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CAPITAL NOTES.

Parliament Duly Opened With Impressive Ceremoines.

Mr. Earle Receives a Hearty Welcome.

The Premier and Col. Prior Act as His Sponsors—Reciprocity in Wrecking and Coasting With the States.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 16.—Parliament was duly opened to-day with the usual ceremonies and with great eclat. Col. Prior was one of the Governor's aides-de-camp.

In the senate, the Hons. Coulton, Lougheed and Prowse were introduced. In the commons the Hon. Mr. Colby, Mr. Earle and Mr. Rufus Pope took the oath and their seats. Sir John Macdonald and Col. Prior were Mr. Earle's sponsors. The new member was welcomed by a hearty round of applause.

Out of forty-three members from the Maritime provinces but five are here. The remainder are engaged in the provincial elections.

The report of the librarians of Parliament shows that valuable additions have been made to the law, statistical, and political economy sections.

Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Charlton and Patterson have each given notice of bills of reciprocity in wrecking and coasting with the United States. Adam Brown will reintroduce his bill for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

The prohibitionists, considering it futile to do anything with the present house, have accordingly determined that no resolution relating to that subject will be introduced this session.

Several of the members are suffering from la grippe; some have brought it here with them.

The usual state dinner was held at Government House to-night.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP.

The Conviction of Editor Parke Generally Regarded as Unjust.

Germany Takes a Sensible Step in Providing a Department for the Settlement of Labor Troubles.

LONDON'S SHAMEFUL VICES.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The verdict in the case of the Earl of Euston against Editor Parke, astounds everybody, although upon the strict interpretation of the laws relating to libel it is doubtful that the jury could have found otherwise. It is perfectly plain, however, that Mr. Parke's defeat and discomfiture are due to his inability to produce reputable witnesses, the smirched character of those who testified having militated against their credulity, and the strong bias in favor of Lord Euston which characterized Justice Hawkins' remarks throughout his summing up. The result of the trial has no effect upon the main issue whatever, and popular belief in Euston's guilt remains as strong as ever, if it is not intensified. Justice Hawkin's expression of surprise that a warrant against Lord Euston had not been applied for, Saul's story being true, was received with a general smile of derision. It is doubted that a magistrate could have been found in England who would have dared to issue such a writ against the son and heir of a duke, on any charge short of murder; an assumption amply justified by the experience of Reporter Simms in attempting to secure legal redress for the ruffianly conduct of the Duke of Cambridge at the review of the fire brigade last May.

THE PARTY FEELS HIS LOSS.

The death of Alexander Craig Sellar, the Unionist Member of Parliament for Patrick division of Lanarkshire, is in more than one respect a serious loss to the Unionist faction.

A FAMOUS ARTIST ILL.

William Hallman Hunt, the artist, famous as the painter of "The Light of the World," "The Shadow of Death," and other well known pictures, is seriously ill with bronchitis.

OVER THE FIRTH OF FORTH.

The great bridge over the Firth of Forth will be formally opened with elaborate ceremonies on March 4th, when the Prince of Wales will complete the structure by driving the last bolt.

GERMANY'S SOLDIERY.

Emperor William of Germany received a deputation of officers to-day, representing all of the regiments comprising the military force in and around Berlin.

A GOVERNMENT LABOR BUREAU.

The Berlin government has decided upon the formation of a labor department, to which all questions affecting employers and employees will be referred.

STRUCK IT RICH.

Four Ounces to the Set Taken Out in Old Ground on Williams' Creek.

BARKERVILLE, B. C., Jan. 16.—Pay, amounting to four ounces to the set, has been struck in old ground by a new company called the Harkaway. The ground is that known as the Baldhead, on Williams' Creek. The old Barker claim is working and expect to be on pay at any time.

C. P. R. TELEGRAPHS.

Opening of Line to Halifax—The Advent of the C.P.R. Hailed with Delight.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 16.—The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s line of telegraph was completed here to-day and the Halifax office opened for business. The advent of the C.P.R. telegraph was hailed with delight not only by the business community, but more especially by the government and the press. Heretofore all government official business has been done under the control of the Western Union Telegraph Co., of New York, which, during the fisheries dispute between the Dominion government and the United States, might have been a matter of serious concern. The press news supplied to the maritime province papers has also been compiled in Boston, making the newspapers dependent upon our American cousins for not only their European but most of their Canadian news. The imperial authorities here are also gratified at Halifax being placed in direct and instant communication with Vancouver and Victoria, B.C. The C. P. R. line to Halifax was constructed under what must have seemed unsurmountable difficulties. From Vancoboro Mine to Halifax and New Glasgow, N. S., the Western Union Company though controlling the right-of-way on the New Brunswick and Intercolonial railways, hoped to prevent the completion of this national line. The Canadian Pacific were, however, not to be beaten, and their line was constructed immediately outside the railway fences. This necessitated getting the permission of every farmer along a distance of over four hundred miles to erect the necessary telegraph fixtures. The Canadian Pacific Railway now control a continuous line of telegraph from Canso and Halifax on the Atlantic to Vancouver on the Pacific, and also to San Bernardino one hundred miles south of Los Angeles in Southern California, a distance of nearly six thousand miles.

