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One Pound Notes in England.

Two or three weeks ago it was included in the cable news that the Bank of England was about to make a special issue of one pound notes, secured by silver. Since then it has been pointed out that the bank has for long had the power for making such special issue; but that it is only quite recently that the authorities have at last resolved to act upon it. There is really no new law on the subject; but it is true enough that the bank is about to act on an old law, which, it appears, comes in "handy" to suit the present situation. The original report is now substantially confirmed.

This may be looked upon as a concession to the old-fashioned idea of one-pound notes so long known in Scotland; also to the advocates of silver as money or the security for money. Evidently the silver men are gaining in England as well as in America; and that they should make any gain at all in connection with "the Bank" is especially remarkable. It is esteemed a circumstance worthy of note that Mr. Chaplin, who has for some time back been engaged in the pursuit of Fair Trade under difficulties, is now a member of the Government. Here let us quote from the cable correspondence:

As to the question if the announcement making it a silver note really appears on the face of the note, I was assured that it does, and nobody has been able to get an official denial of the assertion. Such an inscription would naturally be construed as England's first step toward bi-metallism and as such be important to the whole world, but the public here would care very little for that point of view compared with the convenience of the note itself. Mr. Chaplin, who was backed in this matter by the whole Fair Trade element of his party in the last session, moved a bi-metallist measure, and a debate ensued, which the Government managed to get adjourned and nothing more was ever heard of it. Mr. Chaplin has since entered the Cabinet, and this silver project is regarded as a concession to him and his wing of the party. The effect of the premature disclosure has been to still further advance the price of silver in India, and yesterday the India Council was able to sell bills on Bombay and sixteen lakhs of telegraphic transfer at the highest rupee rate known in years. My own notion is that Mr. Goschen's scheme as outlined last week is a tentative and experimental bid for trade popularity which will be followed by sweeping measures if he succeeds. That it will catch the popular fancy I don't at all doubt, but more from its paper than its silver aspects.

Well, we won't "argufy" over that. You may call it a concession to the "spirit of the age" if you please; just as the N.P. was in Canada. However, be sure and get this into your head, if you want to be right. That the "spirit of the age" aforesaid is not going so much in the direction of Free Trade and gold exclusively for money as you think it is, but that a reaction in favor both of Protection and of silver money has set in, in Europe as well as in America. Observe that some things have happened since the time when Richard Cobden was the chief apostle of Free Trade in England.

That Mr. Chaplin should be a member of the British Cabinet, and that at least one favorite measure of his should have become a Government one, says something, you will admit. Expect next to hear of Protection as a remedy for the ills of Ireland. You will say, perhaps—not till the age of miracles returns. We inquire—does it not look miraculous to hear of "the old lady of Threadneedle street" adopting the old Scotch system of one-pound notes, so long ridiculed in England. The world moves, so Galileo said, when he had a majority against him.

If Mr. Farrer has any doubts as to his having ever been in Washington, or if he seriously believes there is no such place, this is probably as opportune a moment as he is likely to get in which to express himself on the point.

Sam Jones says that "some things have gone about as far as they can go." Sam's tongue is a very good example.

America has always been looked upon as the hot-bed of divorce, but Japan seems to be crowding ahead. In one month the divorces in fifteen urban districts of Tokio the divorces were equal to about 30 per cent. of the marriages.

A religious paper says that homœopathic physicians are more apt to be professing Christians than allopathic physicians. Just as likely as not some ribald allopath will retort that this is natural enough—that the homœopath is more likely to need religion first.

The stories are revived as to the dire poverty of Mrs. Parnell, mother of the Home Rule leader. She has a place in New Jersey, but it is explained that the wood on it has to be cut to pay the interest on a mortgage. A practical person might ask why she does not sell the place. She says she lives on 25 cents a week, her wants are so few. Surely she has friends who could put up a great deal more than that for her. The tales of her poverty that find their way into print are neither edifying nor dignified.

W. D. Howell's latest story is entitled "The Shadow of Dream." This ought to be about as substantial as the memory of something that never happened.

Grover Cleveland sententiously observed to an interviewer: "Men who have elements of leadership develope rapidly." So do mushrooms.

