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The True Line of Cleavage.

Grit and Tory have become the empty shells of mere party names. They are old clothes that Canadians have outgrown, and it is time to cast them off. Confederation worked a great change in this respect, and the adoption of the N.P. completed that work. The line is now practically drawn between the Optimists and the Pessimists—between those who believe in Canada—who have pride in her past, hope in her present and faith in her future—and those who believe that "this country is going to the devil," as one of the Pessimistic organs phrased it, after a defeat at the polls.

The country is well aware that The World is an optimist in national affairs. History teaches us that every nation and every individual must experience difficulties, but the path over them is onward and upward, and we do not propose to sit down and whine like a dough-faced school-boy every time we chance to stub a toe. It is painfully ridiculous to see grown-up politicians and journalists wearing whiskers and some of them spectacles, sitting by the roadside wailing because they are out of office, or because difficulties beset public life and a young nation cannot be founded and finished in a year, free of cost. Such wailers are no go to either party or country.

They tell us that a cloud obscures the sun? But the sun is still there and the cloud will pass away. Meanwhile there is light enough to guide us on our way. But there are spots upon the sun? Well, it is warm and bright enough to serve the Creator's beneficent purpose toward man and beast and plant. The earthworm, burrowing in his favorite element, neither sees nor feels the sun, and the Pessimist is like unto him.

Never let the devil of despair become seized of you, young man. Milton's Satan is a grand, energetic and defiant figure. Goethe's Mephistopheles is a treacherous devil. But Sir Richard Cartwright's devils are blue and diminutive imps, powerless save to gnaw and nag, and make themselves petty nuisances. Avaunt, ye blue devils! In the name of five millions of an industrious, increasing and independent population, begone back to your ancient abode, and should you take your possessions with you so much the better for Canada and the worse for Hades.

Young man, be an Optimist, and avoid the Blue Devil.

Very Much Surprised.

What The World months ago foresaw and predicted has come upon the United States press with a dull and sickening thud. The able editors across the way had been living happily in a fool's paradise created for them by Mr. Wiman and his agents in Canada. They did not grasp the meaning of our byelections; they did not recollect the circumstances of our last general elections, when the abject Oppositionists of them all felt called upon to renounce Free Trade in all its shapes and forms, though it had not then been suggested in the form of restriction to the markets of one country, only and discrimination against Britain. The World warned them that The Mail and The Globe had no authority to speak for the Canadian people, and that the special Ottawa falsifier was fooling them for revenue. They continued to dwell in the delusion that this country hungered for C.U. or its equivalent, and that the representatives of this people dare not say it nay. And now, to quote The Buffalo Courier, they are "surprised" by the vote at Ottawa. After this rude awakening they ought not to be surprised to be told that a vote at the polls to-morrow, or any other day, would endorse the vote in the House. No such anti-Canadian program can carry in Canada. The national sentiment, still in its infancy, grows stronger here day by day, and will continue to grow as our young men, born of the soil, and with sympathies racy of the soil, continue to attain their majority in ever-increasing numbers. Let our estemed United States contemporaries rest assured of this, that all the faddists, cranks, hirelings and annexationists who go to make up the pessimistic party in this country would be but as shaff in the polls before the legions of Canadian patriotism, independence and pride. A knowledge of this fact will protect them from future "surprises."

An Open Question Before; A Party Question Now.

The Mail is not, like The Globe, in a position to issue a party call to arms; but it speaks to "those supporters of unrestricted trade who are not of any political communion"—that is, to those who seek to make commercial annexation the main issue in Canada, and to put it before everything else. Our Wimanite contemporary is in substantial agreement with The Globe and with The World, too, let us add—to the effect that what is called unrestricted trade is no longer an open question, but has been made a party one in earnest by the action of Sir Richard Cartwright and his followers in Parliament. Now let us quote enough to show in its own words what The Mail's position is:

It is in a certain sense unfortunate that the question should have become a party one. Partisan plausibilities, as we all know, enable many people to persuade themselves into a belief in what intellectually he has no confidence. We should have much preferred to see the subject left to the people themselves—to the farmers' institutes, to the boards of trade, to the unprejudiced judgement of the individual. But under our system of government issues of this magnitude are bound sooner or later to become the property of the politicians. When that happens there is nothing left for independent men and independent journals who favor the principle involved save to give it all the support they can without assuming any sort of responsibility for the general conduct of the particular party which has it in hand. To those supporters of unrestricted trade who are not of any political communion, we therefore venture to say, that, as *the adoption by the Liberal party* cannot in the slightest degree detract from its soundness as an economic proposition, their duty is to continue to press it with as much zeal as they would have displayed *had it remained an open question*, whilst still adhering to the line of a strict and rigorous impartiality in dealing with all the other questions and controversies that divide the two sets of partisans. We do not believe the struggle will last very long.