CHILLIWHACK ELECTION.

Special to the Colonist.

CHILLIWHACK, B. C., Jan. 16.—Thos. E. Kitchen was today elected Reeve by four majority. The personel of the new council is: Reeve, Thos. E. Kitchen. Councillors: Ward 1, F. Lick man; ward 2, J. Reece; ward 3, R. McGill; ward 4, C. S. Snyder; ward 5, Jas. Armstrong.

CABLE NEWS.

Strong Dissatisfaction with England's Ultimatum.

A Socialist's Funeral Made the Occasion of a Demonstration—Bismarck will not Debate on Socialism.

Criminal Libel.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The libel suit of the Earl of Euston against Mr. Parke, editor of the North London Press, ended to-day in the conviction of Mr. Parke. Justice Hawkins, before whom the case was tried, in his charge to the jury reviewed the evidence carefully. He declared that there were great discrepancies manifested in the identification of the plaintiff. Referring to the testimony of the witness, John Saul, the justice said: If his story was true, he marvelled why he had not been arrested and prosecuted; and also why a warrant had not been asked for against the Earl of Euston." The jury then retired and subsequently returned a verdict of "guilty." Parke was sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

Libelling Herbert Gladstone.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Colonel Mallison has been ordered to pay £1,000 for libelling Herbert Gladstone in the Allahabad Post.

Arabs Accept the Amnesty.

BERLIN, Jan. 16.—The government is in receipt of a telegram from Major Wissman, stating that as a result of his proclamation of amnesty to all natives willing to submit to German authority, thousands of Arabs thus pardoned are flocking to the coast.

An Inventor Dead.

PARIS, Jan. 16.—M. Lebel, inventor of the rifle known by his name, is dead.

Republicans Embrace the Opportunity.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—It is reported that several European statesmen friendly to England have expressed to the Marquis of Salisbury fears that his action in the Portuguese dispute will afford a pretext for Republican activity in Spain and Portugal that will endanger the monarchists there.

Asked to Mediate.

LISBON, Jan. 16.—The Queen Dowager implores the King of Italy to use his influene with England to secure a modertion of the demands that imperil the Portuguese throne.

A Soldier's Sympathy.

BERLIN, Jan. 16.—The Empress has telegraphed to the Duke of Cambridge, requesting him to inform the English army of the sympathy of the Emperor of Germany with the British soldiery in their loss of Lord Napier, one of their ablest generals and bravest soldiers.

Sensible Advice.

BERLIN, Jan. 16.—The North German Gazette advises Portugal to speedily arrive at a friendly agreement with England as to their respective frontiers in Southeast Africa.

English Interests Affected.

LISBON, Jan. 16.—Several English commercial houses in Lisbon and Oporto are preparing to protest against the ultimatum of the British government, declaring that they regard the despatch of English men-of-war to Portuguese waters as injurious to their business.

At Zanzibar.

ZANZIBAR, Jan. 16.—Admiral Freeman with the whole British and East African squadron will arrive here to-morrow.

The Portuguese Squabble.

LISBON, Jan. 16.—Twenty men belonging to the Royal Marine corps have been arrested for participating in an anti-English demonstration. It is understood that the British squadron will shortly take a position in the Tagus. The Portuguese merchants are meditating a concerted boycott of England by refusing to receive English money.

Honors to a Brave Man.

CAIRO, Jan. 16.—Henry M. Stanley was entertained at a banquet by the Khedive this evening. All of the Egyptian ministers and many native officers were present.

Socialists at Their Leader's Funeral.

BERLIN, Jan. 16.—The funeral of Herr Wedd, the socialist editor, which took place at Hamburg to-day was made the occasion of an immense socialist demonstration; 60,000 people marching in the procession.

It is No Respecter of Persons.

LISBON, Jan. 16.—Premier Pimental is ill with influenza, and was absent from the house of peers today.

Denounced Britain's Ultimatum.

LISBON, Jan. 16.—Senhor Loproncz, Minister of Justice, spoke in a strain similar to that of Senhor Pimental in his speech yesterday, and a recriminatory debate on the programme of the ministry ensued. All the speakers, however, denounced the ultimatum of the British government. Several colonial governors, including the governor of Mozambique have resigned.

