino Congress makes up its mind, the end, so

far as Luzon is concerned, is at hand, and the subjugation of the rest can be undertaken leisurely, piece by piece. Two other American matters are the subject of universal talk to-day. The first—and to English readers it is astounding—is the fact that responsible, indeed, eminent, American citizens send by mail to American troops in the field personal incitements to insubordination. I presume the general American comment upon this is identical with that heard here, which therefore need not be transmitted. The second subject is the awful ebullition of racial hatred in the South. The recent cables announcing this have produced a greater impression than I ever remember this matter to have evoked before. Intelligent Englishmen know well that the negro problem in the South is one of vast difficulty and delicacy, and our own relations with the black races all over the world lead to much sympathy, with a determination that any white community shall not be swamped by the black population. But the savagery of the recent lynchings takes everybody by surprise; nobody was prepared to learn that such barbaric passions existed in white breasts under the Stars and Stripes. The question is asked in blank astonishment why neither the state nor the Federal power intervenes instantly and irresistibly. On one evening a bundle of letters on this subject from its readers reached one newspaper office. A number of these from simple citizens of the humbler class asked the editor quite seriously to tell them whether this news really referred to the well-known United States, North America, which had recently fought Spain to free Cubans from oppression and cruelty.

A POLICY OF DUPLICITY.
American readers have probably thought me at times guilty of partisanship in my criticisms of Lord Salisbury in the matter of China. In self-defence I may call attention to one little incident. Mr. Brodrick, under secretary of state for foreign affairs, was asked in the House of Commons this week whether the so-called Belgian syndicate, which, of course, rests upon the so-called Russo-Chinese Bank—that is, upon the Russian Government—and which has a concession for the Pekin-Hankow Railway, had acquired the reversionary rights of the line from Hankow to Canton. This is a question of momentous importance to Great Britain, both because such a line is the backbone of the Yangtze Valley, because the vast, wealthy trading city of Canton, is the mart of British trade from Hankow. Secretary Brodrick replied that the government had no information upon this point. The fact is that the official pro-

spectus of the loan for the Pekin-Hankow Railway was issued in Paris a fortnight ago, and it was stated formally on the authority of the French Minister at Pekin that the above reversionary rights had been granted to this syndicate. The official prospectus was duly reproduced and commented upon in the "Times," and other papers. Surely no words are too strong to apply to a government which attempts to befool the country in this puerile fashion.

AN ENGLISH JOKE WITH A POINT.
London society is peculiar in the fact that there is generally one particular new joke in circulation, not to know which is to show oneself outside the movement. A majority of these jokes, it is needless to say, come from America, the fountain of almost all really original wit and humor of our time. This week's joke is, I believe, to be home-made. It is as follows: During Kipling's illness the Emperor William of Germany sent a graceful and cordial message expressing the hope that his life might be spared. On Kipling's recovery the Emperor conferred the Order of the Black Eagle—of the second class—upon Providence.

HENRY NORMAN.
MURDERED IN AN OPIUM JOINT.
Chicago, May 1.—The body of an unidentified man was found in a room in an opium resort early to-day and the police believe the man was murdered by a woman who had accompanied him to the place and had left him an hour before. A physician who made an examination said the man had probably died from poison.

HEAVY SNOW STORM IN SCOTLAND.
London, May 1.—There was a heavy snow storm this morning in Perthshire, Scotland. The unseasonable weather resulted in the killing of great numbers of sheep and lambs.

THUNDERSTORMS.
Toronto, May 1.—11 a.m.—The following are the maximum and minimum temperatures:—Kamloops, 46, 32; Calgary, 24, 16; Qu'Appelle, 60, 30; Winnipeg, 56, 34; Port Arthur, 48, 36; Toronto, 79, 53; Montreal, 52, 56; Quebec, 50, 48; Halifax, 76, 46. Fair and warm, a few scattered thunderstorms, becoming more general on Tuesday.

Readings by Hearn & Harrison's Standard Barometer at noon to-day, 30.01; yesterday, 30.02. Temperature, to-day, max. 66, min. 56; yesterday, max. 82, min. 58.

A DISASTROUS FIRE.

**Steam Laundry and Several
Manufacturing Establish-
ments Burned Out.**

**THE DAMAGE WILL REACH A
HUNDRED THOUSAND DOL-
LARS—THE INSURANCE.**

About 8.30 yesterday morning an alarm of fire called nearly the whole of the city fire brigade to the owner of St. Catherine and St. Urbain streets, where flames were seen issuing from the large stone block formerly known as the Hospice St. Francois Xavier. The alarm was given by the watchman, Mr. Joseph Robert. When the first reel arrived a strong blaze and a cloud of smoke were coming from the roof of the east wing, in which the fire is supposed to have started, and quickly spread over the top flat of the whole building.

A second and third alarm brought out all the stations except 13, 15, 16, 17 and 18, and these fell in to the stations that were alerted in readiness for any emergency that might arise. Steam after steam was thrown with good effect. The men worked hard, in spite of all disadvantages.

WATER TOWER MISSED.
The Lafrance engine did splendid work and the chief expressed himself as more than ever convinced of the wisdom of having powerful engines for use at such fires, where small ones would be almost useless. The lack of the water tower was felt yesterday when the tower of the building, which ran away up above the three storeys of the main structure, caught, weakened and fell. The chief thought it might easily have been saved if a stream could have reached it.

There was great danger of the wood-yard and factory of U. Pauzé & Son catching fire and the firemen are to be congratulated upon having succeeded in saving them. Had the fire occurred at night the result must have been much more disastrous.

THE LOSSES.
Mr. St. Germain, manager of the Beaudry estate, says that the building was valued at \$75,000 to \$100,000 and that it is insured for about sixty thousand dollars. The property is said to be held under mortgage by the Sun Life Assurance Company.

Amongst the occupants of the building who will suffer are J. Vinette & Co., boot and shoe manufacturers, who occupied the second and third flats in the east wing, where the fire is thought to have started. They will probably be the heaviest losers as little could be saved. That part of the building was gutted and the roof fell in. The salvage corps lost nearly forty covers in that wreck. The insurance carried by Vinette & Co., was \$10,000.

Keiffer Bros. had their boot machine works on the ground floor of this wing. Their loss was principally caused by water and smoke and the collapse of the upper flats. The same may be said of their dye works in the St. Urbain street wing.

The New York Steam Laundry will come next in point of loss. The fire, which swept over the whole top flat, practically wiped them out. Their loss, however, will be much less than it would have been in the middle of the week, as the week's washing had been delivered. They carried \$10,000 insurance.

Bedard & Major, carriage makers, got their goods out, but will suffer some damage from water.

Lymburner & Mathews, machinists, brass founders and platers, on the first flat, at the back, will be rather heavy losers, more by water and smoke than fire, however.

Clement & Lafleur, in the west wing, successors to Pellerin & Son, shoe manufacturers, will lose principally by water. Their stock was not very large.

The Victoria Wire Nail Manufacturing Company occupied the second flat in the centre at the rear. A great weight of machinery and goods was contained in their apartments, and they may be considered fortunate in escaping with little damage, except by water. The floors were flooded with water, four or five inches deep, and holes had to be chopped in them to let the water through.

On the same flat were the Canadian Bolt & Latch Works, and M. Felton's brass finishing shops. Over them was the boot and shoe factory of McDonald & Wallace. The fire was kept well out of these rooms, however.

BUILDING INSURED.
The insurance upon the building is given as follows: The London, \$20,000; the Royal, \$20,000; the Commercial Union, \$19,000; the Western, \$9,000; while the Liverpool & London & Globe, on the stock, has \$2,800; the St. Lawrence Fire Insurance Company, \$4,500; the Quebec

Fire Insurance Company, \$1,500; the Western, \$2,000; the Atlas, \$1,000.

NOTES.
It was after noon before the firemen left. The police of Nos. 4 and 6 stations did good work in keeping back the crowd which blocked the streets for long distances in all directions.
The St. Catherine street cars were stopped for some time and passengers transferred from either side.
This is said to be the thirteenth fire that has occurred in the building since it was first erected. A previous fire left nothing but the walls standing.
Between two and three hundred persons will be temporarily thrown out of regular employment.
There are no accidents to report, fortunately, though there were two or three thrilling incidents and narrow escapes.

ALLIANCE AND THE PLEBISCITE.

**Committee Progressing With Its
Task of Bringing the Pro-
hibition Question Again
Before Parliament.**

**WILL PROCEED BY WAY OF RESO-
LUTION—MR. FISHER'S
ATTITUDE.**

Ottawa, May 1.—Since the recent meeting in Ottawa of the Dominion Alliance, a committee of members chosen by that body who are especially interested in the cause of temperance, has held several meetings with a view to meeting the views of the Alliance and gaining recognition of the results of the taking of the plebiscite vote on the question of prohibition. They will proceed by way of a resolution, as there exists some doubt as to the legality of bringing in a bill that would meet the case as they conceive it. This resolution will call upon the government to give effect to the expression of the plebiscite by enacting a law to prohibit the importation, manufacture and sale of intoxicants, provided, however, that the same shall be operative only in those provinces of the Dominion which signify their acceptance by vote of the people. The supporters of this proposition think that it is one which would commend itself to the government and that there should be no real difficulty in the way of its adoption by parliament. The idea is just that which was laid before the Alliance a few days since, and which met with the approval of that body. The preparation of a bill to cover the case would call for a great amount of labor and study, besides there being this doubt as to whether it could under the rules of parliament emanate from a private member. Under all the circumstances the committee has taken what it considers the wisest course, and the result of its work in resolution form will probably be before the House of Commons early this week.

The remarks of the Minister of Agriculture in his speech a fortnight since on the Scott Act seem to justify to some extent the conclusion that his support would be given to the present proposition for its application on a wider scale. Mr. Fisher said in the course of his speech: "One other remarkable thing, which is noticeable in these returns, is that where local option has been most largely availed of by the people, the prohibitory vote is largest. In Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick the vote is overwhelmingly in favor of prohibition. These are parts of the Dominion where local option has been availed of, and where it has been effectively enforced, where they have known the beauties of prohibition, where the people have been educated up to the point of total prohibition; in Quebec where local option is known, and has existed for a municipal way; in Ontario where local option was not greatly availed of, where I do not think there is a single municipality which has it, the vote in favor of prohibition was not nearly so overwhelming. These are things which have led us to two conclusions. The first conclusion is that local option is the solution of the problem, it has produced this unequal temperance sentiment in different localities in the country. And, secondly, the conclusion is that where local option exists and is enforced for a time sufficient to prove its advantages and benefits, temperance sentiment is educated up to a point where it is ready to take the responsibility of declaring in favor of total prohibition. It seems to me that this is a conclusion and a lesson, which it would be well for parliament to study and consider, and even although for the moment it may be thought by some to be a retrograde step, though it may be thought by some to be the old story, I feel that it is probably the best solution that today offers itself to the people to be adopted for immediate working. There are amendments possible to be made to the Scott Act, but I do not propose to go into them now. The Scott Act has achieved the result of total prohibition. The people think it to be a good act. I know that in my country, and in other municipalities it has been successful, and very many are cured. I believe that in Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, a temperance sentiment has grown up which has been reflected in this plebiscite. I feel that in other countries in the world where the temperance question is not so far advanced as it is in Canada, where the people are not so thoroughly aware of the harm of intemperance, the Scott Act is held up to them as an example to be followed by these more retrograde countries. I think it is well for us that we should no longer neglect or ignore what has to a certain extent been neglected and ignored, and it is the fact that the advantages of prohibition under the local option system will gradually educate the people up to a point where they will perhaps give their votes, in sufficient numbers, to justify the introduction of a total prohibitory law over the whole country."

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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, except notices of funeral, which are inserted for 25c. The announcement of funeral appended to death notice, 50c extra; other extensions, to be obtained, 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 verses) occurring in their immediate families, free of charge, in which case name and address of subscribers should be given.

BIRTHS.

BEATTIE—At 239 Grand Trunk street, on April 20, 1899, the wife of H. Beattie, of a son.

PENK—On April 28, 1899, at 11 Richmond street, Point St. Charles, the wife of Wm. Penk, of a daughter (premature).

ROYS—At Moulinette, on April 20, 1899, to Mr. and Mrs. James A. Roys, a son.

SANDREUTER—At Montrose avenue, Westmount, on April 28, the wife of Mr. Edward Sandreuter, of a son.

YOUNG—At 107 Prince Arthur street, on the 26th inst., the wife of James A. Young of a son.

MARRIED.

BRUMELL—PETERS—On April 26, 1899, at the residence of the bride's mother, Maple street, London, Ontario, by the Rev. Jas. Allen, M.A., of Toronto, brother-in-law of the bride, Mr. Walter Blackett Brumell, of Toronto, to Kate Whitburn, youngest daughter of the late Samuel Petese, Esq.

McINTOSH—WILSON—At the Methodist parsonage, Avonmore, on Wednesday, April 26, by the Rev. T. F. Richards, Mr. Peter McIntosh to Carrie Wilson, all of the township of Finch.

MORGAN—WINFIELD—At Chalmers Church, Quebec, on April 27, 1899, by the Rev. D. Tait, B.A., Linda Scott, youngest daughter of R. Winfield, to Alfred, youngest son of the late D. Morgan, Esq.

PIBUS—ELDRIDGE—At Riverside Farm, Mansville, Que., on Wednesday, April 26, 1899, by the Rev. Rural Dean Brown, Luther H. Pibus, late of West Bolton, to Eva Olga, eldest daughter of M. T. Eldridge, Esq.

TORRANCE—DENNISTOUN—On April 25, 1899, at Castleknock, Peterborough, the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. J. P. Potter, Helen Grant, daughter of the late James P. Dennistoun, Q.C., to the Rev. Edward Fraser Torrance, D.D., of St. Paul's Church, Peterborough, Ont.

WOODLAND—POLLARD—At Toronto, on April 26, 1899, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. S. D. Cullen, Fred. G. T. Woodland, to Irene, eldest daughter of R. F. Pollard.

DIED.

CARR—At his residence, 60 Prince Arthur avenue, Toronto, on April 27, 1899, Edwin H. Carr, assistant accountant Bank of Montreal, in his 33rd year.

EAKIN—On Saturday, April 29, 1899, at his late residence, 12 Youville street, William Eakin, aged 59.

Funeral on Monday, at 2.30 from No. 10 Youville street. Friends will kindly accept this intimation.

FORREST—At Quebec, on April 26, 1899, Ida Eva, second and dearly beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Forrest, aged 22 years and 10 months.

LOGAN—At her late residence, Whitchy, Ont., on April 26, 1899, Jean Elliot, relict of the late John Logan, of Toronto, aged 58 years and 11 months. Deceased was a native of Hawick, Scotland, and emigrated to Toronto, then York, Sept. 1, 1817.

LOVE—On April 30, 1899, Matthew Love, of the County Fermanagh, Inniskillen, Ireland, at the age of 75 years.

Funeral will take place from his late residence, 252 Chatham street, at eight o'clock.

FARNHAM—In East Gwillimbury, Ont., on April 26, 1899, James Farnham, aged 71 years.

PERKINS—At Mansonsville, on Friday, April 27, 1899, Rena Swasey, in her 18th year, youngest daughter of Jedutha Perkins.

'Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep.'

POWNEY—At 135 Peter street, Toronto, on April 22, 1899, William Powney, second son of the late Robert Powney, of H. M. Customs, Montreal.

PRIDE—On the evening of Saturday, April 29, 1899, after a long illness, Katherine McDougall, beloved wife of William Pride, aged 77 years.

Funeral private, on Tuesday, at 2.30, from the residence, 153 Lusignan street.

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Funeral from the residence of his daughter, No. 8 Desjardins avenue, Maisonneuve, on Monday, May 1st, to Mount Royal Cemetery.

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SOMERVILLE—At Grand Rapids, North West Territory, on March 19, 1899, Egerton Somerville, formerly of New York, also Montreal.

WALTON—On April 30, 1899, at 121 Mullins street, this city, Isabella, beloved daughter of Edward Walton, aged 20 years and five months.

Funeral from above address on Tuesday, May 2, at 2.30 p.m.

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MONDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 1.

WESLEYAN COLLEGE.

EXAMINATION RESULTS COMPLETED THIS MORNING.

The examination results at the Wesleyan Theological College were completed this morning. They are as follows:—

Theology: Systematic S.T.L. Course—Class I.—Angell and Sawyer equal (hons.), Masson (hons.), Edwards, Powell, Crabb, Hicks, Clark. Class II.—Hamilton and McKelvey equal, Coone, Vickery and Lloyd.

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Historical, S.T.L. Course—Class I.—Sawyer (hons.), Hicks, Class II.—Smith, Ashton and Lloyd equal. Class III.—Bailey, Vickery.

Special Studies, 1st year, B.D.—Class I.—Angell, Williams, Class II.—Smith, Runnells, Class III.—Williamson.

Atonement 3rd year, B.D.—Class I.—Down, Belton, Class II.—McAteer, Boshart, Wilson, Sykes, Reid.

Church Polity—Class I.—Sawyer, Powell, Coone, Masson, Class II.—Miller, Angell, Hicks, Millson, Ashton, Wiggins, Crabb, Kaine, Barker.

St. Luke—Class I.—Sawyer, Phillips, Masson, Ashton, Vickery, Power, Hamilton, Class II.—Coone, Bailey, Class III.—McKelvey, Barker, Clarke, Green, Hicks.

Exp. to the Hebrews, 3rd year, S.T.L.—Class I.—Smith, Class II.—Kaine, Miller, Greek Syntax—Class I.—Masson (hons.).

Paul's Letter—Class I.—Down, Jones.

Old Testament: Hebrew, 1st year—Class I.—Sawyer, Class 2.—Ashton, Coone, Powell, Clarke, Hicks and Sutcliffe equal.

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Second year—Class I.—Powell (hons.), Masson (hons.), Hicks, Class II.—Miller, Crabb, Class III.—Barker and Wiggins equal, Millson.

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Method of Creation, second year, B.D.—Class I.—Down (hons.), Charlesworth (hons.), Mick.

Christian View of God and the World, second year, B.D.—Class I.—Belton, Charlesworth and McAteer, equal. Class III.—Boyce, Mick, Boshart.

Divine Origin of Christianity, third year, B.D.—Class I.—Down, Sykes, Dalgleish and McAteer, equal. Class II.—Jones. Class III.—Wilson.

Homiletics: Lectures—Class I.—Barker, Hicks, Coone and Sawyer, equal; Powell, Hamilton, Edwards, Green, Clark and Bailey, equal. Class II.—Vickery, McKelvey and Lloyd, equal; Ashton, Boyd, Philip.

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TRIALS OF THE TRAIL.