A proposal is made in New York State to employ convicts in repairing country roads. It is probable that in this way there would be less competition with outside labor than in any other occupation.

The highly intellectual coroner's jury has been heard from again. The one that sat on the Louisville bridge disaster have returned the verdict that the loss of fourteen lives was "the result of the men in the caisson becoming panic-stricken."

Now that the German press has followed the papers of the United States in disapproving of the Samoan Treaty, perhaps some one will think it worth while to ask what the Samoans think about it. They might be expected to take a mild sort of interest in the matter.

Speaking of the Mail-Empire racket, The Detroit Free Press says "they do these things better in France, where a row of this kind would lead to a challenge, a meeting and the satisfaction of honor, with no one hurt and no costs to pay." The suggestion is respectfully submitted.

George Kennan, who gave his closing lecture in this city last evening, is said to be one of the only two Americans who ever completely mastered the Russian language. The other was Caleb Cushing.

The Horace Greeley Statue Committee is at odds with Whitelaw Reid, who has already ordered a statue in behalf of the Greeley Monument Association. To those who know how Reid supplanted Greeley, and the epithet applied by Greeley to Reid when the latter undertook to suppress an article written by old Horace, there seems to be a good deal of hypocrisy in this statue business.

The Sultan of Turkey has sent instructions to his minister at Washington to ask the United States Government to suppress an Armenian paper. Evidently the Sultan has a good deal to learn concerning the relations which exist between Governments and the press on this continent.

A new York state school board says in its report concerning some of the exercises that "a good deal of perfection has been reached." The grammar of that seems to show a good deal of imperfection.

Muzzling the Press.

The Mail's endeavor to muzzle The Empire is so far a failure. A defendant bound over to appear to stand his trial in the sum of $300, furnished by himself, is not to be included in the category of first class misdemenants. It bears to a criminal prosecution proper about the same relations that a casual tread upon a man's corns does to kicking him down a flight of stairs and breaking his neck. It is a very sorry piece of fireworks and the public have a right to be aggrieved. The Mail's mountain having been in labor has produced a mouse. These criminal indictments for libel are about played out. In England before a private prosecutor can change his name into the Queen's, he has to obtain the leave of the Attorney-General, who passes on the information much as a grand jury does before a case is remitted to the Assize Court. Here the intercession of the Queen is a farce and absurdity. There is here no limit to the ridiculous invocations of criminal procedure, and as in the present case there is often an entire absence of proportion between the offence and the machinery by which it is sought to punish the offender. Who are Bunting, Farrer & Co. that their characters should be of special interest to the Queen? *Scandahum magnatum*, upon which was based the antiquated old procedure now adopted never included fish of the size of Bunting and Farrer. And forsooth a grievous public wrong is not to be discussed in the papers of the day because a $200 lawsuit is *sub judice!* Mr. Nesbitt, are you wise?

The Italian Government proposes to establish school-houses in New York and Brooklyn for the use of the large number of Italian boys in those cities. The United States Government may have something to say about it before the proposal is carried into effect.

A Spanish Duke who died the other day had a list of titles that filled a column of one of the largest Spanish journals. But he is just as dead as if he were only plain John Smith.

Portuguese "patriots" propose to carpet the streets with English cloth for Serpa Pinto to walk over on his arrival at Lisbon. The wider the streets are the better the English cloth manufacturers are liable to appreciate this kind of treatment.

The summer comes and the summer goes:
Wild flowers are fringing the dusty lanes,
The swallows go darting through fragrant rains,
Then all of a sudden—it snows.
Dear heart, our lives so happily flow,
So lightly we heed the flying hours,
We only know winter is gone—by the flowers;
We only know winter is come—by the snow.
—T. B. Aldrich.

The winter comes and the winter goes.
The dust is flying through street and alley—
The wild birds dart round the hill and valley
Then all of a sudden—it rains.
Dear heart, our lives so run with the grain,
So lightly we heed the flying hours,
We only know winter is gone—by the flowers,
We only know winter is come—by the rain.

The Philadelphia Record says The Empire will be the only paper in the Canadas that has ever been prosecuted for libel by a journalistic contemporary. This is not historically accurate. Not long ago one paper in Mitchell sued another for libel.

The Late J. F. Gregory, B.C.L.