Asking Protection from the Kurds.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 16.—Twelve Armenian women, whose relatives were murdered by Kurds, have arrived here for the purpose of imploring an interview with the Czar in the hope that he will interfere to put a stop to further cruelties. The women visited Constantinople and sought an interview with the Sultan, but were refused.

He will not Debate.

BERLIN, Jan. 16.—Prince Bismarck has resigned his intention to take part in a Socialist debate.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Prorogation of Parliament Probable Before Easter.

Rumors of Embezzlements Cause Ontario Bank Stocks to Fall.

Influenza Still Holding Its Own in Ontario—Lady Stanley Among the Sufferers.

The Foster Trial Postponed.

BOWMANVILLE, Ont., Jan. 16.—The trial of Dr. Foster, charged with procuring an abortion on Mrs. Bray, daughter of F. H. Torrington, which caused her death, has been postponed till the next sitting of the court.

Suicided.

WINGHAM, Ont., Jan. 16.—Campbell Hanna, a farmer, drowned himself in the Maitland river, which runs through his farm, to-day. Three neighbors saw him jump in and one of them had a very narrow escape from drowning in endeavoring to rescue him.

Stocks Went Down.

TORONTO, Jan. 16.—There was a good deal of Ontario bank stocks offered here yesterday afternoon, and quotations declined several points. The cause of the selling is attributed to reports of heavy embezzlement by several employees, which, however, turned out to be grossly exaggerated.

Mr. Drextel, M. P. P.

MONTREAL, Jan. 16.—Mr. Drextel, Mercier's supporter, has been elected to the local legislature for Berthier county.

A Drunkard's Crime.

TORONTO, Jan. 16.—The trial of Thos. Kane, for the murder of his wife, was concluded at the criminal assizes to-day and he was found guilty of murder. The jury recommended him to mercy on the grounds that he was under the influence of liquor when he committed the crime. Justice Street sentenced the prisoner to be hanged on February 12th.

A Short Session of Parliament.

TORONTO, Jan. 16. — The following appears in the Ottawa correspondence of the Empire: "It is hoped that the session will be a short one, and a big effort will be made for prorogatiou to take place on the Thursday before Easter, which will be April 3rd, making a ten weeks' session. This would be less than the average session, but as it is reported that most of the ministerial measnres are ready, there would appear to be no reason why the desired object should not be achieved."

Lady Stanley in the Fashion.

OTTAWA, Jan. 16.—Lady Stanley is seriously ill with what is believed to be an attack of la grippe. In consequence of her illness the usual reception at Rideau Hall will not be held today.

A Veteran Policeman Dead.

BOWMANVILLE, Ont., T. T. Coleman, chief of police, aged 67, died this afternoon of acute inflammation of the lungs, following upon an attack of la grippe.

The Globe and the Northwest Act.

TORONTO, Jan. 16—The Globe, on the Dominion Government veto of the Northwest measure, says: "Sir John Macdonald's reasons for employing the veto are sound enough, but they clearly illustrate that the Dominion Parliament should change the Northwest Territories Act. That the Northwest Territories' Assembly have no power to effect a change is, of course, no answer to the allegation that a change ought to be made by the body that has the power. The assembly are not demanding responsible government for the sake of having the name of possessing it, but for strictly practical purposes. They say that, collectively, they know the needs of the Territories better than any lieutenant-governor can, and they should have the supervision and control of the Federal government. Royal himself admitted the reasonableness of this at one time, and promised to be guided by the assembly in selecting his advisers. He broke his pledge, and it is necessary that the Northwest Act should be so amended that no future local governor can pretend to possess power with irresponsibility."

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Full Text of the Governor-General's Address.

The Behring's Sea Question to Receive Immediate Consideration—Fishery Commissioners in Scotland.

The following is the full text of the speech with which His Excellency the Governor-General was pleased to open the Parliament of Canada yesterday:

Honorable Gentlemen of the Senate:
Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

In calling you together again for the consideration of public affairs, I may fairly congratulate you on a continuance of the progress and prosperity of the country.

During the recess I visited Manitoba and the Northwest Territories and British Columbia, and everywhere I found myself received with the loyalty and good-will which I have learned to be characteristic of Canada. A comparison of my own observations with those of my predecessors shows clearly the great progress which has marked this part of the Dominion in the settlement of the country and in the development of its great agricultural capabilities, of its mineral wealth and of its other natural resources.

In consequence of the repeated seizures by the cruisers of the United States navy of Canadian vessels while employed in the capture of seals in that part of the North Pacific ocean known as Behring's Sea, my Government has strongly represented to Her Majesty's ministers the necessity of protecting our shipping while engaged in their lawful calling, as well as guarding against the assumption by any nation of exclusive proprietary rights in those waters. I feel confident that those representations have had due weight, and I hope to be enabled during the present session to assure you that all differences on the question are in the course of satisfactory adjustment.

