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TEACHER'S VIEWS HURT THE SCHOOL

Financial Support Withdrawn From Knox College.

DUE TO PROF. M'FAYDEN'S BOOK

The Annual Contribution of Cooke Church Withheld—Professor Stands by Statements.

Toronto, Jan. 15. — The views of Rev. Prof. John E. McFayden, of the chair of Old Testament Literature and Exegesis in Knox College, are the subject of much cogitation among various sections of the Presbyterian Church. Not long ago a prominent elder spoke out in public meeting and declared that if Knox College did not act he would take steps to wash his hands of any complicity in the matter. The flank attack made by Cooke's Church at its annual meeting on Wednesday night, in declining this year to continue its annual contribution to the funds of the college, because it engaged a professor holding the views of Prof. McFayden, is viewed by some as a rather petty movement. The principle involved, however, redeems it in the eyes of the congregation from any such charge.

Prof. McFayden, who is a Scotchman, and one of the most brilliant scholars and thinkers who have borne the learning and piety of Scotland around the world, is the author of a volume on the higher criticism, "The Old Testament Criticism, and the Christian Church." Few Presbyterian authorities in Toronto will discuss the book, and the older members of the church dislike to face the facts it discloses.

Prof. McFayden himself, when seen declined to discuss the question at all. He considers that he is not on trial. His book is sufficient to support his views, he believes, and no attempt has been made to answer it.

"I would prefer to say nothing in the matter. My statement is in my book, and I will not make any other." This is all that Prof. McFayden would authorize to be said on the question, which he thinks is not one for newspaper discussion."

"Knox College likely to take any action?" was asked.

"If I had to answer that categorically, I should say, No," was the reply.

DISABLED LINER TURNS UP O. K.

The Overdue Red Star Boat Noordland Reaches Philadelphia a Week Late.

Philadelphia, Jan. 15. — A dispatch to the Maritime Exchange, from the Delaware Breakwater, says that a steamer, probably the overdue Red Star liner Noordland, was sighted at 9:22. The Noordland was due to arrive in this city on Sunday last from Liverpool. On Jan. 13 the captain on the British steamship Cornishman, which arrived at Portland, Me., reported having fallen in with the Noordland on Jan. 3 in a disabled condition. Before being able to learn the nature of her injury the two steamships became separated by the severe weather. The Noordland sailed from Liverpool on Dec. 30.

LATER.

Philadelphia, Jan. 15. — The steamship proved to be the Noordland. As she passed in the Breakwater, the captain signaled "All well," but gave no intimation as to the nature of the damage sustained by the Noordland.

SCHWAB GIVES UP FIGHT

Feared Further Exposure in the Alleged Trust Swindle.

Newark, N. J., Jan. 15. — Charles M. Schwab, the alleged wrecker of the United States Shipbuilding Company, threw up his hands in a hearing before United States Circuit Judge Kirkpatrick in Newark Wednesday. His counsel, William D. Guthrie, broke away completely from the firm stand he had maintained. He admitted the insolvency of the shipbuilding company and withdrew his opposition to the appointment of a permanent receiver. Of the many sensational moves in this remarkable legal drama of high finance the complete surrender of the defendants, who may be incorporated under the name of Mr. Schwab, is the most startling.

Only one conclusion can be drawn from this notable change of front—Mr. Schwab is willing to sacrifice everything rather that submit to the searching examination of Samuel Untermeyer on the witness stand.

After engaging the best legal talent to be found before the New York bar and fighting with every legal technicality available in the intricacies of corporation law, the complete surrender of the defense and the consequent sacrifice of many millions of dollars shows beyond doubt that the Schwab and Morgan interests could not bear further exposure in what Receiver Smith has characterized as the "most artistic swindle in the history of high finance."

CHASE ON DOG SLEDS

Notorious Eloper and Alleged Thief Captured in British Columbia.

Chicago, Jan. 15. — A dispatch to the Tribune, from Denver, Col., says: Henry Herbert Pigott, who achieved notoriety in 1901 by eloping from Philadelphia to Denver with Charlotte Bryan, his wife's niece, disappeared, it is claimed, with funds estimated at more than $500,000, has been arrested, with the woman, at Princeton, B. C. The capture was effected after a long chase on dog-sleds through a wild, mountainous country. Pigott asked to be allowed his liberty on condition of giving up the documents, but he was turned over to the police. Papers representing $500,000 were found by the detectives.

