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SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 1895.

Settles the Indemnity Claims of French Missionaries.

Chinese Looters Will be Put to Death.

Spain's Nine-Year-Old King Writes to the Pope.

Disastrous Conflagation in Gallacia-Rapid English Railway Traveling -Canadian Cattle Embargo Discussed.

ENGLAND'S SOLICITOR-GENERAL London, Aug. 24.—The Globe announces that Robert Bannatyne Finlay, Q.C., has been appointed Soliciter-General of England.

JAPS DISMANTLING PORT ARTHUR. St. Petersburg, Aug. 24.-A dispatch to the Novosti from Vladivostock says that the Japanese are evacuating Port Arthur and dismantling the fortifications.

TO SETTLE BY ARBITRATION. London, Aug. 24.—The Times has a dispatch from Lima, Peru, which says that it has been arranged to settle the dispute between Bolivia and Peru by arbitration, and the Peruvian Minister will be received in

THE EDITOR'S HOLIDAY. Sofia, Aug. 24.-The editor of Svoboda, which was the personal organ of the late Prime Minister Stambuloff, has been sentenced to two years' imprisonment for charging Prince Ferdinand with direct complicity in the murder of

THE CAMPANIA'S FAST TRIP. New York Aug. 24.—The Campania's time of passage is 5 days, 9 hours and 6 minutes. She has lowered her westward record by 25 minutes, and come within 1 hour and 45 minutes of the record held by the Britannia.

DUNDEE'S GREAT STRIKE Dundee, Aug. 24.-It is now estimated that 25,000 mill workers are out on strike. The manufacturers met yesterday and signed an agreement not to advance wages under the penalty of £500 for a violation of the rule.

JAPAN ARMING. London, Aug. 24.-It is rumored that the son of the Japanese Premier, who exchanged the peace ratifications with China, will be sent to England to arrange large contracts for warships, arms, etc. He is expected to arrive in November via the United States and Canada.

ANOTHER QUICK RUN. London, Aug. 24.-The London and Northwestern Railway Company's fast train between London and Aberdeen. which left London at 8 o'clock last evening, arrived at Aberdeen at 4:32 o'clock this morning. Part of the journey of 540 miles was covered at the rate of 75 miles per hour.

THE WORLD'S WHEAT. Buda-Pesth, Aug. 24.-The Hungarian Government has issued its annual statement of the wheat crop of the world, which is based on consular and other reports. The estimated production of wheat importing countries is 749,422,000 bushels, and of exporting countries 1,651,701,000. The total estimated production is 232,000,000 bushels less than the amended estimate of 1894.

RELEASED THE TURK. Constantinople, Aug. 24.—The representotions which the United States Minister, Mr. Alexander W. Turrell, has made to the Turkish Government have resulted in the release of the Armenian, A. Rakolian, a naturalized American citizen, who has been in prison at Marshovan for several weeks past, under suspicion of belonging to a revolutionary society.

FATAL CONFLAGRATION.

Vienna, Aug. 24.-An extensive conflagration has occurred at Tione. Fifty houses were consumed and 130 families were rendered homeless. While services were being held in a church at Regozno, Galicia, an alarm of fire was given, followed by a stampede of the congregation. In the rush to get out of the church three persons were trampled to death and many others were seriously injured.

GLADSTONE ON FREE TRADE. London, Aug. 24.—The Daily News says that among the guest at Gladstone's garden party on Tuesday were the ex-American postmaster, Gen. Thos. L. James, and his daughters, and E. A. Quintard, of New York. In conversation with these guests Mr. Gladstone remarked that he used to prophesy that if the United States adopted free trade they would attain the highest position in the world. Nevertheless, they would not injure England; on the contrary, they would improve her position. He declared that scener or later something must be done

ALFONSO'S FIRST LETTER. Madrid, Aug. 24.-King Alfonso has, without assistance, answered the letter recently sent to him by the Pope. He destroyed six drafts of the letter, but satisfied him, and showed it to his mother, Queen Regent, who correctsingle error that was The King was chagrined because of the correction, but thought that His Holiness might suppose it to be his own correction. He was then appeased, whereupon the letter was dispatched. This is said to be the first letter written by the King, who is a little over 9 years old.