MOST HEARTRENDING STORIES BROUGHT DOWN BY RETURNING MINERS.

Seattle, Wash., May 1.—Sixty prospectors arrived here to-day from Copper River, Alaska, on the steamer "Alaska." They brought with them a repetition of the stories of the privation and death, and many more evidences on their bodies of the ravages of scurvy and frost. A man named Young hobbled off the vessel on the stumps of two legs. Another man, Alexander Powell, had but one foot. F. C. Goodwin, of Oakland, California, whose legs are black with scurvy, and whose knees are bruised by contact with the ice, tells an interesting story of his experiences, which were similar to that of the others. While camped in the interior, his partner, Wesley Scheidecker, of Grand Ridge, Ill., fell sick with scurvy, and soon became unable to travel. Goodwin strapped him on a sled and started for the coast. After four days he arrived at the mouth of the Chitina river, but his partner was frozen stark and stiff to the sled. He buried him in the snow.

Continuing his journey, he came across a tent in which there were two men sick with scurvy. They were Dixon Hutton, of Memphis, Tenn., and T. B. Rawlings, of Little Rock, Ark. Another man happened along at the same time, and he and Goodwin put Rawlings and Hutton on sleds and dragged them to the coast.

Just before the "Excelsior" left Valdez a big slide was reported on the glacier, but no particulars were learned.

The government expedition under Captain Abercrombie was arranging to begin the construction of a road into the interior when the "Excelsior" left. Relief parties with provisions and anti-scorbutics had been sent into the interior.

EX-GOVERNOR ALTGELD ILL.

Chicago, May 1.—Ex-Governor John P. Altgeld has fought his last political battle, according to information furnished by Dr. Nicholas Senn. The ex-Governor is certainly a very sick man, and it seems true beyond all question that he has fought his last political fight, Dr. Senn said last night. "In addition to his illness, which is in itself serious, the ex-governor is completely broken down in spirit and despondent to the last degree. Not that I want to be understood as saying that the defeat sustained by Mr. Altgeld at the Chicago election a few weeks ago has wrought this discouragement, from which he is now suffering. That has had nothing to do with his present illness. The chief cause of his despondency is his realization of the fact that his present illness is but a development of his old ailment, locomotor ataxia. In this knowledge, which

has had an unusually depressing effect upon him, is the great danger. It is quite clear he can never again be a strong man or sufficiently restored to health to wage another political fight. Still, unless complications set in, he may linger longer than any one would expect."

CHILKATS ON THE WARPATH.

Skagway, Alaska, April 24, via Seattle, May 1.—The Chilkat Indians are on the warpath. On Sunday twenty bucks, armed with rifles, gathered from their several villages along the Chilkat river, and marched to Rocky Point, eight miles from Haines Mission, where eight white men were blasting rocks for a trail to Klukwan, a distance of 25 miles. The Indians drove the whites away. Word was immediately sent to the United States marshal and commissioner at Skagway and to Captain Cheatham, in command of the troops at Dyea. Sixteen soldiers, under command of a sergeant, were at once sent to Haines Mission. It is understood that persons who are opposed to the construction of the new trail have incited the Indians to make trouble.

CANADA AND JAPAN.

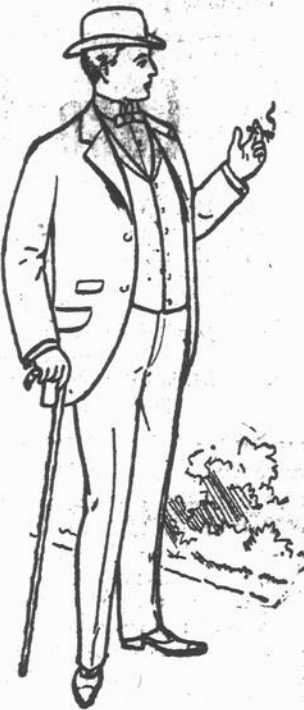
BRITISH COLUMBIA EXCLUSION ACT CRITICISED BY THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO LONDON.

Niagara Falls, N.Y., May 1.—A newspaper representative from Toronto came here for the purpose of interviewing Mr. Kato, the Japanese ambassador to the court of St. James, who is here on his way to his native land. Mr. Kato was asked if it was a fact that his government had determined to sever all diplomatic and trade relations with Canada and prevent Japanese vessels from entering Japanese ports on account of recent legislation of the Pacific coast province. Mr. Kato answered promptly: "I do not think the government of my country has entertained any such idea up to the present, but I know there has been talk to that effect. Her Britannic Majesty's Government, and also the Dominion authorities, are now considering the matter in an intelligent and enlightened manner, and so far as I have gathered in London the provincial politicians in British Columbia will have to recede from their position. If that turns out to be correct it will end the matter, and Canada and Japan will remain as friendly as possible in their various relations, and their commercial interests will be impeded. If, however, the British Columbia legislation is allowed by the Dominion Government the feeling in Japan will be very bad indeed, and some such thing as you have spoken of will almost certainly be suggested by the newspapers and political

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agitators, and as you know a government is sometimes impelled by the consequent agitation which springs up to shape its policy accordingly.

Toronto, May 1.—His Excellency the Hon. Mr. Kato, Japanese ambassador at the court of St. James, and his suite passed through Toronto to-day for Vancouver. The party were driven through the city, and lunched at the Queen's Hotel. Sir William Van Horne has kindly placed the private car "Earscliffe" at the disposal of His Excellency through to the coast.

PROTECTION OF THE NEGRO.

STRONG PROTEST AGAINST THE SOUTHERN RACE WAR.

Chicago, May 1.—Meetings were held in African churches throughout the city yesterday, to protest against lynchings in the South. All the services were largely attended, and at each of them an address to the public was adopted. Athens, Cal., May 1.—Bishop H. M. Turner, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, preached at the court house here, yesterday, to white people. During his sermon he said he would prefer to see his people, the black race, again in slavery, since slavery afforded them protection, more so than in their present condition.

Syracuse, N.Y., May 1.—The Rev. H. J. Callis preached last night at the A. M. E. Zion Church (colored) on the racial troubles of the South. He said that the white women of the South had not protected their own chastity. He made a plea for the organization of colored men; said that 2,500,000 were able to carry arms, and predicted that, if the murders of colored men in the South did not cease there would be a conflict between the black and whites of the South. He said that his brethren in the South looked to the North for salvation.

CUSTOMS RETURNS.

Ottawa, May 1.—The customs revenue for the Dominion during the ten months ending April 30 was \$21,093,026 compared with \$18,334,860 in the same period of last year, an increase of \$2,758,166. The details are as follows:—

	1898.	1899.
July	1,386,167	2,436,491
August	1,746,369	2,119,193
September	1,955,485	2,065,651
October	1,744,127	1,963,371
November	1,648,351	1,923,992
December	1,805,192	1,990,214
January	1,731,890	1,889,250
February	2,010,877	2,065,788
March	2,423,435	2,363,204
April	1,882,961	2,267,962
Total	18,334,860	21,093,026

The revenue for the month of April was \$2,267,962, as compared with \$1,882,961 for April, 1898, an increase of \$404,980.

LATEST ANDREE STORY.

London, May 1.—The latest Andree story comes from Copenhagen, where it is reported that a bottle containing a note from the explorer was found in the polar ice driven ashore at Husavik, Iceland.

AN ARKANSAS LYNCHING.

Memphis, Tenn., May 1.—Information was received in Memphis last night that Willis Sees, a negro, aged 30 years, was taken from the jail at Osceola, Ark., yesterday morning at one o'clock and hanged in the jail yard by a mob of forty men. Sees was in jail on a charge of burning. After being suspended in mid-air twice, the negro confessed the crime of which he was charged, and he was then hanged. Several houses have been burned in the neighborhood of Osceola recently, and this is given as the reason for the mob taking the law into its jurisdiction.

LORD MINTO THROWN FROM HIS WHEEL.

Ottawa, May 1.—At the dinner party at Rideau Hall, on Saturday night, the guests were surprised to see that Lord Minto carried his right hand in a sling and that it was obviously stiff. On Friday afternoon His Excellency, when riding a bicycle, was thrown from his wheel, spraining his right wrist and being otherwise shaken up.

C. P. R. LAND SALES.

Winnipeg, May 1.—C. P. R. land sales for the month of April have been heavy, although they show a decrease on the corresponding period in 1898, as follows: 1898, 36,630 acres; 1899, 43,145 acres; 1898, 140,000.

THE LATE SENATOR SUTHERLAND.

Winnipeg, May 1.—Senator Sutherland's funeral took place on Saturday at Kildonan. Among the flowers was a magnificent wreath from the Provincial Government. A number of messages of condolence and sympathy from friends at Ottawa and elsewhere have been received.

STREET CAR FENDERS.

NECESSITY FOR A CHANGE IN THE SYSTEM.

(To the Editor of the "Witness.") Sir,—The bicycle season has scarcely opened before we read in your columns of a fatal accident to a rider of the wheel. Now I would like to ask: How long are we going to tolerate such a miserable pretence for a fender as the Montreal Street Railway Company uses? It is scarcely credible that at this latter part of the nineteenth century we are to accept such a paltry thing in the way of a life-preserver, "save the mark." It seems to me more like a life-destroyer than a life-saver. Now, I would like to ask the management of our street railway if this is the best it can do? I think that it has been weighed in the scales long enough; and found wanting. I enclose copies of two advertisements of the "Parmenter" and the "Providence" fenders, from the "Electrical World." Either of these fenders would be, I think, a vast improvement over the one now in use, or, rather, say, in position; for it is truly useless. I am sure that if the Street Railway Company will only announce that they want fenders which

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FENDER.

Montreal, April 29, 1899.

(To the Editor of the "Witness.")

Sir,—The sham and pretence of the Street Railway Company, in re, their so-called life-saving fenders, in front of their cars, calls for a loud rebuke from the public. The city should instantly take action to compel this rich corporation to use something in place of the present cheap and worthless thing. The life that was sacrificed yesterday could have been saved if the guard had been made to run lower than what they are using. I have seen these so-called guards one foot from the rails, and a child or man on their feet might be saved, but not if they were thrown down. Please use your powerful influence to bring about this much needed reform.

Montreal, April 28, 1899.

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CITY ITEMS.

The visiting governors for the present week to the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge and to the Homes at Longue Pointe are the Hon. G. A. Drummond and Mr. George Hague.

The visiting governors to the Montreal General Hospital for the week commencing Monday, May 1, are Sir William McDonald, the Hon. L. J. Forget and Messrs. Murray Kennedy and George A. Greene.

Weekly Calendar.

MONDAY, MAY 1.

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The Annual Lectures of the ALMA MATER SOCIETY, by the REV. M. D. BUELL, M.A., S.T.D., Dean of the Divinity School of Boston University, will be delivered in the James Ferrier Hall, on MONDAY, May 1, at 8 p.m., and TUESDAY, May 2, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Subject: "A Historical Study of the Epistle to the Galatians." 25

First Sailors' Concert

of the Season.

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TUESDAY, 2nd May.

Owing to many steamers sailing early in the week during the present season the weekly concert will be held on Tuesday evening.

FUTURE MEETINGS.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the Shareholders of the North American Mining Co. will be held at the Company's Office, 280 Richmond street, Ste. Cuneo, on FRIDAY, the 12th day of May inst., at 4 p.m. Business—Election of directors, and to take into consideration the advisability of the liquidation of the Company.

G. N. DUCHARME, President.

ARTHUR YALE, Secretary.

FLETCHER'S FIELD.

(To the Editor of the 'Witness'.)

Sir,—There were no seats on the lower portion of Fletcher's Field yesterday, except those over near the fence, which, from their appearance are placed there for tramps to sleep on. No water was turned on for drinking purposes, to the discomfort of hundreds who were on the ground, driven out by the very warm weather. Who is responsible for the lack of seats and unkempt condition of this place—employees, park ranger, or aldermen? Perhaps it is the Park Committee. There should be more convenience to the public here.

ST. LAWRENCE WARD.

SALARIES OF THE POST-OFFICE
CLERKS.

Toronto, May 1.—A delegation representing the third-class clerks of the post-office waited upon the postmaster-general on Saturday afternoon regarding the question of statutory increases. These increases have not been made for some time, and the men pointed out that they entered the service at a very low rate, expecting to have their salaries increased to the maximum by annual \$40 increases. They asked Mr. Mulock to grant the increase this year. In reply Mr. Mulock said that members of the service must disabuse their minds of the idea that it was obligatory on the government to give these increases every year. The government's position was that the propriety of increasing the salaries of the civil servants should be considered from the standpoint of two things: first the value of the work of the civil service to the public and second the respective ability of individual members to do the work. The request for increases in salary would be carefully considered along this line.

HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

Following is the statement of the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge for the week ending April 29:—Number of permanent inmates at country house: Males, 78; females, 70; total, 148. Corresponding number last year: Males, 78; females, 65; total, 143. Number in George Moore Memorial Home: Males, 21; females, 23; total, 44. Corresponding number last year: Males, 18; females, 20; total, 38. Number of night lodgings given in Night Refuge, 571; last year, 713.

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The Daily Witness.

MONDAY, MAY 1, 1899.

There is an outcry against the present system of fenders on the street cars. The fender having proved unavailing to save the life of Mr. Sly. What is wanted, perhaps, first is better street surfaces, so that the fenders might safely be allowed to hang lower. With the present undulatory movement of the cars, sometimes very pronounced, the front of a fender attached stiffly to the car must be now too high to catch a prostrate form, and again too low to avoid striking the ground, or at least excrescences upon it. This undulation is the fault of the track or the bed whereon it is laid. Only by fastening the fender to the car with a hinge and running it on wheels of its own can it be made independent of the undulation of the car. But why should not this be done?

The Emperor William has put a play upon the stage. This is the clever monarch's hundredth trick, and, as the rhyme says, the next will follow quick. The emperor is a war lord, a drill sergeant in infantry and cavalry, a naval commander, an instructor of musicians and physicians, a model preacher—we have seen a lot of his sermons—a priest dedicating churches in canonicals, a cartoonist, a painter, an architect, a designer of public school furniture, all over and above his ordinary duties as a monarch and statesman. What he will do next we do not know. The other day he refused to write for an American newspaper, perhaps because he was offered a large cheque with a very small assignment.

The cynical correspondent promises a record run for 'The Gay Lord Quex,' now on the boards in London, on the ground that it has shocked the good people more than any other play for a decade. The lesson of this would seem to be that the more a play gets the reputation of being immoral the better will be its success. It would have been impossible for any Puritan to write as severe a judgment on the stage, as it is, as this writer has done. who is evidently quite out of sympathy with the 'good people,' and thinks the play all right, as does the Prince of Wales, who has named his last racer 'Lord Quex.' It is often the case that the suggestion of the posters is worse than the play itself, and it may be that the name in this case is the front of the offending. But the use of such methods is itself damnable, and the intent of the plays may surely be fairly judged by their own titles and posters.

A great deal of fun is being made of the California newspaper signature law, according to which the contributor's signature must be appended to articles and items. The law is both stupid and absurd, and is sure to be repealed, in view of the experience gained in Cuba. The Spanish law required writers to sign their articles, but General Brooke has issued an order that they need not do so, as he will hold the editors and proprietors responsible for what they publish. It appears that the Cuban editors retained a set of 'signature men,' worthless fellows who were willing to go to jail for a consideration, and so defied the law. It has also been discovered that when the courts stopped hydraulic mining in California, the Chinese companies evaded the law with impunity by producing one of their coolies as the responsible man, and he went to prison vicariously for them. These instances should teach legislators to fix responsibility less loosely. But so far as the newspapers are concerned, General Brooke has done the right thing by holding those who have most at stake and who are really the proper persons responsible for what they publish, as we do in Canada.

The Ontario Irish Liberals have either completely failed to understand the British system of parliamentary government or else they deliberately wish to overturn it. They are getting up a convention to elect the men who are to represent them in the provincial and national cabinets. The sectionalism that prevails in the cabinets of Canadian governments—that is, the necessity of having each portionately represented—is a very severe check on successful government, as compared with the true British system of taking the ablest men wherever they can be found. Of really able men we have not so many that we should sacrifice them to local and sectional interests. Still, we have preserved the essential British principle of giving the premier the choice of his colleagues, who have to be all solid with himself in every item of government policy. The premier is free to remove any of them at any time if there fails to be agreement. Only by such solidarity can responsible government as it has evolved out of a thousand years of Anglo-Saxon struggle for liberty be carried on. To make the cabinet elective would subvert everything. It would necessarily introduce incompatibilities into the cabinet, and if it failed to do that would largely wipe out the say of parliament in matters of government. For any premier to accept the nomination of such a convention would be to create a dangerous precedent, which, if followed up, might revolutionize our parliamentary system of government, which Britons prize so highly.

RAILWAY BENEFICENCE.

Sir Charles Tupper, the leader of the Conservatives in parliament, ridiculed a proposal to require the railways by law to do what they now universally do by favor, namely, carry members of parliament free. He said that no one seriously charged that the acceptance of passes had prejudiced the opinion of any member on any question coming before parliament. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the leader of the Liberals, said he could not believe the charges as to members having been influenced by passes had any foundation in fact, yet it could not be denied that suspicion existed in the country. These two leaders were of course, as the modern phrase is, 'talking through their hats.' To have said anything different would have been decidedly impolite considering the audience to whom they were speaking. Every one knew, as Sir Wilfrid admitted, that the railway companies were acting according to their own view of their own interests. So that the only alternative to the theory that these passes influence opinions and votes is to assume that these corporations, after the amplest means of studying the effect of their course, go on throwing away hundreds of thousands of dollars annually on pure benevolence to those who need it least. Members of parliament can afford as well as other citizens to pay railway fares. And were they not, they draw mileage from the public treasury to pay their necessary travelling expenses. 'They go on drawing this mileage, though they do not pay anything for their tickets. Do they take these tickets in return for no service rendered? If they think so themselves their position is not a noble one. If they do not it is worse. The railway companies certainly do not think so, nor does the country. The measure proposed is the simplest way of abating this nuisance, and is on the principle of poetic justice to those who have created it. The Premier's objection to it is that Canada has always been minutely respectful of the rights of private ownership. It may be possible to carry that principle too far, however. A limit has been found for it in all countries. Certainly, companies having franchises of the nature of public monopolies can hardly be classed exactly as private proprietors. Railway companies, in particular, obtain privileges subversive of private ownership. For the public good they are allowed to take from any man, or any church for that matter, any property they choose. They should therefore be the last, we should suppose, to be sticklers for the minute rights of private property. The measure would involve no hardship to them. It would not cost them a cent. It would only rob them of their 'cinch' upon parliament. If, as

all parties to the arrangement would no doubt claim, and as both leaders do claim, this is non-existent, it would rob them of absolutely nothing.