At the meeting of the Osgoode Legal and Literary Society Saturday evening this resolution, offered by Mr. Du Vernet and Mr. Starr, was adopted by a standing vote:

That the president, officers and members of the Osgoode Literary and Legal Society desire to place on record their deep sense of the loss which the society has sustained in the death of Mr. J. F. Gregory, B.C.L., barrister-at-law, for many years an active and useful member of the society. Mr. Gregory was vice-president for the year 1887-188 and during the whole period of his membership he took a deep interest in the welfare and did much to promote the good of the society. In professional life Mr. Gregory was honorable and courteous in all his dealings while those of us who knew him more intimately learned to love him for his many estimable qualities and above all for his kindly and generous disposition. We appreciated our lamented friend and companion in his lifetime, and now that he is gone from our midst we shall affectionately cherish his memory.

And the society hereby request the secretary to transmit a copy of this resolution to the bereaved family with the respectful expression of the society's sincere condolence with them in their great loss.

Dyspepsia or indigestion is occasioned by the want of action in the biliary ducts, loss of vitality in the stomach to secrete the gastric juices, without which digestion cannot go on; also, being the principal cause of headache. Parmelee's Vegetable Pills taken before going to bed, for a while, never fail to give relief and effect a cure. Mr. F. W. Ashdown, Ashdown, Ont., writes: "Parmelee's Pills are taking the lead against ten other makes which I have in stock."

Burying a Grenadier.

Yesterday afternoon the late A. Henderson was laid to rest in Mount Pleasant Cemetery. A detachment of the Grenadiers assembled at the Armory and thence marched to No. 259 Sherbourne-street, the residence of the deceased's brother. Here Rev. Dr. Thomas conducted the services, after which the Grenadiers buried their comrade with military honors. The Knights of St. John and Malta, of which deceased was a past commander, attended in a body and held a burial service at the grave. The floral offerings were numerous and included a beautiful pillow from "A" Co. and the Boomer Rifle Association. The pallbearers were H. Marsh, L. H. Cuseck, A. Scriver, J. Dick, James Brown and H. Morton.

That beautiful glossy sheen so much admired in hair can be secured by the use of Ayer's Hair Vigor. There is nothing better than this preparation for strengthening the scalp and keeping it free from dandruff and itching eruptions.

Tuesday Trivialities.

"Ah! now I understand," said Johnny, seeing an article headed "Errors of the Compass," "why it gets so much boxing."

People addicted to lingering departures would doubtless be surprised to discover that their long going is often regarded as a shortcoming.

Too much should not be expected of the man who is wearing the first bosom shirt ever made by his wife.

He: Do you think you would vote for protection, provided you had the privilege?

She (shyly): Yes, I think I should—if you would promise to be the protector.

"Footprints in the sand," muttered the grocer's mule as he stove in a barrel of sugar which had just been unloaded.

In view of the tendency toward brevity in titles at the present day, if Tennyson had it to do over again he would probably call his "Dreams of Fair Women" "Bonnets."

Robinson Crusoe's notched stick calendar was the nick of time.

Schoolmistress: Tommy, what did you disobey me for? Tommy: 'Cos I thought you'd whip me. Schoolmistress: What did you want me to whip you for? Tommy: 'Cos pa said he would if you didn't, and he hurts.

A member of the Bear Association—A Rocky Mountain grizzly.

The pig who gets into clover thinks the sward mightier than the pen.

The brass-band man is always ready to go out on a little took.

Woman's hand may be pale and delicate, but she can pick up a hotter plate than a man.

Dyspepsia in its worst forms will yield to the use of Carter's Little Nerve Pills, aided by Carter's Little Liver Pills. Dose, one of each after seating. 246

TED BETTS GETS $1000.

The Result of His Action Against the Knights of Pythias Committee—The Taylor-Johnston Case.

The attention of Mr. Justice Street and a jury was engaged for the most part of yesterday in hearing evidence in a case which has already been before the courts, that of Edward Betts, restaurateur, against an executive committee of the Knights of Pythias demonstration held at Toronto in June, 1886. The members of this committee constituting the defendants are Dr. G. B. Smith, Dr. J. S. King, J. Gilmour, A. J. Rattray, R. J. Villiers. At the trial in the first instance judgment was given for these defendants. This judgment the plaintiff succeeded in setting aside and attaining a new trial, which is the present action.