The Mail sees clearly what Sir Richard and his followers in Parliament have done and what it amounts to. Acting for the Liberal party, they took hold of what had until then been an open question, and quickly made a party question of it. The Mail thinks it "unfortunate" that this should have happened; but accepts it as something that in the usual course of events "had to come," as we may say. Anyway the clear result is that now the question of what we chose to call commercial annexation is before the country as a party question, Liberals *for* and Conservatives *against*. The Mail hopes for success, but rather on the ground of certain "glittering generalities" than on anything very precise and definite. At present we confine ourselves to pointing out the important fact regarding which Toronto's two Wimanite organs are in agreement—that what was an open question before is a party question now—be the change for better or for worse. And now let us understand this, with all that it implies.

Mr. Mercier at the Montreal banquet: "Let me ask you to close your ranks and defend the interests of Quebec." The interests of Canada are of no account in the eyes of these provincialists and wreckers. It is province against province with them. "Rally around your national flag," added Mr. Mercier. What flag? Not the meteor flag of England," nor yet the Canadian banner, but the Bourbon fleur de lis. And such men dub themselves nationalists, patriots, Liberals, loyalists, men! While they are flaunting in Quebec a flag long since discarded by France, their Ontario allies wave the stars and stripes. There will be a great coming out of true Canadians from among the gang one of these fine days.

Away out in the West the gopher labors to dig for himself and his family a hole, and when he has it ready along comes the snake and abides with him, rent free. Thus The Globe, by many years of effort, made for itself a warm place in the affections of the Liberal party, and The Mail, having shed its old Tory skin, snake fashion, slipped in to share in the genial glow. The Globe ought to have too much pride, sense and sand to play prairie dog to The Mail's viper, for the gopher knows not the moment in which his unbidden guest may turn and sting him so that he shall die. Deacon, don't be a prairie dog.

Why does not The London Advertiser oblige a constant reader by stating whether London is prosperous or not? And if she is, whence those wails? The Globe and The Mail admit that Toronto is all right, and we should be sorry to know that any sister city is really in the deplorable condition that The Advertiser articles would imply. The last time The World called upon London she appeared to be prospering under the N.P., and we find it difficult to realize that the place has so quickly decayed.

The Chicago Inter-Ocean admits that it would be wise on Canada's part to conserve her forests, and does not deem us foolish enough to ask for any treaty that would turn loose upon them the men who have destroyed the forests of so many states of the Union. The Inter-Ocean consoles itself with the belief that there is still timber in the South, but be that as it may, a conserving policy is the proper one for Canada.

ONTARIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

A New Organization Formed with Hon. G. W. Allan as President.

A public meeting was held at the Canadian Institute yesterday afternoon for the purpose of forming a historical society, among those present being Mayor Clarke, Ald. Carlile, Ald. Hallam, Ald. Lamb, Ald. Lindsay, Ald. Shaw, Ald. Sheppard, Ald. Sproule, Ald. Strachan, Ald. Walker, Ald. Wright, Messrs. J. C. Dent, Dr. Canniff, A. McLean Howard, C. Haight, Prof. Dale, William Hamilton Merritt, C. A. Hirschfelder, Egerton Ryerson, David Boyle, Prof. Hirschfelder, H. H. Dewart, Frank Jones, R. Dawson, Rev. Dr. Russell and A. F. Chamberlain.

Mr. C. A. Hirschfelder was moved to the chair and Mr. Ryerson appointed secretary. Letters were read from Rev. Dr. Hodgkins and Dr. O'Sullivan, expressing their sympathy with the object of the meeting and regretting inability to be present.

This resolution, on motion of Mr. Dent seconded by Mr. Haight, was adopted:

That in the opinion of this meeting it is desirable that an association be formed with a view to general historical research, more especially with reference to the history of Ontario, and that a committee be struck, an association be formed accordingly, and that its name be the Historical Society of Ontario.

These officers were elected: President, Hon. G. W. Allan; Vice-Presidents, Lieut.-Col. G. T. Denison, D. A. O'Sullivan, LL.D.; Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Canniff; Committee, C. A. Hirschfelder, A. McLean Howard, G. Egerton Ryerson, Wm. Hamilton Merritt, Dr. Canniff, David Boyle.

The officers and committee were instructed to draft bylaws and submit the same at a meeting to be called by the secretary. Thanks were tendered to the Canadian Institute for the use of its rooms, and the committee was instructed to secure permanent accommodation. Votes of thanks were tendered to C. A. Hirschfelder and Mr. Ryerson for their services as chairman and secretary respectively.

A large number of gentlemen have signified their intention of becoming members, and before long the organization will be in thorough working order.

SITES FOR FIREHALLS.

One Thousand Feet Each of Rob Roy and Paragon Hose to be Purchased.