Having observed the close attention which has recently been given by the imperial authorities and on the continent of Europe to the improvement in the methods of catching, curing and packing fish, I deemed it expedient to cause a commission to be sent to Scotland and Holland to examine and report upon this subject during the fishing season. The report of the delegates will be laid before you, and I am sure give our fishermen most valuable information and instruction as to the best means of improving and developing this important industry.

My ministers have carefully considered the difficulties which surround the administration of the rights of the Dominion in its foreshores, harbors, lakes and rivers and a measure will be submitted to you for removing uncertainties as to the respective rights of the Dominion and of the provinces and for preventing confusion in the titles thereto.

The report of the royal commissioners on labor which was laid before you during the last session has been distributed throughout the country. I have reasons to believe that the information which it contains will be found eminently useful in suggesting improvements in the administration of the laws which affect the working classes. Measures for the amendment of those laws so far as they come within the jurisdiction of the parliament of Canada will be submitted for your consideration.

The early termination of the acts of incorporation of the principal banking institutions of the Dominion necessitates a review of our present system of banking and an adjustment of the terms under which the charters of these corporations should be renewed. Your attention will be drawn to this important subject.

Certain amendments to the acts relating to the Northwest Territories calculated to facilitate the administration of affairs in that region, as also a bill further to promote the efficiency of the Northwest mounted police will be submitted for your consideration.

Measures will be laid before you relating to bills of exchange and promissory notes, to improve the laws respecting patents of invention and discovery, to amend the adulteration act, and the law respecting the inland revenue, to amend also the act respecting the geological and natural history survey of Canada, and to provide for the better organisation of the national printing establishment.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

The accounts for the past year will be laid before you. It will be found that the estimates of revenue have been realized, and that after having fully provided for the various public services of the country, a substantial surplus will remain. The estimates for next year have been framed with a due regard to the requirements of the public service.

Hon. Gentlemen of the Senate:
Gentlemen of the House of Commons:

I commit these weighty matters and all others which may come before you to your earnest consideration, and I pray upon your wisdom and prudence to deal with them in the manner which, under divine providence, may prove most conducive to the happiness and prosperity of Canada.

AMERICAN NEWS.

Winter on Lake Ontario.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Jan. 16.—The schooner Ella Murton arrived here today from Kingston, Ontorio, with a cargo of barley. She had a rough passage, but got in safely. A vessel never before arrived here at this season of the year.

In the Hands of the Law.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Chief Brooks of the United States Secret Service today captured Henry H. Jackson, formerly paying teller of the United States sub-treasury, who stole $10,000 from the funds under his charge, in October, 1887.

The Stewart Estate.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The contest over the will of the widow of A. T. Stewart was settled out of court to-day. The result was a substantial victory for Judge Hilton, who retains everything he ever received or claimed, except that he releases the estate from the claim of of $935,000, which he had against it. The Garden City cathedral gets $500,000 and eighty acres of land. The remainder of the estate is divided as follows: Three-tenths to Chas. J. Clench and Sarah N. Smith, one-tenth to each of three half sisters of Mrs. Stewart, and one-sixteenth each to the children of Mrs. Chas. E. Butler.

He Stands Indicted.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The grand jury this afternoon handed in an indictment against Major William Hancock Clark, of the Southern society, who fired three shots at Wilson Randolph, a fellow member.

All Serene.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The steamship Ambrose, which arrived to-day, reports everything quiet at the date of sailing from Porto, Jan. 6th.

Raising the Appropriations.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—Secretary Windom has recommended to the House the increase of appropriations for a number of public buildings, among them Sacramento, Cal., from $150,000 to $300,000; and Los Angeles from $150,000 to $500,000.

Baseballers in Court.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Argument in the case of the New York baseball club against John M. Ward, was concluded in the Superior Court to-day, and Judge O'Brien took the papers and reserved his decision.

IT WAS A BOGUS MARRIAGE.

Peculiar Actions of a Rich Man Brought Out in Court.

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—May E. Graham began a suit in the Circuit Court against Henry H. Graham, her husband, for separate maintenance, and in her bill of complaint she tells a peculiar story.

The complainant is one of the famous Bangs sisters, the spiritualists, who have figured a good deal in the newspapers. Graham, whom she claims as her husband, is a manufacturer of flavoring extracts, and is said to be the possessor of considerable wealth. Mrs. Graham says on November 9, 1888, she was married to Graham in New York City. The marriage, or what she supposed to be a marriage, took place in the office of a justice of the peace. She lived with Graham, she says, until last summer, when he told her that the New York marriage was a bogus one, that the man who performed the ceremony was not a justice of the peace at all.