A BUSINESS PRINCIPLE.

With reference to the suggestion that has been made by a correspondent of the 'Witness,' to the effect that a Canadian official should be appointed in the place of Mr. Fitzhugh, at Toronto, by the Grand Trunk management, we are assured that the settled policy of Mr. Hays—and it is clearly the right one—is to appoint men without respect to nationality or creed. The sole test he requires is fitness. If that fitness is not discovered in the ranks of the permanent staff, it will be sought for outside such circles. By fitness is not meant mere general ability, but the special fitness for the carrying out of the new ideas which the management have put in operation on the Grand Trunk system. The Grand Trunk had not experienced a change for forty years. When Mr. Hays undertook the management he brought a certain number of men with him, who were ready, at a moment's notice, to enforce a policy with which they had been acquainted through service on the Wabash system. The idea was radically to change the whole method of management. The Grand Trunk was to be modernized in every particular. The policy was directness, the exertion of the individual initiative, prompt intelligence, and personal zeal. Curiously enough, one of the features of the new policy was that it was to be more humane than the old. Corporations have been said to be soulless; but the new idea on the Grand Trunk was to be firmness combined with democratic simplicity. Every man was to be treated on the plane of manhood. The official was to be accessible; he was to exact obedience, but he was to remember that the humblest employee had rights. When the new system had been fairly under way, it was the thought of the management to utilize, as occasion served, the old officials who could readily adapt themselves to new methods. On the other hand, when Mr. Hays found that he had not a man upon whom he could instantly place his hand for the particular position—a man who could carry out a given line of policy—he sought for such outside, and will, it may be said, continue to do so, the chief desire being to get fitness; wherever it can be found, with the ultimate purpose of making profits for the proprietors.

THE CHARTER IGNORED.

The rapacity of aldermen for power knows no shame. A week ago they resolved to tie the responsible heads of departments to their desks throughout the working day, while aldermen managed their duties, or at least administered their patronage. If aldermen cannot manage the tasks of the health officer, the sanitary engineer, the superintendent of the waterworks, and the city surveyor, what is of much more importance in their eyes, they can bully the foremen, favor contractors and find positions for retainers and friends. This was not enough, however. The city surveyor, who from the alderman's point of view is the incarnation of official perversity, even if chained to his desk, had still the giving out of orders for the work to be done by the principal spending department. So the Road Department, without much preliminary discussion—for discussion does not count for much at the City Hall—formally ordered its secretary to communicate orders for work when resolved upon direct to the foremen. This order to wipe out the city surveyor was made in his absence. The committee is no doubt awaiting with bated breath what Mr. St. George will do when he returns. He is not the man to accept the humiliating sinecure offered him, but rebellion on his part is just what they want. Will he appeal to the Mayor, who has always stood by him, or will he take the bull by the horns and issue a circular to his subordinates forbidding them to take orders except through him? The adoption of this latter course would probably lead to some strong remarks by the members of the Road Committee, but that would not amount to much, as Mr. St. George is not an official of the Road Committee merely, but of the City Council, to which body he is responsible.

It is a fact which appears to have been lost sight of by the Road Committee that the city surveyor is given by by-law the very authority and powers it proposes by mere resolution of committee to deprive him of. The following few clauses extracted from the 'by-law in relation to the city surveyor' should be interesting reading for the members of the Road Committee:

Sec. 1.—The City Surveyor shall be chief overseer of all streets, squares, highways,

common sewers, and all other public works or places over which the said council have the right of supervision or control.

Sec. 3.—The said council shall appoint a Deputy City Surveyor, whose duty it shall be to assist the said Surveyor in the discharge of the duties appertaining to his office, and who shall be vested with all the powers conferred upon the said City Surveyor during his absence or sickness.

Sec. 6.—It shall be the duty of the said Surveyor to examine and superintend all public works undertaken for and on behalf of the Road Committee, and to enforce the observance of all contracts for the execution of such works.

Sec. 7.—The said Surveyor shall, annually, on or before the fifteenth day of March, report to the said Council upon the works and improvements made in his department during the preceding civic year, and also upon the state of all works or improvements in progress in the city, with any suggestions he may deem expedient to offer in the premises.

Aldermanic interference with the details of administration of the civic departments has been an undisguised curse in the past, and if the city now finds itself in an awkward financial position it is largely due to this evil. That such barefaced attempts as this still further to extend this pernicious practice should be made just now, must be disquieting to those who vainly imagined that a better era of municipal government had dawned with the passing of the new charter.

TRAIN RULES.

THE NEW STANDARD CODE.

The standard code of train rules, recently adopted at the annual meeting of the American Railway Association, at Detroit, and which will shortly be applied to the Grand Trunk and possibly the C. P. R., (though this is not so certain), has, in principle, been adopted by ninety percent of the railway systems of the United States. In each case an old system has to be unlearned, and there was, at first, some objection raised on the part of men who had become habituated to a certain number of fixed rules governing the operation of trains; but it was only found necessary by the management which determined to adopt the new code, to point to a rival line; and ask the employees whether they were willing to admit that they were less intelligent than the men who were, in a rival corporation, working under the standard code. This was always final, and it was found by experience that as the several lines adopted the new method the men became thoroughly satisfied with it, and said they would not willingly revert to the old rules under which they had been working so long, and which they had to forget in the learning of the new system.

The standard code, in its full detail, would occupy several columns of the 'Witness.' To the layman it is technical and uninteresting in the last degree; but it may be said, briefly, that the new code purposes to provide a method of train operation which shall guarantee inefficiency in so far as any human system may do so—and this with the thought of making railway travelling safe, direct, prompt, and free from all uncertainty or confusion. It means a system of orders by which the train is moved with simplicity, with the minimum at once of effort and delay. It gives to each train its value with the utmost certainty. It puts all the officials in connection with each train in possession of the requisite information, which, at the same time, shall be uniform. It establishes a code of signals, a verbiage which shall be familiar to all on the system, abbreviations for familiar terms, and, generally, it is designed to guarantee smooth running, directness, and the elimination of every confusing element. The system in print, looks highly elaborate and complex, but the Grand Trunk authorities claim that it is simplicity itself, and that it only needs the exertion of the most ordinary intelligence, not merely to comprehend it, but to acknowledge its superiority to the present system in use. The adoption of the standard code by the C. P. R. and Grand Trunk, would mean, practically, that all the great systems on this continent would be operated under a series of uniform rules, which as there is considerable international railway connection and association (which will doubtless be increased in the future), would be a valuable consideration.

G. A. R. OFFICIALS IN TOWN.

Commander-General L. B. Harris, chief of the Vermont Department, G. A. R., in company with Past Commander-General W. W. Henry, United States Consul at Quebec, arrived in this city on Saturday evening in order to make arrangements, if possible, for the holding in Montreal, this year, of the annual encampment of the department. They were met at the railway station by Past Commanders J. B. Lorge and L. B. Harris, and a number of veterans of Post No. 105.

Miss Armand T. Newcomb, daughter of General S. T. Newcomb, and president of the Vermont section of the G. A. R. Ladies' Relief Corps, accompanied by her secretary, Miss Seaver, also arrived in this city on Saturday. Miss Newcomb has come to look after the interests of her corps in connection with the annual encampment.

RIOTOUS MINERS.

San Francisco, Cal., May 1.—The troops at the Presidio are practically under arms and ready at a moment's notice to respond to the call of Governor Steunburg of Idaho, to assist in quelling the riot at Wardner and preserving order. Miners are rioting at Wardner as a result of labor troubles.

LABOR TROUBLES.

TORONTO BRICK-LAYERS AND
CIGAR-MAKERS WANT HIGHER
WAGES.

Toronto, May 1.—This morning, bricklayers, stone-cutters, and cigar-makers are all out on strike, the bricklayers and cigar makers for increased wages, and stone-cutters for a signed agreement with the bosses at the present rate. The bricklayers met this morning in their hall and a paymaster, receiver and clerk were appointed and while the strike continues each married man will receive \$7, and each single man \$5, a week, from the funds of the International Union. The strikers number about 250 and the International body has 30,000 members.

A meeting of the stone-cutters' union was held on Saturday, and it was decided they would go on strike until their employers granted their demand for a renewal of their agreement, which expires on Saturday. That agreement called for forty-three cents an hour. The employers offered to continue to pay forty-three cents for the present, and to make an agreement at forty cents for two years. The schedule of prices paid to cigar makers, the work all being done by piece-work, has not altered during the past seventeen years. But conditions have somewhat changed of late, necessitating, the men think, some change in the prices paid, and a week ago they submitted to their employers a new 'bill.' The committee of the union met the bosses on Saturday and discussed the situation, but did not come to a final settlement. On Saturday the union met and heard the committee's report, and after a good deal of discussion decided not to go back to work until the matter was settled.

DELAGOA BAY.

NOW SAID THAT GERMANY IS OP-
POSED TO ITS ACQUISITION
BY GREAT BRITAIN.

Berlin, May 1.—The correspondent here of the Associated Press learns from an authoritative source that Great Britain's unfriendly attitude is likely to have considerable influence upon the Anglo-German Delagoa Bay agreement.

Some curious events preceding this agreement have now been made public. The agreement only goes into force if Portugal voluntarily relinquishes Delagoa, which has not yet been done, although British and Portuguese financiers are working to that end. The moving spirit in the matter was the Hon. Cecil Rhodes, who managed to make the King of Portugal believe that he could secure his throne against the attacks of the Republicans by British arms if he relinquished Portuguese African possessions to Great Britain. Germany had nothing to do with these machinations, but only tried to safeguard her own interests. There has been such a revulsion of public feeling regarding Britain, due to her unfriendly attitude in Samoa and China, that the government feels obliged to yield to this sentiment. There is a suspicion in England that Count Von Hatzfeldt, the German Ambassador to Great Britain, has been instructed that Germany is no longer ready to carry out the Delagoa Bay agreement.

A TRAGIC END.

WELL KNOWN HOMEOPATHIC
PHYSICIAN STRICKEN WHILE
PERFORMING A CRITICAL
OPERATION.

Chicago, Ill., May 1.—Dr. Reuben Ludlam, sr., president of Hanemann Medical College, and one of the most widely known homeopathic practitioners in the world, was stricken with heart disease yesterday just at the critical point in an operation he was performing at the college hospital. Although Dr. Ludlam was carried from the operating room in a dying condition, his son, Dr. Reuben Ludlam, jr., who had been acting as assistant, immediately seized the instrument from his father's hand, and, to save the life of the patient, continued the surgical work. Dr. Ludlam, sr., expired within five minutes in a room adjoining the operating room, but it was not till a half-hour later that the son, the patient having come safely through the operation, went to his side. The patient was a woman. The operation was the removal of a fibroid tumor of a large size from the abdominal cavity. The patient probably will recover, as the result of young Dr. Ludlam's operation.

BEAUCE GOLD FIELDS.

COUNTRY SAID TO BE AS RICH AS
CALIFORNIA.

Quebec, May 1.—Mr. Angers, notary, of St. Francois, Beauce, left here last night for Montreal, with a bag of gold containing about a hundred and three ounces of the precious metal in nuggets and representing a value of \$1,800. This gold was obtained while carrying on prospecting work on the Gilbert river in Beauce, and Mr. Angers' object is to form a company to prosecute the search for the auriferous deposits. He says that there is no need of going to the Klondike for gold. There is plenty of it in Beauce, which is as rich as California. The only drawback being that it is too near home to be appreciated at its proper value.

SERMON TO STUDENTS.

WESLEYAN GRADUATES ADDRESS-
ED BY THE REV. DR. ROSE
YESTERDAY MORNING.

The Rev. Dr. Rose, of Ottawa, preached an eloquent sermon to the graduating class and students of the Wesleyan Theological College in St. James Methodist Church yesterday morning. The Rev. Dr. Williams and the Rev. W. H. Sparling, pastors of the church, were also present and the Rev. Dr. Antiff occupied a place in the pulpit with them.

Dr. Antiff read the scripture lessons, which were selected from Psalm ciii., and 1. Cor. xii., 22, to the end.

Occupying seats immediately in front of the pulpit were the students, in a body, together with the Rev. Principal Shaw and the staff, all wearing gowns and insignia. Near them sat the Rev. Dr. Buell, Dean of the Methodist Theological College, of Boston, who, it was announced, would preach at night.

The words chosen by Dr. Rose for his text were, "And have not charity. I am nothing," 1. Cor. xiii., 2. These words, said the preacher, gave but a superficial view of the character of the great apostle of the Gentiles. He had been questioned as to which amongst the gifts of the Spirit was most to be desired, and he made this somewhat trivial question the foundation for enunciating a profound doctrine. Paul was not thinking of one merely, but of all classes of Christians. He had here portrayed in the first verses of the chapter the ministry that had failed. Strange to say, it was the ministry of a prophet. A prophet is one, said the preacher, who stands in the place of another by authority. A prophet is more than a teacher or a priest, and prophecy is more than prediction. The prophet might be eloquent, learned, sincere, and altruistic; he might be full of faith and work miracles; he might be an ideal prophet and die a martyr, but if he have not love he will prove that a loveless ministry is nothing.

The second picture is of the ministry that succeeds, and is an exposition of the teaching of the Saviour to "love your neighbor as yourself." There are many examples, said the speaker, of men with one talent succeeding, while others possessed of many noble endowments failed—not that the gifts are to be despised, but apart from the main spring of love and a pure motive they were powerless.

The ministry of to-day was tired of mediocrity. No one needed patience more than the minister, and the only way to possess patience and keep out of professionalism was to walk in the footprints of the Master, listen to his voice and love the people he worked amongst. The more real this love was the more intense the suffering would be. The erring and prodigal would give the true minister daily toil and sleepless nights; if he did not feel it he would fail. Love put and kept men in the right attitude towards God, the world and his brethren. It was, perhaps, hard to some to be maligned, opposed, misunderstood, and to see others succeed where they appeared to fail, but they should rather rejoice to see others succeed. An envious minister was of all men the most miserable. Such should seek the Spirit of Christ, otherwise his peace would be destroyed and his soul lost. Nothing would please Christ that was not inherently good. Love changes selfishness to sacrifice. He cannot be a bigot in whose heart love reigns. The Christlike ministry cannot fail.

The Alma Mater Society has secured the Rev. Dr. Buell, of Boston, to deliver three lectures on "The historical study of the Epistle to the Galatians." These will be given in the college at three o'clock this afternoon, and ten a.m., and three p.m. to-morrow. The public is invited to attend.

The Rev. Dr. Rose, having another pressing engagement on Tuesday night, will not be present at the convocation service in Dominion Square Church. The address announced to be given by him will be delivered by the Rev. W. H. Sparling.

WITH MILITARY HONORS.

The late Private F. Bennett, of B Company, 1st Prince of Wales Regiment Fusiliers, was buried yesterday afternoon from the Montreal General Hospital with military honors. The Rev. E. McManus, hospital chaplain, conducted the service. The coffin, covered with the Union Jack, was drawn on a gun carriage, and accompanied by a detachment from the Montreal Field Battery, as well as some sixty men of the deceased's former company, under Captain W. G. Brown. The regiment's band was also in attendance. Among those in the cortege were Lieut.-Colonel Cooke, Mr. Justice Hall, Major Finlayson and Captain Bond, adjutant.

A large number of the employees of the Windsor Hotel attended in a body, the deceased having been employed there in his lifetime. Interment took place in Mount Royal cemetery.

MAISONNEUVE CHURCH.

A new organ has been placed in the parish church of Maisonneuve, and preparations are going on actively for a musical festival on Ascension Day, May 11, when the ceremony of blessing the instrument will take place, Mgr. Emard presiding. The musical part of the service will be conducted by Mr. Dusault, the organist of Notre Dame, who will be assisted by soloists from the choir of several city churches.

SCOTTISH SONG BIRDS AT DIXIE.

"Is this Kelvin Grove, the woods of Dunmore, the banks of Bonnie Doune or of sweet Afton?" was the question any Scot could scarcely fail to ask himself at Dixie on Saturday, when he heard the whistling of many mavis and blackbirds. Mrs. Fulton, of Dixie, has one large room in her house, fixed up as an aviary for about a dozen of these feathered Scottish minstrels, which have been imported by her and cared for with the greatest kindness. They enjoy themselves, though far away from their native homes; keep the house lively all day with their piping, and cause the passing traveller, when the windows are open, to stop and listen and think of "Auld Scotland." The birds are very tame, and at Mrs. Fulton's request come from their cages and sit on her finger. The presence of a stranger, as on Saturday, made them a little more shy than usual. One, instead of sitting on the hand, flew towards the roof, and perched on the head of a plaster bust of Sir John Macdonald, and piped for all he was worth. They are in such good condition that they are breeding in confinement. They are the lady's hobby, a very admirable one, and they are perhaps unique in the Dominion.

THE CLUB REOPENED.

CATHOLIC SAILORS' INSTITUTION
PRAISED BY MANY.

In the presence of a large number of prominent people, the Catholic Sailors' Club was formally re-opened for the season of 1899, on Saturday afternoon. The event was given additional interest by the presence of His Grace Archbishop Bruchesi, who presided.

The premises were handsomely decorated, palms and bunting lending varied beauty to the various rooms and hallways.

His Grace was escorted to the chair by Mr. F. B. McNamee, an old friend of the club. In the course of a neat speech Mr. McNamee explained what a great pleasure it was for all interested in the club to know that his Grace was so heartily in sympathy with the good work. Every department was progressing most favorably, and it was expected that a new building would be acquired before very long.

His Grace was given a hearty greeting when he rose to speak. He said that he considered it an honor in a supreme sense to be asked to preside at such a gathering. The work of caring for and supplying relaxation to the sailors deserved the highest praise. He had yet to learn of any city where true charity was more thoroughly manifested than in Montreal. The seamen's home was one of the most noble and worthy of the manifold charities which were carried on in Montreal. Such institutions were a blessing to the city, and the return of sailors to the club was like a return to their home. He extended hearty congratulations to the committee of management, and to all who helped in making the work so successful.

Mr. Justice Mathieu made a pleasing speech, making special reference to the work of seamen and their needs in port. He thought sailors deserved the sympathy of all men, and he felt proud of such an institution as the Catholic Sailors' Club.

Mr. A. Kleczkowski, consul-general for France, made a happy speech, touching upon the charities of Montreal.

Mr. Justice Doherty also delivered a highly complimentary address, gracefully bringing in praise for the different helpers of the institution's good work. He especially referred to the untiring work of Mr. McNamee, to whom he said the people of Montreal owed a debt of gratitude.

