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THE EARTHQUAKE MUCH MORE DESTRUCTIVE THAN WAS THOUGHT.

Fifteen Hundred Persons in One District Killed—Great Damage Done at Nice—Indications at Washington of the Disturbance.

ROME, Feb. 24.—Details received of the results of the earthquakes yesterday show the effects to be far more serious than was thought. The loss of life and destruction of property is terrible. The most startling news comes from Genoese Riviera. Over 1500 people were killed in that district. At the village of Bajardo, situated at the top of a hill, a number of the inhabitants took refuge in a church when the shocks were first felt. A subsequent and greater shock demolished the church, and 300 of the people who were in it were killed. The destruction of property in the sections of Italy visited by the earthquakes was immense and widespread.

Another shock was felt at Mentone to-day. It was so severe that the houses were shaken but no one was injured. Additional details concerning the damage done by yesterday's shocks show in some cases that villages built on the mountain sides toppled into the valleys. Three railway trains have been despatched with food for the sufferers. A number of soldiers has also been sent to assist them.

Houses Wrecked at Nice.

NICE, Feb. 24.—Sixty houses here are tottering and ready to fall from shatterings inflicted by yesterday's earthquakes. Many others are much damaged and in most residences more or less of the furniture was damaged by the severity of the shock. Fifty persons were injured at Mentone and one person was killed. King Charles and Queen Olga of Wurtemburg remain in their villa at Nice.

Bivouacked in the Fields.

PARIS, Feb. 24.—Two slight shocks of earthquakes were felt to-day at Nice and Cannes, but no injury was caused. Yesterday's disturbance killed 2 persons and injured 10 at Nice, killed 4 and injured 2 at Bari, killed 2 and injured 12 at Bollene, and at Chateau Neuf many were injured. At Savona two houses fell, killing 9 persons and injuring 15. The whole population of Savona are bivouacked about the town.

The Disturbance Noted at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The seismoscope set up in the physical laboratory at the United States Signal Office in this city, was disturbed by and accurately recorded at 7 hours, 33 minutes, no seconds a.m., 75 meridian time Feb. 23 inst., the arrival at this point of the recent earthquake that was reported to have occurred in France and Italy. A rough calculation gives about 500 miles per hour as the velocity of the transmission.

Two Thousand Deaths Reported.

ROME, Feb. 24.—Reports of the disaster continue to arrive. The total number of deaths reported up to the present time is about 2000. The shocks were felt at Parma, Turin and Cosenza. Undulations of the earth were noticed at Catania, in Sicily, at the foot of Mount Ætna. The director of the Turin Observatory telegraphs that the seismic instruments are now quiescent, and that no further disturbance is feared.

CHRISTIANS IN CHINA.

Under Persecution Their Condition is Very Critical.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—The Times' Pekin correspondent says the head of a rich Christian family at Se Chuen has been executed, despite the remonstrances of the French Minister. The situation of the Christians in the Provinces of Se Chuen and Kwerehow is critical, the mandarins siding with the Literats against the Christians. The correspondent thinks the Pope should send a legate to Pekin to arrange a definite modus vivendi for the protection of Christians throughout China, and to avoid the continuance of the present state of affairs, which will drift into general persecution, massacre and civil war.

AUSTRIA DESIRES PEACE.

She Cherishes No Ambition Involving Any Military Venture.

VIENNA, Feb. 24.—Major-Gen. Count Von Welsersheimb, Minister of War, during the debate in the Reichsrath on the extra credit declared that the Government entertained no warlike designs and cherished no ambition involving any military venture, but desired peace. Both the Emperor and the people of Austria were disposed to cultivate friendly relations with other nations and the speaker hoped the historical phrase "everybody is ready to do his duty to the Fatherland" would hold good in Austria.

Anarchist Disturbance in Paris.

PARIS, Feb. 14.—A statue of Louis Blanc was unveiled here to-day in the presence of the Cabinet Ministers and many societies and deputies. The ceremony was made the occasion of a violent demonstration by the Anarchists, who were present in large numbers. After the unveiling they hissed and shouted: "Long live anarchy." Then they made a rush for the enclosure in which the statue stands. The police interposed and arrested several of those who were most prominent in the disturbance.

The St. Petersburg Conspiracy.

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—It is reported here that three officers implicated in the recently discovered military plot have been hanged at St. Petersburg. The Russian Government has strictly enjoined official secrecy respecting the conspiracy.

Russia Purchasing Steamships.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Russia has just purchased several large steamships. It is reported that the vessels have been obtained for the purpose of transporting troops to Vladivostock.

To Renew the Contract.

ROME, Feb. 24.—Negotiations have been satisfactorily concluded for a renewal of the alliance between Italy, Germany and Austria, which expires next May.

Jacobini Near To Death.