The Fire and Gas Committee met yesterday afternoon, the members present being Chairman Shaw, Ald. Swait, St. Leger, Frankland, Dodds, Bell, Macdougall, Galbraith, Drayton, Ritchie, Piper. The Parkdale Council's resolution calling for better lighting of the Queen-street subway, was referred to the City Solicitor.

Fireman Mathias Lambe sent in his resignation on the score of ill-health, and after a half-hour's wrangle Jacob Reins was elected to fill the vacancy.

The Chief recommended that 1000 feet of the Rob Roy hose and 1000 feet of Paragon be purchased. In answer to Ald. St. Leger, the Chief stated that he recommended the Paragon hose because, in spite of being next to the Earlscourt, it was the best hose on the market. The recommendation was adopted unanimously.

Second Superintendent Thomas Wright, to the effect that a fire station also be purchased in the vicinity of Dufferin-avenue and Bloor-street, was referred to the Property Committee for approval. The nearest firehall to the neighborhood is 1½ miles distant. The committee agreed to Ald. Galbraith's suggestion to state St. Matthew's Ward and to see about the selection of a fire station site in that ward.

If you want something delicious and healthful try chewing Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum. 5 cents. x

Mr. Mercier on Imperial Federation.

At the Club National Banquet, Montreal.

The partisans of Imperial Federation are becoming bolder every day. They have just proclaimed their sentiments in a striking manner, and they have succeeded in making of their dream a question of actual politics through the nomination of the new Governor-General, who is an avowed advocate of Imperial Federation. The situation is serious we are confronted with the greatest danger to which our political organization has ever yet been exposed; we are to have a regime forced upon us of which the consequences of us cannot be other than most disastrous. Down to the present we have drawn our life from the colonial system; now we are to be compelled to assume, against our will the responsibilities and perils of a sovereign state, which will not fail to expose ourselves to all the vicissitudes of peace and of war between the great powers of the world, and to the rigorous exigencies of military service as it is practised in Europe; we are to be saddled with a political system which, by means of the draft, may scatter our sons from the ice of the poles to the burning sands of the Sahara, an odious system that will compel us to pay tribute of blood and money, and tear from our arms the young manhood which is the hope of our country and the consolation of our old age, to force them into distant and bloody wars which we can neither prevent nor stop.

We, Liberals and National Conservatives, are decidedly, energetically opposed to this change, and the National party of the Province of Quebec does not, want it and will fight with all its strength against the machiavelian project. If its promoters ever succeed in imposing it upon us, it will only be by force and by guile.

No 77 King East.

No wonder there was such a crowd on King east, just below Frankland-street, yesterday afternoon. This is spring, and the young men want to see what the latest is in the hat trade. The stylish display made by the new hatters and furriers, Grant & Co., "caught" everybody.

The members of the firm are well known here. Mr. R. Y. Grant, an experienced hatter and furrier, has a reputation that is worth more than dollars, and Mr. T. A. Johnston's long connection with J. J. Lugsdin's establishment is a guarantee that he is up in wants of Toronto people.

No. 77 King east is richly and conveniently appointed. The wall decoration is very handsome and the brass mountings in the wall cases and the large tree rails in the windows are both pretty and useful. The hat department is fitted with mahogany furniture. The fur department has two vaults for the proper preservation of fur goods. The firm has decided to go into the manufacture of fur goods, and with this end in view, suitable premises are being fitted up.

Messrs. Grant & Co. are daily opening consignments of the latest styles in hats from the New York and London markets. x

Dr. Troutman's Parlor Social.

A parlor social was given at Dr. Troutman's residence, 269 Spadina-avenue, on Tuesday evening, by the Ladies' Aid Society of Western Congregational Church. There was a large attendance, an enjoyable program was presented, refreshments were served, $22.15 was taken up in collection, and last, but by no means least, a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the host and hostess.

Home for Veterans.

At the usual monthly meeting of the Army and Navy Veterans, a discussion arose as to securing a home for veterans and a committee was appointed to confer with the City Council Committee on the question. The vote will be represented by the President, Secretary, Bros. Cooke, Gibb, Wilton and Macfarlane.

The Wellington, Guelph.

Mr. David Martin, the new proprietor of this fine hotel, has within the past few weeks had it refitted throughout, and it now ranks as one of the leading hostelries of the west. Mr. Martin, an old commercial traveler himself, pays special attention to "knights of the road." x

The people of this country have spoken. They declare by their patronage of Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil that they believe it to be an article of genuine merit, adopted to the cure of sprains or lameness, burts or various kinds, throat troubles, lung complaints, liver and kidney disorders, and other maladies. x

FULLERTON'S SUBURBAN.

SIR GEO. CHETWYND CAPTURES THE BIG BACE AT EPSOM.

The Torontos Beaten at Indianapolis—Games on the Diamond Yesterday—Lacrosse Clubs Reorganize—Baseball and Turf Gossip.

