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EDITORIAL NOTES.

will be bold enough to deny that there was correspondence be-Richard Cartwright and the late M. C. Cameron regarding the Suddenly the negotiations were broken off, presumably because of some action on the part of Cook. Now, what was that action? Is it to do something as a condition of his appointment, which he refused to do?

The Ridgetown Dominion, referof the Free Press, which related how a young colored woman wished to buy a marriage license on the instalment

what are the facts. The seller of distinction? "A Tory judge!" Does The item reads a little funny, but marriage licenses buys the blanks Mr. Garrow mean that our judges from the Government printer at carry politics on to the bench? If not about ten cents each, fills them out sells. The Government gets nothing owes an explanation to the judges and is \$1.90 in pocket on each one he from the sale by way of revenue. The generally. No doubt that, whatever man or woman who buys the license may have been their politics before is simply bled at a time when dollars are most needed for the benefit of a Government favorite. The privilege of selling the licenses is part of the either Grit or Tory after ascending to petty patronage with which the Ontario Government rewards faithful followers to whom it has nothing better to give and by which it keeps a small army of supporters in line.

The Dominion is right. The marrifor which there is no legitimate ex- little credit to his reputation as a arms is maintained, and the Liberals,

the necessity of taking expert evidence in relation to the possible tampering with the date of the letter named Preston to Mr. Cook fixing a meeting at which it has been alleged

politician named Grit organ at the capital describes nature. It is not apparent. Mr. Preston is Inspector of Immigration Agencies, with a salary of \$3,000, travelling expenses and other perqui- a Grit organ, cannot stand Mr. Tarte and there is intense dissatisfaction sites, and so is supposed to be out and his ways. It says: of politics. But Mr. Preston seems to his metamorphoses from the officeholder to the politician.

By the way, what is Mr. Alf. Jury doing in England? - London Free

Being a Grit office-holder, that goes | Public Works would permit of draw some money for expenses? the Government would pay for it. What is he doing for that?

cities reported by the census authoriphenomenal. Its population, not insuburbs lying outside the city boundaries, is 760,329. In 1891 it was only 618.052. In 1881 Glasgow Itad but 511,lation was only 77,385. So the Scotch gan. If the suburbs of both dates are is more than ten times as great as show such growth in population apart of the Province, and other concessions criticised by the commercial classes. from territorial acquisitions

+ + + birthday, Senator Chauncey Depew

young man and the world was fresh to me. I thought I enjoyed myself, but I enjoy myself more now, because then I had anxieties and ambition and restraints, and now I have none.

There is philosophy in that, of but everybody is not rich enough to preach it. How about the year and still have their anxieties? They form not an inconsiderable nummany men carry their anxieties to

It is pleasing to see that the process of cleaning up backyards from the winter's accumulation of rubbish such an extent that the work of the authorities in the matter will be a such as coal ashes, tin cans, broken dishes, etc., is not necessarily unsanitary, but it is unsightly, and it is well to have it all removed, and let everybody start the summer looking spick

Sir Richard should take something for that memory of his.-Ottawa Citi-

A leaf out of M. C. Cameron's letter good recipe

was not the State which immediately follow the robbers, but the railroad company. It is not the State which is offering a reward for the capture thorities or to the corporations. If the corporations can find and point out

the hard part of the work, is left by

+ + + know who was responsible for mak ing the census circular of Mr. Cote the foolishness, and believing it to b something more, should there be any difficulty in placing the responsibility? The departmental affairs must be rui appointment of H. H. Cook to the piece of folly-to adopt Sir Wilfrid's

* * * At the general election their opponents said that they had stolen the not fair to assume that he was asked seat. If taking the due steps according to law in regard to the election and abiding by the result was steal ing the seat they had stolen it; but He wanted the appointment. Was it the fact was that a Tory judge in the payement of ten thousand dollars Toronto had declared that two ballots counted for Mr. Beck should be thrown out; this left the vote a tie and it was hardly to be expected that the returning officer would declare ring to a paragraph in a recent issue Mr. Beck elected. That was the extent of their steal.