ROME, Feb. 24.—The latest report of Cardinal Jacobini's condition says that he is breathing stertorously. The last sacraments have not been administered.

The German Elections.

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—The three final election returns add two members to the Centre party and one to the ranks of the Imperialists.

Important Educational News.

From the Boston Journal.

A perfect recitation is called a "tear" at Princeton, "squirt" at Harvard, "sail" at Bowdoin, "rake" at Williams and "cold rush" at Amherst. A failure in recitation receives the title of "slump" at Harvard, a "stump" at Princeton, a "smash" at Wesleyan and a "flunk" at Amherst and the University of Pennsylvania.

CABLE NOTES.

The Samoans will not hear of annexation to Hawaii.

The Panama Canal Company has purchased thirty locomotives in Belgium.

The Prince of Wales is at Monte Carlo, and will leave for England on Monday.

M. Zandoff has been officially informed by the Porte that its negotiations through him are ended.

Lord Hartington will be president and Mr. Chamberlain vice-president of the new Liberal Union Club.

The jury, in the case of Dillon, O'Brien, Redmond and others on trial for their connection with the plan of campaign, has disagreed.

"A Franco-Russian alliance," says the Cologne Gazette, "may be very strong, but Germany also has allies who think that instead of allowing Russia to increase her strength it is time to diminish it."

A LABOR QUARREL AT PITTSBURG.

The Iron and Steel Workers Disagree with the Knights of Labor.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 24.—The strike at the Mingo Junction Iron Works has resulted in a declaration of war between the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers and the Knights of Labor, and a bitter fight, which may become national, is anticipated. The trouble arose over a conflict of authority, the workmen being all members of both organizations. Recently the workmen asked for extra pay for time lost by broken machinery. The firm refused to grant the demand, and under the rules of the Amalgamated Association the men quit work. Later W. H. Bailey, of the Executive Board of the Knights of Labor, appeared on the scene and ordered the men to resume. This was refused, and Bailey threatened to fill the mill with Knights of Labor from other places. Several conferences were held between Bailey and Weihe and Marlin, President and Secretary of the Amalgamated Association, but they were unable to reach an agreement. Last night President Weihe offered to start the mill provided his association was represented on the Mill Committee. Bailey said he would agree to this if the Amalgamated Association would consent to serve, but not to be known as members of the committee. The Amalgamated people refused to entertain such a proposition, and the conference broke up. Bailey says he will furnish enough men to resume work at once, and the Amalgamated officers claim that he will not be able to do so.

They have removed their headquarters to the seat of war and will remain on the ground to persuade the men to stay away from the mill.

ANOTHER BOX MYSTERY.

A Dismembered Body Found in a Trunk at Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 24.—The employes of the Baltimore & Ohio Express Company in this city made a ghastly discovery to-day which may turn out to be another trunk horror. A wooden box about four feet long was received this morning from Cincinnati. It was addressed to James Osborn, Pittsburg, Pa., and had a peculiar odor. A search of the city failed to find the person to whom the box was consigned and it was decided to open it. When the lid was broken the mutilated remains of a man in an advanced stage of decomposition were revealed. The legs and arms were severed from the trunk in order to crowd it into the box. A surgeon here gave it as his opinion that the body had been the property of a medical student who had probably shipped it to some friend in this city. The top of the head was sawed off and the work shows it to have been done by a professional hand. The authorities have telegraphed to Cincinnati to investigate the affair.

BELLICOSE SENATORS.

A Stormy Scene in the State House at Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 24.—When Lieut.-Gov. Robinson demanded his chair in the Senate this morning, calling attention, as he did, to the decision of the Supreme Court removing the injunction against him and reciting that he had been duly elected and qualified, he was promptly denied by Chairman Smith and was finally ordered from the Chamber. Declining to go, he was forcibly ejected by Doorkeeper Pritchard, assisted by others. The Republican Senators came to his rescue and an indiscriminate row, approaching a riot, ensued. Senator Johnson hit Senator McDonald, blacking his eye and skinning his nose. Other blows were exchanged. Quiet was finally restored and the Republicans returned to their seats, but declined to take part in the proceedings, alleging that the Senate was unlawfully conducted.

London Reportorial Enterprise.

The London Times has not often of late distinguished itself by enterprise in getting news, but there is no doubt of its power to keep a bit of intelligence away from its rivals. Lord Randolph Churchill's resignation, announced exclusively by "The Thunderer," is a late example. The young statesman drove into Printing House Square shortly after 11 o'clock at night and asked to see the editor. He was lodged with him for nearly an hour, at the end of which time, lo! as Mr. Black says in his novels, a strange thing happened. As soon as Lord Randolph had been seen off the premises an order was issued to lock every door, back and front, and take the keys to the editor's room. Dispatches, as they arrived through the night, were taken in at the window in the courtyard. Not a soul, from the editor to the printer's devil, was permitted to leave the premises on any pretext whatever. For some hours mystery and consternation brooded over the establishment. The secret was till 2 o'clock in the morning locked in the breasts of the editor and two leader writers. The paragraph announcing the resignation, and the articles commenting thereon, were written and held back to the last moment. But even then, the hour being one at which other papers had gone to press, the doors were still locked, and it was not till the paper had gone to press that the doors were unlocked.

