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WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOV. 21, 1888.

Chance for a New Town.

There is every prospect of a live new town on Toronto's northwestern boundary if the smaller places that it would include can be induced to forget their jealousies, one of the other. The places are

West Toronto Junction.
Davenport.
Carlton.

West Toronto Junction is already an incorporated village of nearly three thousand inhabitants.

Neither Davenport nor Carlton is incorporated, but a petition is now before the county council (of York) to have the two places incorporated as one village.

Carlton is on the west side of Davenport and West Toronto Junction abuts on Carlton. The three are in touch and all are on the border of Toronto.

United as they ought to be the three would make a town of nearly four thousand inhabitants, and 12 months, at the present rate of progress, would see this rising suburb of Toronto a city of ten thousand.

One municipality can build waterworks, supply police and fire protection, open up streets, etc., much better and more economically than two.

And when the day of absorption comes Toronto can "go them" both easier in one bite than in two.

There is no special reason for the county council taking immediate action on the matter: let all the facts be brought out, all parties heard, and then let one municipality be erected.

And the new place might appropriately be called Stanley, after the governor-general, or Etobicoke, once the Indian name of the whole district. But best of all, perhaps, West Toronto.

Wheat and Worse for the Free Traders.

While the great election event was still pending the Free Trade papers had much to say about expected gains to their side in the Northwestern States. It was urged that these States, having their interest in agriculture mostly, were getting tired of keeping up manufacturing monopolies; and that the farmers of the prairies would naturally work over to the Free Trade side, where indeed they properly belonged. It was asserted that the Republican majority was dwindling away in Michigan and Minnesota particularly and that the capture of both these States by the Democrats was a likely event. It was held that the Northwestern States, also those Territories soon to become States, must inevitably range themselves on the free trade side, their interests being agricultural and not manufacturing. These roseate views of free trade prospects were adopted also by Canadian papers in sympathy with the same cause, and were very confidently maintained. But since the event came some of our mates on contemporaries have been getting new light on the subject. The Mail has discovered that one of the most important results of the election of a Republican House of Representatives will probably be the almost immediate admission of several of the Territories into the Union as States, etc. Our contemporary (Nov. 13) quotes Mr. Hermann, a Republican Congressman from Oregon, as saying:

"One of the first things they (the Republicans) will do is to make several new States. They will admit Dakota, probably as two States, thus giving us four more Senators and perhaps six new Representatives. Montana, too, is ready for admission, and therefore will have two more Senators and a Representative. Then Washington Territory, which, with Oregon, has gone heavily Republican, wants to come in, and has enough population for it; and there we get still another pair of Senators, with one and perhaps two Representatives. This will make the party so strong that there can be nothing to fear from the solid South for years to come."

After pointing out that the Republicans are pledged to this policy by their platform adopted at Chicago, The Mail thus winds up:

"In his letter of acceptance, moreover, General Harrison endorsed this pledge, and subsequently in his speeches he repeatedly referred to the subject. There is the best reason for believing, therefore, that the Fifty-First Congress will take action in the direction indicated, and in that case the loss of their control of the House will prove a greater blow to the Democrats than even the defeat of Mr. Cleveland."

In an article on "The Democrats and the Future" (Nov. 16), The Globe takes a still darker view of the party's prospects. It presents the following calculation, which if verified would make things much worse for the Democrats four years hence than they are now:

"Present number of Electoral College, 401. Add 23 per cent. Number in new Electoral College, 501. As three-quarters of the increased population is in the North, 75 out of the 100 new Electoral votes will be Northern votes. The situation on the assembling of the 1892 Electoral College would therefore be this: Republican, 239, plus 75, equal to 314; Democrat, 162, plus 25, equal to 187; Republican majority, 127.

"These are of course mere approximations, but they roughly indicate what the situation will be, unless in the meantime the Democrats can devise some means of wedging New York and another State out of the Republican pinlanx, and can do this without suffering elsewhere. The outlook is not a happy one, for the election just gone by teaches that neither party is prepared to stand firmly by any principle, while it shows the Democratic party in the light of having once more suffered mortifying defeat as the consequence of deferring too much to its Protectionist element."

As regards the increase of population and the way that progress is tending, The Globe is right. But it is falsifying history most outrageously to speak of the Democratic party as having "once more suffered mortifying defeat as the consequence of deferring too much to its protectionist element." What it did do was exactly the reverse of this. At the St. Louis convention the protectionist element was conspicuously sat upon, suppressed and snuffed out. True, afterwards an attempt was made to undo some of the mischief thus done by the extreme free traders who controlled the convention; but the repentance came too late. On the 8th The Globe said, further:

"The Republican party will be in March next more firmly established in power than it has been at any time for fifteen years past, with the probability that the next census will enlarge the party for another decade."