THE CATTLE EMBARGO. London, Aug. 24 .- In the House of Commons, Sir John Long (Liberal), Member for Dundee, said he did not believe there was any true or solid ground for excluding Canadian cattle from Great Britain. The Rt. Hen. Sir W. H. Long, President of the Board of Agriculture, defended the prohibi-

tion of the importation of live cattle tion of the importation of live cattle from Canada. He remarked that the numbers of home cattle reared in Perthshire, Forfarshire and Aberdeen-shire, where the exclusion of Can-adian cattle was condemned, were very small compared with those raised in the remainder of the country where the exclusion was supported.

INDEMNITY FOR CHINESE OUT-RAGES.

London, Aug. 24.-The Chronicle publishes a dispatch from Shanghai saythat the French claim for indemnity for outrages on French missionaries at Szechuen have been settled. The dispatch adds that ex-Viceroy Lui Ping Chang, his secretary, two prefects and several minor officials will be degraded and dismissed from office. The status of the missionaries will be recognized by the Government and the missions will be rebuilt at the expense of Liu Ping Chang, who is also condemned to pay the missionaries an indemnity of nearly eight lakhs of taels. The natives convicted of looting will be executed.

Some farmers say they will cut wheat in Manitoba on Sunday.

Mr. Fleury, of the Aurora Agricultural Works, is not dead, as reported. Great crowds are being addressed in various parts of Quebec Province by Hon. Wilfrid Laurier and other lead-

Charles Buck, a 'bus driver, who runs between Ridgeway and Crystal Beech. was killed in attempting to stop his runaway team.

At Toronto Staff-Captain Jones, private secretary to Mrs. Commandant Booth, passed away yesterday morning after a very brief illness.

The Worsted and Braid Company (Ltd.), of Toronto Junction, of which James P. Murray is president and Thomas D. Wardlaw secretary and manager, have assigned. The funeral car which was charged in the Dominion Government bill for Sir John Thompson's funeral at \$1,500 has been bought back by the contractor

Hon. Frances Clemow sues Adolphe Caron for the sum of \$2,666 66, the face value of and interest on an unpaid promissory note given by late Senator Tasse to Hon. Mr. Clemow and indorsed by Sir Adolphe

Caron. At 2 o'clock Friday morning Thomas Thornton was discovered in the act of robbing the house of J. S. Speers, 149 Dowling avenue, Toronto. Ten hours later Magistrate Denison had sentenced him to five years in Penitentiary.

Four people had a narrow escape from death at Victoria Square, Montreal, Friday forning. A farmer accompanied by the ladies was driving along Craig street, and when passing the square an electric car struck the vehicle hurling its occupants to the ground. While not fatally, they were all seriously injured.

WILL NOT ALLOW IT.

Corbett and Fitzsimmons Cannot Fight

on Texas Soil—Talk About Shooting. Austin, Tex., Aug. 24.—Gov. Culberson today made public some corresponbetween himself and Sheriff Cabeil, of Dallas county, about the Cor-bett-Fitzsimmons fight. The correspondence was opened by Governor Culberson inquiring of the sheriff whether he intended to abide by the decision of Attorney-General Crane, holding the prize-fighting law invalid, and as to whether it was his intention to exercise all the powers vested in him to prevent the fight. Sheriff Cabell's reply is that he will unhesitat-ingly discharge his duties. He cites, however, that the criminal statute defining prize-fighting makes it a misdemeanor and not a felony, and asks the Governor under such circumstances would he be justified in using such force as may be necessary, even if it requires the shooting down of citizens, and would the Governor advise such proceedings. In reply to Cabell's letter, the Governor says: "While it is true that the prize fight at Dallas is not advertised to take place until October, the propriety of the public officers of the State taking action is obvious. It is proper that they should give notice at once of the firm purpose to enforce the law, that none may be de ceived. The constitution, which is the supreme law of the State, makes it the duty of the Governor to cause the law to be faithfully executed. At the proper time what force may be necessarv and deemed expedient to guard against failure will be used to prevent this proposed infraction of the laws of the State." To Cabell's interrogatory as to whether the Governor would sanction the shooting down of citizens, he very promptly replied that he would not attempt to answer that question. but would refer it to the Attorney-General for his opinion.