A Murderer Takes Poison.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23.—George Wilson, the colored youth charged in the confession of Mrs. Mary Tabbs with the murder of Wakefield Gaines, part of whose remains were found in a pond in Bucks County, took poison in his cell at the Central Police Station this morning, and it is thought he will die. The district surgeon is endeavoring to revive him. The discovery was made by the turnkey when he went to the cell to remove the prisoner's breakfast dishes.

Tired of the Name of St. John.

TOPEKA, Ks., Feb. 24.—A bill changing the name of St. John County to Logan County passed the House to-day after a heated debate, in which ex-Gov. St. John, after whom the county was first named, was denounced by Speaker Smith and others as a hypocrite. The bill has passed the Senate, and received the Governor's signature to-day.

Ran on a Sunken Wreck.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—A large unknown three-masted schooner struck on the wreck of the English steamship Brinkburn on Fennick's Island shoals last night and sank. It is thought some of her crew were lost. The loss occasioned by the sunken steamer this winter will amount to $300,000 to American vessels alone.

Hanlan to Row Gaudaur.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Articles were signed here to-day for a three-mile sculling match between Edward Hanlan and Jacob Gaudaur for $2500 a side and the championship of America. The race is for May 30.

The Retaliation Bill.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 24.—The Senate disagreed to the House substitute for its Fishery Bill and asked for a conference. Edmunds, Frye and Morgan were appointed on the part of the Senate for such conference.

—Steel wire door mats will not wear out. They require no shaking as they clean themselves. They do not fill with dirt and dust; all dust falls through and can be readily swept up. 136

UNITED STATES NEWS.

The heaviest snow storm of the season prevailed in Nebraska on Wednesday.

The Senate Republican caucus has nominated Senator Ingalls to be President of the United States Senate.

The Wabash lake line of steamers, which was operated by the Wabash, St. Louis and Pacific Railway from Buffalo to Toledo, has been released to the Erie Railway.

President Cleveland has approved of the act to prohibit the importation and immigration of foreigners and aliens under contract or agreement to perform labor in the United States.

Wednesday night a bomb was thrown into North-street, Boston, and exploded with a great noise. The houses in the vicinity were shaken and the occupants rushed into the street. It is not known who threw the bomb.

Two women and a woman, said to be from Canada, are preaching to the blacks in South Carolina, telling them that the end of the world is at hand. The trio are suspected of seeking to cause a rising of the blacks against the whites.

THE MAJORITY IS ENOUGH.

NOT SO GREAT AS BEFORE, BUT IT WILL DO.

Mr. Colter Gives Way to a Conservative in the Long-Time Liberal Haldimand—A Torchlight Procession at Ottawa in Celebration of the Victory.

The revised returns show some alteration in the figures of the result since yesterday. The Liberal press, acting on the "claim everything" principle, continues to misrepresent the result in Quebec, where the Government has an assured majority. The election of Dr. Montague in Haldimand adds one more to the Conservative figures in Ontario and reduces the Liberal figures by one. Mr. Colter, the Liberal candidate, is rather unfortunate in this county. He was elected last September over Mr. Merritt, after one of the hardest fought political battles on record. He is now defeated before he even gets a chance to warm his seat. Haldimand has been a Reform stronghold ever since Confederation.

The figures so far received are as follows, and they are believed to be entirely trustworthy.

	Con.	Lib.
Ontario	52	38
*Quebec	35	29
New Brunswick	9	7
Nova Scotia	12	9
Prince Edward Island	0	6
Manitoba	4	1
British Columbia	1	0
	113	90

Government majority so far 23.

*This is the Montreal Gazette's estimate of Quebec.

Recounts in Nova Scotia.

HALIFAX, N.S., Feb. 24.—Recounts of the ballots are proposed in three of the closest counties in Nova Scotia. In Queen's, Freeman, Conservative, has a majority of only 13. In Shelburne, Robertson, Liberal, is only 31 ahead, and in Annapolis, Mills, Conservative, is 29 ahead.

Sir Charles Tupper, Postmaster-General McLelan and Minister of Justice Thompson arrive in Halifax to-morrow evening, when a public demonstration in their honor is to be given by the Conservatives. They will be received at the Intercolonial station and escorted by a procession to the Drill Shed, where speeches will be delivered.

