

Spoils of War.

The Japs Have Captured \$40,000,000 From China.

Ireland Threatened With Famine Worse Than in 1881.

Lord Randolph Churchill Died at 6 This Morning.

Large Sums To Be Spent in Fortifying Gibraltar and Portsmouth.

THE ARMENIAN COMMISSION.
LONDON, Jan. 23.—The Daily News says that the commission appointed to investigate the Armenian outrages arrived at Moscow on Wednesday.

RICH OIL BEDS IN RUSSIA.
LONDON, Jan. 23.—The Daily Chronicle's correspondent in St. Petersburg says that rich oil beds have been found at Sarai, ten miles from Baku, in South-eastern Russia.

THE PEACE ENVOYS.
LONDON, Jan. 23.—The Times' correspondent in Shanghai thinks that probably China's peace envoys are authorized only to inquire as to the terms which Japan is willing to grant.

TO BE MARRIED.
LONDON, Jan. 23.—The Morning Post will announce tomorrow the engagement of Speaker Arthur Wellesley Peel's eldest daughter and James Rochefort Maguire, Parnellite M. P. for the west division of Clare.

REFORM IN RUSSIA.
ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 23.—The Czar has instructed a commission to revise the rules governing the censorship of foreign press dispatches. His purpose is to make the rules as lenient as possible.

BRITISH DEFENSES.
LONDON, Jan. 23.—The Daily News (Government organ) will deny tomorrow that the Cabinet contemplate a naval loan of £25,000,000. It will confirm the announcement made last week that large sums are to be employed for permanent fort works at Gibraltar and Portsmouth.

DISTRESS IN IRELAND.
DUBLIN, Jan. 23.—Mr. Wm. O'Brien, M.P., has written a letter to the Freeman's Journal, stating that famine is threatened in the west of Ireland. He declares that the situation is more alarmingly serious than was the case in 1881, when Chief Secretary Balfour expended £1,000,000 from the British treasury to relieve the sufferings of people in that region.

ARCHBISHOP IRELAND AHEAD.
ROME, Jan. 23.—The Vatican has closed the Ireland-McQuaid incident. Cardinal Rampolla, the papal secretary of state, has written on behalf of the Pope a letter to Cardinal Gibbons in which he administers a reproof to Bishop McQuaid for his deplorable violation of church discipline in his attack upon Archbishop Ireland. The latter fully justifies Archbishop Ireland in the attitude he assumed. The Pope has also written a letter to Bishop McQuaid at Rochester, expressing regret at his conduct towards the archbishop.

AN ADDRESS TO IRISHMEN.
LONDON, Jan. 23.—Justin McCarthy, leader of the anti-Parnellites, has put forth an address to Irishmen. In it he reviews the situation and appeals for funds to enable the Irish members to attend constantly to their parliamentary duties, and conduct in Great Britain the active campaign by which alone the success of the Irish measures can be assured. He remarks that the industrial depression in America and Australia excludes hope of much assistance from Irishmen in either continent.

LORD CHURCHILL DEAD.
LONDON, Jan. 23.—Lord Randolph Churchill's condition this morning was extremely critical. He slept none throughout the night, and early this morning was seized with an attack of vomiting. He gradually lapsed into unconsciousness. All of the members of his family were at his bedside expecting the end. At 10 o'clock Lord Randolph had not rallied in any particular. His pulse was extremely weak and the coma was not broken. His relatives denied this evening that his wife was ill. They said she had shown wonderful fortitude and endurance in nursing him, and had not relaxed her attentions once up to the present.

HEAVY SNOW STORM IN LONDON.
LONDON, Jan. 23.—A heavy snow-storm prevailed in London during the night and turned into rain this morning. At 9:30 this morning the sky suddenly became dark, the darkness resembling that of nightfall, and a violent hail storm, accompanied by thunder and lightning, set in. The thunder and hail storm lasted until 10 o'clock, when snow began falling again. The snow fell for about an hour, when the skies cleared and the sun shone brightly. The storm caused a tremendous rising of the Thames. Thousands of acres at Windsor and Eton are flooded, and many other sections are submerged. The violence of the wind uprooted trees and threw down walls. The steeple of St. Stephen's Church, Westminster, was struck by lightning and set on fire. A high northwest wind is blowing over the channel. Tugs sent out from Dover are helping many vessels in distress. The night mail boats are not making their usual trips.