CHANGES LIKELY IN THE CABINET

Understood That Mr. Bernier Is to Resign Portfolio.

HON. L. P. BRODEUR MAY SUCCEED

Trade Returns for Six Months Show a Falling Off in Exports—Imports Increase.

Ottawa, Jan. 15. — It is understood that Hon. M. E. Bernier is resigning the portfolio of inland revenue, and that he will be succeeded by Hon. L. P. Brodeur, the present Speaker of the House of Commons. Mr. Bernier said farewell to the employes of the inland revenue department yesterday. Whether Mr. Brodeur will be sworn in at the same time as Mr. Emmerson is not certain, but if not the ceremony in the former's case will not be long delayed. The retiring Speaker is a man of high character, great ability and urbane manners. As presiding officer of the House of Commons, he has been a brilliant success. His friends predict that he will achieve equal distinction in the cabinet.

Canada's foreign trade for the six months ending Dec. 31 amounted to $257,960,918, as against $239,023,476 for the same period of 1902, being an increase of nearly $19,000,000. This statement, of course, includes imports for consumption, exports of domestic and foreign products, and coin and bullion. The total exports, domestic and foreign, are about the same as for the year previous. Domestic exports show a decrease of about $2,000,000, but there is an increase of about $2,000,000 in exports of the mine. Fishery exports are less by some $800,000, and products of the forest by a million and a half dollars. Exports of manufacturers are better by about $500,000. There is a decrease of about $1,000,000 in the exports of cattle and $3,000,000 in wheat. As regards the two last-mentioned items, it is believed to be due to the fact that the farmers are holding their wheat and cattle for a rise in prices, which in these prosperous times they can well afford to do.

LONDON'S CHIMPANZEE

Dresses Like a Man and Is Lionized by the Metropolis.

London, Jan. 15. — All the London papers of late have been recording the doings of the most abominable-looking chimpanzee, called Consul, who is the most repugnant specimen of the animal tribe that has ever been exhibited. He usually wears a light tweed suit, deer-stalking cap, and fashionable overcoat. His very action and movement are commented upon and written about as if he were one of the lions of the season. The one thing one most marvels at is the sang-froid with which specimens of mankind who closely resemble him regard this monstrous creature. Surely the terrible likeness must strike them. The demeanor of the brute when taken to the Zoological Gardens excited the greatest interest among the savants who accompanied him. They absolutely declared that in some cases he recognized old friends and chatted with them with great friendliness. Whatever truth there is in the assertion, the exhibition of this animal attired as a man, and with all the languid, self-satisfied air of a veritable coxcomb, is something which is revolting and debasing in the extreme. And one finds enough of this class of thing in London, without putting on a par with degraded humanity what one knows to be a brute.

GUARDING BOY BANDITS

Extra Detectives and Fire Arms to Prevent Their Escape.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—At the end of two days spent without result, attorneys in the carbarn murder cases have accepted a fourth juror to try the bandits. Otto Roeski, accused of complicity in the plot to release his brother from jail, was taken into court and released on bonds furnished by his uncle and aunt. Extra details of detectives were placed in court, and the supply of firearms at the jail was increased.

FUR SMUGGLING SCHEME EXPOSED

A Montreal Firm Said To Be Concerned in the Case—Big Seizure in New York.

New York, Jan. 15. — The World this morning, says: Several prominent persons in New York have petitioned the authorities in Washington to permit them to pay duty upon a lot of smuggled furs and retain possession of the goods. Government officials have a store of costly furs and so far have declined to consider them as anything other than confiscated property.

Recently the arrest of a man at Tupper Lake, in the Adirondacks, who was caught transferring furs from a local express car to a car on the New York Central, bound for this city, put the Government into possession of facts on which a large number of these furs were made here. A Montreal fur house had been selling furs to New Yorkers to be delivered, duties paid. The transactions were all made in Montreal, the furs being bought there by persons traveling. The purchasers were told that the house had a large trade in New York and made its deliveries here and that the prices asked included all delivery charges.