Score Another For Sir John.

DUNNVILLE, Feb. 24.—Full returns from Haldimand give Dr. Montague a small majority. There is great rejoicing here over the result.

Caron Surely Elected.

QUEBEC, Feb. 24.—The latest returns place Sir A. P. Caron's majority at about 150. His election is sure.

A Recount at Kingston.

KINGSTON, Feb. 24.—The returning officer to-day declared Sir John Macdonald elected by 12 majority. It is said a recount will be demanded.

Ministers Expected in Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—Hon. Mackenzie Bowell and Hon. John Carling are expected here to-morrow. Sir Charles Tupper is expected to arrive from Nova Scotia on Saturday night. Hon. Mr. Thompson, Minister of Justice, and Hon. John Costigan will likely accompany him.

The First Division.

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—The Government are sure at least of a majority of thirty, and hope to have one of forty-five. They will re-elect as Speaker Mr. Kirkpatrick. Then will come the address. The Opposition can allow it to go through, or they may submit a skilfully-worded motion designed to catch the vote of the bulk of the French Canadians. But if they try that the Government would put up an amendment approving of their action in the Riel matter, and a lot of Ontario Reform members would have to stultify themselves on this issue or vote for the Government amendment and against Mr. Blake.

Ottawa Celebrates the Victory.

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—The torchlight procession held here to-night by the Conservatives in honor of their victory was the largest ever seen in Ottawa. The procession passed through all the wards. The houses all along the route were brilliantly illuminated and half Ottawa appeared to be out to witness the sight. Sir John Macdonald headed the procession in a sleigh driven by four horses, and in which were also seated the members elect, Messrs. Perley and Robillard, and Col. O'Connor, President of the Conservative Association.

A POINTER FOR BOTH PARTIES.

Excerpts From George Washington's Farewell Address.

It is of infinite moment that you should properly estimate the immense value of your National Union to your collective and individual happiness; that you should cherish a cordial, habitual and immovable attachment to it, accustoming yourselves to think and speak of it as of the palladium of your political safety and prosperity—watching for its preservation with jealous anxiety; discountenancing whatever may suggest even a suspicion that it can, in any event, be abandoned, and indignantly frowning upon the first dawning of every attempt to alienate any portion of our country from the rest, or to enfeeble the sacred ties which now link together the various parts.

In all the changes to which you may be invited, remember that time and habit are at least as necessary to fix the true character of governments as of other human institutions; that experience is the surest standard by which to test the real tendency of the existing constitution of a country; that facility in changes, upon the credit of mere hypothesis and opinion, exposes to perpetual change, from the endless variety of hypothesis and opinion. And remember, especially, that for the efficient management of your common interests, in a country so extensive as ours, a government of as much vigor as is consistent with the perfect security of liberty is indispensable. Liberty itself will find in such government, with powers properly distributed and adjusted, its surest guardian.

A Sub-Rosa Dialogue.

From the Ottawa Journal.

Telephone conversation between Toronto and Quebec.

Mowat—"Hallo! Mercier!"

Mercier—"Halow! Eees it you, Mister Mowat?"

Mowat—"Yes, it's me. Congratulations, my boy."

Mercier—"Diable! Vat for?"

Mowat—"That we ain't busted too, you chump!"

Echoes of the Election.

Peterboro Times: After the election excitement and consequent rush of job printing subsides the country press will give attention to this sadly neglected European crisis. Since the campaign opened Bismarck has been reveling in freedom from hostile criticism.

Toronto Week: To induce the people to turn out the Ministry, it was necessary to show them that they would be substantially the gainers by the accession of their rivals to power. This Mr. Blake did not attempt to do, except in the way of those general promises of purity in place of corruption, by which the people are moved much less than might be desired. Had he been bold enough to confront the N.P. with Commercial Union he would have appealed, like the authors of the N.P., to the sense of material interest, and very likely with effect. As it was, he merely gave a faltering adhesion to the N.P., whose friends naturally preferred for it the guardianship of its parent to that of a late and wavering convert.

Arcturus: There is a widespread distrust in the cohesive powers of the Opposition, and in their capacity to successfully carry on an administration, even if they were placed in power. Many of their adherents, too, have conducted the campaign in such a manner as to alienate voters who care little for either party, and who have been accustomed to exercise their franchises on purely non-partisan grounds.

Barrie Gazette: A Tory, boodle and whisky victory.

Kingston News: The people of Canada evidently do know the difference between mud-throwing and statesmanship. Hence these Grit misfortunes.

Belleville Ontario: It is not unfair to say that Tories would vote for a yellow dog, and that there is a portion of the electorate who would mark their ballots for his Satanic Majesty for 50 cents or a swig of whisky, Canada is degraded in the eyes of the world.