HERE'S A PHENOMENON.

Mrs. Beulah Starring, of Silver Creek, 89 Years Old, Rides a Bicycle to Dunkirk and Return.

Silver Creek, N. Y., Aug. 24.—Think of woman 89 years of age who rides a bicycle every day the weather is pleasant. There is such a woman in this village, Mrs. Beulah Starring by name, and she is

without doubt the oldest woman in the whole United States to ride a wheel. Mrs. Starring counts the day lost that she does not take exercise on her bicycle, and

she not infrequently makes trips that would cause those young enough to be her grandchildren to hesitate.

Only a few days ago Mrs. Starring thought of some article she needed which the village stores did not keep. She believed it could be obtained in Dunkirk and she determined to make the trip on her wheel. She started out, but not until her friends had protested against her undertaking the journey. The old lady, however, was not to be balked in her design and she not only made the trip to that place, but rode her wheel back as well, making the distance of 20 miles in good time. She found the article she was in search of and bore it proudly homeward, tied to the handle of

Attention is called to Mr. James Kilgour's advertisement in this issue. It will be seen that during Fair week he will make a special effort for the sale of fine furniture. Mr. Kilgour is known by his many customers to make only first-class warranted work in his parlor suites and other furniture, and a few years ago he captured the first gold medal awarded at the Western Fair. It will repay citizens and visitors to give him a call during this year's Fair, Sept. 12-21.

British Liberals Arranging for a Great Conference.

Meditated Reorganization and Recast of Platform.

Henry M. Stanley's Maiden Effort in Parliament.

England Holidaying-Returning Americans—Queen Will Go to Scotland—Confidence in Valkyrie III.- Proposed Change in Ireland's Government.

BRITISHERS HOLIDAYING. London, Aug. 24.-Although London is crowded with visitors from America and abroad, and in spite of the fact that Parliament is in session, socially the metropolis is virtually dead. Almost everybody who is anybody at all has fled from this maze of streets and squares to the country or to the seaside, to the moors or the sands, or to the continental water-cure resorts or bathing rendezvous. The House of Commons is neglected, even the newlyelected members, proud of the honor that has so recently fallen upon them, shun the more or less sacred portals of Westminster, preferring to receive the congratulations of their friends in more seasonable latitudes and longtitudes. In fact, some of the members have actually left town without taking the trouble to pair, a somewhat unusual proceeding and one that may be due to the confidence of the Conservatives in their strength and to the consciousness of weakness upon the part of the Lib-

AMERICANS RETURNING HOME. The invasion of London by the grand army of well-financed Americans, the "angels" of the local tradesmen and the happiest of the happy, is about over for the year, and the number of prominent citizens of the United States now in this city is the smallest since the annual rush from New York commenced. Most of the trans-Atlantic visitors are on the continent, home-ward bound, or already safe home, while others, crowds of them, are sailfrom Southampton or Liverpool to day or during the coming week.

STANLEY'S MAIDEN EFFORT. The time of the House of Commons this week has been mainly occupied with discussions of foreign matters. chiefly points relating to Egypt, Siam and Armenia, during which Mr. Henry M. Stanley, the African explorer, now member for the North Lambeth division of London, made his maiden speech in the House. Mr. Stanley rose to this effort of his life during a discussion of the Egyptian question, and he strongly demanded the propositions looking to an evacuation of Egyptian territory by the British troops. His first effort in Parliament was equal to his reputation, and contrary to general usage on the occasion of maiden speeches, there was nearly a full house; or, about as full as it could be, considering the deserted condition of London. The members present listened to the new member's remarks with rapt attention. Mr. Stanley was attired in a well-fitting light gray frock coat. His utterance was rather thick, but he spoke rapidly and to the point. The explorer, it was noticed, was much hurt when Mr. James Parker Smith (Unionist), member for the Patrick division of Lanarkshire, who spoke on the same subject later in the day, intimated that Mr. Stanley was trading on his reputation as an explorer of Africa, The latter, subsequently, warmly repudiated this assertion. There were some amusing incidents in the House of Commons during the week, arising out of new members' ignorance of the rules. On Thursday, for instance, a member walked up the floor of the House wearing his hat while the chairman was in the chair. When he was greeted with a general cry of "order" he looked innocently around to see who had offended. until he discovered his own mistake, and then he was ready to collapse with embarrassment.