Special treasury agents went to the houses of many New Yorkers in the holiday season and seized furs that had been delivered without the formality of paying duty. The persons who had the furs gave them up without protest and offered to pay the duties to avoid trouble.

BIG BLAZE AT BRUSSELS, ONT.

An Entire Block Used as Implement Storehouse Destroyed —Upset Lamp the Cause.

Brussels, Ont., Jan. 15. — The brick block, which was formerly used as the postoffice, together with the adjoining building, which was occupied by Frost & Wood as an implement shop, was totally destroyed by fire last night. The former building had latterly been used as a storehouse by the Brussels woolen mills, and quantities of wool and blankets stored therein were destroyed. The building and contents were each insured for $2,000. N. S. McLaughlin, acting agent for Frost & Wood, managed to save all implements. The fire was caused by a lantern being upset. The block was owned by Mr. R. H. Smart, manager of the Traders' Bank, at Grand Valley, Ont.

ALL IN THE DARK AS TO FAR EAST

Japan Has No Indication of Russia's Probable Attitude.

REPLY GIVES CZAR LOOPHOLE

Russian Acceptance of Mikado's Proposals Would Not Entail a Loss of Prestige.

London, Jan. 15. — The Japanese minister, Baron Hayashi, had received no indication this morning of the probable attitude of Russia; but he said to a representative of the Associated Press: "It is practicallly certain that any declaration of war will not emanate from Russia." The minister is not very hopeful of the result of the latest Japanese note; but he specifically denies that Japan's reply suggests the neutralization of a portion of Manchuria, as well as of a portion of Korea, or that mention was made of the right to break off negotiation.

"Our conditions," said the minister, "are practically summed up in the concluding portion of the announcement by the state department of the United States regarding the Chino-American treaty. For these principles, to which Secretary Hay says the United States is irrevocably committed, we are willing to go to war, unless Russia consent to give us a definite pledge that she, too, adheres to the open door and Chinese sovereignty in Manchuria."

Berlin, Jan. 15. — The Japanese minister and all the staff of the legation attended the Russian ambassador's New Year's reception yesterday. Count Osten-Sacken, the Russian ambassador, and M. Inouye, the Japanese minister, conversed animatedly, for a quarter of an hour, to the entertainment of the observing diplomats.

Japan's reply, as outlined in these dispatches yesterday, is considered as offering Russia a way out of the difficulty without loss of prestige.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 15. — The diplomats here regard favorably the suggestion to transfer the Russo-Japanese negotiations to St. Petersburg. They do not think it is intended to delay matters, as interpreted abroad, but believe it would remove the negotiations from the hands of the war party, represented by Admiral Alexieff, the Russian viceroy in the far east, and enable the Czar and Foreign Minister Lamsdorff to more closely control them.

Continuing its anti-war campaign, the Russ today predicts that even granting that Russia is victorious, there will be subsequent interference on the part of other powers, and a "new edition of the Berlin congress."

NEW LIBERAL WHIP

Mr. C. M. Bowman Appointed — R. Truax Elected Chairman.

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 15. — At a Liberal caucus at the Parliament buildings today R. Truax was elected chairman, and C. M. Bowman and McCart, whip and assistant.

ENGINE EXPLODES; TWO ARE KILLED

Driver Is Dead, Brakeman Has Head Blown Off, and the Fireman Is Dying.

Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 15. — The boiler of a locomotive drawing a west-bound New York Central freight train on the tracks of the Onondago Lake Shore, in this city, blew up without warning, this morning. Engineer George Mitchell was killed, a brakeman, name not yet learned, had his head blown off, and Fireman F. Neary was probably fatally injured. Conductor Michael Redmond was unhurt. All are from Buffalo. The locomotive was No. 1147, of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, recently borrowed from the Central, because of rush of business. The crew were New York Central employes.

Conductor Redmond, the only member of the crew left to tell of the disaster, was in the caboose, and knows nothing of what was going on in the locomotive, prior to the time of the explosion. The cause will probably never be known, as the locomotive was reduced to scrap iron, some parts being blown several hundred feet away. The train was proceeding slowly, heavily loaded, against a snowstorm, and the track was heavy with snow, when the explosion occurred without warning.