THE SPOILS OF WAR.
Writing under date of Jan. 8, the United Press correspondent at Tokio says:

"In addition to two first class fortresses and dockyards, with all appliances, as well as a great tract of territory, China has lost in the present war fighting ships aggregating 13,346 tons and valued at £1,000,000 (five and a half million gold dollars). Of these vessels three were captured by the Japanese, 607 cannon, 7,400 stand of rifles, 2,601,741 rounds of cannon ammunition, 77,458,785 rounds of small arm ammunition, 16,957 keku of rifle, and 2,325 tents, 18 sailing ships and steamers, and a quantity of other things, the value of which, including the fortresses and dockyards, is about \$9,000,000 (forty million gold dollars)."

THE WAR IN THE EAST.
The United States navy department has received the following dispatch from Commander Folger, of the Yorktown, at Chee Foo: "Tong Chow Foo, China, was bombarded by ten Japanese vessels on Jan. 18 and 19. In answer to an appeal of missionaries, and as travel by land was considered impracticable, the Yorktown transported to Chee Foo seventeen women, children and sick of the missionary families. On the 20th and 21st, the Japanese, covered by 23 of their men-of-war, landed a large force at Shan Tung promontory to attack the Chinese fortifications of Wei Hai Wei. On the 22nd a small force was landed at Chee Foo from this vessel to protect neutral citizens and property. This landing was in common with that from the German, British and French vessels." Secretary Gresham received a dispatch today from Minister Denby at Peking, reporting that the Chinese peace plenipotentiaries will leave Shanghai on the 24th inst. for Japan. A dispatch from Tokio says that a Japanese steamship line sanctioned by the Government has been organized, to ply between Kobe, Tientsin, Wamp, Port Arthur and Port Mokpho. Southern Korea will be opened to foreigners in May.

THE HONEY MEN.

Annual Meeting of the Ontario Beekeepers' Association.

STRATFORD, Jan. 23.—The Ontario Beekeepers' Association resumed their sessions this morning at 9:30. The annual report of the directors showed a deficit of \$52 63. The president and vice-president were appointed a committee to endeavor to secure a grant from the Dominion Government. Mr. Pettit presented the report of the deputation which went to Ottawa to promote the passage of a bill prohibiting the sale of imitation or impure honey. The measure passed by the Senate, but was thrown out by the Commons. A deputation was appointed to continue work in this direction.

J. K. Darling gave an interesting paper entitled "Some Difficulties," and F. A. Gemmill one on "Experience in Marketing Comb Honey." At the afternoon session Professor Fletcher gave an account of some experiments made at the Ottawa Experimental Farm, showing the advantages of using good wax over poor for foundation.

Allan Pringle delivered an able address on "Education," after which the election of officers took place as follows: President—J. B. Hall, Woodstock; Vice-President—J. K. Darling, Almonte.

Directors—W. G. Brownchard, J. K. Darling, Almonte; M. B. Holmes, Athens; Allan Pringle, Selby; J. W. Sparling, Bowmanville; Wm. Chase, St. Catharines; A. Pickett, Nassagaweya; F. A. Rose, Balmora; S. B. Pettit, Almonte; Sherrington, Walkerton; P. A. Gemmill, Stratford; W. A. Crystle, Chatham; Hughes, Barrie.

Sub Inspector—F. A. Gemmill, Stratford.

Auditors—John Myers, Stratford; R. E. Smith, St. Thomas.

Delegate to Toronto Industrial Fair—R. E. Heltmerman, Brantford.

Delegate to Western Fair—R. H. Smith, St. Thomas.

The Canada Bee Journal was appointed as the representative journal for the year.

This evening a honey bee concert was held in the Collegiate Institute Assembly Hall under the auspices of the association.

SHOCK THROUGH A LETTER BOX.

