

FENIAN RAID CERTAIN.

The following from the *Globe* is published upon, there seems no doubt we shall have a Fenian raid next week.

We have it on authority beyond dispute that the Fenian movement upon the Niagara frontier has actually commenced. The Fenians are being gradually concentrated at Buffalo, and we suppose, at other places. Forty Fenians from Huron and its neighborhood are to be sent to Buffalo by the Grand Trunk on Tuesday. Some suppose that the attempt to cross the frontier will not be made till after the Democratic convention meets in New York, on the 14th of July, but it seems more probable that the movement will be made earlier. Probably the day has not yet been finally determined upon, or it will be only known as yet to one or two persons. Any day after the 20th of June, a raid will be a possible event. There are indications that the gathering on the Niagara and Detroit rivers will be more formidable than in 1866, and it is probable that an attempt will be made to convey by steamer on Lake Erie or some other convenient waterway on Lake Erie, a force which will at some point on our shore, perhaps Port Dover or Port Burwell. These plans will, in all probability, break down in the execution, but we cannot afford to neglect any precaution.

Washington correspondent of the *London Herald*, writing May 16th, confesses to have received information which convinces him that the Fenian movement against Canada will be executed in June or July. O'Neil's purpose, the writer says, is to take advantage of the political excitement of the day, he reasons that party leaders will not dare to oppose him at a time when votes are sought at any sacrifice. This correspondent forwards to the *Herald* a copy of a secret circular by O'Neil to the Fenian circles, which the following is the concluding portion, expressive of O'Neil's views and purposes—

And now, brothers, on you rests the responsibility of success or failure. We will in any event, and if you do your duty success is sure to be in our efforts. But you must do it now, the hour is propitious. Obey orders and instructions sent to you from these headquarters. Pay no attention to counsel or advice from any source. Beware of political agitators, who may want to join our organization for their own selfish purposes; they have worked much mischief in the past—have nothing to do with them in the future. Our organization has only one mission—the liberation of Ireland. All side issues, induced by designing men, are simoniacal to detract and mislead from the original purpose, and must be rejected.

Grey and Bruce Railway.

Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Grey and Bruce Railway was held in Toronto on Monday last. The important question of the final location of the route of the railway was taken into consideration and a decision came to it. It was resolved that the route of the railway pass within one mile or nearer to the town of Village, thence to Charleston, in the County of Orangeville, or within one mile of the village, or to the limits, or within the limits of the Corporation of Orangeville, thence to direct a line as possible through Aranth, Luther and Arthur, to the limits, or within them, of the Corporation of Mount Forest, thence between the townships of Egremont and Normanby as straight a line as is economically practicable, to the precincts of the village of Aranth, between Bentinck and Glenora, thence due northwards as practicable between the townships of Holland and Ivan, Derby and Sydenham, and the navigable waters of the Georgian Bay at the Sound.

The line to the county of Bruce is hereby fixed to start from Mount Forest through the townships of Minto and Howard, about the fifteenth concession in the townships, to the proximity of Belleville, near the northern border of Bruce, thence northwards along the western boundary of Carrick, near Calross, to within one mile and a half, or nearer, of the village of Walkerton, thence northwards near the western boundary of the County of Greenock, to the immediate vicinity of Paisley, thence along the northern bank of the Saugeen river, through the extreme north eastern corner of the township of Bruce, and through the township of Saugeen to the village of Port Arthur, thence north to the harbour of the County of Southampton, within the limits of the Corporation. The branch from Walkerton to Kincardine is left in abeyance until the directors have an opportunity of conferring with the County Council of Bruce.

An English officer with the Abyssinian expedition, in a letter dated Magdala 120, says: "We are now on our backs, and all are delighted to get this God-forsaken country. For the three days we have tasted no drink but kind but muddy water—no milk. Our food has been preserved mutton, tough beef, and Abyssinian bread, which is the most awful combination of straw, gravel, hair, ungrated and beastliness of all sorts that can be imagined. The very thought of bread and cheese and beer makes me sick."

SCENE AT THE SCAFFOLD—LAST LOOK AND LAST WORDS OF THE CONDEMNED MAN.

(From the *London Times* May 27th) Yesterday morning, in the presence of a vast concourse of spectators, Michael Barrett, the author of the Clerkenwell explosion, was hanged in front of Newgate. In its circumstances there is very little to distinguish this from ordinary executions. The crowd was greater, perhaps, and better behaved; still from the peculiar atrocity of the crime for which Barrett suffered, and from the fact of its being probably the last public execution in England, it deserves more than usual notice.

THE CONVICT BARRETT. By a predetermined arrangement, and contrary to the usual practice, the convict was not pinioned in the press room, as it is called, but in his own cell, and this process over, he was conducted to the drop by a private way, accompanied by his priest and attended by the executioner and three or four warders, the prison bell and that of St. Sepulchre's church hard by, tolling the while. The sheriffs and under sheriffs, who, with others stood in a group in a gloomy corridor behind the scaffold, just caught a glimpse of the doomed man as he emerged with his attendants from a dark and narrow passage and turned a corner leading to the gallows. He was dressed in the short scarlet color coat and the grey striped trousers, both well worn, by which had become familiar to all who were present during his protracted trial. His face had lost that florid hue it then wore, and in other respects he was an altered man.

