

This is No Time for Levity.
OVER 61,517
Business Merchants Started Spring
Business by Using
NATIONAL CASH REGISTERS
OFFICE, 68 KING WEST,
THIRTEENTH YEAR

MUST STOP BUYING SILVER.

CLEVELAND'S MESSAGE VERY PLAIN SPOKEN ON THIS POINT.

The Monetary Commission on the Status
Due to the Legislation Touching the
Purchase and Coinage of Silver—The
Kendall Pointed Out—That Reform
Takes a Back Seat for the Present.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—The President's
message to Congress is as follows:
To the Congress of the United States:

The existence of an alarming and
extraordinary business situation, involving
the welfare and prosperity of
all our people, has constrained me
to call together in extra session the people's
representative in Congress, to that end that
through a wise and judicious exercise of the
legislative duty which they so fully
discharge, the evils which are being
perpetrated may be mitigated and
the dangers threatening the future may be
averted. Our unfortunate financial plight
is not the result of unwise legislation, nor
of any condition related to our natural resources,
nor is it traceable to any of the afflictions
which frequently check national growth or
prosperity. It is the result of a policy of
unwise and imprudent legislation, and
of a failure to maintain the soundness of
our currency, and of a failure to maintain
the stability of our financial system.

Since the cause of it,
I believe these things are principally
chargeable to Congressional
legislation, touching the purchase
and coinage of silver by the general
government. This legislation is embodied
in the act passed on July 14, 1890, which
was the culmination of much agitation on
the subject involved, and which may be
considered a long and arduous struggle
between the advocates of free silver coinage
and those intending to be more
conservative. Indoubtedly the most
chastise by the Government of 4,000,000
ounces of silver ended that agitation.
The act was intended to be a permanent
provision, and it has since been amended
in various particulars. It is now
impossible to determine the exact
amount of silver which has been
produced since that certain guarantee
of its increase in price. The result, however,
has been entirely disastrous. The
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ST. MARY'S IN DARKNESS.
A Fire Still and the Electric Light
System Burned.
St. Mary's, Ont., Aug. 8.—At
7:30 o'clock this evening fire broke out in
the building of the St. Mary's Hospital,
Weir. The building and machinery were
totally wrecked, but the large shaft full of
water, which was used for the electric
light, was not damaged. The loss is
estimated at \$100,000. The fire was
caused by a short circuit in the
electric light system. The building
was built in 1880, and was one of
the best of its kind in the city.

HAMILTON LEAD WORKS BURNED.
The Damage Will Reach Ten Thousand
Dollars.
HAMILTON, Aug. 8.—Last evening fire
broke out in the Hamilton Lead Works,
a building of the Hamilton Lead Works
Company. The building was a large
factory, and was used for the
manufacture of lead. The fire was
caused by a short circuit in the
electric light system. The building
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Found Dead in the Creek.
HAMILTON, Aug. 8.—James Adamson, a
wealthy farmer near Carleton Place, was
found dead in the creek that runs through
his farm about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.
Deceased was mentally unbalanced, and it
is presumed he committed suicide.

Street Car Attire.
As motor car 351 on the Queen-street route
was going up Yonge-street just above Adelaide-street
the friction of the motor caused the
woodwork to take fire, and for a short
time there was quite a blaze. The fire was
soon extinguished, but not before enough
smoke had been produced to prevent the car
from running. It was pushed back to the
shops.

Speculated Heavily.
Harry Wood has been having great sport
One of the windows at the York street
restaurant was made very attractive yesterday
with some of the finest fish we have seen
in the city. The fish were all fresh, and were
caught by the well-known caterer, and had
been brought to the restaurant by a special
train. The fish were all fresh, and were
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Clear Havana Cigars.
La Cadena, and "La Flora." 126
On having these brands.

JOKES IN LIEU OF LOGIC.

A FUNNY MEETING IN DINGMAN'S HALL LAST NIGHT.

Mr. N. W. Hoyle Takes the Premium
for Thinning Out an Audience—Anecdotes
Which Were Old When Noah
Embarked on His "Biblical Voyage."
—A Vote That Did Not Count.

The temperance people fired the first gun
in the phibetic fight last night. The meeting
was called by the officers of the Ontario
branch of the Dominion Alliance and the
meeting was composed of delegates from all
the numerous temperance organizations of
the city. Among the 75 ladies and gentlemen
present were Rev. Dr. Parker, Rev. Dr.
O. Chapman, Messrs. James Johnson,
David Smith, N. W. Hoyle, J. H. Hay, J. S. Robertson,
R. W. J. Scott, Dr. A. D. Robertson,
Dr. Fisher, Henry O'Hara, A. C. Polson,
John Armstrong, John Dunlop, J. Stuart,
Colman, W. G. Johnson, Turner, Mrs. McDonald,
Mrs. F. S. Spence.

Mr. J. J. Macdonald rose to the chair,
and Mr. R. S. Dillon to the post of secretary.
Macdonald explained that the meeting
was called for the purpose of forming a
central association to fight in the
January. The real work of the campaign
would have to be done in the next
three months following. At present it is
desirable to form an association to work
as a political party. For a
month there might be a tendency to mix
the two questions, that is, the question
of prohibition and not allow any other
question to come between them and the end
of the campaign.

Mr. F. S. Spence then explained
the purpose of the association and invited
the members to join. He said that the
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AN AUGUST SNOWSTORM.

The First One Massachusetts Has Had For Forty-six Years—Drifts Four Feet High.

HAVENHILL, Mass., Aug. 8.—The first
snowstorm that has visited Massachusetts
in August in 46 years raged here last night
and this morning. Hail and lightning
accompanied the snow and much damage
was done.

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MARRIED BUT MISMATED.

A Millionaire's Son Applies for a Divorce From the Young Heiress—The Cause Cited is a Four-Year Marriage.

OTTAWA, Aug. 8.—Harry Mackay, son
of William Mackay, one of the wealthiest
businessmen of the Ottawa Valley, gives
notice to-day of the application at next
session of the Dominion Senate for divorce
from Laura Estelle Stull, formerly of New
York.

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