After receiving this disagreeable information she says she demanded the alleged marriage certificate, but Graham would not give it to her, nor would he tell who the man was who impersonated the justice of the peace. The complainant says she then made the demand on Graham that he marry her legally and persisted and insisted until he finally consented. On the 13th of last November he went with her to Racine, and they were legally married. Since the real marriage took place she declares Graham has not supported her and has refused to live with her, and has endeavored to have her agree to a divorce. The complainant says Graham has $60,000 in bonds and mortgages, which he threatened to pack up and carry out of the State. She therefore prayed for a writ of ne exeat, which was issued by Judge Collins.

Graham was arrested this morning and brought to the sheriff's office, where he was required to give $10,000 bonds to answer the suit. Graham refused to talk about the case, except to say that he married Mrs. Graham in Racine while he was intoxicated and that she took an advantage of him.

Confidence in Parnell.

CORK, Jan. 16.—At a meeting of the Board of guardians today a resolution was introduced expressing full confidence in Parnell. Dr. Tanner, M. P., in a speech in favor of this resolution took occasion to accuse Mr. [Smithbary, the Conservative M. P., for Hunting]don, who was present, of having attempted to exterminate his tenants in order to obtain the title of Lord Barrymore. The accusations created great excitement, and a scene of disorder followed, during which the chairman left the chair. Themayor of Cork assumed the chair and restored order, when the resolution was adopted unanimously.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

AMERICAN NEWS.

Damage by Snow Storms and Floods.

Providing for the Orphans of the Johnstown Flood.

Reciprocity With Mexico Discussed in Congress—Brazil Welcomed by Her Sister Republic.

The Johnstown Fund.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 17.—At a meeting of the Johnstown flood relief commission to-day, arrangements were perfected with the Girard Life Assurance Annuity company, for the administration of the annuity fund, whereby 522 children under 16 years of age, who were orphaned by the flood, receive $250 annually until they reach the age of 18. Various other forms of relief were adopted. The secretary's report shows that the number estimated to have been drowned in Conemaugh valley was 2,280 persons; the number of bodies recovered, 1,675; identified, 1,021; unidentified, 654; missing, 605.

The relief fund, received from various sources, amounted to $2,603,073. After all expenditures for relief have been paid, the commission have on hand an unexpended balance of $70,631.

An Increase of Failures.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—Bradstreet reports that the total of failures in the United States from January 1st to date is 1,018, against 981 in 1889.

Ohio's Senators Dying.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 17.—Senator Ashburn, Democrat, of Clarence county, died this morning. This makes the third death among the Democratic members of the legislature within the week. Senator Howell is very ill and the senate is now a tie on political complexion.

Indiana Floods.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Jan. 17.—The river at this point passed the danger line on the gauge at 8 o'clock last evening and is still rising at the rate of half an inch an hour. The water is spreading over the bottom lands, and those who have not already been driven from their homes by the flood are removing their families and stock. A great amount of corn has been destroyed, and farmers having grain in danger of being washed away are at work with laborers placing it above the high water mark of 1884. The prospects are that the water will reach a greater height than at any time of the flood of that year. With the rapidly rising river at this place and advices of an additional rise of the upper and side streams, the situation is anything but encouraging. The officers of the steamer Blue Wing, which arrived last night from Calhoun, report the Green river rising at the rate of two inches an hour. Hundreds of families have been driven from their homes and many of them are living in the churches and school houses.

"La Grippe" Breaks the Deadlock.

HELENA, Mont., Jan. 17.—There is a break in the Republican ranks in the senate. Brown, Republican, is suffering from "la grippe" and was taken to the hospital yesterday, and the senate now stands eight Democrats and seven Republicans. The Democrats and Republicans held another conference yesterday to discuss plans to end the deadlock, but the conference was without result.

The Snow was Twenty Feet Deep.

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 17.—The snow blockade came to an end this afternoon, the first passenger train arriving at Alamosa from Durango. It was one of the most severe storms of the season. The snow drifted in many places twenty feet deep, and in the cut where the trains were stalled the snow was six feet above the top of the cars. None of the passengers suffered, as they had plenty of food and fuel.

A Sunday-Observing Sheriff.

DENVER, Col., Jan. 17.—The new sheriff, Mr. Barton, has ordered all saloons to be closed on Sundays. The law on this point has been a dead letter.

Support Promised.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 17.—Secretary Sinnott of the Eastern Glass Association to-day received the following telegram from Secretary Smith of the Western Glass Manufacturers' Association, which body was holding a business meeting at Pittsburg: "Resolved, that we sympathize with the Eastern manufacturers in the strike, and accord to them our heartiest support; and will do all in our power to aid them in their reasonable demands." A meeting was called for January 30th, to consider the stoppage of Western factories.