During the afternoon a programme of music was carried out, and tea was served afterwards. Lady Hington and Mrs. McNamee, assisted by Mrs. Thomson and many other ladies, made their guests welcome, and looked after the welfare of all present.

ST. HENRI NOTES.

DEATH OF EX-MAYOR DAGENAIS.

The flag over the St. Henri Town Hall is flying at half-mast, as a mark of respect for the late Mr. Dagenais, one of the most enterprising manufacturers of St. Henri, who died on Saturday morning at his residence, 29 Park street.

Mr. Ferdinand Dagenais was elected to the mayoralty by the Council in 1886, and continued in the same office till 1896, when Mr. Aquin was elected his successor. He had been a member of the Council since 1880; and his long service as a representative of the commercial interests of the town, had won for him universal respect. For some years past he had been in failing health, and his death had been expected. He leaves a widow and several children to mourn his loss.

THE DEBT WAS NOT CLEAR.

In the case of Marcotte vs. Naud, the plaintiff claimed the payment of notes, and defendant pleaded compensation on account of board furnished. The Superior Court dismissed the plea, on the ground that the compensation was prescribed by the lapse of one year. The case was then taken to Appeal, and that tribunal on Thursday declared that the one year's prescription could not apply in this case, defendant being neither a hotel nor boarding-house keeper. The judgment was confirmed, however, but on the ground that Naud's claim for compensation did not constitute a clear debt. The respondent Marcotte was condemned to pay the costs in Appeal.

THE PACIFIC CABLE.

Change of the Imperial Government's Plans a Disappointment to Canadians.

Ottawa, May 1.—The Imperial Committee appointed to consider the question of a cable between Canada and Australia, which sat in London in January, 1897, reported: "That the cable should be owned and worked by the governments interested. In arriving at this conclusion it does not underrate the importance of allowing all commercial undertakings to be carried out, whenever possible, by private enterprise unassisted by government. But in the present case there seemed to be no probability that private capital will be forthcoming for the purpose of laying a Pacific cable without a larger subsidy than the governments interested in the project would be prepared to grant. If government assistance in some form or other is necessary the committee thinks that a scheme could be formulated under which the cable would be constructed and owned by the governments interested, in preference to a private company working under a government subsidy." This report was signed by Lord Selborne, as chairman; Sir Donald A. Smith, A. G. Jones, Saul Samuel, D. Gillies, Geo. H. Murray, and is dated Colonial Office, Jan. 5, 1897.

This was the basis on which the Canadian Government had proceeded in all its negotiations, in regard to the cable. The announcement, therefore, that Great Britain has refused to be a party to the ownership, but instead has offered a subsidy not to exceed £20,000 for a period of twenty years, was received with surprise. When Canada recently decided to share the five-ninths of the cost with Great Britain, the Australian colonies contributing four-ninths, it was on the understanding that the cable was to be owned by the three governments concerned. It is needless to deny that this departure on the part of the Imperial authorities has struck a blow at the success of the undertaking, as negotiations would have to be renewed with the Australian colonies. This would cause great delay and rival cables would be sure to spring up meantime.

There is very little doubt but that the strong influence which the Eastern Extension Company has in London was successful in changing the views of the Imperial authorities. The board of that company is well known to contain the names of some of the most influential men in England. It remains to be seen whether the people of Great Britain will support the action of the Imperial Government, which is certainly poor encouragement to those who are advocating the federation of the Empire. When Canada decided to share in the enterprise she recognized that it would be of much greater benefit to the Mother Country than to the Dominion. But the contribution from her would be another evidence of the desire of Canada to further the accomplishment of Imperial unity. Whatever be the ultimate success of the scheme present appearances would indicate that its realization is not yet.

London, May 1.—The decision of the government to support financially the Pacific cable project has given great satisfaction, and is warmly approved of by all sections of the press, in which it is suggested that a cable be laid connecting the Samoan group of islands. The hope is also expressed that Great Britain has taken care to reserve the chance of profits. It is expected to reduce the rate from 4s 6d to 3s a word between England and Australia.

RAW SILK.

Winnipeg, Man., April 30.—A train bearing one of the richest loads of freight that has ever been in Winnipeg passed through the city last night. It had 17 cars loaded with raw silk, and the goods in each car would run from \$500,000 to \$600,000, so that the train load was worth several millions of dollars.

BRIEF MENTION.

The Emperor William has conferred the Order of the Crown, of the first class, upon Podbielski, who successfully negotiated the German-American cable enterprise.

Articles of incorporation of the Union Match Company, of Trenton, N.J., with an authorized capital of \$10,000,000, have been filed with the Secretary of State.

A powder press at Dupont's Powder Works, at Carney's Point, N.J., exploded on Saturday afternoon, killing four men and injuring three others. The explosion occurred during an experiment with a government giant torpedo.

At the International Sunday-school Convention at Atlanta, Ga., it was decided to hold the next meeting in 1900 at Denver, Col. There was a spirited contest between Toronto, Indianapolis and the Colorado city.

Miss Anne Fitzgibbon, daughter of the Right Hon. Gerald Fitzgibbon, Lord Justice of Appeal in Ireland, was married on Saturday in Dublin to Mr. John Ewart Gladstone, nephew of William Ewart Gladstone.

The continual absence of a quorum in the German Reichstag has become a burning question. It is admitted that many members do not attend because they are mostly occupied with business on which their incomes depend. A movement is on foot to pay a salary to members of the Reichstag, and make attendance compulsory.

An Elkhorn despatch says Harold Wheatley, a well-known Englishman, was found dead in his room, as a result of an overdose of chloral.

GOLD OUTPUT OF THE TRANS-VAAL.

Pretoria, May 1.—In the course of his speech on Saturday at the opening of the Volksraad, President Kruger announced that the Transvaal was now the largest gold-producing country in the world. He said the output in 1898 was £16,240,630, being an increase of £4,586,905 over the output of the previous year.

THAT CANNED BEEF.

COURT OF INQUIRY CONCLUDES ITS REPORT, AND CENSURES GEN. MILES.

Washington, April 29.—The court of inquiry, to-day, concluded its work in connection with the allegations of General Miles concerning the beef supplied to the army during the war with Spain. The report is of about 30,000 words, and goes fully into the questions which have been raised in connection with the army beef. The text has not been made public, and will not be until after the President has read it. It will then rest with him to say when the report shall be given to the public. The verdict, however, is known to be that the allegations which General Miles made before the war investigating committee are not sustained with reference to the refrigerated beef, although his contention that the canned beef was not a suitable continuous ration, is admitted. There is direct criticism of General Miles for failing to promptly bring to the attention of the War Department the reports made to him concerning bad beef, and "several individuals" are censured for failing to observe the proprieties of their position as commanding officers in this and other respects.

TORONTO KIDNAPPING CASE.

Toronto, Ont., April 29.—A bold and successful case of kidnapping and robbery took place yesterday afternoon. The police have been notified and the criminal, who is said to be an old woman, will probably be captured as a good description of her has been secured. Little Norman Grafton, aged three, living at 14 Ulster street, went out to play yesterday afternoon, and soon afterwards was missed. An extended search was made for the youngster, but it was several hours before he was discovered, stark naked, toddling down Spadina avenue. The police believe the child, who was well dressed, was decoyed into a house by a woman who afterwards took every stitch of clothing and then turned the youngster adrift.

PREFERENTIAL TRADE.

AUSTRALIAN COLONIES' NEW TARIFF BILLS.

London, April 29.—At a meeting of the British Empire League, held at Eastbourne, to-day, the agent-general of Tasmania, after predicting the speedy and unanimous adoption by Parliament of the Australian federation bill, added the important announcement that recently he had been able to inform the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Chamberlain, that three of the Australian colonies were framing tariff bills differentiating in favor of British manufactures and against imports from other countries.

CHARITIES CONFERENCE.

THE ANNUAL ASSEMBLY TO BE HELD IN TORONTO.

The second Canadian conference of Charities and Correction will be held in the Toronto Normal School building on June 1 and 2 next. The object of this conference is to bring the various charitable and prison workers into friendly relationship, so that there may be a free interchange of thought and experience, with a view to greater advance in approved methods.

Membership in this conference is open to all who are interested either directly or indirectly in the study of such subjects as charity organization, child-saving, juvenile reformation, prison reform, hospitals, treatment of inebriates, insanity, relief of the poor, nursing-at-home relations, creches, county poorhouses, etc.—in fact, all work of a benevolent or philanthropic character. The conference does not suggest in active work of any kind, but is simply, as its name implies, an annual meeting together for friendly discussion.

The meetings will open at two o'clock on Thursday, June 1, when Judge McDonald, of Brockville, will take the chair, and short addresses will be given by prominent persons. After the enrolment of members, a discussion will take place on "Charity" to be introduced by Messrs. James Massie and J. J. Kelso.

The evening meeting on Thursday will be given to "Prison Reform," when Dr. Gilmour, warden of the Central Prison, and others, will open the discussion.

The Friday meetings will begin at two and eight p.m. "Child-saving" will be the broad subject for the afternoon, and in five-minute talks various speakers will deal with truancy, the juvenile offender, the children's aid system; institutions; the day nursery, playgrounds for children, manual training and domestic science in the schools, etc.

Friday evening, June 2, the Rev. Morgan Wood will speak on "The relation of the Church to charity," to be followed by a general discussion on the extent to which church organization should include relief of the poor, providing for children, etc.

CURIOUS STATE OF AFFAIRS.

AN ALLEGED LIQUOR TRAFFIC SCANDAL.

The "Minerve" reports an alleged political scandal at Chicoutimi in connection with enforcing the license law. It appears that last year the commissioners of the locality granted only one license, the result being that other persons in the liquor business so flagrantly violated the law that the Rev. Curé Belley, a short time ago, strongly denounced the illicit traffic from the pulpit. Thereupon the Hon. Mr. Marchand wrote to the curé, on April 14, mentioning that the government was most anxious that the law should be observed and the guilty parties punished. The "Minerve" publishes the text of this letter, and it also publishes the following extract of a speech alleged to have been delivered by Mr. P. V. Savard, Liberal member for Chicoutimi, at a meeting of the municipal council, of which he is a member. Speaking in favor of an increase in the number of licenses, Mr. Savard is credited with having said: "I am quite decided to again protect those who sell liquor without a license if the city will not grant several licenses. During the past year several proceedings were taken, but had no result, owing to the intervention of the government to protect the victims of those proceedings. It will be the same in the future if only one license is granted."

The "Minerve" then asks who tells the truth.

ABERDEEN ASSOCIATION.

ARCHBISHOP ATTENDS THE ANNUAL MEETING.

Archbishop Bruchesi presided at a meeting of the Aberdeen Association, held in the Chateau de Ramezay, on Friday afternoon. This society, it will be remembered, was founded with a view to providing the settlers in the North-West with sound and useful literature.

The annual report, submitted by Mrs. Provencer, showed that the number of books distributed went on increasing every year and also expressed the hope of a still larger increase this year.

Archbishop Bruchesi congratulated the ladies on their good work.

Mr. Kleczkowski, consul-general of France, also encouraged them to continue their noble mission for the moral and intellectual education of the far off settlers.

AMENDMENTS TO A DECLARATION.

The Court of Appeal on Thursday dismissed a motion for leave to appeal from an interlocutory judgment allowing the plaintiff to amend his declaration in the case of Marshall and Cowans. This is a new trial allowed in the case of the unfortunate man who lost his sight by the falling of molten lead into his eyes while he was making repairs at the wheelhouse of the aqueduct.

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A MONTH'S WORK.

Half a Million Shares Change Hands on Local Exchange.

ADVANCE IN CANADIAN PACIFIC, DULUTH AND MONTREAL STREET THE FEATURES.

The month just ended shows a business of 500,229 shares on the local stock exchange, compared with 580,041 for March, 977,417 for February, and 444,018 for January, or a total for the four months of 2,501,705 shares. The principal changes are in Canadian Pacific, which opened for the month in the miscellaneous list at 87 3/8 and closed at 97 3/4, a gain of 10 3/8 points. Duluth pref., which opened at 8 1/2 and closed at 13 1/4, an advance of 4 3/4 points, and Duluth, common, which opened at 3 1/2 and closed at 5 1/4, a gain of 1 3/4 points, or fifty percent.

In mining stocks the feature was the listing of Republic, which opened at 131 1/2 and closed at 141, a gain of 9 1/2 points on sales of 132,600 shares. War

Eagle opened at \$3.60 and closed at \$3.87, an advance of 16 points; Payne opened at \$3.89 1/2 and closed at \$4.03, a gain of 13 1/2 points; while Montreal-London closed two points under the opening on heavy realizing sales.

Montreal Street Railway again forged ahead last month and made a new record. It opened at 321, advanced to 337 1/2 and closed at 333, a net gain of 14 points; new stock opened at 320 and closed at 334, also a gain of 14 points. Toronto Street shows an advance of two points on the month and Twin City of 1 3/4 point, and Halifax a decline of a point.

Banks were only moderately active, the chief feature being the decline in Merchants owing to a diminution of one percent from eight to seven percent in the annual dividend. Bonds were slow and steady.

Table showing stocks sold and variations in prices during April:—

Miscellaneous—	High.	Low.	Opening.	Closing.	No. of sales
Canadian Pacific	97 3/4	87 3/8	87 3/8	97 3/4	50,142
Royal Electric	187 1/2	182 1/2	187 1/2	187 1/2	1,215
Gas	211	204	211	206	4,952
Cable	188	184	186	185 1/2	748
Telegraph	177 1/2	174 1/4	175 1/4	175	545
Dom. Coal pfd.	120	120	120	120	50
Richelleu	114 1/4	107	112 1/2	109 1/4	5,181
Dominion Cotton	119 1/4	112	117 1/4	112 1/4	1,934
Montreal Cotton	118 1/2	115 1/2	116	115 1/2	110
Colored Cotton	90	78	80	80	465
Merchants Cotton	155	155	155	155	2
Bell Telephone	180	177	180	177 1/4	213
Windsor Hotel	110	105	110	105	53
Duluth Com.	5 1/4	3 1/2	3 1/2	5 1/4	6,800
Duluth preferred	14	8 1/2	8 1/2	13 1/4	2,445
					74,837
Mines—					
War Eagle	376	350	360	376	155,785
Payne	403	377 1/2	389 1/2	403	52,150
Montreal and London	75	61	75	71	38,710
Republic	141 1/4	131 1/2	131 1/2	141	132,600
					377,245
Street Rails—					
Montreal	337 1/2	321	321	335	9,243
New Stock do.	320	320	320	324	3,257
Toronto	121 1/4	117 1/4	118	120	20,278
Twin City	73	68	70	71 1/4	16,889
Twin City preferred	138	138	138	138	425
Halifax	116	114	116	115	155
					46,915
Banks—					
Commerce	151	149	150	151	361
Merchants	182	170	181	170	8
Merchants of Halifax	185	185	185	185	2
do. Rights	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	2
Molson	200 1/4	198	200	198	184
Montreal	252 1/4	250	252 1/4	250	102
Eastern Townships	158	157 1/2	157 1/2	158	65
Jacques Cartier	111 1/2	111	111 1/2	111	111
Hochelaga	155	150	155	150	58
Toronto	247 1/2	245	245	245	31
Quebec	126 1/4	126	126 1/4	126	60
Ville Marie	90	90	90	90	10
					1,232
Bonds—					
Colored Cotton	101 1/4	101	101	101 1/4	\$4,100
Bell Telephone	115 1/4	115 1/4	115 1/4	115 1/4	\$1,000
Dominion Coal	111 1/4	111 1/4	111 1/4	111 1/4	\$5,000
Corporation 4 percents	103 1/4	103 1/4	103 1/4	103 1/4	500
City 7 percent permit	180	180	180	180	\$2,000
					\$12,600

SHIPPING NEWS.

The Allan Line SS. Californian sailed from Montreal with mails and passengers on Friday at 2 p.m. She brings 39 first cabin, 75 second cabin and 100 steerage passengers.

The Allan line SS. Saratonia, from Glasgow, passed Cape Race inward at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday.

Father Point, Que., April 30.—S.S. Merrimac, Elder, Dempster line, from Bristol, inward at 4:30 p.m.

Rimouski Wharf, Que., April 30.—R.M.S. Numidian, Captain MacNicol, from Liverpool, inward at 9:25 p.m.

Freights are quoted as follows: Quebec, to London and Glasgow, 42s 6d; Montreal, 37s 6d; Quebec to Liverpool, 42s, 37s 6d to 40s; timber, 88s.

A TUG SCORCHED AT LACHINE.

A novel, though destructive affair, was witnessed in Lachine shortly after 11 p.m. on Saturday, when the tug boat Frank Perew, the property of Ryan & McDonald, contractors, caught fire. The fire burned very furiously, and so great was the danger of the wharf, where she was moored, catching fire, that the tug had to be pushed out some distance. The fire brigade responded to the alarm, and had two streams playing upon the burning boat. Captain Henry and the engineer were the only persons on board at the time, and only made their exit in time to escape suffocation. The fire is supposed to have been caused by the boiler.

THE SS. NORSEMAN DISAGREEMENT.

Boston, April 29.—English underwriters, and steamer Norseman's owners thus far are unable to agree. The owners wanted the steamer condemned, and the insurance people contended that she can be repaired for much less than she is insured for. Dry dock charges thus far about \$6,500.

A DERELICT SIGHTED.

Captain Kragh, of the steamship Beeching, sent the following special on Saturday, from North Sydney, C.B.: "Yesterday (Friday) sixteen miles west by north from Cape Pine, a derelict, bottom up, dangerous to navigation."

QUEBEC SHIPPING NEWS.

Quebec, April 29.—La Canadienne returned about six o'clock this evening from putting down buoys between Cap a la Roche and Basileville.

The Druid left this evening also with the large buoys for Pointe aux Trembles and St. Croix. She had also on board a number of wooden buoys, with which she will proceed down the river to-night and place below the Traverse. The gas buoys below Quebec will be placed early next week.

The Saguenay will leave Sorel on Tuesday and will sail from here on Wednesday to open the Saguenay line. She will proceed as far up the Saguenay as the ice will allow.

Quebec, April 30.—The Carolina arrived from Montreal this morning about half-past eight with some fifty passengers. She will return to-morrow evening.

CANALS OPEN.

Port Colborne, April 30.—Locking was resumed up to 6 o'clock this morning, and from nine o'clock Sunday evening, same as

TROUBLE AT ST. REGIS.

One Indian Shot Dead and Two Seriously Wounded by Dominion Police.

SHOOTING WAS A RESULT OF THE RECENT ELECTION RIOTS.