For the present we content ourselves with noting the facts which appear to both The Globe and The Mail as indicating so dark an outlook, in the future, for the cause of free trade in the United States.

But this thing must be pushed further. There are other inferences yet to be drawn, which must make the prospect for free trade look even worse than it at present appears to our contemporaries.

Clever Work.

The World is not much given to praising itself; as a rule it lets its works speak for it; but the manner in which our reporters distanced those of all our rivals in unearthing the facts of the Barber suicide call for some special reference.

The World of Monday morning contained much the fullest account of the suicide but did not indicate the woman in the case. Though our reporters worked like beavers Sunday night they could not even learn that the woman had returned to Toronto.

But with Monday morning's World in their hands our evening contemporaries, had they been clever, had opportunity of unravelling the mystery. They were not equal to the task; last night they gave the details as they gathered them from Tuesday morning's World.

But if the evening papers were slow what of our morning contemporary The Empire, which contemporaneously with The World's unravelling of the tragedy published the following:

Therefore, the mystery is still as deep as before, and though vague stories are in circulation about the marriage, on being traced as far as possibly could be done, nothing can be made out of them. A few days may bring some facts to the surface that can be relied upon.

No better piece of newspaper investigation has been done in Toronto for many a day than was done by The World's young men on Sunday night and Monday. They were several laps ahead of the police.

A Southern Opinion.

The Atlanta Constitution is an able and influential organ of Southern opinion; and it takes no stock whatever in "fool" talk about expected Democratic gains in the Northwestern States. Thus it spoke recently:

For heaven's sake let us never hear again the promise of Democratic gains in the Northwest!

Every election we are promised that the farmers of the Northwest are going to come right into camp and bring several States along with them.

This year it was all fixed! We were to get them, sure. A fence couldn't keep them out. We were to be scrouched up to make room for them. Michigan especially was just hunting to get in.

Well, they didn't come! We have lost seventeen Congressmen out there, which hardly leaves us enough for seed. The Republican majorities are increased everywhere. As for Michigan, she lifted herself up from her slim Democratic majority of 3332 in 1884 to over 18,000 in 1888! From the New Jersey line to the Pacific Ocean the West is solidly Republican—and is going to stay that way. Our hope is, and has been, New York, New Jersey and Connecticut!

It is stated that Lord Shrewsbury, whose enterprise in London and elsewhere has done so much to provide inhabitants with the luxury of a clean, comfortable, and fast-going Hansom, is about to extend his operations to Paris. In a short time, it is said, the Parisians will have at their disposal some three hundred Hansom cabs drawn by horses of mettle and driven by picked coachmen speaking both French and English. The innovation ought to prove a welcome one. Why have we not more of these vehicles in Toronto?

Vaccination a Delusion.

Editor World: The following Government Blue-Book for British India (pp. 203-207 for 1884-5), states: Population of British India, 251,000,000, deaths 5,239,000, of which small-pox contributed 333,382. The vaccination staff is composed of 4,261 persons. The number vaccinated 5,834,861. The report goes on to say: "We are brought face to face with the fact that notwithstanding the existence of an active vaccination service, smallpox swept over the land just as if there had been none. It is clear that vaccination is incompetent to deal with the disease, in spite of the persistent efforts of the vaccination staff; and it may be well once for all to recognize, that if sanitary work be neglected no more dependence can be placed on vaccination." Sir John Simon, M.D., F.R.S., medical officer to the Privy Council of England says: "Small-pox after vaccination has been a disappointment both to the public and the profession."—Report to the Privy Council.

Dr. George Gregory, for fifty years director of the smallpox hospitals of London, says in a letter to The Medical Times of London: "Smallpox does invade the vaccinated just as it does the unvaccinated. The idea of extinguishing smallpox by vaccination is as absurd as it is commercial."

Dr. W. G. Collins, for twenty-five years public vaccinator in London, said before a committee of the British House of Commons: "There really exists no change in the virulent character of smallpox since the introduction of vaccination, and of those attacked with smallpox fully two-thirds were satisfactorily vaccinated. I believe vaccination to be a medical delusion. I have no confidence in it."

Dr. Stowell, M.R.C.S., London, in a letter to The Lancet, said: "Thirty years' experience as a public vaccinator enables me to proclaim that vaccination is not only a delusion but a curse to humanity."