IRELAND'S NEW LORD LIEUTEN-ANT.

Earl Cadogan the new Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, made his state entry into Dublin on Thursday. He met with the most cordial reception during his passage through the troop-lined streets, and his promise to do everything possible to promote the interests of Ireland was well received.

PROPOSED CHANGES IN IRE-LAND.

Baron Castletown has been interviewed in regard to the announcement of his intention to move a resolution in the House of Lords early next session to abolish the office of Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and in place of that official to appoint a Chief Under Secretary for Ireland, and to pray the Government to establish a royal residence in that country. He said he believed such action would forge closer the links binding the two countries, and would give an immense impetus to the development of the natural resources of the country, and encourage tourists to visit Ireland. There is good reason to believe that the suggestion will receive favorable consideration in royal circles, and it is understood that the Ministry is not opposed to the change, as the office of Lord Lieutenant of Ireland is expensive, and often difficult to fill. Regarding the proposition to establish royal residence in Ireland, the impression prevails that the Ministers and others would prefer to see a royal residence in the south or west of Ireland, whether it would be likely to do more than in Dublin, which, it is added, might be visited several times yearly by members of the royal family. Should the change take place, it is proposed to convert Dublin Castle into a museum.

QUEEN GOES TO SCOTLAND. The Queen is going to Balmoral on Tuesday next; but it is not expected that she will stay in Scotland for any

WILDE WANTS TO DIE. Friends of Oscar Wilde who have visited him in prison say that he con-

tinues to enjoy good health, and is making the best of the situation, although he frequently expresses the wish to die. Those who are interested in the future of the disgraced man have been discussing what Wilde will do when he leaves prison. Although nothing definite appears to be decided, it is generally believed that he will be smuggled out of the country, and enabled to begin life anew, under an assumed name, depending upon his pen for a livelihood.

NEW ROYAL YACHT WANTED. In naval circles it is said that the provision of a new royal yacht is under consideration. The Victoria and Albert is now 40 years old, and, though a fine looking vessel of 2,500 tons, she is asserted to be practically unseaworthy. The Osborne, which displaces about 1,800 tons, was built some 25 years ago, and is of obsolete construction, having, for instance, no water-tight compartments. Both vessels cost a good deal on repairs, owing greatly to their age.

EUGENIE IN BRITAIN.

The Empress Eugenie, who is now at Farnborough, is to leave next Wednesday for Abergeldi, in which castle she will remain for five weeks, the Queen having placed the Abergeldi at the disposal of the ex-Empress for as long a period as she cares to remain. FAITH IN VALKYRIE III.

Every little item of news concerning the doings of Valkyrie III and Defender is eagerly discussed here. Although British yachtsmen do not feel overconfident that Lord Dunraven's yacht will recapture the American cup, there is no doubt that they feel much more hopeful than they have ever done before. This is not so much due to the fact that they believe the Defender to be an unlucky boat, although the several accidents that have happened to her have caused much comment, as to the fact that it seems to be generally admitted on both sides of the Atlantic that Valkyrie III. is a staunch and able or well designed for racing in all weathers, and one calculated to give the Defender a hard race for it to the last.

A gentleman, who is supposed to be in the confidence of Lord Dunraven, in talking the matter over yesterday, "You must not for a moment fancy that Lord Dunraven would have taken this second trip to New York, if he was not fairly confident that Valkyrie III will beat the Defender. You can class as nonsense all the reports about the cup challenger being tender. Valkyrie III. may have heavy spars and a great spread of canvas, but she will stand up to it as much as she is expected to do."