Cornwall, Ont., May 1.—Indians from St. Regis, who came to Cornwall on the steamer "Princess Louise," this morning, brought information of the killing of one Indian and the wounding of two others by officers of the Dominion police. This is the direct result of the riot participated in by the Indians a month or so ago, when an attempt was made to hold an election of chiefs as provided in the Indian act. At that time the Dominion police were roughly handled and hustled off the reservation. The leaders of the opposition to the authority of the law were Jake Fire, Peter Fire, Joseph Thompson and Angus Barbone. Early this morning four Dominion police arrived at St. Regis from Coteau on the tug "Beaver" and arrested the two Fires, Thompson and Barbone, whom they took to the office of the Indian agent, George Long. The place was at once surrounded by angry Indians, who demanded the release of the prisoners. The officers remembered the rough usage accorded Messrs. Hogan and Chamberlain on the occasion of a former visit, drew their revolvers and warned the Indians to stand back. They grew bolder, and when an attempt was made to force the police to give up their prisoners and their own lives were endangered the officers fired on the crowd and killed one of the chief aggressors, Jake Ice. Two other braves one of whom was Jake Sunday, were also shot, one in the shoulder and the other in the face. Their wounds are serious, but it is expected that they will recover. When they saw their tribesmen fall the Indians retired and the police lost no time in hustling their prisoners on board the tug and clearing for Beauharnois, where it is understood they will be tried for rioting and interfering with the police in the execution of their duty.

The above story was told to your correspondent this morning by a stalwart and intelligent young brave who was an eye witness of the shooting, and who was on his way to Kingston to take a raft down the St. Lawrence. He said that the shooting will probably have a salutary effect upon the future condition of the St. Regis band. He says the trouble which has been brewing for some time is largely due to an agitation started by bad Indians from the American side. Having been successful in preventing the holding of an election on two or three occasions, the Indians had an idea that they could do pretty much as they liked. Jake Ice, the Indian who was killed by the officer's bullet, has borne a bad character for some time and a few years ago was before the authorities for attempting to kill his wife with an axe.

THE BUDGET.

Government's Tariff Policy May be Presented to the House.

CANADIAN CRUDE OIL PRODUCERS SEEKING FOR PROTECTION.

Ottawa, May 1.—A great deal of public interest centres in the Finance Minister's budget, which is now in course of preparation for delivery either to-morrow, if it can be got ready for then, or else later in the week.

Mr. Fielding has been actively engaged in the preparation thereof for some time past, and has been favored with not less than half a dozen tariff deputations within the last week. One of the last was made up of members of parliament from well high every province in Canada, who made petition for the further reduction of the duty on coal oil, concerning which so much has been heard in rural constituencies.

To-day the crude oil producers are here for the purpose of putting themselves straight before the ministry. The deputation includes Messrs. Jenkins, Mackenzie and Fairbanks, of Petrolia, and Fitzgerald, of London. There can be no question, as representative men from various parts of Canada stated last week in the House, that the coal oil duty as a political issue cuts a large figure in many counties. The refining industry is no longer in the hands of Canadians, and whatever protection is due Canadian industry should, in the view of many, be given in favor of the crude oil producers. This would afford the government an opportunity of meeting the views of the farmers, according to the opinion of some members, for a reduction in the rate on refined oil, while at the same time affording a due measure of protection to the Canadian crude oil producers.

It is needless to say that the government has received more than one petition for more favorable tariff treatment. Prominent among these has been the application of the shirt, collar and cuff manufacturers for a cut in the rate on their raw materials. The impression is general that the tariff changes, if any be announced, will be few in number.

DEATH OF AN OLD QUEBECER.

Mr. Jas. A. Stalon, a well-known old Quebecer, passed away at the residence of his daughter, No. 8 Desjardins avenue, Maisonneuve, on Saturday, at twenty minutes to twelve. The deceased was

80 years of age, on April 21. He came to this country 62 years ago, and was coxswain of the river police at Quebec, and was of late years one of the jail guards in Montreal. He was also gunner in No. 1 Company R. & V. Artillery, in 1837, and took an active part with the loyal forces in the rebellion of 1837. He showed great kindness to some homes from which the mother and father were taken away by cholera in that year, and took two families of orphan children to his own house and cared for them until they were able to care for themselves. He was one whose writings have been seen in many papers, and he wrote on many subjects. One article, published in the "Witness," about the first steamer that crossed the Atlantic, the "Royal William," was particularly noticeable. Mr. Stalon had been a reader of the "Witness" since he came to this country. The deceased was an old Mason; a member of the Albion Lodge of Quebec, founded in Quebec. He leaves to mourn his loss, his widow, to whom he was wedded 58 years ago. Three sons and one daughter also survive him. They are Mr. G. W. Stalon, of Quebec; and Mr. E. B. Stalon, of Montreal; and Mrs. G. Brazier, of Maisonneuve.

TO PREACH IN EMMANUEL.

THE REV. MERTON SMITH WILL FILL THE PULPIT TEMPORARILY.

The Rev. Merton Smith, of Chicago, the well-known evangelist, has accepted an invitation to fill the pulpit of Emmanuel Congregational Church during the month of May. He will preach his first sermons in that church next Sunday, May 6.

The Rev. Merton Smith is the son of the late Mr. W. R. W. Smith, an eminent Glasgow Cotton merchant, and was



THE REV. MERTON SMITH.

born in 1859. He was educated at St. Andrews, and afterwards studied for five years in Germany. He was converted through Moody's Church in Chicago, some thirteen years ago, and immediately entered upon evangelistic work. Since that time he has been much used as an evangelist. In 1892 he went through Scotland, and in 1893 he toured Ireland, his work on each occasion being productive of much good.

His only visit to Canada was in 1894, when in company with Mr. J. Ritchie Bell, of the Sailors' Institute, this city, he held united evangelistic services in the Methodist Church, Quebec. Mr. Smith is described as a powerful, forcible and eloquent preacher.

HARBOR NEWS.

LACHINE CANAL OPENED TO-DAY.

No more ocean steamers have arrived since Saturday, when there were fifteen in port. The Allan Line SS. "Numidian" is the next expected, and is due to arrive to-morrow morning, if not late this evening.

A large fleet of barges, laden with cordwood, scantlings, hay, sand and bricks, sailed up with the wind, which is blowing in the right direction to-day.

Several gangs of men are still at work clearing away the ice on the east end wharves. There are large quantities of posite Hochelaga and Maisonneuve, which is left for the rays of the sun to melt.

The Lachine canal was opened at noon to-day, the water having been let in yesterday. Considerable repairs had to be done after the water was let out and the blasting of rocks in the bottom of the canal has been going on for some time past. This has been done with a view to the deepening of the canal, which will be proceeded with as soon as possible. A steam bridge may go to work at any time, now that many of the more prominent rocks have been blown to pieces.

G. T. R. APPOINTMENTS.

The appointment of Mr. G. C. Jones, of St. Thomas, to the position on the Grand Trunk made vacant by the acceptance by Mr. Fitzhugh of the management of the Central Vermont, has been known for some days past, but the official announcement was not made by the Grand Trunk management until all the changes consequent upon the removal of Mr. Fitzhugh to St. Albans had been completed. A series of official circulars describes these changes as follows: Mr. G. C. Jones is appointed superintendent of the middle division, with headquarters at Toronto, in room of Mr. Fitzhugh; Mr. L. J. Ferritor is appointed joint superintendent of the southern di-

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vision, with headquarters at St. Thomas, vice Mr. G. C. Jones, transferred.

Mr. F. W. Egan is appointed assistant superintendent of the middle division, with headquarters at London, vice Mr. L. J. Ferritor, promoted.

Mr. W. W. Ashall is appointed train master of the sixth and seventh districts, with headquarters at Belleville, vice Mr. F. W. Egan, promoted.

DIOCESAN COLLEGE.

LIST OF PRIZE-WINNERS.

The prize-winners for the past term at the Montreal Diocesan Theological College, convocation of which takes place to-morrow evening, were announced to-day, as follows:—

Old Testament, first year, Mr. J. B. Meyer, B.A.; second year, Mr. T. B. Holland, B.A.
New Testament, first year, Mr. H. S. Boyle, B.A.; second year, Mr. J. J. Willis, B.A.
Dogmatic theology, second year, Mr. J. J. Willis, B.A.
Apologetics, first year, Mr. H. S. Boyle, B.A.
Ecclesiastical history, first year, Mr. H. S. Boyle, B.A., the Leonard prize, and Mr. T. B. Holland, B.A., the college prize; second year, Mr. J. J. Willis, B.A.
Patristics, second year, Mr. H. Boyle, B.A.
English bible, Mr. T. B. Holland, B.A., and Mr. J. J. Willis, B.A.
Church catechism, Mr. W. Troop.
Rhetoric, Mr. J. J. Willis, B.A.
Balkic prizes: For speaking, Mr. A. A. Ireland; for reading, Mr. C. E. Jenkins.

The disposition of Mr. A. F. Gault's prize of fifty dollars for public speaking, will be decided this afternoon.

GROUND UNDER CAR WHEELS.

While two little girls named Clavette were playing about near their parents' home, 295 Amherst street, yesterday afternoon, one of them, Aurore, aged five years, darted, without realizing the danger, in the way of an electric car, the front truck of which passed over her legs and thighs, severing, or at least,

breaking them, in several places. The child, although thus mutilated, still breathed, and was taken to the Notre Dame Hospital. She expired, however, at two o'clock this morning.

A NEW STREET RAILWAY.

CONTRACTS GIVEN OUT FOR ITS CONSTRUCTION IN NEW-FOUNDLAND.

Mr. R. G. Reid, of this city, who has been absent all winter in Algiers, is expected home about May 15.

Among his many enterprises in Newfoundland, another has just been added, in the conclusion of arrangements for the immediate construction of an electric tramway in St. John's. Contracts have been made with the Messrs. Lariviere, of this city, for six cars of approved style; with the Westhouse people for electrical apparatus; with the Canada Switch Company for the necessary trucks and with the Messrs. Stillwell & Bruce, of Dayton, O., for plant. The power will be generated at a point eight miles from St. John's, and it is the intention of Messrs. Reid to have an excellent system. The first cars are to be delivered in July or August and the railway will be opened in the early fall.

WINDSOR HALL UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT.

Mr. J. W. Shaw, the well known piano and music dealer, has taken the management of Windsor Hall, and in future all arrangements for concerts, entertainments, etc., will be made at his music warehouse, St. Catherine street, where the business office of the hall will be, and all information regarding concert or entertainment dates, tickets, etc., can be obtained.

DIED.

BICKNELL.—At London, England, on April 14, 1899, Thomas Edward Bicknell, of Somerset House, eldest son of James Bicknell, of Hamilton, Ontario, and brother of James Bicknell, barrister, Toronto, aged 41 years.

The Boys' Page.

May Day and Moving Day.

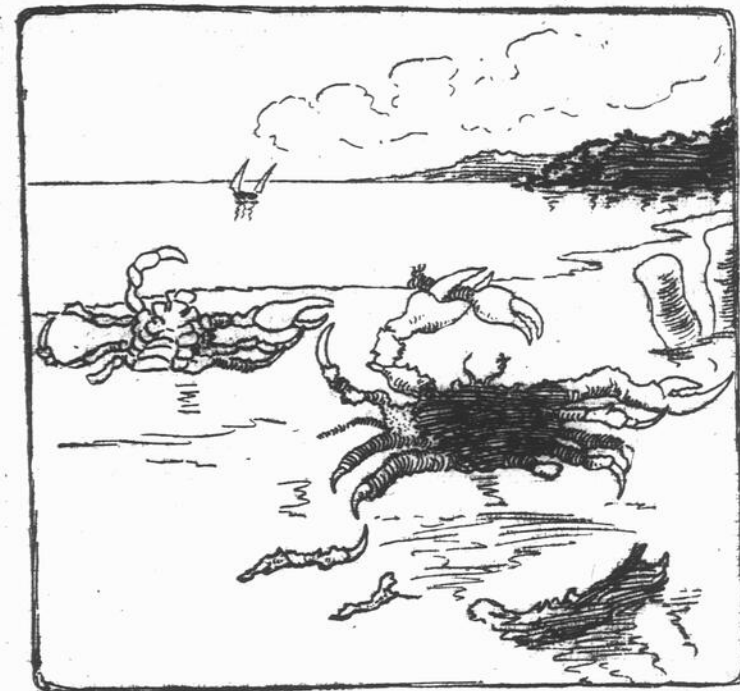
At this season of the year one is reminded of Irving's account of the original 'moving' day, in his 'Knickerbocker'. It having been solemnly resolved that the seat of empire should be removed from the green shores of Pavia to the pleasant island of Mana-hata, everybody was anxious to embark under the standard of Oloffe the Dreamer, and to be among the first sharers of the promised land. A day was appointed for the grand migration, and on that day little Communipaw was in a buzz and a bustle like a hive in swarming-time. Houses were turned inside out and stripped of the venerable furniture which had come from Holland; all the community, great and small, black and white, man, woman, and child, was in commotion, forming lines from the houses to the water-side, like lines of ants from an ant-hill; everybody was laden with some article of household furniture; while the busy housewives plied backwards and forwards along the lines, helping everything forward by the nimbleness of their tongues.

By degrees a fleet of boats and canoes were piled up with all kinds of household articles; ponderous tables, chests of drawers resplendent with brass ornaments; quaint corner cupboards; beds and bedsteads; with any quantity of pots, kettles, frying-pans, and Dutch ovens. In each boat embarked a whole family, from the robust burgher down to the cats, dogs, and little negroes. In this way they set off across the mouth of the Hudson, under the guidance of Oloffe the Dreamer, who hoisted his standard on the leading boat.

This memorable migration took place on the first of May, and has long been cited in tradition as the grand moving. The anniversary of it was piously observed among the 'sons of the pilgrims of Communipaw,' by turning their houses topsy-turvy and carrying all the furniture through the streets in emblem of the swarming parent hive; and this is the real origin of the universal agitation and 'moving,' by which this most restless of cities is turned out of doors on every May Day.

THE WARRIOR CRAB.

The most savage specimen of the crab species is found in Japan, seeming to do nothing but fighting, to delight in nothing half so much. The minute he



TWO TERRIBLE FIGHTERS.

spies another of his kind he scrapes his claws together in rage, challenging him to the combat. Not a moment is wasted in preliminaries, but at it they go, hammer and tongs. It sounds like two rocks grinding against one another as their claws rattle against the hard shells. The sand flies as the warriors push each other hither and thither, until at last one of them stretches himself out in the sun, tired to death. But he does not beg for mercy or attempt to run away, only feebly rubbing his claws together in defiance of the foe. That foe comes closer and with his claws trembling with joy at his victory, the conqueror catches hold of one claw of the vanquished crab, twists it until it comes off, and bears away the palpitating limb as a trophy of his prowess. Such is a battle between warrior crabs.—Cleveland 'Leader.'

ADVERTISEMENTS.

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ANIMALS AT PLAY.

Animals have a keen sense of 'making believe,' which is the essence of play. A child's first game is bopeep—make believe. When a couple of dogs have a jolly tussle, they make believe to engage in 'deadly combat.' A striking instance of this occurred to a writer some years back. He gave a dead mouse to a kitten. It was the first time she had seen one, and she sniffed at it inquisitively before deciding to toss it about. A pair of slippers lay on the floor. She dropped the mouse into one of them, and immediately proceeded to look for it most zealously in the other slipper till I took up the first, which contained her booty. Then she showed that it was no real lack of memory that had sent her on the bootless search.—Buffalo 'Express.'

Makes A Living From Cats.

CALIFORNIA RECLUSE WHO KEEPS THEM FOR RENT TO BUSINESS MEN.

There is an odd little man named Echnier, who lives in an odd little house in the heart of the busiest portion of San Francisco, who earns his bread oddly enough. His business is the raising of cats, which he puts into warehouses, stores, and other places infested with rats and mice, and his income is derived from payment for the services of his pets. 'Raising cats is my business,' he said. 'We get along all right, don't we, kitty?' Kitty settled down on his knee and purred her answer.

'I see enough of them to like them,' he went on, 'for I feed between a hundred and fifty and two hundred every morning. This, pointing to a large basket, 'I take full of meat, and that can in the corner is filled with milk. I go first to the warehouses on the docks, and then come further uptown to the business houses.'

'I do not often sell a cat. I raise them, train them for a while, and then place them in some warehouse or store where the services of a cat are necessary. Then, for so much a month, I take care of them. Would you like to see where they play? If you come this way I will show you.'

He opened a door and took me into a queer little court.

And the cats! If there were many in the house, there are many more out here.

METEORS.

Besides the ordinary scattered shooting stars there are others, presumably of the same sort, but moving in great swarms, and in regular orbits around the sun like comets. Indeed in several cases such a swarm follows in the wake of a comet, and is almost certainly related to it in some way not yet quite clear.

Some of the meteoric orbits intersect our own; and if earth and meteors happen to reach the crossing together, we have a meteor-shower. The little bodies rush into our atmosphere and burn. Although the meteors in such a shower are all really moving in parallel lines, perspective makes them appear to diverge from a single point in the heavens called its 'radiant.'

The most remarkable of these meteor-flocks is one that makes its circuit around the sun in a little more than thirty-five years, in a long, oval orbit which the earth crosses on Nov. 14. It is called the 'Leonid' swarm, because its radiant is in the constellation Leo.

Magnificent displays from it occurred in 1799, 1833, and last in 1866 and 1867; for the flock is so extensive that it takes more than a year to pass the junction, and scattered outliers precede and follow the main body for several years. It was this advance-guard which this year gave us the feeble showers that have attracted so much attention.

Next year, or perhaps in 1900, we shall encounter the swarm itself, and the sky will be filled with flying meteors for hours. Whether the spectacle will be visible in this part of the world, or not, cannot be certainly foretold. The radiant is above the horizon only after midnight, and the shower is visible only where it occurs between midnight and dawn of local time.—'Youth's Companion.'

A SENSIBLE CHINAMAN.

'Taking a walk one day through the commissariat stores in Hong Kong with a friend,' says a correspondent, 'I came to a portion of that establishment where four Chinamen were emptying a large tub of rum, which they were carrying in gallon measures to another portion of the building. Addressing myself to one who was apparently the head of the party, I inquired: 'Do you like rum, John?' 'No, sir,' said the Chinaman. 'Why not?' 'Rum not proper, sir; make Chinaman number one fool.'—Chase City Progress.'