LONDON, April 11.—This was the second day of the Epsom Spring Meeting. The feature of the day was the City and Suburban Handicap, which was won by Sir George Chetwynd's Fullerton from a field of thirteen, Sir W. Throckmorton's Oliver Twist second and Mr. C. J. Merry's Abu Klea third. The race was run under the following conditions:

THE CITY AND SUBURBAN HANDICAP of 25 sovs each, 10 ft. with 1,000 sovs added; for 3-year-olds and upwards; the owner of the 2nd horse to receive 50 sovs out of the stakes, and the winner of any race after Jan. 28, to carry 3 lb.; of two races, or one value 500 sovs, 10 lb. extra; entrance, 5 guineas, the only forfeit if declared by Jan. 31; about 1½ miles. 32 subs, 18 of whom declared.

Sir Geo. Chetwynd's br.h. Fullerton, 5, by Tocchet—Caroline, 119 (Wood).....1
Sir W. Throckmorton's ch.h. Oliver Twist, 5, by Isonomy—Chloris, 98 (Cannon).....2
Mr. C. J. Merry's br.c. Abuklea, 4, by Lord Gough—Mv Queen, 8 (Cannon).....3
Mr. Abington's b.c. Merry Hampton, 4, 122 (Cannon).....4
Mr. W. Blake's b.h. Exmoor, 5, 112 (Cannon).....5
Mr. F. Dousties ch.c. Marsing, 4, 112 (Cannon).....6
Mr. D. Dalby's b.c. Woodland, 4, 96 (Cannon).....0
Sir F. Johnstone's b.h. Gaudolmere, 4, 105 (Cannon).....0
Mr. Ferris b.c. The Baron, 4, 106 (Cannon).....0
Mr. Chilwick's ch.h. Le Calenier, 5, 98 (Cannon).....0
Lord Ellesmere's b.m. Cutarena, 5, 97 (Cannon).....0
Duke of St. Albans's b.c. Galore, 3, 93 (Cannon).....0
Mr. R. Wardour's ch.c. Mob Droit, 3, 85 (Cannon).....0
Mr. Manton's ch.c. Simsbury, 4, 121 (Cannon).....0

The last betting was as follows: 5 to 1 against Merry Hampton, 10 to 1 Galore, 15 to 1 Simsbury, 8 to 1 Fullerton, 1000 to 70 Woodlands, 200 to 25 each Gaudolmere and Mob Droit, 20 to 1 Abu Klea, and 33 to 1 each Oliver Twist, Le Calenier and Exmoor.

The winner Fullerton is well known, having been connected with the recent turf scandal, and his in-and-out running of last year, which was investigated by the Jockey Club, resulting in the refusal of Jockey Wood's license, and a law suit between his owner, Sir George Chetwynd, and Lord Durham. Fullerton started 5 times as a 2-year-old in Tom Connor's colors. At the Ascot Meeting, with his owner up, he won the Windsor Castle Stakes from a field of 3, and at Sandown Park he finished in front of 10 for the Sandown Nursery Stakes, they being his only two victories as a 2-year-old. He was purchased as a 3-year-old by Sir George Chetwynd and started but three times, finishing in the money but once, namely in Economist, Ripon and Cintra for the Fourth Welter Handicap Plate at the Newmarket Spring Meeting. Last year he was successful in four times out of twelve starts. In his first race, the Lincolnshire, he finished thirteenth in a field of twenty. He was second at Croydon, fourth at the Newmarket Craven Meeting, where he captured the Crawford Plate from seven others, and at the same meeting won the Habraham Plate from five others, and finished second to the Lincolnshire, and four others. He faced the starter five times afterwards before he was again successful, finishing 4 to a walkover for the Stewards' Cup at Brighton. At the Newmarket Haughton meeting he won the Select Handicap for 3-year-olds, in Richmond and finished fifth to Isonomy and was third to the year. The above race was his first appearance this season.

THE HYDE PARK PLATE of 50 sovs, for 2-year-olds, 5f; the winner, 3 lb. for each race by unrided stallions or out of unridden mares allowed 3 lbs., if claiming at the time of entry, 5 lbs. only one allowance; the second to save his stake; 25 sovs, to carry 7 lbs., twice of 4-2 sovs, once of 10.0 sovs, 7 lbs. extra. Entrance 5 sovs, 10 lbs. extra if declared by noon of the day before running. Lord Londonderry's b.f. ..... by Springfield—Gridiste.....1
Prince Soltykoff's b.f. Pantomime, by Hazo—Sonata, 127 (Cannon).....2
Baron A. de Rothschild's b.f. Charlotte, by Charibert—Skoy ra, 121 (Cannon).....3
Ten others ran.

Gossip of the Turf.

Charley Gates will move his horses New Count and Mendicant from Louisville to-day, where he has secured training quarters at Milburn's hotel stables.