THE EXECUTION differing little from other similar exhibitions. On Monday the barriers were put up, and on Monday night a fringe of eager sightseers assembled, mostly sitting beneath the beams, but ready at a moment's notice to rise and cling to the front places they had so long waited for. There was the usual cat calls, comic choruses, dances and even mock hymns, till towards two o'clock, when the gaiety inspired by alcohol faded away as the public houses closed, and popular excitement was not revived till the blackened deal frame which forms the base of the scaffold was drawn out in the dawn, and placed in front of the door from which Barrett was to issue. Its arrival was accompanied by a great cheer, which at once woke up those who had been huddled in doorsteps and under barricades, and who joined in the general acclamation. The arrival of the scaffold did much to increase the interest, and through the dawn people began to flock in, the greater portion of the new comers being young women and little children. The crowd was most unusually orderly; but it was not a crowd in which one would like to trust. It is said that one sees on the road to Derby such animals as are not elsewhere: so on an execution morning one sees faces that are never seen save around the gallows or near a great fire. Some laughed, some fought, some preached, some gave tracts, and some sang hymns; but what may be called the general good-humoured discord of the crowd remained the same, and there was laughter at the preacher or silence when an open robbery was going on. None could look on the scene, with all its exceptional quietness, without a thankful feeling that this was the last execution in England.

Towards seven o'clock the mass of people was immense. A very wide space was kept open around the gallows by the police, but beyond this the concourse was dense, stretching up beyond St. Sepulchre's church, and far back almost into Smithfield—a great surging mass of people which in spite of the barriers, kept swaying to and fro like waving corn. Now and then there was great laughter as a girl fainted, and was passed out hand over hand over the heads of the mob, and then there came a scuffle and a fight, and then a hymn, and then a sermon, and then a comic song, and so on from hour to hour, the crowd thickening as the day brightened, and the sun shone out with such a glare as to extinguish the very feeble light which showed itself faintly through the glass roof above where the culprit lay.

ON THE SCAFFOLD. With the first sound of the bells came a great hungry roar from the crowd outside, and a loud continued shout of "Hats off!" till the whole dense, bareheaded mass stood white and ghastly looking in the morning sun, and the pressure on the barriers increased so that the girls and women in the front ranks began to scream and struggle to get free. Amid such a scene as this, and before such a dense crowd of white faces, Barrett was executed. His clergyman came first. Barrett mounted the steps with the most perfect firmness.

THE HANGMAN. Instantly put the cap over his face and the rope around his neck. Then Barrett, turning, spoke through his cap and asked for the rope to be altered, which the hangman did. In another moment Barrett was a dead man. After the bolt was drawn and the drop fell with the loud boom which always echoes from it, Barrett never moved. He died without a struggle. It is worthy of remark that a great cry rose from the crowd as the culprit fell—a cry which was neither an exclamation nor a scream, but it partook in its sound of both. With the fall of the drop the crowd began to disperse, but an immense mass waited till the time for the cutting down came, and when nine o'clock struck there were loud calls of "Come on, body snatcher!" "Take away the man you've killed!" &c. The hangman appeared and cut down the body amid such a storm of yells and execrations as has seldom been heard even from such a crowd. There was nothing more then to be seen, so the concourse broke up with its usual concomitants of assault and robbery.

THE BODY was placed in a shell and removed to an adjoining building in the presence of the sheriff, the governor, the prison surgeon and the ordinary. There the rope having been removed from the neck, and the leather straps by which the legs and arms had been pinioned, the surgeon certified that life was extinct. The expression of the face was marvellously serene and placid, and the features composed to a degree irreconcilable at first sight with the notion of a violent death, though the lips and parts of the forehead were unusually livid. Towards the evening the body was buried in the accustomed place within the precincts of the prison, in a grave upward of five feet deep, in the presence of the governor and other officers of the jail. Barrett was an Irishman by birth, about twenty-seven years of age, of a thick-set, muscular figure, rather below the average height, and with a prepossessing countenance. He was unmarried, and by trade a stevedore. Neither before nor after his conviction did any relative call at the jail to see him; and after sentence he was only, or chiefly visited by the Rev. Mr. Hussey, who was with him a considerable time daily, and by his counsel, and occasionally by one or other of the sheriffs. His behaviour in prison

submitting himself at the same time with affectionate docility to the exhortations of his priests, and gratefully receiving the consolations of religion.

DIED. Hyslop.—At the residence of Mr. Evan McDonald, Guelph, on the evening of the 11th inst. Mary Black, relict of the late Wm. Hyslop, aged 74 years. The funeral will take place to-morrow, Saturday at 2 p.m., to the place of interment, near Aberfoyle.

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