A Man Receives a Charge of Electricity and is Knocked Down.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—E. J. Williams, who was recently elected manager of the Northwestern University football team, had a novel and uncomfortable experience with electricity the other evening.

While on his way to attend the university sermon, he stopped at the north-west corner of Davis street and Sherman avenue to mail a letter to Manager Harms, of the University of Illinois team. The electric light is attached to an electric light pole, and the sidewalk, pole and box were saturated with water from the rain and mist. In order to drop his letter in Williams grasped the cover of the box firmly, but the next instant was sprawling in the mud entirely dazed. The pole and box were heavily charged with electricity, and when he had unthinkingly completed the circuit he got the full benefit of it. Williams went home to care for his clothes instead of attending the university sermon.

RELIEVING THE UNEMPLOYED.

Steps to be Taken by the Trades and Labor Council—Fulfilling the Assurances Made by the Trades and Labor Council—Representatives to the Fair Board.

The Trades and Labor Council met on Tuesday evening last, with a good attendance of members. The receipt of funds for the Western Fair Association representatives was reported, and Messrs. Frank Plant and H. B. Keene were appointed. A short discussion took place re the label of the Tailors' Union. The matter was laid over for the present.

A committee of six was appointed to look after the contract system bylaw and endeavor to have the same adopted by the City Council without delay. In reference to the publication of the assessment roll, it was decided to ask the City Council to show the real estate, personally and income of each ratepayer.

The committee having in charge the fund for the relief of the unemployed was instructed to procure provisions and distribute to those who need such at once.

A suggestion to have the city clergy deliver lectures for the benefit of the unemployed fund was adopted, and the entertainment committee was instructed to look after the matter.

At Work.

Middlesex County Council Get Down to Business.

Standing Committees and Their Chairmen Selected.

Large Number of New Bridges Needed—Hospital Improvement Discussed.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.
At this afternoon's session of the Middlesex County Council many matters came up for consideration. Every member (excepting Mr. Lockwood) was in his place and stayed there until adjournment.

THE STANDING COMMITTEES.
The striking committee recommended that the following comprise the working committees for the year:

Finance—Messrs. Gilmour, McTaggart, Cousins, Walker, Bradt, Elson, Pedlar, Archer, Rochester, Elson, Dimmond, T. Campbell, Zavitz, Armistage, McDonald, Gillies, A. K. Hodgins, Grigg and Miller.

Board of Road Directors—Messrs. Corbett, McLeod, Morgan, Owen, Parry, Preston, Simmons, Stewart, Cuddy, C. C. Hodgins, Bennett, Murdoch, Scates, Howlett, D. Campbell, Hardy, Robertson and Piper.

Jail—Messrs. J. P. Grigg, Brown, Riddle, J. H. Hodgins, Scates, McDonald, Cuddy, McLaughlin, Morgan, Lewis, Gillies, Lockwood and McLeod.

Sanitation—Messrs. T. Campbell, Murdoch, Gilmour, Cousins, Dann, Brown, Morgan, McTaggart, Miller and Lockwood.

Printing—Messrs. Corbett, Miller, Gillies, Piper, D. Campbell, Zavitz, Archer, and J. R. Hodgins.

Agriculture—Messrs. Simmons (chairman), Grigg, Riddle, Stewart, Preston, Donohoe and West Nissouri.

Education—Messrs. Armistage, Drummond, Cuddy, Parry, Elson, Zavitz, McTaggart, Davis, T. Campbell, Owen, D. Campbell, Morgan, C. C. Hodgins and McLeod.

House of Refuge—Messrs. Owens, Gilmour, C. C. Hodgins, Elson and Murray.

Equalization—The Reeves of the various municipalities, with Trafford Campbell as convener.

CHAIRMEN CHOSEN.

Chairmen were chosen as follows: Finance, James Gilmour; board of road directors, W. L. Corbett; printing, Du-gald Gillies; house of refuge, Henry Owens; sanitation, John Morgan; jail, J. P. Grigg; agriculture, C. M. Simmons; educational, J. R. Armistage.

NEW BRIDGES.