Slavin's Challenge to Sullivan.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—Slavin cables from London to the Police Gazette, challenging Sullivan to fight for $12,500 a side, London prize ring rules, in America or Europe, or to a fight with small gloves, Police Gazette rules, for $5,000 a side, at the California Athletic Club, provided the club will add a $15,000 purse to the stake. Slavin has posted $2,500 forfeit.

New York's Health Report.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—The board of health report a total number of deaths up to noon to-day of 139, against 135 yesterday. "La grippe," in connection with other diseases, caused eight deaths.

Welcoming a Sister Republic.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—The consul general in New York of the Argentine Republic states that on December 3rd that government formally recognized the Republic of Brazil, and fixed December 8th as a day of national celebration of the event. On the latter day flags were displayed and all public places illuminated in Buenos Ayres, and salutes were fired by the Argentine men of war at home and abroad.

Another Railroad Horror.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Jan. 17.—A collision occurred on the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad near Winton Place, Ohio, this evening. Four persons have been taken out dead. Several cars are now burning, and it is thought ten or fifteen people have been burned.

Heavy Judgment.

BOSTON, Jan. 17.—The full bench of the Supreme Court has sent down its decision in the case of the famous Snow-Alley case in which it finds in favor of the plaintiff. This was an action of the former to recover damage for the conversion of 150 bonds of the Postal Telegraph Co., which were assigned to defendant John B. Alley by the plaintiff Chester Snow. Trial was first brought, Sept. 22nd, 1884. Twice the juries failed to agree, and on the third trial there was a verdict for the plaintiff for about $104,000. A new trial was granted, at which a verdict for plaintiff for $96,587.50 was given. This verdict was set aside, and at the fifth trial the verdict was for the plaintiff for $81,856.50. This verdict was also set aside, and at the sixth trial the verdict is for the plaintiff for $54,573.75, which sum the defendant must now pay, having now, it would seem, no alternative.

Fatal La Grippe.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 17.—Several deaths from influenza are reported to have occurred at Villa Labes. The disease is spreading in Mexico. Count St. Faix, the French minister here, is ill.

Jailed for Defaming Patti.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 17.—The editor of the newspaper Progreso has been sent to jail for defaming Adelina Patti.

Reciprocity with Mexico.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 17.—Representative Bills introduced in the house to-day a bill providing for reciprocity on the part of the United States with Mexico. The bill provides that whenever Mexico shall permit all articles produced in the United States to enter the ports of Mexico free of duty, then all articles produced in Mexico shall be admitted free to this country.

He Had "the Drop" First.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Jan. 17.—John Y. Miller, deputy marshall at Clay City, Ind., was shot and instantly killed yesterday by Granville Cooperider. Miller had threatened to kill Cooperider on sight, and when they met in a saloon, Cooperider got the drop on him. Cooperider mounted his horse and fled, and was captured later. Miller had accused Cooperider of undue intimacy with Mrs. Miller.

WALKER BLAINE DEAD.

Fatal Pneumonia Follows an Attack of La Grippe.

A Promising Career Brought to an End—Sorrow of the Secretary of State—Funeral Arrangements.

WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 15.—Walker Blaine, examiner of claims in the state department, and eldest son of Hon. James G. Blaine, secretary of state, died at the family residence at 8:20 o'clock this morning of acute pneumonia, superinduced by an attack of grippe. He had been ill only a few days, and his death is a sudden and severe shock to the unusually large circle of friends who were not aware he was so dangerously ill until this morning. The family are prostrated with grief. He was not feeling well all last week, and finally he became much worse, and was compelled to take to his bed.

The secretary gave a dinner on Monday night to a number of people prominent in official society, and Walker Blaine was feeling so much better that he sat up for some time chatting with the guests, and afterwards walked about the house. He contracted additional cold, which settled on his lungs and developed into acute pneumonia last night.

This morning his condition was so alarming that all the immediate relatives and family were hastily summoned home by telegraph. He was delirious most of the day, with exceedingly high temperature and painfully labored respiration.

SKETCH OF HIS LIFE.