G. L. Hayden's stable arrived here from Saratoga last night. The string includes Wildwood, Genesta, Glen Fox, Bellevue and Lady May, who are in charge of Trainer W. Miller. They will be quartered at Gillihan's hotel stables, Lesliesville.

A new stable has been formed here within the past few days, which will be known as the Cleveland Stable. At present it is being conducted by Williams and Rutland, but it is the intention of the owners to add several more to the stable before the Ontario Jockey Club meeting.

GAMES OF BASEBALL YESTERDAY.

The Toronto's Nearly Defeat Indianapolis—The Games Elsewhere.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 11.—Toronto's double-deck battery was operated here this afternoon and came near winning a game. Lally was batted freely in the send-off but he afterward did good work. Atkinson proved to be a hard nut for the "hoosiers" to crack. Both teams batted freely and fielded well. The home team showed superior ability in both departments as was expected. The score:

	R.	H.	E.
Indianapolis	3 0 0 3 0 0 0 1 0—	7	11
Toronto	0 0 0 0 0 2 2 1 1—	6	9

Batteries: Moffit and Myers; Lally and Oldfield, Atkinson and Decker. Umpire: Brennan.

Other Games.

At Brooklyn—The home club easily defeated Worcester by 11 to 1.

At New York—The League team captured Jersey City by a score of 6 to 1.

At St. Louis—The Association champions defeated the visitors by the same score in 11 to 5, making 8 runs off Baldwin's delivery in the third inning.

At Cincinnati—The league champions are raking revenge for the taunts of the Cincinnati's managers last fall, when the professional desire to try combinations with the Detroits in a series of games for $10,000. Detroit was not ready then, but has bobbed up serenely this spring and has laid out the Reds in the two games played here. They not only outbatted, but outfielded the Cincinnatis. The score:

	R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	1	7
Detroit	5 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0—	7	0

Pitchers: Mullane for Cincinnati and Conway for Detroit.

At Pittsburg—There was a big slugging match in the Smoky City to-day, when the degenerated Clevelands met the Alleghenys on the diamond. The home team won by hard hitting all over the field, and the Clevelands were not much behind in their treatment of Galvin. The score:

	R.	H.	E.
Allegheny	0 4 3 1 1 4 0 0 1—	14	23
Cleveland	1 1 0 0 3 2 2 0 0—	11	16

At Washington the league team enjoyed a picnic with the Baltimore association team to-day. Larkin was badly rattled and was pounded to pieces by the Senators, while the Orioles were not able to locate Whitney's curves. The score:

	R.	H.	E.
Washington	2 0 2 2 1		
Baltimore	4 0 1 1 1		

At Philadelphia the second game in the local championship series was too easy a victory for the Athletics. Sanders, Harry Wright's latest phenomenal was batted viciously from start to finish. Score:

	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	4 5 1		
Athletics	15 19		

Seward pitched for the Athletics.

At Wheeling, W. Va.:

	R.	H.	E.
Buffalo	0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—2	12	2
Wheeling	0 1 0 1 0 2 0 0 0 0—4	12	4

Batteries: Fanning and Reidy; Flanigan and Yalk. Umpire—Mitchell.

Dust from the Diamond.

James Devine, Jake Taylor and Joe Donahue are the Syracuse local staff of substitute umpires.

The Hamiltons' new uniforms will be white with small dark stripes and brown trimmings.

Boston offered $10,000 for the release of Hardy Richardson, but Detroit club refused to sell.

The uniforms of the Tecumsehs include pants of dark grey, jacket of striped scarlet and white, stockings red, and caps of different colors.

The Albany club has signed four pitchers and six catchers.

The Syracuse Standard of Monday had a long article on the chances of its team winning the International pennant this season. It says that the Salt City boys have cause to fear Buffalo and Hamilton, who have proven their strength by close contests with league and association clubs. Toronto it considers as greatly crippled by the loss of Crane, Slattery, Faatz, Alberts and Sheppard, and says that club must be placed in the "second class" with Rochester. Toronto is not aware that Sheppard has left the club. When the time comes Chairman's team will no doubt be with the Stars when they are winning the pennant, and the Salt City boys had better be careful as the Torontos are strong finishers.

Each club in the International Association must pay $250 to Secretary White by April 25 to secure full protection under the national agreement.

The Cyclone Baseball Club of Toronto has elected the following officers: W. Keeley, Captain; A. Coyle, Secretary; M. Todd, Treasurer.

The Whitby Baseball Club has elected the following officers: Pres., A. G. Henderson; Vice-Pres., C. E. Ray; 2nd Vice-Pres., S. Graham; Capmin, J. Campbell; Sec.-Treas., C. E. Ray; Committee, F. Bryan, C. Murray, A. Laing, C. Snow. They would like to hear from clubs in the city and surrounding country. Address C. E. Ray, Secretary, Whitby.