Mr. William Lount, Q.C., and Mr. G. Powell appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. N. Gordon Bigelow, Q.C., and W. G. Smyth for the defence.

The statement of claim sets forth that in June, 1886, the plaintiff and defendants entered into a contract agreeing that the plaintiff should furnish three meals on Monday, July 12, at Exhibition Park, for from 800 to 500 Knights of Pythias, including some ladies and friends, and should furnish them meals at the Park on each of the three following days for from 1500 to 2000 Knights of Pythias, including some ladies and friends, for each of which meals the defendants agreed to procure persons to apply to the plaintiff for the service of such meals upon them and agreed to pay the plaintiff 25 cents for each meal or 75 cents for each group of three meals.

The plaintiff at considerable cost made the necessary arrangements but the defendants neglected to procure at least 300 persons as mentioned above on July 12 or to procure 1500 persons on each of the three following days, and the defendants refuse to pay the plaintiff for any of the meals save than those actually served to persons who applied to the plaintiff.

The amount claimed was $1964. The jury returned a verdict giving the plaintiff $1000.

The court room was crowded during the day by those who expected that the Taylor v. Johnston case would come up. The parties to the action and their respective counsels were on hand, but the Betts case occupied the attention of the court during the entire day.

As set forth in the statement of claim Albert William Taylor, the plaintiff, a workman in the employ of the Massey Manufacturing Company, alleges that the defendant, William F. Johnston, a superintendent in the same concern, during the fall of 1888 seduced the plaintiff's daughter, Emma Taylor, a child being born about May 26, 1889. The amount of damages claimed is $3000.

These allegations are denied by the defendant, who denies any knowledge of the accouchement of Miss Taylor. The case will most likely be tried to-day.

To-day's list: Hamilton v. Cousineau. Cline v. Muskoka M. and L. Co., Taylor v. Johnston, Howarth v. Kilgour, Turner v. Cousineau, Wilson v. O'Donohoe, Cowdy v. Hamilton, St. Denis v. Truax, McCrany v. McCool, Scott v. Barrett, Riley v. Rushbrook, Johnson v. Harris, Power v. Tobin, Beaumont v. Toronto Street Railway Company.

MURDERER KANE'S DEMEANOR.

He Still Protests His Innocence but Has Lost His Original Stoicism.

Thomas Kane, the murderer condemned to hang on Feb. 12, has lost all his original stoicism and indifference to the sentence of death passed upon him by Mr. Justice Street. He has grown much thinner since his confinement and looks pale and careworn. He implores his counsel to intercede for him with the Minister of Justice, and it is Mr. Macdonald's intention to go to the Capital for that purpose as soon as the Taylor-Johnston case, in which he is engaged for the plaintiff, is concluded. Mr. Macdonald will interview Sir John Thompson and will present to him the petition signed by the jurors who brought in the verdict of guilty and by others. He does not think that the minister will permit the extreme penalty of the law to be carried out and he will urge upon him as a precedent the case of Thomas Buckley, who was sentenced by Chief Justice Galt to 15 years' imprisonment. Kane still protests his innocence and asserts that his neighbor, Mrs. Stirling and her child, swore his life away.

Leading physicians recommend Ayer's Sarsaparilla. Old and young take it with perfect safety. It cleanses the blood, strengthens the nerves and vitalizes the system. Popular experience has long placed this medicine at the head of tonic alteratives.

The Board of Trade Elections.

EDITOR WORLD: A matter apparently not generally known, but which should be borne in mind by every member in casting his ballot, is that Mr. H. N. Baird, one of the candidates for First Vice-President, is a director of the Midland Division of the Grand Trunk Railway Company. In view of the position of the Esplanade question and the struggle likely to last several years yet to have it put in satisfactory shape, the high places of the board ought surely to be held by men whom every citizen could implicitly depend on to stand up for the interests of Toronto as against all railway corporations, first, last and all the time. No man answers this description better than Mr. Edward Gurney.

A MEMBER OF THE BOARD.