So spoke Hon. Mr. Garrow at the nomination in West Huron last week ister of the Crown to make such what does he mean? their appointment, they will alike resent the imputation that they are the bench.

timony before the Senate Committee age license fee is a petty imposition a piece of petty quibbling that does the slow but steady progress of British The Senate Committee does not see mised to M. M. G. Cameron and made down of Government majorities are an explicit denial. Asked directly as written by a prominent politician work of revising the statutes, he said ment." It is hard to see even a verbal quibble in this behind which Sir system be abandoned. Richard can take refuge, but if there ment is in no danger, even if the Preston," eh? So that is the way the is such it must be of the most flimsy majority fell to 33 last night, with 21

The Montreal Witness, which cannot be accused of being other then

be quite a lightning change artist in best expert authority, the best expert authority best expert authority, the sacrifice of efficiency in the administration. The plan now being carried out is a crime against the port. The Harbor Comtime a unit against these intolerably wide piers and basins, and, after many bitter fights, the majority only consented to accept Mr. Tarte's wilfully crippling plan after it came to without saying. But does he not also thing else, and on being assured that

B. C. LEGISLATURE.

in the Government Ranks.

Vancouver, B. C., April 27. - After being made to heal the breach in the Government ranks. The Government has offered to reduce the percentage of gross earnings of the railway company from 4 to 2 per cent, as the share are suggested. The probability now is that the whole question will lay over At a banquet given him on his 67th in July or August, called for the purpose of discussing this subject. Only the budget proposals, they are conestimates for the fiscal year, ending June 30, 1902, were brought down today. The receipts are placed at \$2,140, 751 and the expenditure at \$2,475,335. The budget speech will be made on

Charge Against a Palmist Dismissed

Calgary, N.-W. T., April 27 .-- A case of considerable interest was concluded ber of this world's population, and in the police court yesterday, when the charge against Madame Rheo, palmist, for telling fortunes, was dismissed. The chief of police went to caused her room at a hotel and had his hand read; being told that he would be more likely to die of apoplexy than consumption, and he arrested her. After hearing the evidence the magistrate ful syndicates were left out in the held that she did not undertake to tell fortunes. He pointed out that the lines on the hand indicate that such and such should be the case, not that was an obvious advantage in the ansuch and such will happen.

Killed on the Stage.

Burnsville, N. C., April 27 .- While the tragedy, "Lost Upon the World," in the closing exercises of the Stanley McConmick high school at Burnsville cing a great war was being given, a real tragedy was enacted, when R. N. McInturf, one of the students, was shot and killed by representing characters in the play. When it became necessary for Bailey in his role to defend himself with a revolver against a down knife in the hands of McInturf, he used by mistake a loaded pistol, and, in the presence of several hundred persons, McInturf was shot dead on the stage. The boys were room mates and special friends.

THE DREIBUND.

fication.

Berlin, April 27.-The correspondent and panicky can be worked out. of the Associated Press learns posi- his views are shared by a considertively that the negotiations for the able renewal and modifications of the Dreibund, which expires May, 1903, will be ment plan for army reorganization. and provide for their trial and punishment. But the police duty proper,

British Political Affairs Discussed.

Even if the Majority at Times Runs Low.

The Powers Apparently Unable to Agree on Vital Points-Criticism of the Financial Administration-Postponement of Army Reform Suggested - International Arbitration - Welcome Summer Weather-Miscellaneous Gossip by Cable.

London, April 28.-English politics are in a transition stage, where the unexpected may happen any day. The chief safeguard against a crisis in the relations of parties or ministers is the Sir Richard Cartwright, in his tes- South African war. Important changes in the leadership of the Commons or on the Cook charges, was guilty of the Premiership are deferred, while high-minded man. He was question- while deriving partisan enfoyment from harassing tactics and the cutting to whether he had been promised the sibility of winding up a campaign that was not a "Government appoint- finishing, even if the cost of the war whipping, the party lacks unity of According to the opinion of the ness of ministers and the lack of rumors of cabinet intrigues are groundless, but the diplomatic, financial and missioners themselves were at one military methods of the Government are exciting harsh criticism and dis-