COMING LIBERAL CONFERENCE. As both the executive committees of the National Liberal Federation and the Central Liberal Association, which mainly hold the party purse, have hesitated to convene, a general national conference, the political committee of the National Liberal Club has taken upon itself the responsibility of summoning a congress for Oct. 29. This action marks a new departure of the greatest moment and will more than ever centralize the control of the London and Provincial organizations within the National Liberal Club the strongest element in which is radical. It will cause a root and branch reform in the National Liberal Federation and lead to the constitution of a permanent caucus, which will give orders to instead of receiving them from the party whips who have hitherto nominated and ruled the committeees of the federation. The initial impetus of this movement arose from a series of radical committee meetings, at which the collapse of the Liberal party was discussed in all its bearings. The committee suggested that the federation proached the constitution by the free election of all the committees and officials, so as to make the body the living representative of Democratic force.

hele-and-corner nominees do not approve of the holding of a conference, nevertheless, they must bow before its decisions. QUESTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED. Every Liberal association has already promised to send delegates. All Liberal members and candidates absenting themselves will be marked men. Among the great organizations that will be epresented are the National Reform Union, the Midland Liberal Association, and the London Scottish and Welsh Associations. The wire-pullers and bosses will alone make a poor show at the conference. Apart from the main quesion of reorganization, an attempt will e made to recast the platform, of which, by far, the most delicate plank s temperance legislation, the future elations of the Liberals with the Irish Parliamentary party coming next in mportance. There is considerable doubt as to whether the Crisp alliance will be retained, The Crisp organs, Parnellite and anti-Parnellite alike, have adopted an expectant attitude towards the Government. Whatever reforms, says the Freeman's Journal, the Government undertakes, will have the

The existing official whips and other

as aids to home rule. THE INDEPENDENT'S VIEWS. The Dublin Independent says that much good is likely to be done during the term that Lord Cadogan holds the Viceroyship of Ireland. It adds: 'Let the dead past bury its dead in the general interest of civilization and progress." Obviously the Parnellites and Anti-Parnellites are ready to throw aside their Liberal allies.

strenuous assistance of the Nationalists

TALK OF DEPOSING ROSEBERY. Mr. Henry Labouchere, the well known Radical leader, came from Marienbad to London to attend the meeting of the central committee. He persists in his contention that the first essential is to depose Lord Rosebery from his position as leader of the Liberal party, and it is likely that the coming conference will assent to the deposition of the ex-Premier. Mr. Labouchere and Sir William Vernon-Harcourt, Chancellor of the Exchequer, are about to start for Lake Como.

MARRYING IN THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The committee of the English Church Union recently startled church circles by claiming that civil marriages were an offense against church discipline. Parties who had incurred censure by entering into such marriages ought, according to the committee, to obtain absolution before being admitted to communion. The further ceremonies of the ring and the joining of hands ought to occur, and the benediction to be given. The report even suggested the council of the union as throwing a doubt on the validity of the civil contract. The matter was again referred to the committee, who now report that they did not mean to sug-

gest the necessity for a religious avowal of the marriage contract, but only a solemn acknowledgment in the face of the church by the parties who had contracted civil marriages. The council now proposes to seek a deliverance from the church convocation The question arouses the keenest feeling among church adherents.

WENT AWAY DOWN.

Wheat Sells Fifteen Cents Lower Than a Week Ago.

Oats Also Take a Drop-Increased Supply the Cause-No More High Prices-The Local Market.

There was room and to spare for all the hucksters, market gardeners, butchers, etc., that flocked to London's market today. The very wet weather had the effect of keeping many at home, and with a slim attendance of housewives, business was not

of the briskest order. The supply was light in almost every line and prices were low. In the wheat corner there was disappointment on the face of every holder. A week ago new wheat brought \$1 10 to \$1 15 per 100 pounds, but assurances of a big yield through-out the country caused a drop, and 95 cents to \$1 per cwt was the highest price millers and dealers would give. Oats were none too plentiful, and sold at 78 to 82 cents per ontal, a decrease of about 10 cents, compared with a week ago. Old oats brought 85 cents. No peas or corn were offering. A prominent dealer, in speaking of the drop in prices, expressed the opinion that the days of high prices for all classes of grain were past. "The acreage of land under cultivation and the supply of grain is continually on the increase, and low figures

are all I can see for the future." Hay was very scarce. The few loads offered were very wet, and farmers had to get the best prices possible under the circumstances. It sold at \$12 to \$13.