Mr. Editor, the simple truth is, that all the protection we have against smallpox comes from our improved knowledge of hygiene and sanitation, and if one quarter of the money spent on vaccination was applied to improving the condition of life in localities where smallpox and other filth diseases originate we would not only stamp out smallpox, but diphtheria, scarlet fever and other zymotic diseases. ALEXANDER ROSS, M.D.

Toronto, Nov. 11.

The Agues-Street Smallpox Sufferers.

Editor World: In response to my appeal, the readers of an evening paper promptly raised the sum of $38 in aid of this family. As this sum is not half enough to make them comfortable and to cover demands for back rent, may I ask your readers so consider the following circumstances and act accordingly:

The bread-winner, a girl not yet 13 years old, was the first to take the disease in the city. A few days later the widowed mother and her babe joined her at the pest house. All wearing apparel and bed clothing not capable of being disinfected has been destroyed and the family are in destitute circumstances. Since her discharge from the hospital the mother is unable to spare the little girl to resume her work in the factory, where a place has been reserved for her, before there is no income. There are many who take pleasure in assisting in such cases as this. With a little timely help this family may be made self-supporting. Kindly forward your contributions to The World office and mention the "Agues-street family." HUMANITY.

If the very mild weather we have had was our worst trouble, say the furriers, we could get along, but we cannot possibly compete against the prices for fur caps, fur coats, etc., at the Army & Navy stores. They seem to sell furs as cheap as they sell clothing. You know our fur business only lasts a few weeks and we must make some money while we can, but the Army & Navy stores sell furs at much less prices than we can buy them for. In truth the Army & Navy stores are a great boon to the people of Toronto.

The Czar's Dog.

She was a faithful brute and they called her Malyutcha. The railway accident at Borki, the other day, was the death of Malyutcha, and His Majesty is said to be as much put out at the loss of her as his grandfather was at the loss of 9000 moujiks on the field of Inkermann. Setting that hyperbole aside the Czar may be truly sorry, for the white Siberian Malyutcha was never far from his heel. She was by his table when he dined and by his bed when he slept. At a sign from the Czar Malyutcha used to cut the audiences short by tearing at the garments of those admitted to the Imperial presence.

The young men of Toronto have fallen in love with the overcoats at the Army & Navy stores. Some hundreds have already bought a melton overcoat only seven fifty, but thousands have gone in for nape-velvet collar, vernon lining—equal to an ordered coat at twenty dollars, and they are just half that. Do see the overcoats at the Army & Navy stores before you part with your good money.

THE INTERNATIONAL B.B.A.

PROPOSED PLANS FOR A SALARY LIMIT DISCUSSED.

A Meeting of the Directors at Syracuse Last Night—Clubs Unable to Pay the Present Salaries—Detroit, Toledo and Utica Represented.

SYRACUSE, Nov. 20.—A meeting of the directors of the International Baseball Association was held here this evening. Manager Cushman representing Toronto. A committee was appointed to deal with the salary limit, which will be brought up to-morrow at the annual meeting. Secretary White read letters from several clubs as to a salary limit for next season.

President Sterns of Detroit says all salaries should be fixed at $1000, the players to be signed by the association and drawn for by each club.

President Hobbs of London proposes a salary limit of $125 a month for outfielders and second battery and $150 for infielders and first battery which, with a club of 12 men, including three pitchers and two catchers, would make the total salary for the season from May 5 to Sept. 25, exclusive of manager, $8250.

Manager Leonard of Rochester, is in favor of $1000 salary limit and thinks it would be best for the clubs and players.

Secretary Dixon of Hamilton favors a limit as follows: Outfielders $100, infielders $125, catchers $150, pitchers $150, and managers $150, and make the season from May 4 to Sept. 21, players to be under salary from April 22. This would keep one club from outbidding another.

The feeling among the baseball magnates is in favor of a salary limit, which will certainly be the outcome of the meeting to-morrow. The clubs cannot afford to pay the heavy salaries that they have been doing.

All protests were thrown aside and the record left as reported by the secretary.

The annual meeting which will be held to-morrow promises to be an important one. Representatives are here from all the clubs in the International Association cities, also from Detroit, Toledo and Utica. The various clubs will be represented as follows:

Toronto—President McConnell and Director W. McPherson.
Albany—Manager York.
Buffalo—Manager Chapman and Ald. Franklin.
Rochester—Manager Leonard.
Hamilton—Ald. Dixon.
London—President Hobbs and Manager Powers.
Detroit—R. Leadley.
Toledo—C. W. Morton.
Utica—D. Dishler.