Kingston Whig: The Liberals will not surrender the country to the Conservatives without knowing that they have been honestly and fairly defeated, and they have not satisfactory evidence upon this point as yet.

Irish Canadian: What Sir John has done before he can do again—and therefore we may calculate on surprises in the position of some of the members when the House meets.

Peterboro Review: The 22nd of February will be long regarded as an important date in the annals of our country, and happily as a starting point for further advancement in the growth and progress of our great Dominion.

London Advertiser: Lazarus was licked, too.

London Free Press: One often hears of the "March of the Cameron men," and the song of that title is good and soul stirring. The two Camerons of Huron and Middlesex marched on Tuesday, but it was out of the back door.

Hamilton Spectator: Lent, which began yesterday, will be observed by Hamilton Grits with unusual rigor and self-humiliation.

St. Thomas Journal: In the language of the poet, every canine has his day.

Chatham Banner: There is one man in Chatham who feels very much like Jonah today.

Montreal Star: Sir John, in his old age, returns to his first love, and the fickle maiden, after rejecting him for years, accepts him at last.

Steel wire Mats are now in use in all our principal churches, schools, banks and public buildings. Offices and factory, 6 Wellington west. 136

A Costly Pair of Gloves.

HAMILTON, Feb. 24.—James Walker and Lewis Lawrence were to-day sentenced to the Central Prison for twelve months for robbing Robert Little of a pair of gloves.

Missing Mail Bags at Guelph.

GUELPH, Feb. 24.—Within the past month or so three mail bags destined to the Guelph postoffice have mysteriously disappeared at the Grand Trunk Railway station. The proper authorities were promptly notified of the fact. To-day Detective Day, of the Grand Trunk Railway, was in the city sifting the matter. Inspector Burnham, of the Toronto postoffice, is also here. It is understood that some money was in letters in these bags. Further developments may be expected in a day or two.

Charleston's Restoration.

From the Charleston News.

Five months have elapsed since Charleston was visited by one of the greatest calamities that has ever afflicted an American city. The story of the terrible disaster has been told over and over again. So, too, has been told the story of the loving practical sympathy of the American people—a sympathy which found expression in a golden flood of charity. It was not until Charleston held up her hands and stayed the flood that it ceased to flow in upon us. At that time over $806,000 had been contributed, of which $630,000 in round numbers was set apart for the rebuilding of the houses of those who would otherwise have been homeless and nearly $200,000 for the rebuilding of the churches. The Relief Committee generously set apart $100,000 of the relief fund to aid the city in rebuilding its hospitals, almshouses and other institutions devoted to the care of the sick and indigent poor of the city. At the end of five months much had been done to restore the city to its former condition. The damages by the earthquake were roughly estimated at $5,000,000. The aid so lavishly and generously poured into Charleston has enabled those who could not do so with their limited means to rebuild their houses, while others who were able have also not been idle. Since the night of August 31, 1886, the city has risen from its ruins. Remunerative work has been furnished to over 5000 home mechanics, while over 1500 mechanics from abroad have come here, many of whom will make Charleston their home.

What the Nose Indicates.

From the St. James' Gazette.

Major Sophus Schack, an officer in the Danish army, on the subject of physiognomical indications, to which his position as inspector of recruits has led him to devote a considerable share of attention. Major Schack agrees with Aristotle in putting his faith in noses. He can make a good guess at a man's constitution from the size and build of his nose, a large nose, for instance, almost invariably indicating superior chest capacity and power of lungs. It is a still more accurate index to mental qualities, for, belonging as it does at once to the most and least mobile portions of the face, it faithfully reflects the most fugitive movements of the mind. In the child the nose is the most insignificant and least developed portion of the physiognomy. It is not till the intellectual faculties come into play that the nasal organ acquires its characteristics. Savages have no noses worthy of the name. Major Schack's observations lead him to conclude that a small and retrousse nose betokens cunning and finesse; a straight and thin nose, taste and delicacy; an aquiline nose, judgment, reason and egotism; while a shapeless and clumsy nasal protuberance almost always indicates intellectual dullness and want of savoir faire.

Buying up Quinine.

From the Pittsburg Times.

The druggists of both cities are laying in a large stock of quinine, as they expect the present price, 65c. per ounce, is the lowest that drug will be for years. The price was as low as 49c. recently, but it has been steadily advancing for weeks.

"We look for dollar quinine before a month," said a prominent apothecary yesterday, "and I think it will advance even more than that. The European war talk has something to do with the advance, but the principal reason is the drug is getting scarce, as large quantities are being bought up by speculators. I know one man who has $5000 worth of quinine in stock in this city. He paid $1.75 an ounce for it several months ago and has been holding it ever since. He is not often caught up on speculations and expects to make money out of his investment, as quinine may go up to $3 and possibly $3.50 before six months. I have laid in a stock sufficient to last me three years."