A STORY OF SPENCER

Thought Good Billiards Denoted a a Mis-Spent Youth.

London, Jan. 15. — Here is a little story of Spencer. Like many of the greatest men his tastes were simple, his amusements almost trivial. He was fond of billiards, although he never became proficient at the game. He played often with comparative strangers, and on one occasion at his club challenged a young man unknown to him. The young man accepted the challenge and the game went on. Mr. Spencer had four to his credit and had handled the cue twice, when the young man ran out. Mr. Spencer walked away, remarking: "Young man, a little skill in billiards shows good taste and common sense. Such skill as you possess shows a mis-spent youth. Good morning."

BLAME THE CAPTAIN

Clallam's Passengers Could Have Been Saved But for Him.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 15. — At the coroner's inquest into the deaths of the Clallam disaster, which commenced on Wednesday, evidence was given that no distress signals were shown by the steamer Clallam. When the tug Holyoke picked up the Clallam about 10 o'clock several passengers asked Capt. Roberts to put them on the tug, but he refused. The sea had gone down and the passengers could have been transferred. No one was taken from the steamer when she careeened and rolled over at the climax. All who were rescued by the tugs were taken from the water.

RADIUM IS MADE IN AMERICA

Colorado Minerals Basis for Product Exhibited in New York.

New York, Jan. 15. — Radium made in America from minerals found in Colorado was shown tonight at a meeting of the Technology Club, and the latest development in the treatment of disease by the use of the liquids charged with "radio-activity" was described by Dr. William J. Morton, of the New York Postgraduate Hospital. "Liquid sunlight" is the name given to fluorescent compounds which may be taken internally, and which will, it is asserted, have remarkable curative effects in cases of cancer, malaria, or any disease due to bacteria. It is the latest development from the use of radium in medicine.

KEEPING AMERICANS OUT.

Bellingham, Wash., Jan. 15. — The British Columbia Government is succeeding in its efforts to keep American mill owners from obtaining their log supply from the British side of Puget Sound. In retaliation for the American tariff on Canadian lumber, the British Columbia Government has imposed restrictions which make it impossible for American mill men to operate camps in British Columbia.

WEATHER BULLETIN

TOMORROW—WARMER.

London, Friday, Jan. 15.

Sun rises..7:49 a.m. Moon rises..5:54 a.m.
Sun sets..7:05 p.m. Moon sets...3:48 p.m.

Toronto, Jan. 14—8 p.m.

Snow has fallen heavily over Quebec and rain in the Maritime Provinces, accompanied by strong winds and gales. In Ontario the weather has turned colder; likewise in the Northwest Territories.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 44—46; Calgary, 20—34; Qu'Appelle, 12—34; Winnipeg, 4 below—14; Port Arthur, 2 below—6; Parry Sound, 4—30; Toronto, 18—28; Ottawa, 12—28; Montreal, 24—30; Quebec, 24—30; Halifax, 32—44.

FORECASTS.

Friday, Jan. 15—8 p.m.

Today—Fair and cold.

Saturday—Light snowfalls, with a little higher temperature.

Stations.	Temperature. 8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	10	6	Fair
Winnipeg	18	14	Cloudy
Parry Sound	— 8	—10	Clear
Toronto	8	6	Cloudy
Ottawa	— 2	— 2	Fair
Montreal	6	6	Cloudy
Quebec	6	6	Fair
Father Point	18	16	Cloudy

The sign — denotes "below zero."

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather has become much colder in Ontario and Quebec, with temperatures below zero in northern localities. It has also turned decidedly colder in the Northwest Territories.

Local temperatures: Thursday—Highest, 28°; lowest, 18.5°.

SEOUL IN FEAR OF BUTCHERY

Native Press is Advocating the Slaughter of All the Foreigners.

London, Jan. 15.—The Seoul correspondent of the Daily Mail says that the native press is advocating the slaughter of all foreigners.

United States Minister Allen has ordered all American women and children to remain indoors and he predicts that rioting by the military is imminent.