County Commissioner Talbot presented a statement showing the number of bridges which will have to be replaced this year. They are: Over the Fuller creek on the line between Caradoc and Metcalfe; over Spring creek on the line between Caradoc and Metcalfe; on con. 15, London, on the line between Lobo and London; opposite lot 13, on the line between Lobo and East Williams; opposite lot 12, con. 13, on the same line; opposite lot 16, con. 13, West Williams, between that township and Adelaide; on the line between London and West Nissouri on con. 1 of the latter; and one over the river at Byron.

Of those repaired during the year, one was over Doly's creek, on the line between Caradoc and West Nissouri. The superstructure of this bridge was of such a nature that Mr. Talbot could not accept it, and the contracting company had not made the desired alterations. A full report will be presented later. The balance of the bridges in the county were in good repair.

FLOWERS FOR HER GRAVE.

The Monte Cristo Order Which Will Keep a Lucky Florist Busy.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—That order which William Waldorf Astor gives a Broadway florist for a cover of lilies of the valley and violets to put over his wife's grave fresh every day for a year, was the largest single order for flowers ever given in New York. It means over \$100 worth of flowers for the grave every day. It means the experienced and laborious forcing of lilies of the valley during the eight months that they do not grow in nature. It means a trip of the florist to the country every day, and a man, especially hired by Mr. Astor, to see that the cover, costly enough each day to make a robe for the bed of a queen, is properly placed.

There was something very Monte Cristo-like about the way Mr. Astor dealt with the florist. The day before the funeral he walked into the shop and said, "How many orchids can you get on 24 hours' notice?" The florist, not knowing to whom he was talking, and wishing to impress his caller with the vast resources of a Broadway florist, said, indifferently, "Oh, about 5,000."

"Very well," said the caller, giving his name. "Get all you can have them at Trinity in time for the funeral. I want all you can get—twice 5,000, if it is possible."

The florist bestirred himself, bought every orchid he could hear of, but was only able to get 3,800. This made a bill for \$3,800 for orchids alone. Mr. Astor was so pleased that he gave the \$38,000 order for the daily cover. His instructions were that this cover should be removed every day, no matter what the condition was, and that all the flowers in it should be destroyed. It takes about 4,000 lilies to make the cover and about the same number of violets. On the upper end of the cover, into the war of the lilies is woven a cross of violets, and from the front of the cover hangs a cross of violets. On each side are five points, from which hang tassels of violets suspended by bows of satin ribbon.

CHIEF NO MORE.

HAMILTON, Jan. 23.—Chief Hugh McKinnon sent in his resignation today. Applications for the position of chief of police are received by nearly every mail, and quite a few have been handed in by Hamiltonians. There are now fourteen applications on file, the latest received being from Chief Rose, of Brockville, and Col. Villiers.

Turn Over the Page

Amusements, Meetings, Situations Vacant

To Let, For Sale, Lost, Found, Etc.

sidered necessary to be rebuilt. Referred to the board of road directors.

THE LAW LIBRARY.

Mr. James Fleming, inspector of legal offices, presented a report on the library of the Middlesex Law Association. It was in a most flourishing condition, and the officers and members of the profession were showing a deep interest in its welfare. As to the location of the library, Mr. Fleming thought it was very inconvenient. The room could be more suitably used by the grand jury and the library transferred to the room on the second floor of the court house now used by the grand jury. This was the only room which could really be used with advantage as a library.

The matter will come before the jail committee.

County Solicitor E. J. Parke forwarded a report relative to the building of 100-foot bridges within municipalities. It dealt with the question in every detail, and will be printed in every detail.

THE HOSPITAL QUESTION.

The special committee appointed at the December session to consider the erection of an extension to the present hospital, or an entirely new building, thought it inadvisable to join the city in the erection of an addition. It was considered that it might be advisable to join to a certain extent in erecting a new building provided a satisfactory agreement with the city could be come to.

The discussion following the report was along the same lines as had been heard in the council hall before. The report was referred back to the special committee, in which Reeve Macdonald (London West) will act in place of ex-Deputy Reeve Scarrow.