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

S. W. Tanner, a well-known citizen of Harriston, dropped dead in his residence in that town yesterday. Heart disease.

Frances Melzer and Miss Ida Lewis of the Bandmann-Beauder theatrical company, were married at Trenton, N.J., on Wednesday. The bride belongs to Hamilton, Ont.

The Perth County Council has ordered a grant of $500 to be made towards defraying the expenses of a formal opening of a new court house at Stratford on June 22.

The G. T. R. line between Galt and Berlin is still closed to traffic, with nothing very decided as to when it may be opened. The freshet of Wednesday of last week so jammed the bed of the river below Blair with broken ice as to stop the passage of the water, which in consequence spread over the flats and forced a new passage for itself.

Why he Married Her.

—Such a pretty face, and a sweet mouth, because her teeth were purchased from Riggs & Ivory, corner King and Yonge-streets.

Steamship Arrivals.

At New York: State of Pennsylvania, Rhynland from Antwerp.

At Southampton: Ems.

At Queenstown: Vancouver.

AN ENCOURAGING START.

THE MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY.

A Meeting in Shaftesbury Hall—Good Attendance of Prominent Citizens—Addresses by Mayor Howland and Others—A Committee on Affairs.

A meeting of those interested in the formation of a society for the prevention of cruelty was held in Shaftesbury Hall last night. About 300 persons were present. Mr. John Macdonald presided and briefly announced the object of the meeting. Rev. H. M. Parsons opened with prayer. Those on the platform were Rev. Canon Dumoulin, Mayor Howland, Ald. Harvie, Ald. Boustead, Ald. Frankland, J. J. Kelso, Dr. Canniff, Inspector Archibold and J. H. Pearce.

Mr. J. J. Kelso gave an account of the steps that had been taken to bring about an organization. A communication had been sent to The World by Mr. J. K. Macdonald complaining of the numerous cases of cruelty that were daily occurring. Mr. Kelso took the matter up, interviewed a number of prominent citizens, and receiving encouragement, called the public meeting. A subscription fund, started by The World, now amounted to $40, and others had promised annual subscriptions.

Mayor Howland expressed a deep interest in the movement and promised to give it his heartiest support. He showed that there was great need for some effort to benefit destitute children, and prevent the overloading of vehicles. He moved a resolution to the effect that a society for the prevention of cruelty be constituted, which was adopted.

Canon Dumoulin spoke of the cruelty imposed upon horses by the check rein, which he thought was an unnecessary restraint. He asked the ladies present to encourage the killing of birds for millinery purposes. A great deal of good might be accomplished by the circulation of humane literature and having an annual sermon preached on the work sought to be accomplished by the society.

Ald. Boustead said he thought the Canon was a little hard on the ladies, and he would speak of the way men treated horses. He referred to the overcrowding of street cars, harnessing dogs to sleighs and the neglected way in which some children were brought up.

Ald. Frankland said it was to the interest of owners of cattle to see that the men who looked after them were humane. He saw Mr. Cornelius Flannigan and the mover was appointed to suggest some plan for feeding cattle on the ocean voyage.

The Executive Committee was instructed to consider the claim of John Hamilton against William Elliott, a cattle salesman of Glasgow. The point at issue is this: Hamilton some time ago shipped forty-two head of cattle to Elliott through Alex. Brown of Galt, an agent of the purchaser's. Brown shipped the cattle in his own name, and Elliott retained $900 to satisfy an account due him by Brown. The association considered the case as an important one to every Canadian shipper. Other cases of a similar nature were referred to committees for consideration.

The association adjourned at 10.30 o'clock to meet again at 9 this morning.

"TOM" GOULD PAYS TORONTO A VISIT.

The Natty New Yorker Who is Making an Enforced Residence in Canada.

A conspicuous figure on King-street yesterday afternoon was that of "Tom" Gould, the proprietor of the famous Sans' Souci dance hall, in Twenty-ninth-street, New York. His natty attire and athletic appearance was generally noticed as he sauntered carelessly along that crowded thoroughfare. It was evident he enjoyed the attention he attracted, as he remarked to the lady who accompanied him: "This reminds me of New York." A former Gothamite pointed out the pair to The World. Tom Gould for some days past has been residing in Hamilton, having fled from New York to escape prosecution for an infraction of the excise law. He is regarded as the leader of a certain sporting and political element, and his "pull" with the authorities has till recently saved him from the law's grasp. He is now under indictment, and proposes to remain in this town of rest till matters are patched up. He returned to the Ambitious City by a late train last night, but is so favorably impressed with Toronto that he expressed his intention of soon returning and making it his headquarters during his enforced sojourn in Canada.