M. Delcasse's mission to St. Petershe conclusion that the Minister of burg is not regarded by the English China is not understood. Apparently the powers cannot agree upon the in- been a few isolated cases, to be sure is provided for settling the enormous Pekin while foreign troops are hold- appeared from the hospitals. Prospect of a Healing of the Breach ing it, and the powers are saddled. meanwhile with the heavy cost of military occupation. The theory that Japan is bent upon protecting the Yang-Tse viceroys and forcing war the temporary withdrawal of Hel- upon Russia is considered fanciful by micken's motion, every effort is now close observers. What humiliates Eng-Hishmen is the subordinate part their tous drama in the far East.

THE FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION of the Government also is harshly While Tory politicians are grateful to o a special session of the Legislature Sir Michael Hicks-Beach for resisting the agitation for the withdrawal of scious that enormous industrial interests have been alienated by the new schedules. Th Monmouth by-election comes inopportunely for the Government, and will be fought on the coal tax in a community which is embittered by the burdens upon the mining NOT A FORTUNE TELLER. industry and snipping interest. The mining districts and shipping centres ndustry and shipping interest. The are profoundly disturbed by what is described as a tax on trading and commerce, and the coal exporters are demanding the exemption of 600,000 tons of coal, covered by existing contracts. The sugar schedules are causing confusion and stagnation in many allied industries. Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's methods of borrowing have offence among complain that the Rothchild and Morgan groups were unduly favored with control of half of the loan and that all financiers not in those powercold, when the general public would have absorbed the entire loan without showed that she only said aid from America or the continent. This seems hyprocritical, since there nouncement that half of the loan had been taken when subscriptions for the remainder were asked, but British BECAME A REAL TRAGEDY, pride is hurt by the evidence that the treasury distrusted the patriotism and resources of the nation, and had re-

North Carolina Boy Actor Shot and course to powerful foreign syndicates for floating the loan and borrowing abroad on a large scale. Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's preferential allotments to foreign syndicates offer less ground for criticism than the hand-to-mouth method previously employed for finan-

ARMY REFORM. There is also much discontent among Baccus Bailey, another student, both military reformers over the feeble playing with the issue of army reform raised in the last elections. Winston Spencer Churchill, who is coming to the front with long strides, has proan amendment to Mr. Brodrick's army resolutions, and may bring on an important debate. He takes the sensible view that the proposals for six army corps will involve heavy expense for barracks and other arrangements, when there is no reason to expect that recruits can be obtained Negotiations for Renewal and Modi- and the skeleton organizations filled out. He, therefore, suggests postponement of the army scheme until quieter times, when something less illusive body of Conservatives, the bottom

committee of inquiry into the methods vast majority of British Christians. and Sandhurst, and the processes of obtaining army commissions, but his main scheme for the reorganization of service remains unreal and of

The spring meetings of the nontended this week. The Wesleyans, avoided discussion of the South African war as far as possible, but mis-Walter Friend, have discriminated between an empire of jingoism and an empire of Christian brotherhood and have deplored the lack of interest here in the appalling problem of dealing with and convertng the black races of South Africa. Dr. Dunning has been the most promnent American speaker at these religious assemblies.

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION. London, on his way to Berlin, St Petersburg and the Hague, expressed African war had enforced the moral phase of the congress of the Hague, and had imparted a great impulse to the cause of international arbitration. His argument was that the risks and the cost of the war should be demonstrated with convincing force, since the resources of defence, estimated by experts at the congress at three to one, had risen to ten to one, and England's experience in fighting the Boers had powerfully impressed coninental nations with the necessity as well as the expediency of international arbitration. Mr. Holls has received notice since his arrival in England of the appointment from Siam of Rolin Jacqumyns, of Brussels, and himself as judges of the permanent court of international arbitration. A dozen of more cases of arbitration practice wil speedily be in readiness for the general court and the judges appointed by the various countries will form a special panel of international jurymen from which names of arbitrators can