M. Collin de Plancy, the French minister, has vainly advised the Emperor to take refuge in the French legation.

The Times' Tokio correspondent says that notwithstanding the continuance of negotiations, the steps which Japan is now taking suggest that a peaceful issue of the situation is not expected.

The correspondent says that it is believed that an imperial ordinance appointing consuls at Mukden and Tatung Kous will shortly be issued.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Mail reports the gradual and extensive movement of Chinese troops toward Shan-Hai-Kwan, in Chi-Li Province, probably with the view of securing the harbor of Ching Wan Tao on the Gulf of Liao Tung and the coal mines thereabouts against Russian seizure.

WRITS ISSUED BY MR. LATCHFORD

Minister of Public Work Alleges Libel Against D'Arcy Scott in Ottawa Election.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 15. — Hon. F. R. Latchford, Minister of Public Works of Ontario, has issued writs for alleged libel against the Ottawa Free Press and D'Arcy Scott, son of Minister of State, recently defeated for the mayoralty. The libel is said to be contained in a red-hot article he published for the Catholic Register, charging Mr. Latchford with trying to compass Scott's defeat by raising the Fenian cry in upper town and the anti-British cry in lower town.

MR. BRYAN HAS BRAND NEW IDEA

But Says He Will Not Discuss It at the Present Time.

STILL STRONG FOR FREE SILVER

Thinks the Democrats Will Have Next President—Say He Is Not a Candidate.

St. Louis, Jan. 15. — "Everything points to victory," said William J. Bryan, who spent an hour in St. Louis today, en route home to Lincoln, Neb., in answer to a question asked by the Post Dispatch, as to the Democratic national outlook.

"I think we will win, and I am now convinced that a dark horse will capture the nomination," he continued.

"What do you think about Judge Parker, of New York?" he was asked.

"I am not thinking about Parker at all."

"How would Senator Gorman, of Maryland, suit you?"

"I am not discussing Mr. Gorman or any other candidate at this time."

"It is true that you have expressed a preference for Mr. Hearst?"

"Now," said Mr. Bryan, "I wish you would write down what I have to say about Mr. Hearst."

He then dictated the following: "I appreciate the work Mr. Hearst has done for the Democratic party, and count him among my personal friends, but I am not advocating his nomination or that of any person. I am avoiding any expression of preference for anybody."

"Are you a candidate, Mr. Bryan?"

"I think I have already made it perfectly plain that I am not."

"Would you become one if conditions should indicate the necessity of your making the race?"

"I can imagine no circumstances under which it would be either wise or necessary for me to become a candidate."

Mr. Bryan would not commit himself as to the eligibility of Mayor McClellan, of New York, for the Democratic nomination.

"Did your journey modify in any way your views on the money question?" Mr. Bryan was asked.

"It did not," he replied emphatically. "I am still a believer in the principle of free silver. But I will say this, that I got one new idea, which I will discuss at some future time."

SHENANGO TURNS UP

Imprisoned for a Week in Ice Off Conneaut.

Port Stanley, Jan. 15.—The car ferry Shenango No. 1 has been fast in the ice for more than a week in the lake two miles abreast of Conneaut. All the crew except seven men have been paid off and walked ashore on the ice. The imprisoned boat will be released by the use of dynamite to break the ice about her.

BOERS FOR MONTANA

Large Colony to Immigrate in the Spring—Mexico Abandoned.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 15.—Arrangement are almost completed for establishing a Boer colony in Montana. It is expected that the immigration of the Boers will commence early in the spring. The arrangements are in charge of Gen. Joubert and Captain W. S. O'Donnel.

The idea of establishing a colony in Mexico was given up some weeks ago on account of the prevalence of yellow fever in that section.

President James J. Hill, of the Great Northern, is largely responsible for the selection of Montana.

MONK AND TARTE AT LOGGERHEADS

A Lack of Harmony in That Quebec Stumping Tour.

PAIR WON'T WORK TOGETHER

Despite the Efforts of Leader Borden—First One and Then the Other "Missing."