Severe colds are easily cured by the use of Rickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, a medicine of extraordinary penetrating and healing properties. It is acknowledged by those who have used it as being the best medicine sold for coughs, colds, inflammation of the lungs, and all affections of the throat and chest. Its agreeableness to the taste makes it a favorite with ladies and children.

The Late Mr. Beswick's Funeral.

An evening paper stated that the funeral of the late James P. Beswick took place yesterday afternoon. This was an error; the funeral will take place this (Tuesday) afternoon from the family residence, 141 Sherbourne-street, at ½ o'clock. For 60 years Mr. Beswick was a resident of Toronto. Recently he was employed at the City Hall and for several years was tax collector for St. Patrick's Ward.

Holloway's Corn Cure is the medicine to remove all kinds of corns and warts, and only costs the small sum of twenty-five cents.

Inspector Awde After Inspector Stark.

"Inspector Awde is neglecting his duty," said a well-known auctioneer yesterday. "He ought to enquire whether Inspector Stark had an auctioneer's license when he sold the unclaimed property of the Police department on Saturday. If not he ought to have him up for breach of the civic law. What is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander."

Jacob H. Bloomer of Virgilia, N.Y., writes "Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil cured a badly swelled neck and sore throat on my son in forty-eight hours; one application also removed the pain from a very sore toe; my wife's foot was also inflamed—so much so that she could not walk about the house; she applied the oil and in twenty-four hours was entirely cured.

Cook's Tours to the Tropics.

We would call the attention of our readers to the facilities we offer for reaching the fall and winter resorts among the islands of the Western Ocean and South America. The Bermudas, reached by the elegant steamers of the Quebec S.S. Co.; the Bahamas, Cuba and Mexican ports by the Ward Line; Jamaica by the Atlas Line and the Honduras and Central American S.S. Co.; Barbados by the U.S. and Brazil Mail S.S. Co., or the Quebec S.S. Co.

All the above mentioned places offer many attractions to the tourists and invalids who wish to escape the rigors of a northern winter, and are but a few days sail in pleasant weather from New York. The magnificent ships of the different lines are fitted up for the accommodation of first-class travel, and offer every comfort that could possibly be desired.

Sailing dates and rates of fare and illustrated pamphlets can be obtained, steamship plans seen, and tickets and accommodations secured at the office of A. F. Webster (Cook & Son's representative), 55 Yonge-street.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

At Logansville, Col., a snowslide buried a house and killed two of the inmates.

The snow is 16 feet deep on the track near Truckee on the eastern slope of the Sierras.

Twenty-three wrecks in three weeks have caused a wholesale discontinuance of passenger trains on the Central road of Georgia, which is a part of the Richmond Terminal Company's system.

GETTING INTO HARNESS.

Ald. Hill's Waterworks Committee Holds Its First Business Meeting.

Ald. Hill gathered the Waterworks Committee around him yesterday afternoon, for the first business of the year. There were present Ald. Small, Bailey, Gowanlock, Gibbs, McMullen, Lindsey, Lucas, Irwin, Carlyle (St. And.), Boustead and Superintendent Hamilton. Mr. W. G. McWilliams appeared to ask for the return of the $5000 deposit belonging to Mr. F. B. McNamee, the contractor for the new conduit across the Bay. He had furnished good security for the completion of the work and could not see what the committee wanted with a $5000 guarantee as well. The superintendent will report the full facts in connection with the matter at the next meeting.

In reply to a request from the committee as to whether the department was legally bound by the terms of annexation to preserve the present St. Alban's Ward water pumping station in all its integrity, the City Solicitor gave the opinion that there was no clause which could be so construed. The only paragraph which referred to the subject was the following:

The waterworks system of Parkdale to be utilized by the city of Toronto so far as practicable and branch offices for the payment of water rates to be established either in Parkdale or in the western part of the city adjacent thereto.

Ald. Gowanlock moved that Ald. Boustead, Lucas and himself be a committee to report on what measures ought to be taken towards equalizing the water rates. The resolution was carried.

The report of the superintendent was then taken up. Ald. Gowanlock grew eloquent on the fine attributes of the old Parkdale pumping station. A committee composed of Ald. Gowanlock, Lucas, Carlyle and McMullen was drafted to consider how best to remodel the plant, etc. The superintendent was instructed to prepare a plan of the proposed improvements to the street leading to the main pumping station. Ald. Carlyle got a motion through asking the Board of Works to open up Esplanade-street to the main pumping station. The report was concurred in.