At the Queen's Highland home, Balmoral, many of the trees in the park have been planted by members of the Royal Family and by distinguished visitors. At Osborne, there is an avenue of trees planted by the Royal Family. In February, 1862, to perpetuate the memory of the late Prince Consort, who died in December, 1861. Among themselves an umbrella pine tree planted by the Queen on Feb. 16, 1862, for the late Prince Consort. At the back of this avenue there is another group of such trees. Alone, among fruit trees, in another part of the garden, is a sapling brought from the gardens at Rosena, where the late Prince Consort spent most of his young days, and planted by the Queen in 1869. In the grounds there is a myrtle planted by the Queen. The inscription states: 'Myrtle grown from a sprig of the Princess Royal's marriage nosegay, Jan. 25, 1858. Planted by Queen Victoria, Feb. 18, 1878, in honor of the marriage of her granddaughter, Princess Charlotte of Prussia.' Sprays from this tree have since done duty in the bouquets of other royal brides. At Sandringham, on the west front of the house, at the other side of an Italian garden and the ornamental water, lies the park, and parallel to the lime avenue is a row of historical plants, with tablets bearing the names of the illustrious visitors who planted them, and the date.

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Leave Point Fortine 6:35 a.m., Rigaud 7:10 a.m., arrive Montreal 8:45 a.m., daily, except Sundays.

Commencing TUESDAY, MAY 2nd, leave Point Fortine 7:45 a.m., daily, except Sundays, Rigaud 8:03 a.m., arrive Montreal 9:35 a.m.

On SATURDAYS leave Windsor St. 1:30 p.m. for Rigaud, Point Fortine and intermediate stations.

Mountain Climbing.

Swiss Guides have been stationed at Banff, Lakes in the Clouds, and Glacier, for the convenience of tourists wishing to explore the mountains in those vicinities. Ask for copy of 'Swiss Guide' folder.

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7:00 A.M. For Hemmingford, Huntingdon, Massena, Springfield, Valleyfield, Ottawa, Toronto.
8:00 A.M. For Sherbrooke, Portland, Quebec.
8:40 A.M. For St. Johns, Albany, New York via D. & H.
9:00 A.M. For Toronto, Niagara Falls, Chicago.
9:00 A.M. For St. Johns, Boston, New York via C. & V. R.
9:40 A.M. For Ottawa.
12:00 Noon For St. Johns (except Sat. & Sun.) On Sat. leaves at 1:25 p.m.
1:45 P.M. For Valleyfield (Sat. only).
4:00 P.M. For Sherbrooke, Island Pond, Quebec.
4:00 P.M. For Hemmingford, Huntingdon, Pt. Corbett.
4:15 P.M. For Ottawa, Valleyfield.
4:45 P.M. For St. Johns, Roules Point.
5:15 P.M. For Valleyfield (Sat. only).
5:30 P.M. For St. Johns (except Sat. & Sun.)
5:50 P.M. For Albany, Boston, New York via C. & V. R.
6:15 P.M. For Albany, New York via D. & H.
6:30 P.M. For Toronto and points west.
8:25 P.M. For Boston and New York.
8:30 P.M. For Quebec, Sherbrooke, Portland.
10:45 P.M. For Toronto, Buffalo, Chicago.
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On and after Monday, October 3rd, the trains will depart from and arrive at the Union Station (Bonaventure), Montreal, as follows:—

MARITIME EXPRESS.

Saturday excepted. Monday excepted.
Depart. 7:05 p.m. Montreal. 4:20 p.m. Arrive
Arrive. 8:15 " St. Hyacinthe. 3:10 "
8:08 " Drummondville 2:15 "
12:15 a.m. " " 10:55 a.m. "
4:05 " Riviere du Loup 7:15 "
10:15 " Campbellton 1:10 "
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2:25 " St. John 4:30 Depart
7:10 " " " 5:30 Arrive
9:55 " Halifax 1:30 Depart

LOCAL EXPRESS.

Sunday excepted. Sunday excepted.
Depart. 7:40 a.m. Montreal. 10:30 p.m. Arrive
Arrive. 8:55 " St. Hyacinthe. 9:07 "
10:15 " Drummondville 8:05 "
1:45 p.m. " " 4:50 "
6:30 " Riviere du Loup 11:30 a.m. Depart

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NOTICES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that application will be made at the next ensuing session of the Parliament of Canada, by the Hamilton Powder Company, for an amending act authorizing the increase of the present capital stock of the said Company.

Montreal, 7th March, 1899.

ROBERTSON, FLETCHER & FALCONER,

Attorneys for Petitioner.



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DONALDSON LINE.

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THE FOREST OF
BOURG-MARIE.BY S. FRANCIS HARRISON (SER-
ANUS.)(Author of 'The Rose and Fleur de
Lis,' etc.)

CHAPTER II.—MAGLOIRE HIMSELF.

The simple inheritance.
The little narrative which the young man Nicolas Laurière had told old Caron was quite true. He himself rather envied Magloire. Two or three times he had been on the point of relinquishing the plain fare, the hard work, the inclement climate, to try for a living somewhere else. He was not the enthusiast Mikel was. He and Jonas were trappers because their fathers had been trappers—they had to be; there was nothing else for them to be. Yes, he quite envied Magloire, though he understood fully that whereas at Bourg-Marie one was one's own master, that would be all very different in another place. About the same age as Magloire, at the time of the latter's disappearance the same temptations attracted him, for tidings of the great world outside were slowly coloring the life and minds of his native countryside. Here and there an ambitious maiden of eighteen, who found her way up to the large English-speaking towns and became a waitress, a nursemaid, a maid-of-all-work, would return at rare intervals and pour into the ears of her family tales of the opulence, the size, and the population of Three Rivers or St. John's. Sometimes a paper would arrive bearing in rough-marked edges witness of a young stripling from a farm or 'shanty' who had found friends and fortune in the Upper Province or in the States, and this paper would be handed about from house to house as the rarest of literary treasures. And whenever this kind of thing overtook Laurière he would grow restive and moody, walk away from the company, and, staring blankly at the flat dull landscape, go for a walk of ten miles to Mad Dog Creek, and return hungry and cured.

On this cold night Nicolas was discontented, although no distinctions of caste troubled him. He strode away from the ranger's little dwelling along the hard gray rutted road at a great pace. On either side of him stretched the forest, dark, inscrutable, yet not forbidding to one who so often, both with Caron and by himself, had threaded the edge of its cavernous recesses. The road lay perfectly straight for a mile, then turned sharply round, disclosing the sullen river, not yet frozen, but soon to be, so black and opaque it lay beneath the faintly glimmering stars. A dog appeared, running swiftly. It approached Laurière, snarled, seemed to approve, wagged his tail, and returned whence he came, followed by the trapper. In a few moments the red light of one window appeared sharply in the gloom, and Nicolas, vaulting over the low snake-fence, rapped upon the door of the cabin belonging to the widow Péro, the mother of Louis and Jack, the travellers who were now home for a holiday from the high pressure and other modern disabilities of life in Milwaukee. The door was opened by Pacifique, the third and youngest son. He had never left his mother nor his native valley, and bore with Nicolas a striking contrast to the other three young men who were lounging in the small kitchen. The shortest of these was Jack Péro, fat, olive-skinned, almost to lividness, with pudgy hands and a laughing mouth. Next to him was his brother Louis, thinner, slightly gaunt and weird, with a suggestion of the traditional stage Lucifer in his pointed eyebrows, beard and chin. The tallest of the three, however, Magloire Caron himself, exceeded his companions in appointments, dress, and general bearing, as much as in height. He was, indeed, unusually and exceptionally tall. His hair, of that harsh jet-black still kind so frequently found among his countrymen, was parted in the middle, and, after being drawn away on either side in two well-marked horns, was plastered down everywhere else with the newest thing in pomatum, a preparation of

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castor-oil, bay-rum, and attar of roses. His costume was an English tweed of not unimpressive pattern, considered alongside the preposterous gray and claret check that Louis and Jack had both chosen as best calculated to display their knowledge of the correct fashion, and to please their devoted mother. His cravat (Magloire's) was of pale pink linen, worn over a striped navy-blue and white cotton shirt. His jewellery was very much in evidence, and a silk handkerchief, in which purple figured on a saffron ground, completed the iridescent nature of his apparel. And although this quasi-picturesque garb did not offend so keenly in his case as it would have done in that of a more purely prosaic type, still, on comparing his pretentious vulgarity, with the admirably careless and characteristic appearance of Laurière, it seemed a pity that his magnificent proportions, his glistening teeth, his night-black hair, and his sombre but healthful complexion, were lost, if not indeed made ridiculous, by his affectation of a foreign style. In the sombrero and cloak of the Mexican, in the jacket and cap of the Spaniard, in the ample linen and glowing sash of the Greek, or even in the high-crowned hat wound round by a scarlet ribbon, the flannel shirt and earrings of his own despised countrymen, he had been handsome. In his imported English Cheviot, his cheap jewellery, and his ill-assorted colors, he narrowly escaped being absurd.

Yet he was very much admired. Louis and Jack, who had done well in Milwaukee, but not as well as Magloire himself, admired him intensely, and it might be added, despairingly. In fact, after that meeting on the main street, when the vision of their old friend and playmate flashed past them, clothed in black bearskins and importance, the brothers made an idol of him, and formed themselves upon him in every respect.

Pacifique admired him. So tall, and Pacifique was short; so regular-featured, and Pacifique was crooked; so self-possessed and graceful, and Pacifique was stunted, crippled, worn, and shy. The veuve Péro admired him. Had he not been the means of setting up her own house? and although they did not appear to have brought home very much ready-money, still they were beautifully dressed, and altogether different from the young men in the village, and spoke about an account in the savings-bank. What more could the widow ask? Admire Magloire? Bien oui—for a splendid fellow!

Nicolas Laurière admired him perhaps most of all. As Magloire was, so he, Laurière should be some day. He had no grandfather with medieval notions to threaten his peace or interfere with his projects. He would leave this place, come what might. And just as he reached this decision—for the hundredth time—Magloire, seeing him enter, beckoned him to his side by the fire, around which the little circle was gathered. His manner was nonchalant, yet assertive, and impressed Laurière more than ever with its novelty and importance.

"Say, then, you," he said, "Nicolas Laurière, relapsing into his native Franco-Canadian, for he spoke English all the time when in Milwaukee, 'have you seen the grandfather?'"

Laurière recounted in the same tongue the outlines of the conversation. Delicacy for, and admiration of, Magloire prevented him from disclosing the whole state of the old man's feelings. But Magloire was quick, and able to see through a simple type like Laurière at once. He laughed, and his laugh was not altogether pleasant to hear. He crossed his long legs in evident comfort before the widow's fire, and taking from his pocket a penknife, commenced to cut and clean his nails. He had been reminded of a little dirt in them by the sight of the aggregate contained in those of Laurière. "Speak English," he said to the latter.

"We don't hear much French out west, do we, Jack? So my grandfather knew I was a coachman that time. Well, I tell him myself yet as well as you tell him for me. He was angry, eh?"

Laurière nodded. He watched his friend clean, pare, file and polish his finger-nails without it ever occurring to him similarly to treat his own. A law unto himself is every man in Bourg-Marie.

"Why," said Magloire, finishing his nail-toilet, and beginning on a cigar, which he produced with a grand air from an inner mysterious pocket, and lit with a perfumed match, "you are all behind here, and that is the truth. Me and other fellows that goes to the States, we see life, we see the world, we grow, we improve, we watch, we find out how things are done. We do not care to stop in Bourg-Marie all our lives, nor even in Three Rivers. Ah!—bah! that is a small place, that Three Rivers, anyhow!"

There is lots of fun. And the biz-ness—ah! that is the place for the biz-ness. 'What you do all de time?' asked Laurière uneasily. 'Drive all de time. Well—sure, I like dat too well for a little. I get cold—me. I—custom—walk—much—all de time.'

Magloire laughed again.
(To be Continued.)

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

HOW GRANDPA BOILED THE EGGS

'It is half-past eleven,' said grandpa, 'and the mason will not have the chimney fixed before three o'clock.'

'Then I suppose we must get along with a cold lunch,' said grandpa.

'Well,' said grandpa, after a moment, 'perhaps I can boil some eggs. I will try it.'

'But isn't it too windy to make a fire out of doors?' asked grandpa.

'I shall not need a fire,' said grandpa. 'That sounds like a joke,' said Edith.

'No joke at all,' said grandpa. 'Come out and see. Bring the eggs,' he added, 'and can with a tight cover.'

When, a few moments after, grandpa and Edith went out in the backyard, grandpa was putting some fresh fire into an old pail.

He took the can of eggs they brought, and filled it nearly full of cold water. Then fitting the lid on carefully, he set it in a hollow place he made in the lime. Edith watched him curiously.

'Will the lime burn?' she asked. 'Shall I bring the matches?'

'You forget,' said grandpa, 'I was not to use any fire. We'll start it with cold water.'

'Now I know you're joking,' said Edith. 'Wait a moment,' said grandpa, 'and you'll see.'

He poured in the water and put a board over the pail.

'Oh!' cried Edith, when, in a very short time, it began to bubble and steam as if a hot fire were burning under the pail and 'Oh!' she cried, a great deal louder, when a white, creamy mass came pouring over the top and down the sides of the pail.

It did not last long. In six minutes the bubbling had almost stopped, so grandpa took a long iron dipper and gently lifted out the can, all coated with the lime.

He rinsed it off, then opened it, and took out the nice white eggs, and when they broke them at lunch, the found them cooked just exactly right—Edith Hart Stone, in 'Youth's Companion.'

BIBLE TRIPLETS.

MONDAY, MAY 1.

A THREE-FOLD PATTERN FOR
TEACHERS.

1. To Seek.—Ezra set his heart to seek the law of the Lord. Ezra vii, 10. He was a ready writer in the law of Moses. A diligent student of the Word of God. He set his mind on, was determined to know, what God taught. He searched the book as for hid treasure and thus came to understand the fear of the Lord. Prov. ii, 4. He gave attention to reading, so his progress was manifested to others. 1. Tim. iv, 13, 15. 'The men who examine the Scriptures daily to learn the mind of the Lord will receive with readiness of mind the teaching—and be able to teach others. Acts xvii, 11; xviii, 24, 27, 28.

2. To Do.—With Ezra there was the practical application of the word to his own life. He was a doer as well as a learner. 'If ye know these things, blessed are ye if ye do them.' Jno. xiii, 17. See what James says, (Chap. i, 21 to 25) about receiving and doing the word.

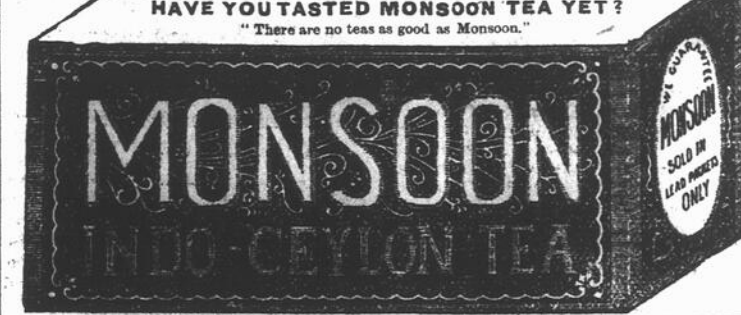
3. To Teach.—Ezra set his heart to teach Israel. We can only teach as we are taught. Jno. iii, 27, 31. 'Jesus sent His servants to teach what he commanded, not what they thought. Matt. xxviii, 20. Paul's Gospel was that which he received by revelation from Christ. The word to be committed to faithful men who shall be able to teach others. 1. Tim. ii, 2. It is bible-taught men that become earnest about saving souls and building up believers by the truths of God. In Neh. viii, we are told that Ezra read from the book to the people 'from early morning until midday,' and the meaning was given and the people made to understand. There is at present a great lack of expository reading of Scripture, and of pressing home the truth upon the conscience. There is too much preaching about the word—too little teaching of the word.

The happiest, sweetest, tenderest homes are not those where there has been no sorrow, but those which have been overshadowed with grief, and where Christ's comfort was accepted.—J. B. Miller, D.D.

One of the most solemn occurrences of my pastoral life took place on this wise: I had preached on Sunday, and was walking home. A fine young fellow—a member of my church—accompanied me for some distance. Presently, when we were alone, he said: 'Mr. Hiden, I want you to have my name stricken from the roll of the church. I am not living a Christian life, and I ought not to be in the church.' Upon further conversation I was obliged to agree with him. He was not vicious, but simply irreligious. I urged him to repentance, and pressed upon him the claims of Christ as a personal Saviour. He listened respectfully, but insisted on being relieved of his church membership. We had no church conference that week, so that I could not do as he requested; and on the next Sunday night I was called to preach at his funeral. He was a very popular man,

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and the church was densely crowded. His nearest relatives knew nothing of what I knew; and I was expected to preach him straight to heaven. It was one of the most solemn junctures of that checked life, as I stood before that audience and announced the text, Eccles. xii, 9, 'Rejoice, oh, young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes; but know thou, that for all these things, God will bring thee unto judgment.'—Rev. J. C. Hiden.

Guthrie gave a fine illustration of deliverance from great peril by looking upward. 'A lady had a dream,' he said, 'in which she fancied herself at the bottom of a deep pit. She looked around to see if there were any way of getting out; but in vain. Presently, looking upward, she saw in that part of the heavens immediately above the mouth of the pit a beautiful, bright star. Steadily gazing at it, she felt herself to be gradually lifted upward. She looked down to ascertain how it was, and immediately found herself at the bottom of the pit. Again her eye caught sight of the star and again she felt herself ascending. She had reached a considerable height. Still desirous of an explanation of so strange a phenomenon she turned her eye downward, and fell to the bottom with fearful violence. On recovering from the effect of the shock, she bethought herself as to the meaning of it all, and once again turned her eye to the star, still shining so brightly above, and yet once again felt herself borne upward. Steadily did she keep her eye upon its light, till at length she found herself out of the horrible pit, and her feet safely planted on the solid ground above. It taught her the lesson that, in the hour of danger and trouble deliverance is to be found, and found only, by "looking unto Jesus".'

Anywhere with Jesus, says the Christian heart; Let Him take me where He will, so we do not part. Always sitting at His feet, there's no cause for fears; Anywhere with Jesus in this vale of tears; Anywhere with Jesus, though He please to bring Into fires the forest, into suffering; Though He bid me work, or wait, or only bear for Him. Anywhere with Jesus, still shall be my hymn.

—Christian Intelligencer.

READABLE PARAGRAPHS

QUER VERDICTS.

The recent verdict of a coroner's jury that a man who had been lynched was "frozen to death," recalls another queer verdict in a similar case. A negro had been lynched on the outskirts of a small town. He was found swinging to a limb, with one of his legs broken. After viewing the body the jury returned the verdict: "That the deceased came to his death from a broken leg, which happened to him while he was swinging in the picnic grove."—Atlanta 'Constitution.'

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RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION.

Schedule Arranged For Season 1899.

BASEBALL - YACHTING - GOLF - GENERAL SPORTS.