Sherbrooke, Jan. 15.—The reports of complete harmony in the Conservative ranks in Quebec Province look very well in print, but do not seem to work out quite so well in practice. Mr. Borden is without doubt beginning to keenly appreciate the fact. The first announcement of the recent tour of the eastern townships promised a quintette of speakers to be composed of Mr. Borden, Mr. Monk, Mr. Tarte, Mr. Pope and Mr. Hackett, but a start had to be made with only a quartet, for Mr. Monk was "unavoidably detained" in Montreal. Then promises for the absent one's appearance were made all along the line, and Quebec's nominal leader for the party finally did appear here and spoke at the meeting Wednesday night. Now Mr. Tarte is "missing," and so it is supposed that he has found it absolutely necessary to withdraw. At every town where the party stopped until yesterday the former minister of public works took a lively interest in the inspections that were made of the local industries, but here in the very manufacturing center of the eastern townships he disappeared from the quartet, and his place was taken by Mr. Monk. It is very evident that Mr. Borden has been trying hard to get together the promised quintet, but so far his touring party has been limited to four.

The convention of the Eastern Townships' Conservative Association here promised a likely occasion for the original five to get together for good, but Mr. Tarte was "unavoidably absent." The convention, nevertheless, took place. Mr. Hackett was elected president, and an address was read to Mr. Borden.

It is only natural that Mr. Tarte should have attended the banquet tendered here to Mr. Pope, who was one of the party from the outset, but he was absent. The banquet was a gratifying tribute to Mr. Pope.

EX-GOV. BUSHNELL DEAD

Was Stricken With Apoplexy—A Distinguished Career.

Columbbus, Ohio, Jan. 15. — Former Governor Asa S. Bushnell, of Springfield, Ohio, who was stricken with apoplexy last Monday, after witnessing the ceremonies, attending the inauguration of Governor Herrick, died at Grant Hospital in this city, early today. The end came peacefully. His wife and family were at his bedside. The body will be taken to Springfield today for burial. Former Governor Bushnell was born at Rome, N. Y., Sept. 16, 1834. He came to Ohio with his parents when 11 years old, residing first at Cincinnati and since 1851 at Springfield.

From a position as bookkeeper he rose to a partnership in the Wardner, Bushnell & Glessner Company, manufacturers of farming implements, of which he became president in 1886. He served in the civil war, being mustered out with the rank of captain.

In 1885, Mr. Bushnell was chairman of the Republican state convention committee.

He served two terms as governor of Ohio, being elected in 1895 and re-elected in 1897.

Two weeks ago Mr. Bushnell divided three-quarters of a million dollars among members of his family as a New Year's gift.

MR. EMMERSON SWORN IN

Formally Takes Over Portfolio of Railways and Canals.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 15.—Accompanied by the Premier, Hon. Mr. Emmerson drove to Government House at noon today and was sworn in by his excellency as minister of railways and canals. Speaker Brodeur will succeed Hon. Bernier as minister of inland revenue, and Mr. Bernier likely will go on the railway commission.

BIZARRE BURIAL OF LORD STANLEY

Mohammedan Funeral Rites at the Graveside.

BETWEEN SUNSET AND SUNRISE

The Body Wrapped in a Shroud and Opening Left About the Face—His Mother a Canadian.

London, Jan. 15. — Another rather celebrated man was laid to rest without Christian rites at his obsequies. Lord Stanley, of Alderley, was buried in a small plantation near Alderley Park, in Cheshire, his country seat, and Ridjag Effendi, Iman to the Turkish embassy in London, performed the Mohammedan burial rites beewten the hours of sunset and sunrise. The body was not encased in a coffin, but wrapped in a shroud, was placed directly in the ground, and an opening is left about the face of the dead, which reaches to the surface of the ground. Possibly this is a precaution which follows upon the habit of burying the dead almost immediately the breath has left the body. A great domed tomb is placed above the grave, and on it is carved a turban. In the case of the burial of Lord Stanley, of Alderley, great secrecy was observed, lest vulgar curiosity might lead to what Mohammedans regard as sacrilege.