Ald. Small wanted to know what supply of 6-inch pipes the superintendent had on hand and was satisfied to learn that he could get all he wanted.

It is no longer necessary to take blue pills to rouse the liver to action. Carter's Little Liver Pills are much better. Don't forget this. 246

THE LIBEL SUIT IN COURT.

Mr. Creighton Sent for Trial in the Bunting Case.—The Farrer Suit Adjourned.

The case of Mr. C. W. Bunting, managing director of The Mail, v. David Creighton, manager of The Empire, for criminal libel, was re-opened before the Police Magistrate yesterday. The case of Edward Farrer, editor of The Mail, against David Creighton and Louis P. Kribs, also a criminal action for criminal libel, was taken up.

Wallace Nesbitt and A. W. Aytoun-Finlay, B.A., represented Mr. Bunting. Mr. A. H. Marsh (Lount & Marsh) appeared for Mr. Farrer. Messrs. Creighton and Kribs were represented by John Bain, Q.C., and Hamilton Cassells.

The case first taken up was Bunting v. Creighton.

Mr. Bain, on behalf of the defendant, contended that The Mail Printing Company being a corporation could not indict for criminal libel. On the other hand, Mr. Nesbitt quoted from copious authorities to show that a corporation could be the defendant in a criminal action and therefore could likewise be the complainant. The Magistrate decided in favor of the complainant and committed Mr. Creighton for trial, taking his own bail for $200.

Then the case of Farrer v. Creighton and Kribs was opened. A number of witnesses were called, mainly employes of The Empire, and examined by Mr. Marsh. The case was adjourned until this morning at 11.

Derangement of the liver, with constipation, injures the complexion, induces pimples, sallow skin. Remove the cause by using Carter's Little Liver Pills. One a dose. Try them. 246

THE COURT OF REVISION.

Ald. Hewitt and His Colleagues Conduct Their First Business.

The first meeting of the Court of Revision was held yesterday. Before Ald. Hewitt took the chair City Clerk Blevins administered the usual oath to the chairman, Ald. Carlyle (St. And.), Macdougall, Hallam, Bailie, the only members present. The by-law calling for the construction of a sewer in Defoe-street had its passage through the court deferred at the request of Ald. Carlyle. The extension of Huxley-street, St. Alban's Ward, brought down a crowd of westerners to oppose it. Col. Gray objected to pay for the improvement, as his property had not been benefitted by the proposed extension.

Ald. Gowanlock gave a history of the affair. It turned out that the matter was a relic of Parkdale times, and it was originally intended to do it as a general work, taxable in all the wards of the municipality, and the opponents of the scheme held that now Parkdale had become a part of the city it should be paid out of the city's general taxation.

This the court did not think right and recommended the work as a local improvement. The matter was referred to the City Solicitor.

The relief of the C.P.R. from paying any assessment for the Cottingham-street sewer attracted a large number of North Enders. The decision of the County Judge practically left the full cost of the work to fall on the property owners on the south side of the thoroughfare. The court denounced the whole affair as an outrage and referred it to the City Solicitor.

Mrs. Henry Sheldon of Farmersville, was cured of Canker of the Stomach by Burdock Blood Bitters when her friends had nearly abandoned all hope.

WHAT ALDERMEN THINK OF IT.

The Attack of E. A. Macdonald on the Mayor Calls up Much Indignation.

The letter of E. A. Macdonald was the great subject of discussion in the City Hall yesterday. After all the committees were over an indignation meeting of aldermen was held in the members' room, in which the aspect of the affair was canvassed in all its bearings. Ald. Frankland was practically chairman and he and Ald. Boustead were equally severe in their comments on the action of the writer. Ald. Dodds stigmatized a portion of the letter as "brutal," while Ald. Denison told his colleagues that he always knew that "E. A. Macdonald was a dangerous man." Ald. Baillie, Booth, Swait and half-a-dozen others acquiesced in the remarks.

All agreed that a special meeting of the Council ought to be called to express the sense of the aldermen of the attack on His Worship.