Walker Blaine graduated from Yale college in 1876 and studying law received the diploma from Columbia college, New York, in 1878, and in 1881, while Garfield was on his death bed, he sent for Walker Blaine and appointed him third assistant secretary of state, saying he appreciated his ability and desired to show it. After serving in this capacity very acceptably for nearly a year he was appointed on the Alabama claims commission, where he served with great credit from 1882 to 1885. On the advent of the present administration he was appointed solicitor of the state department, a position which he has also filled with great credit and ability.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 17.—Arrangements for the funeral of the late Walker Blaine to-morrow were completed to-day. Private services, to which the President and members of the Cabinet and intimate friends have been invited and will attend, will be held at the Blaine mansion at 10 a. m. The remains will then be taken to the Church of the Covenant, where the public services will begin at 11 o'clock. Seats in the body of the church have been reserved for the members of the family and relations, for the President and Cabinet and diplomatic corps, and senators and representatives. Secretary Blaine, who since the death of his son has remained at his home in Lafayette square, went out for a walk to-day. Blaine is in the deepest grief, but bears his affliction well, and gives no indication of physical prostration.

Oregon's Deluge of Snow.

PORTLAND, Jan. 17.—There are three south bound passenger trains now at Ashland and nothing is moving south of there. A plow left Redding, Cal., this morning, but has not made twenty miles yet. The Southern Pacific notify through passengers that there will be nothing through for twenty-four hours at least. They are selling no tickets south of Ashland. The storm is abating now and there are signs of clearing up. There is from four to seven feet of snow on the level. The Northern Pacific are getting trains through from eight to twelve hours late. The O. R. & N. Co. expect the first of eight delayed trains in to-day. The storm is unprecedented and unprepared for. The last through train over the Southern Pacific came in on the 13th. There seems, from a railroad point of view, to be no prospect of through trains before Sunday.

A Railroad Wreck.

MANSFIELD, Mo., Jan. 17.—A terrible wreck occurred on the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis R.R. about three miles east of here yesterday afternoon. The engine of the westbound local freight left the track, carrying five loaded cars with it. The engine turned over, crushing Engineer Howland, Fireman R. C. Herman and Brakeman G. W. Hughey under it. Brakeman Widdowson was caught in the wreck of the cars and sustained severe internal injuries. Herman was instantly killed. Howland had his leg broken and Hughey was frightfully scalded, cut on the head and neck. The cars are a total wreck.

Accidentally Shot.

OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 17.—Sidney Dillon, a nephew of Hon. Sidney Dillon, of New York, accidentally shot and killed himself while out hunting on his farm, ten miles northeast of this city, to-day.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria

CANADIAN NEWS.

Mercier's Ill Health May Force Him From Public Life.

No Snow on the Canadian Pacific and Trains Running on Time.

A Nova Scotia Family Inherit a Large Fortune—Influenza Closes the Schools of Ontario—Field Notes of the N.W.

The C. P. R. Clear.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 17.—To-day's Canadian Pacific train from the east arrived in Vancouver sharp on time. Yesterday's train was one hour late. With but very few exceptions the trains have arrived and departed sharp on time. No delays whatever have occurred in the mountain sections and none are anticipated, the snowfall for the season being considerably under the average for the past five years.

Premier Mercier's Health Failing.

MONTREAL, Jan. 17.—Among the items of political gossip afloat is one to the effect that Premier Mercier's health is far from satisfactory, and that if he does not improve he may be compelled to temporarily leave public life and rest for several months. He has permanent enlargement of the liver and is often given to vomiting blood. Though physically strong he has been seriously ill at times. It is talked of as probable that Hon. T. Langelier, mayor of Quebec, will give up his seat in the commons to be a candidate for the legislature for Quebec centre at the general elections. It is felt that the premier needs a man that can replace him in case of his absence for the benefit of his health or any other cause.

Influenza Closes the Schools.

COBOURG, Jan. 17.—The influenza parasite from Russia has invaded this town in dead earnest. The schools are closed and business is half paralyzed in consequence. The students and professors at Victoria University are nearly all victims of la grippe.

The Universal Malady.

KINGSTON, Jan. 17.—La grippe is still at work. Medical men are pressed with business night and day and the schools are depopulated. The old guards in the penitentiary who were pensioned off were called upon yesterday to do duty for those who are sick.

A Giant Publication.

OTTAWA, Jan. 17.—The Dominion land agencies in the Northwest have been furnished by the department of the interior with a compilation, which will prove of great value to intending settlers. It is a set of field notes of the country from the eastern limit of the province of Manitoba to the Pacific coast. The immense work embraces forty volumes, bound in leather, each book being two feet square. It is the most comprehensive work of the kind ever published.

With Intent to Kill.

TORONTO, Jan. 17.—M. Weston, an employee of Bryce Bros., was arrested to-night on a charge of shooting with intent to kill. He had been beaten in a row in a disreputable house, and fired several shots into the carriage in which his assailant was driving away.

In the Epidemic's Grip.