The late Lord Stanley, of Alderley, was a cousin of the present Viscount Dillon, of Ditchley, who married a Miss Staunton, of Cobourg. His mother, the late Lady Stanley, of Alderley, appears among "Types of Canadian Women Past and Present. Lady Stanley was born in Nova Scotia in 1807; her father being Dominick Geoffory Browne—into whose family one of the granddaughters of Sir David Macpherson has married—and he commanded the One Hundred and First Regiment. The son of this woman who has played such a prominent part in London life for nearly three-quarters of a century, was considered eccentric by the members of his family. He entered the foreign office early in life, and was for some time attache at Constantinople, where, it is said, he became a Mohammedan. He was afterwards secretary of the legation at Athens, and married a Spanish lady who survives him. That the spirit of toleration is abroad will be evidenced by the fact that the burial just alluded to, there was not the slightest indication of their being disturbed by riots which would assuredly have taken place earlier in the nineteenth century. One rather wonders if it is tolerance or indifference which leads to the neutral attitude of the masses in these matters.

MAY BUY ANOTHER ROAD

Pere Marquette Said To Be After the Wisconsin Central.

Chicago, Jan. 15. — Rumor has again found a purchaser for the Wisconsin Central Railroad, and this time it is the Pere Marquette road that is said to be contemplating the purchase. Definite offers for the control of the stock of the road are said to have been made to the principal holders of Wisconsin Central securities. Color is given to the rumor by the market reports from New York, which indicate a strong bullish tendency in Central stock and declare that a Boston syndicate is after it. F. H. Price, president of the Pere Marquette, is a Boston man.

The two roads meet at three points, Chicago, Milwaukee, and Manitowac, at the last two named the junction being made by carferries. Reports for the year show that the Wisconsin Central has carried the lion's share of the milling products from Minneapolis, and through the connections at Manitowac, the Pere Marquette-Wisconsin Central system would afford an arrow line outlet to the seaboard.

The capitalization and funded indebtedness of the Wisconsin Central road, with 977 miles of trackage is almost $60,000,000. The Pere Marquette total is but little larger, although, its mileage is about 1,800 miles.

Representatives of both roads in this city place little credit in the rumor, declaring it one of the series which has reported the sale of the Central system every few months for many years.

FIFTY CARS DESTROYED

Disastrous Fire at Brooklyn — Loss Estimated at $125,000.

New York, Jan. 15. — The three-story carbarn and about fifty cars of the Coney Island and Brooklyn Railroad Company in Brooklyn were destroyed by fire, today, the fire threatening the safety of the adjoining powerhouse and putting a number of the Brooklyn car lines out of commission for several hours. Three men were injured, but not fatally. The loss is estimated at about $125,000.

The building destroyed occupied an entire block.

MORE TROUBLE FOR THOMAS.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 15. — Thos. Kelly, serving a six months' term in the Central Prison, Toronto, for theft, has been recognized by members of the police department as the Thomas Kelly, who is wanted here for the robbery of Richard Shapland's home in this city, almost two years ago. Shapland had befriended Kelly. The authorities here contemplate arresting Kelly on the old charge as soon as he is released.

French Clash With Vatican Over Appointments to Sees

Government Insists That Pius Approve Selections — The Latter Remains Firm.

Rome, Jan. 15. — The French Government has presented the Vatican with a note, in the nature of an ultimatum, regarding the appointment of bishops to vacant French sees, substantially saying that either the Pope must approve the selections of the French Government, or they will be announced officially without the approbation of the Holy See. In addition, the papal nuncio will be asked to leave Paris, and the clergy will be forbidden to collect Peter's pence in the churches; but, the Concordat will not yet be denounced.

The rumor that the Pope had decided to approve the appointments is incorrect. The Vatican hopes to be able to continue the negotiations.

Japs Buy Manitoba Wheat; Involves a Monster Deal

Mikado's Winnipeg Agent Makes Contract for Two Shiploads of 5,000,000 Bushels.

Winnipeg, Jan. 15—It is stated upon good authority that S. Tamura, the Japanese Government representative, who has been in the city for several days, has closed negotiations for the purchase of a large quantity of Manitoba wheat. The contract is said to be for two shiploads or over 5,000,000 bushels. The wheat, it is understood, is to be ready for delivery when required by Japan, and the price to be governed by the market quotations prevailing at the time of ordering.

—A branch of the Bank of British North America has been opened at Calgary, N. W. T., under the temporary management of Mr. A. D. Severs.