The Hamiltons' Manager Arrives.

HAMILTON, April 11.—H. C. Fisher, manager of the Hamiltons, arrived from Springfield, Ohio, this morning. The directors have determined to give him full control of the team and will not interfere or make any suggestions as to what players are to be released. While Mr. Fisher does not praise the Hamilton team and claims that they will win the pennant, he thinks that it is a strong club. The players will practise at Dundurn Park this week and leave next Monday for Elmira, where the first game on the trip will be played.

Knocked Out in the Fifth Round.

NEW YORK, April 11.—The prize fight between Mike Cushing of Troy and Denny Gallagher of Boston was fought early this morning without interference from the police. The contest took place in the parlor of a private house in Fordham, Cushing knocked Gallagher out in the fifth round after a desperate battle. The conditions were to a finish, with skin gloves, for a stake of $1000, Queensbury rules.

Hits from the Shoulder.

Jack Ashton says he will challenge Jake Kilrain to fight as soon as the latter arrives in America.

It is claimed that Jem Smith is the English pugilist who is under contract to come to America to fight Dominick McCaffrey.

Jack Dempsey says: "It will be the happiest moment of my life when I meet Mitchell in a twenty-four foot ring, London prize ring rules, and I want it distinctly understood that the battle must be to a finish for from $5000 to $10,000 a side."

The Sepoy Lacrosse Club Reorganized.

LUCKNOW, April 11.—After a five years' rest the Sepoy Lacrosse Club here was reorganized last night with the following officers: Honorary President, D. E. Cameron; Honorary Vice-President, A. S. Campbell; President, D. A. Macintyre; Vice-President, William Grundy; Secretary-Treasurer, Hugh Morrison; Captain, M. Campbell; Managing Committee, D. N. Lawrence, Horace Somerville, James Kerr, Joseph Elliott and Harry MacIntyre. The club proposes to attempt the formation of a local association between the towns of Wingham, Kincardine, Walkerton and Lucknow. The Sepoys already have a membership of about fifty.

This Year's Wimbledon Team.

OTTAWA, April 11.—The Wimbledon team for 1888 will in all probability consist of the following:

Commander, Col. C. J. McDonald, 6th Battalion, Halifax; Adjutant, Capt. Joshua Wright, 43rd Bifles, Ottawa; Lieut. E. A. Smith, 43rd Bifles, Ottawa; Lieut. R. Rennie, 7th Fusiliers, Toronto; Lieut. C. A. Chamberlain, 43rd Staff Secretary, A. Ashall, Q.O.R.; Lieut. C. K. Pink, 43rd Halifax; Sergt. A. Richardson, 7th Fusiliers, St. John; Sergt. J. Case, 43rd Ottawa; Sergt. W. Mitchell, 32nd; Staff-Sergt. Sullivan, 43rd Ottawa; Sergt. Major Ross, 43rd Ottawa; Sergt. G. T. G. Serg. J. A. Marks, 6th Fusiliers; Corpl. A. C. Campbell, H.C.A.; Pte. A. Rennie, 7th Fusiliers, Toronto; Pte. A. Mitchell, 43rd; Sergt. H. Miner, 43rd; Private J. H. Morris, 43rd; Sergt. J. Wilson, 43rd; Sergt. J. Hutchison, 43 Royal Scots. The list is given in the order of merit.

The Carriers' Medals.

It is the custom of the president and vice-president of the Ontario Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club to give a gold medal and a silver medal, respectively, to the first and second rinks in the tankard competition. At the meeting on Tuesday, Mr. Robt. Jaffray (President) W. F. Davidson almost jumped at Mr. Ryerson's proposal to ask President Ferguson as representing the Thamesvilles, and Mr. Ferguson in turn presented his silver medal to the Galts.

The Ottawa Lawn Tennis Club.

The Ottawa Lawn Tennis Club has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Patron, His Excellency the Governor-General; Vice-Patron, Sir A. Caron; President, Lieut.-Col. Irwin; Vice-President, C. R. Hall; Hon. Secretary, G. Stanton; Hon. Treasurer, W. E. Edmond; Executive Committee, Lieut.-Col. Bacon, W. Himsworth, L. Fortescue, J. F. Shaw and J. G. Desbarats; Auditors, Messrs. J. A. Clayton and J. Leslie.

Tries at Goal.

The Toronto Association Football Club will begin their spring practice Saturday afternoon next at 4 o'clock, on the grounds at the head of St. Mary-street, and will continue on these days and Saturday afternoons at 4 o'clock, until the Rosedale grounds are in fit condition. It is requested that each member will make it a point to attend as many practices as possible, for the prospects of the club were never better than at present.

At a meeting of the Toronto District of the Western Association, H. B. O'Hara was elected vice-president, and will represent the district at the meeting to be held at Galt on Saturday next.