FOR HIGH CHIEF RANGER.

Mr. A. O. Jeffrey, City, a Candidate in the A. O. F.

H gh Court Meeting in Guelph-London City and District Delegates.

The annual High Court meeting of the Ancient Order of Foresters for Cancommencing Monday. London's numerous courts will send their usual quoto of representatives, who, if not united on all matters, to come before the court, will go hand in hand on one item of business-the election of a high chief ranger. As a successor to the present high chief, Bro. Perry, of Montreal, the name of Mr. A. O. Jeffrey, of this city, has been mentioned. Mr. Jeffrey is a thorough Forester, and during the past year has suitably filled the office of High Court sub-chief ranger. He is a strong candidate, and it is expected that the honor will be his. If Mr. Jeffrey is elected he will be tendered a reception by London's Foresters on his re-

turn. The delegates from the city courts Court Pride of the Dominion, No. 5,660—James Wilkins.. Court Forest City, No. 5,744-Walter

Richards. Court Excelsior, No. 5,895-Wm. T. Court Brighton, No. 6,507-Fred Mc-Millan.

Court Forest Queen, No. 6,563-Herbert J. Boyd. Court Stella, No. 7,047-Harry Hogg. Court Wellington, No. 7,134-John Smith

Court Magnolia-Shad Gale. Court Hyde Park (Hyde Park) will send Fred Larway, and Court Western Pride (Komoka) will be represented by Mr. Wm. Nash.

Sparks From the Wire.

Arthur H. Furlong, a bookkeeper, 43 years old, of Toronto, Canada, was taken to Bellevue Hospital, New York, Friday night and placed in the insane pavilion.

Wm. Cotter, a car checker on the Erie coal trestle, at Buffalo, fell off the trestle to the docks below, a distance of 75 feet, crushing his skull in a hor. rible manner.

Michael Dwyer, a Western Union lineman, making repairs on top of a 40-foot pole at William street junction, Buffalo, came in contact with a electric wire, and fell to the ground breaking his neck.

James Keir-Hardie, late M. P. for West Hampshire, was a passenger on the steamer Campania, which arrived at New York Friday. His intention is to lecture in this country. He is the president of the Labor party in England.

Reports received by the C. P. R. officials from a hundred different points in Manitoba and the Northwest state that the crops are undamaged, that harvest ing is preceeding everywhere, and that the crops will probably be greater than estimated.

Among the Kingston Templars now at Boston is a distinguished knight from Mary's Commandery, Philadelphia. Mr. Emmerling, who is popularly known in the Quaker City as Mary's Baby. He is 6 feet 6 inches in height, and tips the scale at 487 pounds.

SOVEREIGN GREAT PRIORY. St. John, N.B., Aug. 23.-The Sovereign Great Priory of Canada met in annual session here today, the attendance of Knights Templar from all sections being large. Mr. W. H. Whyte, Montreal, was elected Sovereign Grand Master.

BAD FOR FARM HANDS. Winnipeg, Aug. 24.-Two thousand five hundred farm hands arrived this morning from Ontario. Most of them went out along the Canadian Pacific There were several women Railway. on the trains. It is feared that the country is overstocked with laborers, and that many will regret having come.

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All the Sporting News of the Day. A Man with a Stomach as Hard as

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and Western Ontario. Special Cablegrams from All Over.

Three Men Burned to Death in a Fire Today. The Governor of Texas Refuses to

Permit the Corbett-Fitzsimmons Fight in that State.

Story of the Week: "The Pit of Al-

LOCAL BREVITIES.

-The Barber Company has half a dozen local colored men working on the pavement. They are hard workers and one of them is

to be appointed a section boss. -A load of gravel stuck in the sand on the Richmond street improvements this morning and it took three teams of horses and an hour's work to re-move it from its position.