What lovely teeth! Dyer's arnicated tooth paste is the best thing in the world to keep them so, try it. Druggists keep it. W. A. Dyer & Co., Montreal.

Mrs. Buel and the W.C.T.U.

Mrs. Caroline B. Buel of Chicago, Corresponding Secretary of the N.W.C.T.U., addressed a meeting of ladies yesterday afternoon in Association Hall under the auspices of the W.C.T.U. Miss Tilley presided and on the platform was Dr. Anna H. Shaw, who had been invited. Mrs. Buel spoke for 1¼ hours on the laws and platform of the N.W.C.T.U. She advocated strongly the great prohibition movement and drew many interesting and instructive lessons from the lives of lady workers in the States. The different departments of the Y.W.C.G. were also touched upon.

Dr. Shaw gave a short address on the franchise department which was much appreciated.

Ministers, lawyers, teachers and others whose occupation gives but little exercise should use Carter's Little Liver Pills for torpid liver and billiousness. One is a dose. Try them. 246

City Hall Small Talk.

The Board of Works meets to-day.

Ald. Frankland was acting mayor yesterday.

Ald. Denison and Lindsey have buried the hatchet and are now as brothers.

The Markets and Health sub-committee on the western cattle market visited that place yesterday.

Mr. P. Finnegan has been given charge of the viaduct model and will have the task of explaining it to the public.

City Solicitor Biggar left for Ottawa last night to argue the city's case before the Railroad Committee of the Privy Council.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

Varieties at the Academy—"Held By the Enemy" and "His Natural Life"—Other Amusement Notes.

"Hermann's Transatlantique Vaudevilles"—the high-toned name for a high-class straight-out variety show—drew a large audience to the Academy of Music last evening, and the performance fully justified all that had been said in its praise in advence. The company comprises some of the noted music-hall artists of the other side of the ocean, and America is well represented in the person of Mr. Gus. Williams, who is an old-time entertainer and fully as amusing, if not more so, than in the days when he sang a turn of songs with rapid changes of costume. Ross and Fenton are also probably Americans—if not, they have quickly caught on to American methods. The rest of the company are from over the water and they are all artists; little Freddy is quite so, the acrobats are good, the clown amusing, the dancers agile and graceful and the whole outfit well worthy of an evening's visit. The show will run all week with matinees Wednesday and Saturday.

"Held By The Enemy."

Jacobs & Sparrow's Opera House was crowded last evening when the "Held By The Enemy" Company appeared, and the applause and curtain calls gave evidence of the hold which Gillette's war drama has upon the theatre-goers of Toronto. The piece has been given so often in this city that a recital of its plot is unnecessary, but it is not out of place to congratulate Mr. Gillette for having produced a drama upon a delicate theme, which can be produced anywhere without in the slightest degree offending either side that took part in the great war of secession. The cast is efficient and all the effects are well worked up, notably the galloping of the horses—a specially patented effect very simple in its production, yet very realistic as heard from the front of the house. Of the cast, Mr. W. H. Leyden presents a commanding appearance as the Major-General, and with his sonorous voice and judicious action, he readily becomes a favorite with the audience. The Uncle Rufus of Walter Fenton is a fine piece of negro acting, never over-done and all in the best taste. Of the rest, Messrs. Young, Elwood, Stewart and Jansen are deserving of special mention, as were also Alice Gray, Tessie Deagle and Jeannette Ferrell.

"Held by the Enemy" will hold the stage for the balance of the week, with matinees to-day, to-morrow and Saturday.

"His Natural Life" at the Grand.

"His Natural Life" is a melodrama of the robust order, written by Inigo Tyrrell and Marcus Clarke. It treats of convict life in Tasmania, and abounds in lurid incidents that never could happen outside of Tasmania, and in all probability never happened there. There is burglary and murder in old London leading up to the sending of the heroic victs to Tasmania, and then there is mutiny, abandonment, a sea of fire and a good deal of sensation generally all more or less relevant. A number of introduced specialties tried to "liven up the gloom," as they were. The main author of the piece, Mr. Inigo Tyrrell, appears as the hero, and he is supported by a company fully calculated to do justice to the merits of the piece.