THE EVERUASTING TOPIC. After all the depressing gloom, the abnormal quantity of rain and streets | Fife's. like sewers of liquid mud, the present heat wave, which has prevailed during he whole week, has come as a most of "The Diamond Necklace," was pro in the parks were simply skeletons. Now they are in full leaf, a mass of brilliant green. Such are the effects something more than a costume play. skies, unsullied by the merest spot of tic drama. Janette Steer, like Mrs. It has been a wonderful week. Up till last Friday, London had not of Marie Antoinette and of a country reached half its average sunshine al- girl, but the interest in her perform owance for April. Now we have had ance centred in the second part, which about forty hours of sunshine above the whole April average. The thermometer has reached some twenty degrees above the normal for this period of the year. As high as seventy-eight acting was more vigorous. The play degrees has been reached, the highest since 1893, when one day the record for the month was registered, eighty-two degrees. But such a long spell of hot weather for this time of year has never

Another feature, which runs along- theatre, with no lack of enthusiasm. health of London. Never since that mosphere, with comic passages for Mr. monial incident of the Russian-French London, indeed all England, been so alliance. The futility of the Anglo- immune from it as in this past winter, thur Sullivan's musical themes. German agreement as a safeguard to and that notwithstanding the fact British interests in China causes much that the weather conditions, according way whatever may be the effect on deeper concern. What is going on in to medical thories, have all been such as to foster the disease. There have demnity, and the foreign garrisons but now the fine weather has had such cannot be withdrawn until the money an effect that such sufferers as were classed as influenza patients, for want claims. The court will not return to of a better term, have almost dis-

KING DISCOURAGES GAMBLERS King Edward's outspoken denuncia tion of gambling is likely to do more to remedy this national disease than volumes of sermons or prohibitive legislation. I understand that an effort is quietly afoot to cleanse Hurlngham of a growing propensity to make shooting subsidiary to gambling on the results. Similar, efforts are hinted at in connection with other fashionable sporting meets, where the eagerness to offer and accept wagers has occasionally resulted in an awkward contretemps, and more or less covert insinuations about the remark-

able luck of certain "sports" in pick ing out the winners A PUBLIC HOUSE TRUST. Sunday" in the Church of England, will be preached on social reform. The ance movement is presented at Glasgow, where a public house "trust" has been formed by many of the most practical reformers for the gradual intro-The town council this week, under the influence of total abstinence leaders and conservative obstructionists has declined to take up the question. but the trust is well organized and s applying directly to magistrates for icenses to enter the field and open a class of superior saloons, which will improve the liquor traffic. This 'trust" will be content with retaining four per cent. of the profits from the business and turning over the balance to the town treasury for charitable purposes. The object of this movement, which has the support of many religious and philanthropic men, is to mend rather than end the liquor traffic, and also to break up the existing monopoly of the saloon business which has been created and rendered valuable by restricted licensin

THE BLUE COAT SCHOOL. The removal of the blue coat school to Surrey involves the disappearance headed boys from Newgate street, and unless the public authorities interven that familiar landmark, Christ church hospital, with its precious memories and picturesque quadrangles and corners, will be condemned to speedy des-More than £500,000 is required for the maintenance of the school in Surrey, and the site of the historic buildings is of great value for

AGNOSTICS MILITANT. Agnosticism is assuming a militant and fire near there. attitude in London. guished freethinkers, including Mr Mr. Passmore Edwards and Professor expected, says an Ottawa Earl Barnes, propose to establish what and it is said the Standard Oil Co. is dedicated to the intellectual and ethical elevation of the British people. tawa agents. Senator Poirier, Efforts are in progress to raise £30,000 Quebec, has had men engaged (\$150,000) to construct and endow this some time boring for oil, and it is said proposed agency of light. Mr. George the results are most satisfactory and Anderson, the well-known London ag- that oil in paying quantities will be nostic, has himself subscribed half the be knocked out of the Govern- amount required conditional upon the also being carried on near Clarence. other half being secured. The promo- Creek, and it is said others are look-

LUCKY CHILD WITH TWO

An affiliation case of a topsy-turvy kind has come before the Paris courts. A young peasant girl had a lover one the baby was born and the lover heard of it, he went to the Maire like an honest man and acknowledged the paternity of the child. Alas! Another young man had been there before him and he also had acknowledged the sor to be his. Shortly afterward the civi tribunal, before which the case w brought, delivered a judgment, which the two young men were clared to be legal fathers of the baby The question is, how are these two legal fathers going to share their paternal duties?