Troy will have a representative here to-morrow.

THE NEW RULES.

A Number of Important Changes Made by the Committee.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The joint rules committee of baseball clubs in convention at the Fifth-avenue Hotel, went into session shortly after noon and by 3 o'clock completed the largest part of its work. An endeavor was made by some few delegates to reintroduce the high and low ball system, but the majority were against the idea and quickly voted it down.

One of the most important subjects discussed was the position of the pitcher. During the past season some players complained that the pitcher was not far enough away from the batsman, and that a position three or four feet back would be more suitable. A motion to that effect provoked a warm discussion and was voted down. As the pitcher is now placed he has to turn slightly to command a view of first base. This turn, slight as it is, is just the thing which gives the runner a chance. If the pitcher was placed back a few feet he would be able to watch both the home plate and first base without turning, thus considerably lessening the runner's chances.

Since it was decided that an umpire should stand behind the pitcher he has interfered with rather than helped the batsman. When a batsman has hit a fair ball, sending it over the pitcher's head and hitting the umpire, he has no allowance and is compelled to run. The pitcher has only to stoop and pick up the ball in order to throw him out at first. To remedy this the committee decided that the struck ball constituted a base hit and gives the batsman a base when it hits the umpire.

In order to improve the pitching the committee has reduced the balls to four for next season. The three strikes remain as usual.

The latest contribution to base-running is called to be the finest ever seen in America.

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The following gentlemen were admitted as students at law during the present term:—*Graduates*, W. J. Robertson, W. Stewart, N. Simpson, A. P. Duff, W. S. Morden, A. D. Wood and Matthew Leggat were the principal stock and bond holders. Finding themselves face to face with over-powering liabilities and difficulties and urged by judgments, one of which was for $15,000 by the Canada Life, for moneys advanced on bonds, the company decided to assign.

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City Hall Small Talk.

The Property Committee meets this afternoon.

The Court of Revision will pass upon local improvement assessments to-day.

Street-car accommodation for the north west part of the city will be considered to-day by a special committee.

The Mayor has telegraphed to the General Secretary of the K. of L. inviting the order to hold its next annual convention in Toronto.

The special committee on claims will consider the merits of a big batch of them to-morrow afternoon.

The annexation committee interviews the Attorney-General at 2.30 to-morrow.

Pleasant as syrup; nothing equals it as a worm medicine; the name is Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. The greatest worm destroyer of the age.

From Police Blotters.

Alfred A. Bradley was arrested last night by Detective Harris on a charge of robbing a Woodstock farmer named George Clarke of a silver watch and chain in McGreevy's Hotel, West Market-street. The property was recovered.

Chief of Police Holman of Bowmanville is in the city looking up a stolen horse.

Detective Cuddy returned from Kingston last night with George Henderson, charged with embezzling $45 from R. Walker & Son.

Wife and mother, remember it is your duty to save as much as it is your husband's duty to earn and provide. Then before buying your boys' clothing see what they are selling at the Army & Navy stores. See those boys' nap overcoats with cape, one dollar and upwards. And husband, do not spend a penny till you have been to the Army & Navy stores. You will not be pressed to buy, just take a look and buy whatever you like, and remember, you won't get bloody cheated at the Army & Navy no matter how low the prices.

THE ONTARIO COTTON MILLS CO.

The Old Concern Passes Over its Business to the New One.

The assignment of the Ontario Cotton Mills Company to W. F. Findlay, Hamilton, is another twist in the muddle that has, during the past three or four months, enshrouded this company. For six or seven years the mills have been losing money, until when three months ago the company suspended operations, the $300,000 or more of capital had been eaten up. During their troubles they had been issuing bonds, the stock-holders themselves taking some of them and advancing the money to keep the mill afloat. Some of the stock-holders in this way got involved for large amounts. Edward Gurney, Charles Gurney, William Hendrie, A. D. Wood and Matthew Leggat were the principal stock and bond holders. Finding themselves face to face with over-powering liabilities and difficulties and urged by judgments, one of which was for $15,000 by the Canada Life, for moneys advanced on bonds, the company decided to assign.

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Among the Societies.

Several new members were proposed at the regular meeting of Hope of Toronto, I. O. G. T., last night. The juvenile Lodge I.O.G.T. added twelve new members.

A meeting of delegates of the various councils of the Royal Templars of Temperance was held in Temperance Hall last night to make arrangements for their biennial celebration. J. E. Marshall occupied the chair.

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