HAMILTON, Jan. 17.—H. H. Fuller, son of the late Bishop Fuller, died today at "Bishop Hurst" of la grippe complicated with pneumonia. The epidemic has full hold of the city at present, people being laid low in almost every home. Hon. J. M. Gibson is suffering from an attack, and Vicar General Gibson is also in the epidemic's grip.

Not Confirmed.

TORONTO, Jan. 17.—Reports of the wreck of the Methodist missionary steam yacht, "Glad Tidings," on the Pacific coast have not yet been confirmed.

In Great Luck.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 17.—William L. Ball, George Ball, John Ball, Mrs. McCoy and Mrs. Knight of North Sydney have fallen heirs to the East Indian estate of the late Sir Alexander Ball, which is valued at $500,000.

EUROPE'S COMING WAR

Earl Granville Reviews the Signs of the Times.

America Fortunate in Possessing no Heritage of the Past—Causes That Will Make the Coming Conflict.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—The difficulty between England and Portugal regarding their respective spheres of influence in Africa has caused statesmen to take a serious review of the general situation of European affairs. Earl Granville today said—"The possibility of European war darkens and saddens all the future and it is difficult at times to look without a feeling of envy at the great republic across the water, that gigantic daughter of the West, where there are no race hatreds, no blood tax, no fiscal over-pressure, no possibility of war; there sixty millions of men, soon to be double and triple that number, can go about their business in confidence and peace. It is not, of course, by any movement of the United States that they are thus blessed by fortune. It is simply because they have not the

TERRIBLE HERITAGE OF THE PAST.

This old Europe of ours has not yet settled down to its definitive form and as far as can be foreseen apart from the possibility of some great moral revolution, it can only reach it by the bloody arbitration of war. Sometimes one is tempted to ask in despair whether one war will not lead to another, and so on in the everlasting series; and whether the time can ever come when each state and each race will be content with what it has got; when no community of European men will lack the essentials of worthy and happy existence, and when the sword can at last be beaten into the ploughshare.

THE CAUSES OF EUROPEAN DISQUIETUDE

are profound and far reaching enough in all conscience without its being necessary to add to them. They consist essentially in the repression of the national aspirations of one set of men, and the denial of the elementary conditions of contentment to another. Germany tries to Germanize her Poles; Russia to Russianize hers, and in this particular Russia is conducting an inexorable campaign against the German element in her Baltic provinces. The result is that each and all these subject races are profoundly disaffected and would welcome a war which held out any reasonable prospect of deliverance. In the iniquitous partition of Poland it has not unrolled its full train of evil, and the merited consequences. The evil inherent might have been mitigated by strenuous and continuous effort to

WIN THE POLES OVER

by conciliating and respecting their nationality as far as was consistant with the unity of the common state of which they formed a part. The causes of their arrest cannot be so readily laid at the door of some definite crime or folly. Where, as apparently in Bohemia and certainly in Macedonia, rival races are inextricably mixed together on a definite space of ground which all covet equally, it is difficult to see how this issue can be settled without a fight which will give to one element the mastery. It is very unfortunate, but it is nobody's fault.

THE GREAT WAR MUST COME

On the other hand the refusal or failure of Turkey to give its Christian subjects, as for instance in Armenia, an existence worthy of beings is decidedly somebody's fault. It is the fault of Turkey in the first place, and of the mutual jealousies of the great powers in the second, and both faults will be avenged. From them in all probability will spring the great war which we all dread, which everyone is anxious to postpone, but which few men on the continent at all ever believe can be averted altogether.

THE ALSACE-LORRAINE MATTER.

As if the permanent causes of war in Europe were not enough, our generation has greatly added to them. In particular the annexation of Alsace-Lorraine by Germany has practically destroyed Europe's united force acting in the interest of peace. The two greatest continental states are separated by an unbridgeable chasm which put an end to Europe as a unit; and which has more than neutralized the advance towards organic collective action which had been made before 1870, and would, but for that unhappy blunder have been made still faster since.

AFRICA ANOTHER CAUSE OF TROUBLE.

Another great cause of trouble, which will loom larger with every year that passes, is the effort of Europe, an effort as yet often haphazard and ill-organized, to bring Africa within its orbit. Europe has thrown itself upon Africa with extraordinary stubbornness, and the vast vague sovereignities which each of the European people has carved out of the African continent are pregnant with future difficulties and conflicts. England is seeing this already on a small scale in her difficulty with Portugal. The Englishmen will be fortunate if they do not see it on a much larger scale in the difficulty between England and Germany on the same East Coast of Africa."

EUROPEAN GOSSIP.

PORTUGAL INSISTS ON A CONFERENCE OF POWERS.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The activity and earnestness of the new premier of Portugal in pursuit of the policy of the ministers is winning many adherents from the majority and fast disarming the Republicans, who saw in the surrender of the Gomes cab