ON VARIOUS MATTERS.

A report on various matters referred to them by last year's council was presented by ex-Warden Calvert and Jas. Gilmour. In respect to the sinking funds it was thought advisable that some method of raising the fund should now be formulated, in view of the inevitable accumulation under existing laws. The council, with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor, was fully authorized to invest sums outstanding to the credit of the sinking funds of the corporation by the purchase of the sold or unsold debentures of the county. It was thereupon recommended that the council avail itself of such authority, and that steps be taken by the treasurer to secure the Lieutenant-Governor's approval to regulate the manner in which such investments shall be made. There were now standing to the credit of the ridings under the provisions of the Canada Temperance Act some \$8,655 57, as well as \$7,399 90 from the sum levied re the addition to the county jail. Twenty thousand dollars taken from the debenture account in 1875 and 1876 to supply a deficiency in the levies for current expenses had not been replaced. It was further recommended that \$16,000 be appropriated from the funds provided for current expenses and be applied to redeem a similar amount of debentures which mature on the last day of this year. This would close the account between the portions of the county which is not and that which is liable for the consolidated debt. It was also urged that London West be charged \$316 as full payment on its county rate interest up to Feb. 14, 1895.

The report was sent to the financiers, and the council adjourned till 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

WELCOMING THE GENERAL.

Arrival of the S. A. Commander at Orillia.

Hundreds Turn Out in a Blinding Snow Storm at Midnight to Welcome the Popular Leader.

ORILLIA, Jan. 23.—It was 11:30 o'clock last evening when Gen. Booth, founder of the Salvation Army, reached Orillia. The Atlantic Express was nine and a half hours late, but regardless of the late hour and a blinding snow storm, a mass of 500 people assembled at the depot to await the arrival of the distinguished visitor.

At the station, in addition to members of the local corps' staff officers, Brigadier De Barret and the Provincial Brass Band, there were dozens of hallooing lasses and soldiers from many adjacent towns and a considerable number of townspeople. When the general stepped from the train the band played, and the crowd went wild with delight. Amid loud shouts he walked across the platform to the residence of Mr. A. Tait, whose guest he was during his stay in Orillia. Gen. Booth was accompanied by Col. Lawley, the general's secretary; Major Malan, Commander Booth, Staff Captain Jewer, Ensign McMillan, and Capt. Taylor, War Cry correspondent.

There was keen disappointment when it was known that Gen. Booth could not reach Orillia in time for the meeting arranged for him in the Presbyterian Church, but notwithstanding this the large church was packed to the doors.

Rev. Dr. J. K. Smith, of Port Hope, occupied the chair, and addresses were delivered by Revs. Dr. Grant, Brigadier De Barret and others. The army officials made a great mistake in holding this afternoon's meeting in the barack. The building would not accommodate more than one half who desired admittance, and no accommodation was provided for representatives of the press. The doors were locked at 2:30, and remained closed until the visitors left on the afternoon train south.

AT BARRIE.

BARRIE, Jan. 23.—Notwithstanding a heavy snowstorm a large number of people gathered at the Grand Trunk Railway station at 5 o'clock in the afternoon to meet the incoming train from Orillia bearing the distinguished general of the Salvation Army, Gen. Booth.

The warden of the county of Simcoe and a number of the county councillors and the mayor of Barrie, attended by a number of town councillors, presented the general with an address of welcome.

The Salvation Army band, attended at the stations with their extensive band, and the warmth of the welcome resounded in vociferous cheers on the part of the whole gathering present.

During his visit here the general is the guest of Mr. D. D. McLeod. The general addressed an enormous audience this evening.

A Common Complaint.

It is well known that the present age is developing many troubles of the digestive system which our fathers, with their plain and wholesome diet, never dreamed of. The necessity of the age has produced an invention in Esclaj's Liver Lozenges that certainly surpasses all other medical discoveries for these complaints. They are sold at 25 cents a box, or five boxes for \$1.25. Those troubled with chronic indigestion, dyspepsia, constipation, pimples, etc., should buy them by the dollar's worth.

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