The Engineers' Society.

The regular meeting of the Engineering Society was held yesterday afternoon in the School of Science, Professor Galbraith presiding. An exhaustive paper, written by J. L. Morris, C.E., on "Act Pertaining to Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands," was read. Mr. Morris has evidently had a wide experience, and points out and elucidates many apparent contradictions in the act. The steadily increasing library of this society received another valuable addition, the gift of Colonel Gzowski. This, the second addition from the same source, consists of a large number of works containing the latest and most reliable information concerning recent engineering experiments.

—Wire mats may be left out of doors in the rain, as all the parts are thoroughly galvanized and japanned, and will not rust or injure carpets or painted floors. 361

"Ruddigore."

The Anglo-Canadian Music Publishers' Association has just issued the libretto of Gilbert and Sullivan's latest effort, "an entirely original supernatural opera in two acts, entitled 'Ruddigore, or the Witch's Curse.'" The vocal and instrumental scores will be out in about two weeks. The plot, characters and songs of Gilbert and Sullivan's operas have always been much alike and "Ruddigore" is no exception. There is the usual patter song, madrigal and ballad, but though the form is old they contain the same delightful humor and satire which have made Gilbert and Sullivan famous. The whole opera promises to be very amusing.

How Mr. Callaway Does It.

From the Harriston Tribune.

The other day when the Canadian Pacific Railway exhibition car was at Galt station some little boys were on the platform of the car, and while doing so incurred the displeasure of the porter in charge. Out of revenge for some boyish freak the porter struck one of the lads a heavy blow with a cane, cutting one of his ears open. The matter was reported to Mr. Callaway, District Passenger Agent at Toronto, who immediately telegraphed the dismissal of the porter. Mr. Callaway is deserving of commendation for his prompt action in the matter.

William Watson in Buffalo.

Jeweller William Watson of Queen-street, who is an important witness in the Deitrich case, is in Buffalo, where he proposes to remain till a final disposition of the case is made. To a Toronto friend who met him Wednesday at the Tifft House he said he had pulled down his tent in the Queen City, leaving his wife to pull up the stakes. The tent in this instance is supposed to be the boodle.

Capillary Degeneration.

Dr. Robillard of Ottawa, lecturing on baldness, says the reason Indians are never bald is because they do not wear hats. The doctor overlooks the fact that the particular life business of the red man is raising hair. Those wearing quinn, the shirtmaker's, new English spring shapes, with ventilated tops, need not dread glistening craniums.

"At Home."

Mrs. John Morison, Jarvis-street, gave an "At Home" last evening, a large number being present. Seager's band supplied the music. It was a most enjoyable affair, dancing being kept up until an early hour this morning.

—Spring hats at Dineen's, corner King and Yonge streets. x

DOMINION LIVE STOCK MEN.

Matters Relating to the Shipping of Cattle to Europe.

Some seventy members were present when President John Dunn of this city called the Dominion Live Stock Association to order at 11 o'clock yesterday morning at the Albion Hotel. It was the second annual meeting of the association, and the attendance included dealers from all parts of the country. Secretary R. Bickerdick of Montreal presented his report, congratulating the association upon its financial condition, and the improvement it had brought about in the live stock trade of Canada. Low prices in England during 1886, the high steamship rates and the heavy charges on the other side had affected the trade. Inefficient care during the ocean voyage had caused serious loss, it being estimated that it reached fully £4 per head. The organization numbers 113 members, and the receipts during the year amounted to $1735.81.

These officers were elected: President, Joseph Featherston, Streetville; First Vice-President, Cornelius Flannigan, Toronto; Second Vice-President, T. O. Robison, St. Marys; Treasurer, E. Blong, Toronto; Secretary, Robert Bickerdick; Executive Committee, John Scott, Galt; Joseph Gould, Oshawa; G. D. Matheson, Tavistock; John Coughlin, London; William Craig, Montreal; James Eakins, Port Hope; M. M. Thompson, Montreal; W. T. Rowland, Stratford; A. W. Rawlings, Forest; John Dunn, Toronto; Thomas Crawford, Toronto; Joshua Ingham, Toronto.

The report of the committee appointed at the last meeting of the association to recommend action in the case of Kelly v. Dominion Steamship Company was presented. Mr. Kelly, a member of the association, shipped about a year ago $5000 worth of cattle by the steamship Quebec; the vessel became disabled in mid ocean and the cattle perished. Suit was brought for damages against the company, and at the trial judgment was given for the company. The committee deemed it undesirable to appeal from the decision of the court. Secretary Bickerdick introduced a motion favoring the appointment of a committee to induce the Ottawa Government to change the shipping rule, and allow five small cattle to occupy the space allotted to four animals. The subject was discussed at length, the principal point raised against the idea being that it was not desirable to ship small cattle at all. The motion was lost. Upon the suggestion of Mr. Robison, a committee consisting of M. M. Thompson, John Dunn, William McLean, Thomas Crawford, Joseph Lunnis, Cornelius Flannigan and the mover was appointed to suggest some plan for feeding cattle on the ocean voyage.