Saturday night the annual meeting of the executive of the Quebec Rugby Union took place at the M.A.A.A. rooms to make arrangements for the coming season. There was a large attendance over which Mr. A. G. Claxton, president, presided.

The representatives present were as follows: Mr. Webster, first vice-president; O'Reilly, second vice-president; Brown, secretary-treasurer; James and J. F. Savage, Montreal; McArthur and T. M. Brown, Britannia; and Dr. E. M. Morgan, Brockville.

Mr. Morgan and A. Forbes, Ottawa College; G. F. Gibson and A. Henry, Quebec F.C.; A. E. Rankin, Lennoxville F.C.; T. Tremblay and J. Mowat, McGill F.C.; J. Jenkins, Pt. St. Charles F.C.; Geo. Ross, Westmount F.C.

A letter was read from the Shamrock Amateur Athletic Club for admittance into the Junior and Mr. G. A. McDonnell, president of the S.A.A.A. made an earnest and eloquent appeal on behalf of the Shamrock, but it was not of avail, as the football season it was considered there was enough clubs in each of the series.

The schedules were then drawn up as follows: Senior Series.

Oct. 7-Kingston vs. Brockville.
Oct. 14-Brockville vs. Britannia.
Oct. 21-Britannia vs. Ottawa College.
Oct. 28-Ottawa College vs. Kingston.
Oct. 31-Britannia vs. Brockville.
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Oct. 21-Britannia vs. Brockville.
Oct. 28-Brockville vs. Britannia.
Oct. 31-Brockville vs. Britannia.

All games to be played on the grounds of the first named club.

Intermediate Series.
(Eastern Series.)
Oct. 14-Lennoxville vs. Quebec.
Oct. 21-Quebec vs. Lennoxville.
(Western Series.)
Oct. 14-Brockville vs. Kingston.
Oct. 21-Kingston vs. Brockville.
(Central Series.)
Oct. 7-Westmount vs. Montreal.
Oct. 14-Britannia vs. McGill.
Oct. 21-Montreal vs. McGill.
Oct. 28-Westmount vs. Britannia.
Oct. 31-Montreal vs. Westmount.
(Semi-Final Series.)
Oct. 28-Winners of Eastern and Western series play off at Montreal.
Nov. 4-Winners of Central series travel to winners of semi-final.

Junior Series.
Sept. 30-Montreal vs. Point St. Charles.
Oct. 7-Quebec vs. Point St. Charles.
Oct. 14-Montreal vs. Britannia.
Oct. 21-McGill vs. Westmount.
Oct. 28-Quebec vs. Britannia.
Oct. 31-Montreal vs. McGill.
Oct. 14-Montreal vs. McGill.
Oct. 21-Point St. Charles vs. Westmount.
Oct. 28-Quebec vs. Montreal.
Oct. 31-Westmount vs. Britannia.
Oct. 14-Point St. Charles vs. McGill.
Oct. 21-Quebec vs. McGill.
Oct. 28-Britannia vs. Point St. Charles.
Oct. 31-Westmount vs. Montreal.
Nov. 4-Quebec vs. Westmount.
Nov. 11-Britannia vs. McGill.

INTERCOLLEGIATE LEAGUE.
Kingston, Ont., April 23.-A meeting of the executive committee of the Canadian Inter-Collegiate Union was held this afternoon. The delegates present were: Mr. B. Dargatz, vice-president; Mr. A. J. McKinnis, secretary; Mr. W. W. Turner, McGill; Mr. Kingston, Osgoode; Cadet McKinnis, Royal Military College. Trinity did not send a representative, vesting secretary McKinnis with a proxy. The only business transacted was the arranging of a schedule for senior and intermediate series, considering Osgoode's application for admittance, and the appointment of a board of referees. The championship cup won by Trinity was formally handed over to Secretary McKinnis. The cup was presented by Dr. H. J. Yates, of Montreal.

The referees selected were: Edwin Ellett, J. McGowan, Quebec; Edward Siro and Turner, McGill; Fitzgibbon, Burnside, Barr and McKinnis, Trinity; and Parkmer and Griffith, Trinity. This schedule was prepared: Senior Series.

Oct. 7-Varsity vs. McGill.
Oct. 14-McGill vs. Queen's.
Oct. 21-Queen's vs. Varsity.
Oct. 28-McGill vs. Varsity.
Nov. 4-Queen's vs. McGill.
Nov. 11-Varsity vs. Queen's.
Intermediate Series (A)
Nov. 7-Trinity vs. Varsity.
Nov. 14-Varsity vs. Trinity.
Intermediate Series (B)
Nov. 7-Queen's II vs. Royal Military College.
Nov. 14-R. M. C. vs. Queen's II.
Winners of A and B to play in Kingston on Nov. 21, and in Toronto on Nov. 28.

GOLF.
THE METROPOLITAN CLUB.
Fletcher's Field presented a busy scene on Saturday afternoon when a large number of members of the Metropolitan Golf Club turned out to indulge in a friendly game of golf. Among those present were many old Montreal golfers, and it seemed to them like old times when the R. M. Golf Club had been played on that green. There were present Messrs. F. Stancil, J. Braidwood, the Rev. Dr. Barclay, T. McC. Hutchison, W. Brown, W. Robertson, J. A. Fairlie, A. L. Brown, T. Johnston, J. W. Gardner, C. T. Thompson, J. A. Oulmer, J. Four-nier, Dr. Finnie, Dr. Wolf, the Rev. Dr. Campbell and W. D. Carling. The ground was in excellent condition, although the pasting of the grass was not in such a good shape, but a great deal better than the previous week. The number of members was increased seven and very shortly it is expected the limit will be reached. A committee meeting was held on Saturday when the following permanent committee of handicappers was appointed: The Rev. Mr. McCuaig, Dr. Wilson, T. McNulty, Thompson, J. A. Oulmer. The spring series of matches for the club trophy, and of other club matches will be arranged this week. The first round was arranged on Saturday night.

ON THE DIXIE GREEN.
Saturday being a beautiful day, the members of the Royal St. Lawrence Golf Club turned out in full force for the links at Dixie, and a most enjoyable time was spent, the course being in pretty good condition, owing to the continued fine weather of the past week.

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BASEBALL.
MONTREAL'S FIRST DEFEAT.
Worcester, Mass., April 29.-Nearly 3,000 persons witnessed the opening game between the Worcester and Montreal teams. President Powers, of the Eastern League was present. Worcester greatly outshined Montreal, but a few costly errors coming in before home runs hit piled up scores for the visitors rapidly. Score:

Worcester.....AB R B PO A E
Kuhn, 3b.....5 2 2 4 1 0
Ricker, 1b.....4 2 2 4 1 0
Frisbee, c.f.....4 1 2 2 0 0
Harrington, 2b.....4 1 2 3 2 0
Bowman, 1b.....5 0 0 11 2 0
Albright, 3b.....5 4 2 7 2 0
Wildor, r.f.....4 1 2 0 0 0
Smith, s.a.....4 0 3 3 4 3
Horton, p.....5 0 1 0 1 0
Totals.....41 12 18 27 15 5
Montreal.....AB R B PO A E
Schlebeck, s.a.....3 2 0 4 5 1
T. Bannon, 1b.....5 1 0 1 0 0
Shearson, r.f.....5 2 3 8 0 0
Horton, 2b.....3 0 0 3 0 0
Dooley, 1b.....4 2 1 14 0 0
Henry, 3b.....3 2 1 0 2 0
G. Bannon, c.f.....3 1 0 0 0 0
Jacklin, c.f. and c.....1 1 0 0 0 0
Maren, 1b.....1 0 0 4 2 1
Duggieby, p.....2 0 0 0 0 3
Felix, c.f.....1 0 0 0 0 0
Souders, p.....0 0 0 0 0 1
Totals.....33 11 6 28 16 5

*Winning run made with two out.
Innings:.....20024111112 13 H. E.
Worcester.....060000033 11 6 5
Earned runs, Worcester, 6; Montreal, 1.
Two-base hits, Ricker, Frisbee, Yeager, Smith, Henry. Three-base hits, Yeager, Horton. Home runs, Kuhn, Shearson (2), Albright, Sacrifice hits, Frisbee, Morgan. Stolen bases, Ricker, Harrington, Yeager. Double plays, Harrington and Bowman, Smith, Harrington and Bowman, Schlebeck and Dooley. First base on balls, Harrington, Schlebeck (2), Johnson (2), Henry, Duggieby. Hit by pitched ball, Smith, Struck out, Kuhn, Horton, Schlebeck, Moran (2), Duggieby (2). Passed balls, 1. Time, 2 hours 10 minutes. Umpire, Doerscher.

A DRAWN GAME.
Springfield, Mass., April 9.-Springfield and Rochester opened the Eastern League season here to-day with a tie game. At the end of nine innings, Umpire Burns called the game on account of darkness. The home team was outplayed at all points, except base running.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Club.	Won.	Lost.	Cent.
St. Louis.....	9	4	69.0
Philadelphia.....	10	4	71.4
Chicago.....	9	6	60.0
Cincinnati.....	7	6	53.8
Boston.....	7	6	53.8
Brooklyn.....	7	7	50.0
Baltimore.....	7	8	46.7
Louisville.....	5	5	50.0
New York.....	4	8	33.3
Washington.....	4	9	30.8
Pittsburgh.....	2	8	20.0
Cleveland.....	1	12	7.7

WESTERN LEAGUE GAMES.
At Indianapolis-Buffalo, 4; Indianapolis, 3.
At Kansas City-St. Paul, 4; Kansas City, 2.
At Milwaukee-Minneapolis, 5; Milwaukee, 3.
At Detroit-Detroit, 6; Columbus, 5.

THE GLORIA CLUB.
The Gloria Club, of St. Henri, has selected the following officers: President, A. Boyer; vice-president, M. Pilon; secretary-treasurer, O. Boyer; captain, P. Rolland. The names of the players are: J. Lavoie, c.f.; O. Boyer, p.; L. J. Dubois, c.f.; F. Blanchette, p.; L. J. Paul, 1b; Art. Paquette, 2b; V. Brebant, 3b; A. Amesse, s.a.

CLUBS willing to play this team, address 10 St. Emile street, St. Henri.

YACHTING.
R. ST. L. Y. CLUB HOUSE OPENED.
On Saturday the club house of the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club opened for the season 1899, and there was a good attendance of members. A luncheon was provided, to which twenty-seven members sat down, and talked generally of the yachting prospects of the coming season. The three knockabouts are almost ready for the water, and a very busy week is expected.

TO TRY THE SPEED OF THE 'SHAM-ROCK.'
London, April 29.-The 'Evening Standard' to-day says that the Duke of Abruzzi's yacht, the 'Bona', has been sold to Mr. J. M. Taylor, of London, and will be used to try the speed of Sir Thomas Lipton's yacht, the 'Shamrock', the challenger for the 'America's' cup.

MISCELLANEOUS.
WHAT SPORTSMEN SAY.
Sportsmen had much enjoyment last week on Lake St. Louis, shooting and spearing pike in the swampy bush along shore. They are, however, full of complaints of the way that the lake is being depleted of fish by netters. These, securing a license for about three dollars, net constantly in the bays and creeks. All last week, every fish, boat load of fish of all kinds and sizes were being landed and sent to market. The sportsmen's contention is, that the attractions of the lake are seriously diminished by this wholesale netting. Those making their summer residence of the town, so because among other advantages, they get rod fishing, whereas for three or more years, owing to this netting, fish have become both very scarce and very small. They say that the deterioration would not be so bad, were the netting confined to the value of property, especially as the revenue from the three dollar license cannot amount to much anyway.

A ST. LAMBERT SOCIAL.
The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Barnabas Church, St. Lambert, held a successful pink social on Friday evening in the school-room. The Rev. W. D. L. Deane, of the parish, presided. A large gathering was assembled. Invitations were also extended to members of the other two Protestant churches, many of whom were in attendance. The Rev. W. S. Lennon, pastor of the Methodist Church, was called upon and delivered a short address, referring to the social union existing between the different Protestant denominations of the town. The school-room was tastefully decorated and refreshments were supplied by the ladies of St. Barnabas, at the close of the following select programme, which was heartily enjoyed by those present: Piano duet, Mrs. Christie and Miss M. Dawson; recitation, Mr. Harry Bragg; song, Mr. Buchanan; reading, Miss McManus; song, Miss Riddington; piano solo, Fred. McConnell; song, Mr. Deslauriers.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL PICNIC.
At the first sign of spring with its bright flowers and green grass, the scholars of the Sunday school anxiously enquire, when the picnic is to be held and where. For the first time in the history of the First Baptist School, it will hold its annual picnic at Highgate Springs.

Arrangements have been made with the railway company, and friends of the school will be able to visit that delightful spot at a much lower rate than usual. An elaborate programme of sports is being prepared for the occasion and everything promises one of the most enjoyable occasions the school has ever had.

CURRENTS AND ELEPHANTS.
Captain W. Ross and the Rev. E. T. Chambers combined to give the eighth and last of the course of half hour lectures to young people in the Natural History Society's rooms on Saturday last. Captain Ross spoke of the elephant and the ocean, the gulf stream, fifty miles wide and four thousand miles long, which runs from the Gulf of Mexico to England, and the Mediterranean, at a temperature of 85 degrees Fahr.

Mr. Chambers followed with an interesting address on the 'Elephant and Mammoth.' Illustrated with a series of photographs of the animal, the speaker said the fine weather there was a fair audience, even of young people. Among the adults noticed were Mr. C. T. Williams, in the chair; Messrs. P. S. Ross, O. Emberson, A. Holden, and others.

OBITUARY.
New York, April 29.-Mr. Eugene H. Pullen, vice-president of the National Bank of the Republic, died at his home in Brooklyn this morning. He had been connected with the National Bank of the Republic for thirty-eight years.

Dead York, April 29.-The death of F. F. Dufail, a cotton exchange broker, was announced to-day. He was once United States consul of Havre, France.

London, April 3.-Henry Chas. Fitzroy Somerset, eighth Duke of Beaufort, is dead. He was in his 78th year.

DEATH OF MR. G. F. BAIRD.
St. John, N.B., May 1.-Mr. George F. Baird, who contested Queen's county with Mr. G. G. King in 1887, and who was declared elected, although Mr. King received a majority of votes, over which unfortunate events arose, died on Saturday evening. Mr. Baird, after sitting in parliament one session, resigned. In 1891 Mr. King again received a majority of votes, but the election was protested and Mr. Baird got the seat, after Mr. King had occupied it for one session. Mr. Baird began life as a carpenter, and died a millionaire. The deceased was 49 years old.

NATIONAL LEAGUE GAMES.
At New York.....R. H. E.
Score.....00020001-5 8 3
Philadelphia.....212002000-8 13 5
At Pittsburgh.....R. H. E.
Pittsburgh.....000000010-1 3 4
St. Louis.....000100010-2 8 2
At Baltimore.....R. H. E.
Baltimore.....00030001-3 7 1
Boston.....000100000-1 2 0
At Chicago.....R. H. E.
Chicago.....000000000-0 5 4
Cincinnati.....101002000-4 5 4
At Washington.....R. H. E.
Washington.....000022011-6 12 1
Brooklyn.....120010000-4 11 3

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Professor Ingres thanked the lecturer in the name of McGill University, and Lieutenant-Governor Jetté, in his turn, tendered the thanks of the audience.

A VINEGAR TRUST.
Chicago, April 29.-The 'Tribune' says: After the middle of May there will be but one vinegar factory in Chicago, the output of which is not controlled by the American Vinegar Company, which is being financed by Henry Clegg & Co., of New York. The American Vinegar Company will, it is said, control 35 percent of the vinegar and yeast output in the United States. The consolidation of all the interests terminates a four years war which has resulted disastrously to yeast manufacturers. Yeast, for some time, has been selling for ten cents a pound while the cost of manufacture is about eighteen cents. It is expected the price of yeast will be raised to the latter figure. The future price of vinegar will be less affected and may be neither raised nor lowered.

A LIBERAL RESPONSE.
Toronto, May 1.-The Rev. J. Rankin, pastor of Dunn Avenue Methodist Church, Parkdale, asked his congregation yesterday for \$2,500 to reduce the debt of the church. The members responded by a subscription of \$2,600.

THE QUEEN REGENT OF SPAIN.
Madrid, April 29.-While the Queen Regent was attending the performance at the Comedia Theatre last evening a man armed with a revolver and a dagger was arrested. He is believed to be a lunatic.

THE ANCIENT CAPITAL.
Quebec, May 1.-It appears that the position of medical superintendent of the Grosse Ile quarantine station has been filled by the appointment of Dr. Martineau, a son of Chevalier Martineau, one of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's principal supporters in Quebec East. Dr. Martineau is a gentleman of undoubted ability, but rather young, seemingly, to be called to so responsible a post.

It has transpired that the issue of \$250,000 worth of Quebec city three and a half percent debentures, authorized by the act of last session, and taken by the Montreal City and District Savings Bank, were sold to the bank at \$95.32, which is claimed to be equivalent to \$104.48 for four percents.

A serious fire occurred on the Little River road at a late hour on Friday night, causing a loss of about five thousand dollars. The handsome new cottage erected last year by Mr. James Bergeron and occupied by Mr. Adolphe Dombrowski, was totally consumed during the absence of the occupants on a visit to friends in the city. The cottage, which was valued at \$2,500, was only insured for \$1,000. Mr. Dombrowski had no insurance on his household effects, which were valued at between two and three thousand dollars.

BOON FOR PARRY SOUND.
Parry Sound, May 1.-An interesting development has taken place in the growth of Parry Sound as a trade centre. The manner in which the Ottawa and Parry Sound Railway passed by Parry Sound and made its terminus at Rose Point at the south of this town, is fresh in public memory. Since then, however, the James's Bay agitation has sprung up and the advantages of Parry Sound as an intermediary point in that line have been obvious. The James's Bay Railway Company, it will be recollected, some three or four years ago, secured a charter for a railway from Toronto to James's Bay via Parry Sound and Sudbury. This charter will expire this year if no steps are taken towards building the line, and the decisive step has now been taken. Arrangements have been made with Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann to build a spur line from the O. A. & P. S. line to Parry Sound, as part of the James's Bay Railway. The Booth Line will operate this line until the north and south line is completed. The James's Bay charter will thus be kept alive and in the meantime Parry Sound is to receive the benefit of connection with the O. A. & P. S. Railway.

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Another Aldermanic Attack ON THE CITY SURVEYOR.

The Road Committee met on Saturday afternoon, Ald. Brunet in the chair, and all of the members being present.