Spots of Sport.

A half-mile bicycling contest between Philadelphia and St. Louis bicyclists has been arranged.

The Toronto Draught Club challenges any other club in Ontario (Markham preferred), to play a match at checkers for a trophy. The trophy will be provided by the Toronto club, and will become the property of the winner.

Barnum, the showman, has decided to take three professional sprinters along with his show this summer, and has asked George Turner to make contracts with Johnson, Bethune and Grant White.

Wallace Ross thinks that he can beat any bicycler in America in a six-day race on rowing bicycles.

There are now 145 clubs in affiliation with the Canadian Lacrosse Association.

The Hounds will meet this afternoon at Slattery's Hotel, Bloor and Dundas streets, at 3.30 o'clock.

CAPITAL NOTES.

Ontario's Premier at Ottawa—The Conservative Convention in Russell.

OTTAWA, April 11.—Mrs. Speaker Allan gave a reception this afternoon in the Speaker's apartments in the Senate wing. Owing to a mistake in issuing cards, as has been the custom with former speakers and their ladies, the attendance was small.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cockburn and will remain with them for a week.

Hon. Oliver Mowat arrived in the city this afternoon together with Hon. G. W. Ross. He occupied a seat on the floor of the House this evening. The Ontario Premier is located at the Grand Union where he will remain a day or two. Mr. Jones, of Halifax, was very devoted in his attentions to Premier Mowat during his sojourn in the city last evening.

At the Conservative convention at Duncanville to-day Mr. C. H. Mackintosh was unanimously chosen to contest Russell for the House of Commons. The election takes place on May 7, nomination one week earlier.

Mr. Cargrain's motion about the banks, which was under discussion Tuesday evening, has caused considerable interests among the bankers and brokers of Toronto. To-day Mr. Cockburn received several letters from bank managers and brokers in the Queen City concerning the scope of the motion.

Sir Charles Tupper to-day gave notice of this resolution, which he will move in committee of the whole on Friday next:

That it is expedient to provide that the time for the completion of the works of the Chignecto Marine Railway Company shall, as respects their title to receive the subsidy heretofore authorized, be July 1, 1890, instead of July 1, 1888, and that the contract may be secured a further delay of twenty-four months for such completion on the condition of a payment of a penalty of $5000 for each month during which the works remain uncompleted after the time above mentioned date, and also that the amount of capital mentioned in sec. 2 of the Act, 49 Vic., cap. 19, as that on which the payment of the subsidy is limited, so as to make up the net earnings to 7 per cent. per annum, shall be $5,000,000 instead of $900,000.

Byrnes' Visit to Keenan.

NEW YORK, April 11.—Inspector Byrnes returned from Montreal yesterday, and reported at once to District-Attorney Fellows. Mr. Fellows afterwards said:

"It is true that Inspector Byrnes went to Montreal. It is true that he went on business of the District-Attorney's office. It is true that he saw John Keenan while he was at Montreal. I cannot say what the object was which Inspector Byrnes had in mind. Of course it was business of importance or the Inspector would not have gone in person. It is not true, however, that Mr. Purroy went on any such errand, nor that there are any negotiations between the District-Attorney's office and John Keenan, or Dempsey, or any other of the indicted men at Montreal looking to their return here, or to their becoming witnesses for the state in any of the pending trials."

Inspector Byrnes spent some time in his office fencing with the reporters, but was firm in his refusal to tell anything about his journey.

The Fisheries Treaty.

NEW YORK, April 11.—The Tribune's Washington special says the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations will probably conclude its consideration of the Fisheries Treaty at its regular meeting to-morrow, and report it at once to the Senate. The committee is divided strictly on party lines. The five Republican members of the committee—Sherman, Edmunds, Frye, Evarts and Dolph—will sign a majority report against ratification, and the four Democratic members of the committee—Morgan, Brown, Saulsbury and Payne—will declare themselves as in favor of the treaty.

They Still Propose to "Sink a Hole."

HAMILTON, April 11.—J. S. Ralston is still determined to sink a shaft at Smithville to satisfy himself regarding the coal discovery. Five or six other Hamilton men are interested in the matter with him, but they don't want their names mentioned. They propose to sink a hole 40 feet deep and 3 feet in diameter, and if nothing is struck they will have a 70 foot shaft, 10 feet in diameter, put down. It is said that Farmer Wilcox was in town yesterday wanting to bet Mr. Kennedy $100 that they would strike coal "though perhaps not in paying quantities."

HIS CHANCES IMPROVED.

Mr. Conkling's Condition Affords Some Hope of Recovery.