-Entries for the two-mile handicap bicycle race to be run at Queen's Park on Labor Day will close on Friday next. Handicaps will be set by the London Eicycle Club racing board. -The Grand Trunk employes of Strat-

ford ran an excursion to Niagara Falls today. The fare was 69 cents. This accounts for the scarcity of G. T. R. coaches at the local railwaymen's picnic to-day. -A pedestrian named Cole, of London, walked over here the other night and post-

ed a letter. He said he made a wager to ada will be held in Guelph next week. | walk here and back to London, leaving there at midnight and arriving home in time for breakfast.—St. Thomas Journal. -The Christian Workers, whose place of worship is on Carling street, had their annual outing at Springbank yesterday. When the evening boat was about to leave

the waterworks, a four-year-old youngster

named Stevens, whose parents reside on Thames street, fell into the water and was only rescued ofter he had gone down a couple of times. -Tomorrow Rev. W. J. Clark will occupy his pulpit for the first time after his month's vacation. Mr. Clark, in his trip, went by water to Montreal and from thence to Boston, Mass. On his return he visited the Saguenay River, and whilst in Montreal preached for Rev. A. J. Mowat, of Erskine Street Church, on two Sundays. Mr. J. A.

Clark, who occupied his brother's pulpit in his absence, preaches in St. Catharines tomorrow. He returns in October to Knox College to resume his studies. -At the regular meeting of Court Orient, No. 331, C.O.F., in East London last night, the following officers were duly installed for the ensuing term by Bro. Taylor, P.C.R., acting as D. H. C. R., assisted by Bro. Pomroy, as H. M.: E. Graham, C.R.; H. J. Childs, V.C.R.; A. Isaac, Rec. Sec.; W. Leng. Fin. Sec.; George Bedgegood, Treas.;

C. Gilbert, Chap.; C. Moorehead, S.W., M. Cater, J.W.; H. Roberts, S.B; C.

Maynard, J.B.; Dr. Macarthur, surgeon.

Refreshments, consisting of cool drinks

and fruits, were afterwards served, and a good time was spent in social talk. -The specials containing the various commanderies of American Knights Templar are still passing through the city. The first of today's contingent was St. Joseph's, No. 51, Michigan, who arrived early in the morning. Kansas City, Mo., and Chicago, Ill., followed and between seven and ten o'clock the three specials containing Kansas and Oklahoma commanderies arrived and breakfasted at the station dining hall. St. Bernard Commandery, of Chicago arrived at 12:45 and dined here. This is the commandery which has engaged the 13th Battalion Band of Hamilton for the trip to Boston and return. A number of former Londoners were with the Chicago Knights.

LATEST MILITIA CHANGES. London Field Battery-Surgeon-Major Vesey A. Brown is permitted to resign his commission and to retain the rank of surgeon-major on retire-

ment. 22nd Battalion, Oxford Rifles-No. 8 Company, Lieutenant Francis B. Horner having left the limits, his name is removed from the list of officers of the active militia; No. 4 Company, to be second lieutenant, Harold Redferne Hollinshead; No. 6 Company, to be second lieutenant, Rogers Olmstead Mackay; No. 7 Company, to be second lieutenant, George Baldwin Spald-

ing. 33rd Huron Battalion of Infantry-No. 2 Company, provisional Lieutenant Richard Vanstone is permitted to re-

tire. 39th Norfolk Battalion-No. 3 Company, to be second lieutenant, Francis Edward Mason.

IRA HALLIDAY AGAIN. Ira Halliday, of Teresa street, South London was arrested at his home about 8 o'clock last evening by Detectives Nickle and Rider on a charge of stabbing his wife. About a month ago Ira went home very drunk, and it is alleged that in a rage he sunk a butcher knife into Mrs. Halliday's back. He ran away before an information could be laid, and only ventured back last night. He had been in Port Hu-In the Police Court this morning Halliday was remanded until Tuesday. Robert Cochrane, an ex-soldier, was charged with creating a disturbance at Wolseley Barracks, and using very insulting language to Lieut.-Col. Smith. He pleaded guilty, and was fined \$3 or a week. As he has been loading for a long time he took the week. Patrick O'Meara, a drunk was allowed to