DANGEROUS KIND OF DRY GOODS The Paris municipal laboratory poisoning. A woman bought in suburban dry goods store a large piec of cheap cotton flannel, called here "pilou," to make frocks for her chilyesterday the opinion that the South dren. She noticed that each time when manipulating the material, she felt her head ache, vomitting and nausea She finally concluded that the disagreeable symptoms were caused by the stuff, and accordingly had it analyzed. The analysis showed that the material contained ferro-cyanide of potassium. The woman then com plained to the police, who appointed an expert to report. He said that the "pilou" contained ferro-cyanide potassium, a substance harmless in it self, but, when brought into contac with acids produced by perspiration brought into existence hydrocyanic acid, which is a violent poison. Th court has appointed a further expert to decide if the flannel material could produce the poisoning symptoms question

THE CUP CHALLENGER. Shamrock II. has started from the Clyde to the Solent. Undue stress the speed of the first Shamrock, with which the trial races will be sailed. Sir Thomas Lipton does not Americans to suspect that Mr. Watson's boat is much better than Mr MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC. A second play, based on the story welcome change. A week ago the trees duced last night at the Garrick theatre.

While handsomely staged, it was Langtry, appeared in the double role was made more dramatic and important than in Mr. Carton's play at the Imperial theatre. The revolutionary scenes were more prominent and the was well received by a crowded house, Janette Steer, Eleanor Calhoun, William Mackintosh and other members of the large company doing good work A new opera, "The Emerald Isle. with music by Arthur Sullivan and Edward German, and the text by Basil Hood, was also produced at the Savoy Passmore as an engaging charlatan. been in entire sympathy with Sir Aropera was picturesquely staged with Sylvan scenes, uniforms of the Georgian period and picturesque peasant

Will Cause the Death of a Toron

Toronto, April 27 .- William J. Archer, aged about 60, was fatally burned in a fire which occurred at his home, Brunswick avenue, about 8 o'clock to originated from a spark from the unin the dining-room smoking, when th attention of his granddaughter was attracted by loud cries for help. She hurried to the room and found the old man lying on the floor with his clothing on fire and the chair in which he had been sitting burning. conveyed to the hospital, and the doctors there say he cannot recover. For some years past Archer has been practically an invalid from paralysis one side, and it is believed that wh the spark ignited his clothing he at tempted to get up to extinguish the flames and fell helpless on the floor.

OTTAWA NOTES.

Mgr. Falconio has Nothing Official-A Jaunt for the M. P.'s.

Ottawa, April 28.-(Special.)-An itation has been extended by the harbor commissioners of Quebec members of Parliament to visit, ancient capital on Saturday, May 11th A special train will be run from Ottawa to Quebec on that date, and it is expected many of the M. P.'s will take in the trip.

Mgr. Falconio, Papal delegate Canada, has heard nothing officially or by intimation of his having been named to succeed Mgr. Martinelli at Washington. Mgr. Falconio would not an order from Rome at any time, as such changes are not uncommon.

17 DEAD, 40 INJURED.

the Result of the Griesheim Explosion.

Frankfort, Germany, April 27 .- It is officially announced that up to 11 o'clock this morning fourteen bodies of the building destroyed by the explosion and fire at the electro-chemica works, near Greisheim, Thursday afterioon. Several persons are still missing An official return from Griesheim shows that 17 persons are dead and 40 injured as the result of the explosi

near Ramsay's Corners if the operanegotiating for the control of the property, and is acting through Ot-Mr. Brodrick, meanwhile, is plodding ters of the enterprise say they mean ing for oil in Templeton district to address themselves principally to the north side of the Ottawa.

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