NEW YORK, April 11.—Mr. Conkling's serious illness results from exposure during the blizzard of March 12, when he made his way on that terrible evening from his office in Wall-street to the New York Club in Twenty-fourth-street. He was three hours in buffeting the tempest and arrived at the club greatly exhausted, notwithstanding his well-known wonderful physical powers. No bad effects followed, however, for some days. On March 30 he attended a hearing in a room which was not properly heated. That night he complained of a pain in his head. This became so severe that Dr. Barker was summoned. He found that the pain was due to an abscess that had formed in the inner ear, which afterward led to an inflammation of the adjacent membranes of the brain.

Dr. Barker thus describes the operation which was performed upon the ex-Senator: We found it very difficult to get our patient quiet enough to submit to our wishes. He did not want to lie down, and it required our united persuasion to prevail upon him to be still. When he consented he lie down to some effect. Dr. Sands made an incision an inch in length back of the left ear down to the bone. The wound was held open by retractors, and the external table of the bone was gently and skilfully chiselled through by the operator. As soon as the instrument had penetrated the bone, a quantity of pus mingled with blood escaped. Upon removing a little more of the bone by the chisel and mallet cells were reached and more pus escaped. I think that in all an ounce of pus was discharged. It required no pressure to bring it out. The wound was then dressed with sublimated gauze and bandaged.

At 9.15 Drs. Barker and Sands finished a consultation. Dr. Barker said the patient has had a sound, healthy deep sleep from 3 until 8 p.m., and that his mental condition was excellent. The doctor said the sleep was good for the reason that it took away all the strain from the nerves. The chances of the Senator's recovery were improved. Twenty-four hours ago the chances were one in a hundred; now the chances are one in twenty-five that he will recover. He has been steadily improving for the past four hours. The patient again wanted to sleep after the departure of the doctors. They will not return until morning. Dr. Hartley remains with the patient all night.

April 12, 1.30 a.m.—Mr. Conkling's condition has changed for the worse.

MARRIED IN CHRIST.

Extraordinary Marriage of Emma Booth to Fakeer Tucker.

LONDON, April 11.—The members of the Salvation Army assembled in Congress Hall yesterday to witness the marriage of General Booth's second daughter, Emma, to Mr. Tucker, an ex-officer in the Salvation Army, who claims to be a direct lineal descendant of the Fakeers, and is known to the Salvationists as "Fakeer Tucker. Seven thousand persons were present at the ceremony. The hall was decorated with Rotalaurian palms and tropical plants. An Indian band in native dress, playing tom-toms, and a The Salvation Army orchestra furnished the music. Hindoo convert, who now holds the position of major in the Salvation Army, made a speech. He boasted of having been at one time the chief and captain of a band of fifty Dacoits, but that now he only captured souls for Christ. General and Mrs. Booth and Mr. Tucker and his bride also made speeches. After the ceremonies a banquet was given. The festivities will continue for two days. They have attracted a large number of the Army members and tickets of admission are selling freely at high prices.

The Postage on Seeds.

UTICA, N.Y., April 11.—In the case of James Vick v. William Carr, Postmaster at Suspension Bridge, Judge Wallace has continued the order to show cause until May 7 in Syracuse. The postmaster is enjoined meanwhile from interfering with packages of bulbs, seeds or plants sent through the mails by the plaintiff from Canada, upon which the rate of postage of one cent for four ounces has been prepaid in Canadian postage stamps, by refusing to deliver or directing in any manner that they cannot be delivered to any person to whom addressed in the United States until the full rate of one cent for each ounce has been paid in full, or from interfering in any other way with such packages except to forward them in the mail to their respective addresses.

Hard and soft corns cannot withstand Holloway's Corn Cure; it is effectual every time. Get it home x once and be happy.

Evidently He Didn't Like It.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 11.—B. Brandenstein, who has been leading money here at high rates of interest on personal security, and who left suddenly owing about $20,000, returned three days ago. He was at once brought to trial for swindling by his creditors, chief among whom was a Chicago firm of jewelers and diamond dealers. On examination he showed that he had borrowed money of Steinau & Raff at 5 per cent. per month, and loaned it out at 10 per cent. per month, but by his bad debts he had lost heavily, causing him to be so involved that he could not pay up. Then he testified that he went secretly to Mother Mandelbaum, at Hamilton, Canada, to get money to pay his debts.

Congress Industrious Domestitude.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—In the House of Representatives at 3 o'clock to-day Mr. Taulbee called attention to the fact that the House had been constructively in session for five days and continuously in session for over [illegible] hours. In the interest, therefore, of decency and good nature he asked that a recess be taken until [illegible] Mr. O'Neill said he would again remind the House of the state of the calendar. At the motion of Mr. Taulbee the House took a recess until 11.45 a.m. to-morrow, the Democratic members of the House will hold a caucus tonight to decide on a course of action.

Fire at Pickering.

PICKERING, April 11.—A fire broke out at 12 o'clock last night in a large frame building adjacent to the Golden House, owned by Miss Hodgson and occupied by Miss Hodgson as a dwelling and groc