Ald. Martineau drew attention to the fact that work on the laying of wooden sidewalks had not been begun and the necessary supply of floats and lumber had not been even procured, though the committee had given orders on Monday to procure them. Meantime people were complaining and the brunt of the trouble fell upon the aldermen. The trouble was that Mr. St. George, the city surveyor, had disregarded the orders of his committee. Mr. St. George tried to do too much and keep a direct personal supervision over all the details of the department's work, instead of leaving it to his subordinates.

Ald. Brunet said he was sure that Mr. St. George did not intend to ignore the committee, but there was no doubt he did make the mistake of trying to do everything himself. It was certainly a just cause for complaint by the committee that Mr. St. George did not always promptly act upon the orders he received.

Ald. Oumet said that Mr. St. George invariably showed a determination to assert his superiority over the committee.

Ald. Gallery remarked that Mr. St. George was an eyesore at all times to Ald. Oumet. Instead of always nagging at the city surveyor why did he not move a resolution at once to dismiss him.

Ald. Oumet promptly announced his willingness to move such a resolution if Ald. Gallery would vote for it.

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TRAIN WAS TRAVELLING AT TOO HIGH A SPEED WHEN ROUNDING A CURVE.

Rochester, N.Y., April 30.—The most disastrous railway wreck that has ever happened on a Rochester railway occurred at 2.48 o'clock this afternoon on the Rochester and Lake Ontario Railway, better known as the Bay Railway, about half a mile north of the city line, when two cars on an excursion train, filled with passengers, left the track, while going around a curve at full speed, and were completely wrecked.

Three passengers were killed, a dozen fatally hurt, and over fifty injured.

The following is a partial list of the dead and injured:—

Dead—John Hilberg, aged 20, died at Homeopathic Hospital.

J. Tierney, aged 24, died at the City Hospital.

Unknown man, died shortly after being removed from the wreck.

The seriously injured:—

Julia Sullivan, 18, fractured collar bone.

George Brasser, 36, compound fracture of the forearm.

Emil Steingraber, 23, back badly injured.

Otto Hahnke, 21, both legs bruised and bones of right hand broken.

William Goodman, 22, severe scalp wound.

Emil Schram, 18, small bones right foot broken.

John Bierschall, 42, compound fracture of right leg.

Emma Tufel, 17, nose broken, face terribly lacerated.

James Lombard, internal injuries, may prove fatal.

J. E. Moore, H. L. Aborie, Oscar Dorschel, William Doerr, C. Rhinehart, John Sullivan, Charles Werner, Joseph Zimmer. The two latter are very seriously injured and may die.

CAUSE OF THE ACCIDENT.

The train, which was crowded with excursionists, bound for different points along the shores of Lake Ontario, left the Bay depot in the city at 2.41 o'clock, about fifteen minutes late. Every seat in the coaches was filled, and a large number of people were standing on the platforms.

The train was made up of an engine, one closed and two open coaches. There is a grade about a hundred yards from the corner of North avenue and Ridge road, and when this grade was reached the speed of the train increased perceptibly. Those standing on the platforms clutched the railing, and the passengers in the open cars clung to their hats and capes. Down the grade swept the train, its speed increasing almost constantly. When the fatal curve was reached, the engine rounded it with startling rapidity. Next to the engine was the closed carriage, and when it reached the curve it veered over to the north, and rode around the curve on the wheels on the left side. It had negotiated but part of the bend in the track when it left the rails and shot straight ahead. There was a sudden crash as the couplings between the engine and coach were severed, and then it again veered over and ploughed through the earth for several feet before dropping on its side in front of the Ridge Road Hotel.

When the first coach left the track the engine sped on down the track and the other coaches were forced off the track. The second coach scraped along side of the one that left the track, tearing away the platform and otherwise injuring the car. These cars, impelled by the force they had already received, ran ahead for about a hundred feet. The engine whirled on down the track, and was not stopped until it had gone nearly a mile.

The closed coach, which was overturned, had in it a partition that divided the front part from the rear. The front compartment was a smoking compartment. In it were several men, and standing in the entrance were two women and a little girl. These were thrown into a jumbled mass against the roof of the car, and were pinned under the seats and the partition in the car, which was torn to splinters. John Hilberg was standing on the platform between the second and third cars when the crash came, and was caught between the two cars and crushed to death. His body was removed with great difficulty and sent to the morgue.

A few minutes after the accident occurred railway men and others were at work removing the sufferers from the wreck. Little Emma Tufel was among the first of the wounded taken from the wreck. Her face was covered with blood, her nose broken, and there were cuts and bruises over her face, hands and arms. George Brasser, who sustained a compound fracture of the forearm, was found pinned under a heavy beam, and was removed with considerable difficulty. The work of rescue was energetically carried on, and as soon as each sufferer was taken out he was sent to the hospital. Ambulances had been quickly summoned from the city, and although it was a long run, remarkably quick time was made. The ambulances carried extra doctors, so that the wounded were quickly attended to, and the more seriously hurt were hastily removed to the several hospitals.



MOVING.

FIRST COUNTRY DEATH MICROBE—Hullo, Bacillus, you moving, too?
SECOND COUNTRY DEATH MICROBE—Yes, to Montreal, all the papers say it's the healthiest and most thriving spot for us at present. You'd better come along, too.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

Albany, N.Y., May 1.—Prof. Carl A. Meyer, professor of German language at the Albany High School, and assistant teacher of that study at the Albany female academy, committed suicide some time during Saturday night in a lonely spot on the Kenwood road. His dead body was found yesterday morning. He was eighty years of age.

ANGELIC BURIAL SERVICE.

AN ADDITION MAY BE MADE TO IT

London, April 30.—The Bishop of London and many other clergymen of standing have been considering an interesting addition to the Church of England Prayer Book. It is felt that in view of the very rapid increase of cremation there ought to be a new form of religious services before committing bodies to the flames. The committee, which was appointed to consider the new form of service, has completed its labor, but what that form is has not yet transpired.

When the first coach left the track the engine sped on down the track and the other coaches were forced off the track. The second coach scraped along side of the one that left the track, tearing away the platform and otherwise injuring the car. These cars, impelled by the force they had already received, ran ahead for about a hundred feet. The engine whirled on down the track, and was not stopped until it had gone nearly a mile.

BICYCLE COMPANY IN LIQUIDATION.

Toronto, April 29.—The Comet Cycle Company has gone into liquidation, and J. P. Langley has been appointed liquidator. The company originated with Thomas Fayne, who came over here from England, with a small capital, and started the first factory in Toronto. It was a small affair, but afterwards blossomed out into the present big factory, run by a company under the management of Thomas Fayne and Chas. Lavender. The competition of other concerns with larger capital has given the Comet Company a hard run for some time. Recently they attempted to recuperate by going into brass bedsteads. They also built wooden frame bicycles. There is said to be a chattel mortgage of \$32,000 on the stock.

TORONTO'S NEW HOTEL.

Toronto, May 1.—A private meeting of the provisional board of directors of the proposed new palace hotel for Toronto, was held in the council chamber of the Board of Trade on Saturday. There was a good attendance of some of the best known financial men of the city, among them Messrs. George Gooderham, E. B. Oser, B. E. Walker, W. R. Brock, D. R. Wilkie and D. Coulson. By this meeting the Toronto Hotel Company is now fully incorporated, according to the requirements of the act. The board decided to call the first meeting of the shareholders for the purpose of electing a permanent board of directors, the meeting to be held in a couple of weeks.

THE POPE'S JUBILEE.

London, April 30.—Enterprising newspaper men in Rome have been making strenuous efforts to obtain an advance copy of the Pope's bull proclaiming a jubilee at the close of the century. It was finished before His Holiness underwent the recent operation. It will be issued simultaneously in all the Catholic churches of the Christian world on Ascension Day. It will be found to be in the nature of a farewell exhortation to be faithful to the Holy Catholic Church, and strenuous in well-doing. The Pope himself regards it as his final announcement to the Catholic world.

POPULARITY OF PRIMROSE DAY.

London, April 30.—As showing how tremendously the celebration of Primrose Day has grown in popularity in England, the 'Daily Mail' has been compiling some statistics, which show that for Primrose Day, held last week, no less than ninety-six million blooms of primroses found their way to London alone. To produce these would require at least four million plants, which planted side by side would cover ninety acres of land.

THE MCCARTHY DIVORCE

IS OF NO VALUE IN ENGLAND.

London, April 30.—Newspapers here publish an interview with 'A very eminent Q.C.' on the divorce of Justin Huntly McCarthy from his wife, Cissie Loftus. This high authority is reported as saying: 'The decree is of no value whatever in England. If either party marries again he or she will be guilty of bigamy. They may do what they like in the United States, but so far as English law is concerned, the divorce is humbug.'

KILLARNEY LAKES FOR SALE.

Dublin, April 30.—The Irish Land Court will shortly offer the most admired portion of the Lakes of Killarney for sale. The Muckross estate has already been sold to the tenants, and the mansion, Deer Park, etc., will be offered with the lakes. The sum mentioned as likely to be the price asked is thirty thousand pounds. It is feared that the purchaser may exclude the public from the lakes.

NEW CRUISER 'DRAKE.'

London, April 30.—The first-class cruiser 'Drake,' the first keel plate of which was laid at the Pembroke dockyard of the other day, will be, according to experts, the heaviest and most powerful cruiser afloat, and this is only one of four of the same class not yet on the stocks for the British navy.

THE PRINCE LAUGHED.

London, April 30.—An amusing and authenticated incident occurred on the day of Lord Rosebery's daughter's wedding. The Prince of Wales's carriage was blocked by a crowd. Two east end coster girls peered into the window, and one cried: 'Ow, you do look nice, Hedward.' The Prince uncovered and laughed heartily.

FRENCH SHORE DISPUTE.

NEWFOUNDLAND WILL HAVE THE MATTER SETTLED.

St. John's, Nfld., April 29.—The Newfoundland Government, it is announced, does not intend to agree to enforce the French shore modus vivendi any longer than the close of this year, by this step forcing the British Government to bring about a settlement of the difficulty during the present season. When the colonial legislature meets on May 11 an important pronouncement is expected on this question.

MARRIED IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY.

London, April 29.—The Hon. Thomas Walter Brand, eldest son of Viscount Hampden, and Lady Katherine Scott, daughter of the Duke of Buccleuch, were married this afternoon in Westminster Abbey. The Archbishop of Canterbury officiated, and the Prince of Wales and a large company of fashionable people were present.

KILLED ON THE TRACK.

Cleveland, Ohio, April 29.—Mr. L. M. Pitkin, president of the Variety Iron Works Co., and one of the best known business men of this city, was struck and instantly killed by the west-bound Lake Shore flyer at Coits, a suburb, to-day. Mr. Pitkin's body was thrown fully forty feet in the air, and was crushed and mangled in a terrible manner.

SPANISH FOREIGN TRADE.

Madrid, April 30.—Spain's economic situation, according to 'El Liberal,' is unfavorable, tested by the official returns of the first quarter of the current year. The imports showed an increase of 45,000,000 pesetas, while the exports fell off 43,000,000 pesetas. The customs receipts showed a heavy decrease.

KING LEOPOLD COMING.

London, April 30.—According to the Brussels correspondent of the 'Daily Mail,' the Belgian royal yacht is preparing for a three months' cruise, in the course of which King Leopold will visit America.

THE 'WHITE MAN'S BURDEN' COPYRIGHTED.

Chicago, April 29.—A perpetual injunction protecting the copyright of Rudyard Kipling's poem, 'The White Man's Burden,' was granted to-day by Judge Kohl-saat, in the Circuit Court, against the publishing firm of Messrs. F. B. Whipple & Co., of this city. It was charged by Mr. Kipling and his publishers that the defendant had published and circulated his poem in a pamphlet without permission. By order of the Court, the defendant is obliged to surrender as many copies of the poem as he can recover.

LONDON TUNNELS.

UNDERGROUND RAILWAY SYSTEM RAPIDLY EXTENDING.

London, April 30.—London has found the underground railway system so necessary that a new line of tunnels, extending under the city more than seven miles, is nearing completion. For some years past at various points between the Bank of England and Shepherd's Bush, large boardings enclosing shafts have been eyesores to Londoners. The work is now in its final stage, and shortly passengers will be shot through the tunnels at an average depth of eighty feet below the surface, from the heart of the city to the suburbs.

Along the same line of improvement is the new tunnel under the Thames, near the West Indian docks, and also the foot passenger tunnel under the river at Greenwich.

Then the London County Council is actively engaged in work preliminary to the construction of a great thoroughfare from Holborn to the Strand, an artery between these two crowded centres which has been a vital necessity for many years.

Another project in connection with improvements at Charing Cross station will also make a great change in existing surroundings.

The sum of money it is estimated that these municipal improvements will cost is about thirty millions of dollars while the underground railway will cost at least as much more. The new avenue sweeps away the Gaiety Theatre, but leaves the historic Lyceum to one side. Toole's old theatre is among the buildings to be removed, and this intended improvement at the upper end of the Strand will remove the Opera Comique and Globe theatres, and the Charing Cross changes include the demolition of the Avenue Theatre.

THE ESTERHAZY CASE.

ESTERHAZY'S EVIDENCE BEFORE THE COURT OF CASSATION.

Paris, April 30.—The concluding part of the testimony given by Esterhazy before the Court of Cassation in the Dreyfus revision proceedings, published in the 'Figaro,' on Saturday, shows that Esterhazy was asked by the President of the Court of Cassation to give evidence in proof of his statement that he was really employed by Colonel Sandherr. Instead of answering directly, Esterhazy took refuge in vague suggestions, 'breaking into an outburst against Weill, Cure, Bertulus, and Jules Roche, who appeared as witnesses against him, and accusing them of cowardice and treachery. The president again tried to nail him to the particular point, but Esterhazy, cool-like, slipped away, proving that he was trifling with the court. However, he absolutely denied ever having admitted that he wrote the bordereau, accusing Rowland Strong, the Paris correspondent of the London 'Observer,' of being a liar. He only decided upon disappearing suddenly, he said, when he heard of Henry's death, and the 'Pais' informed him that the streets were filled with detectives, two friends advising him, that 'with such scoundrels there were only two remedies, the revolver or flight.'

Esterhazy deposed that he went from Brussels to London, owing to Strong's pressing invitation. The 'Figaro,' also publishes the text of Esterhazy's letter to General Pillot, written on Oct. 25, 1897, in which he indicates the possibility that Dreyfus traced the bordereau over his (Esterhazy's) handwriting. He also points out that the Jews knew that he was personally acquainted with Colonel Schwarzkoppen, the German military attaché, and openly visited the German Embassy. Therefore, he could easily be made a scapegoat.

A PETERBORO' TRAGEDY.

A MAN SHOTS HIS WIFE AND THEN HIMSELF.

Peterboro', Ont., April 29.—At about two o'clock on Saturday John H. Webber, engineer of the Peterboro' water-works Company, deliberately shot his wife dead, afterwards taking his own life. Webber was about sixty years of age, while Mrs. Webber was about fifty-five. They had a family of nine children. The general opinion is that Webber's mind had become unbalanced through a recent illness. At times he was very downcast, but nothing serious was thought of this. The consensus of opinion is that through a recent illness he had, while laboring under temporary insanity, committed the awful deed.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN ENTENTE

ANNOUNCEMENT OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED—THE PRESS ON THE SUBJECT.

London, April 29.—The announcement that Great Britain and Russia have signed a self-denying agreement regarding China which is intended to put an end to the contention over railway and other concessions in that country, is the most important news of the day. It is officially confirmed here this afternoon, and the papers are running it with big headlines.

The present agreement puts an end to the Anglo-Russian struggle in China, and is tantamount to a settlement of the question of the spheres of influence of the two countries. Under the agreement Great Britain has undertaken not to press railway or other concessions in North China, while Russia agrees to the British demand that no part of the Basin of the Yang-Tse-Kiang shall be alienated. Russia also recognizes explicitly that British commercial interests are supreme in the Yang-tse-Kiang basin which is understood to extend a considerable distance north and south of the river, though no attempt has been made to define the region. Everything recently has pointed to Russia's desire for a settlement in order to allow the successful exploitation of the Siberian Railway, and also with a view to raising money in Great Britain for the development of the industries of Russia.

PRESS COMMENT.

London, May 1.—Pending detailed information, the London papers comment approvingly, but cautiously on the news of the Anglo-Russian agreement regarding spheres of influence in China. The 'Daily Chronicle' points out that this agreement will produce similar arrangements with Germany and France, resulting in the partition of China, which Lord Charles Beresford predicts will bring war.

Paris, May 1.—The French papers comment acridly upon the Anglo-Russian agreement. The 'Liberte' says: 'There are millions of French capital embarked in commercial and industrial undertakings in the Yang-Tse region, and we refuse to believe that Russia has completely disregarded the interests of her ally as to recognize Great Britain's sole right of commercial exploitation in that valley.'

LORD SALISBURY SPEAKS.

London, May 1.—The annual banquet of the Royal Academy was held at Burlington House on Saturday evening. Replying to the toast of 'Her Majesty and Her Ministers,' Lord Salisbury said he did not wish to exaggerate the extent of the gratifying agreement signed with Russia, but in view of the relations which in the course of the last half century had from time to time prevailed between the two countries, it was a matter for congratulation that they had come to an agreement with respect to China, which to a certain extent would prevent the likelihood of a collision between the interests and objects of the two countries for the future.

Continuing, the Premier said: 'We have talked of alliances. In a certain sense the phrase is a just one; but an alliance in the sense that with any nation we will go out to war together and bear the cost and danger together and for each other, can only very rarely take place. The alliances of which we speak are alliances of good feeling between peoples and governments and not engagements likely to bring either side into war.'

Referring to the international conference to be held shortly at The Hague, Lord Salisbury said: 'Whether the peace conference will effect any improvement in the relations of the nations we do not know; but the fact that such a conference has been summoned is a good omen for future peace, and an augury on which all who value the interests of peace, civilization and Christianity may fitly dwell.'

INSPECTION OF DOG MEAT.

Berlin, April 30.—The Reichstag committee appointed to study the meat inspection bill has decided that dogs intended for human consumption must be submitted to ante-mortem and post-mortem examinations. Dog flesh is a common food in Saxony.

IT IS PROVINCIAL PROPERTY.

Vancouver, B.C., May 1.—The Hon. Carter Cotton, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, after an investigation into the records, reports that Deadman's Island (Stanley Park) and Point Grey belong to the Provincial Government, and that the province will take steps to preserve its rights.

CROKER'S NEPHEW GOT THE JOB.

New York, May 1.—Edward F. Croker, Richard Croker's nephew, and deputy chief of the fire department, was made acting chief on Saturday night, owing to the resignation of Hugh Bonner. The appointment is temporary, and will be in force only until a permanent chief is selected.

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