The Executive Committee was instructed to consider the claim of John Hamilton against William Elliott, a cattle salesman of Glasgow. The point at issue is this: Hamilton some time ago shipped forty-two head of cattle to Elliott through Alex. Brown of Galt, an agent of the purchaser's. Brown shipped the cattle in his own name, and Elliott retained $900 to satisfy an account due him by Brown. The association considered the case as an important one to every Canadian shipper. Other cases of a similar nature were referred to committees for consideration.

The association adjourned at 10.30 o'clock to meet again at 9 this morning.

THE ATHENEUMS.

They Hold Their Fourth Annual Meeting Last Evening.

President James Mason sat in Mr. J. J. Withrow's chair at the head of the long table in the board-room of the Industrial Fair Association last evening, and called the fourth annual meeting of the Atheneum Club to order. About fifty of the 421 members were present.

The directors' report and financial statement was submitted. The paid-up stock amounts to $2480. The revenue for the year was $1794, including $1627 from the billiard tables. The expenses were $1544, leaving a surplus of $250. This surplus was applied as follows: $50 was written off parliamentary expenses, leaving a balance of that account of $50; $200 was added to the reserve fund, making that amount $550; and the remainder, $32, was placed to the profit and loss account.

The directors stated that they had decided to establish a bowling alley in the basement of the Public Library Building. The premises had been leased for five years. The Public Library Board, however, had taken every precaution to find out that the alley would not in any way disturb the occupants of the free reading room.

This clause of the report gave rise to considerable discussion when a motion was subsequently offered by Mr. Charles Pearson authorizing the directors to establish such a bowling alley. Mr. Pearson explained that Mr. Geo. Gooderham, Mr. Lee and other prominent gentlemen intended to erect the alley at a cost of $1200. These gentlemen would claim an exclusive right to the alley for three hours in the afternoon; in the evening it would be open to members of the club at club prices. The subscribers to the bowling alley would all join the club. Mr. Pearson's motion passed.

These officers were elected: James Mason, President; Charles Pearson, Vice-President; Directors—J. P. Edwards, Arthur Ardagh, John Litchfield, J. T. Matthews, R. F. Lord, J. W. O'Hara, J. Hallworth; Secretary-Treasurer, Arthur Pearson.

Did Not Bear the Lathers' Union Mark.

The plasterers engaged in the row of ten brick stores being built by J. W. Kennedy & Co., at Queen and George-streets, struck work yesterday because the laths in the building are not branded with the stamp of the recently amalgamated lathers', plasterers' and plasterers' laborers' unions. At the time of federation the union agreed that laths not bearing the patent stamp should not have plaster put on them by union men. Mr. Kennedy says that although the laths are not stamped they were put in by union men, and he complains of unfair treatment, especially in view of the fact that he is under bond to pay $10 a day forfeit for every day after March 1 that the building is not completed, or $20 a day for every day after March 15.

Another Little Unfortunate.

A boy named Howard Farr found the body of a new-born male child wrapped in a newspaper, and lying on a snow bank at Yonge-street and Summerhill-avenue yesterday afternoon. A policeman removed the body to Yorkville police station, and subsequently to the Morgue, where Coroner Johnson will hold an inquest at 3 o'clock this afternoon. It bears evidence of having been strangled.

"Betting" Uncertain.

—A vast amount of money has been "put up" on the election this year, perhaps more than ever known, and some speculators have been badly left; if they had only been as sure of a "win," as those who buy their housefurnishing goods from Strathern, how many aching hearts to-day might have been beating happily and atural instead, (like Sir John's). x

THE STANDARD TO STAND.

THE HERD BOOK DISCUSSED BY THE SHORT HORN BREEDERS.

By a Vote of 74 to 10 Its Present Status is to be Maintained—The Advocates and Opponents of the Change—Suspended and Rejected Pedigrees.

By a vote of 74 to 10 the Dominion Short Horn Breeders' Association, at its annual meeting in St. Lawrence Hall yesterday, decided to adhere to the standard of registration as recommended in Sec. 24 of the Bylaws. The subject was generally discussed, some of the members favoring a lower standard of registration. They held that animals should be eligible to registration which can be traced to those pedigrees registered in the English or American herd books, not false or spurious. Prominent advocates of this system were R. McQueen of Salem, John Fothergill of Burlington and W. G. Petrit of Burlington, whilst the opposition was headed by A. R. Gordon of Cookstville, T. C. Patteson of Eastwood