The piece is announced for the balance of the week.

The Battle of Gettysburg.

This famous and popular painting represents the decisive action which took place on the afternoon of July 3, 1863, the third day of the battle, generally known as Pickett's charge. The open nature of the ground, allowing a complete survey of the field, the closeness and severity of the engagement, the beauty of the scenery, a clear day in mid-harvest, all combine to make this great battle the most picturesque one of the wars within the memory of mankind. The realism and faithfulness of the painting on exhibition at the Cyclorama is admirable.

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Jottings About Town.

Mr. Charles Boeckh, who has been very seriously ill for several days, is now progressing favorably, his friends will be pleased to hear.

The Police Magistrate yesterday committed Joseph Eager to the Central for a year on a brutal attack on P. C. Findlay, whose ankle he broke in a scuffle in Adelaide-street Dec. 14.

The annual missionary meeting to be held this evening in St. Stephen's schoolhouse, Bellevue-avenue, will be addressed by Canon DuMoulin and Rural Dean Fornieret of Hamilton.

Judge Macdougall, in chambers yesterday, heard an action brought by John B. Trembly against H. J. La Force for $136 as payment for lumber and house building material. The action was dismissed.

At the semi-monthly meeting of the Ministerial Association in the Y.M.C.A. building yesterday afternoon a paper was read by Rev. Dr. Stafford on "The Service of Free Thought to Christianity."

At 2.20 p.m. yesterday, fire at Joseph Kennedy's residence, 10 Sussex-avenue, did $25 damage. Cause unknown. Fire in J. O'Leary's plumber shop, Queen and Parliament-streets, early last evening, did $25 damage.

Take the Pacific Mail S.S. line to San Francisco and points in California. First-class boats every ten days from New York (via Isthmus of Panama). First cabin $90, forward cabin $40. For tickets and berths apply to the Toronto General S.S. Agency, 24 Adelaide-street west.

The committee of the recently organised Upper Canada College and Public Places Association met yesterday afternoon in the Humane Society's office, Bay-street. Mr. O. A. Howland presided and a couple of hours were spent in discussing the best way of bringing the matter before the public.

The body of Michael Marz, the laborer who was drowned Saturday night, is still at the Morgue. His parents, who live at Ogdensburg, N.Y., have been communicated with. Deceased has a wife living in the city, but she is in destitute circumstances and unable to take charge of the body.

Mrs. Harvie presided at the regular meeting of the Y.W.C.G. last night in their Yonge-street parlors. Arrangements were made for a public meeting in Queen-street Methodist Church on Monday evening next, at which Rev. Manly Benson will deliver an address. A musical program will also be provided.

How to Obtain Sunbeams.

Every one should have them. Have what? Stanton's Sunbeam Photographs, $1 per dozen. Studio southwest corner Yonge and Adelaide streets. 462

Three of the Crew Drowned.

HALIFAX, Jan. 27.—The schooner G. C Kelly, from Boston, went ashore at Tusket this morning and three of the crew were drowned.

The surgeon of the Lubon Medicine Company may be consulted free on all chronic diseases of men, diseases of women and children, at 50 Front-street east. Office, room 15, daily (Sunday excepted). Office hours 10 to 12 a.m. and 2 to 5 p.m. 23456.

Torments of Toothache.

I can recommend Hagyard's Yellow Oil as a sure cure for toothache. I suffered for several days, then I heated my cheek and rubbed the Yellow Oil on it and was immediately relieved.
MRS. DAVID G. ARNOTT, Russel, Man.

Harry Webb Always Caters.

The Toronto Retail Grocers' Association held their annual dinner at Harry Webb's last evening. To-night the railway conductors hold their annual ball in Shaftesbury Hall. Harry Webb is the caterer in this social event also. When first-class service is required Harry Webb is always the man.

Caswell, Massey & Co.'s Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil, with Pepsin and Quinine, is recognized as the best preparation known. Prescribed by the leading physicians. W. A. Dyer & Co., Montreal.

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Contains the great seal of the American Republic, and Burdock Blood Bitters contains the virtues of roots, barks and herbs from our fields and forests, making it a wonderful remedy for constipation, dyspepsia, biliousness, bad blood, scrofula and all skin diseases.

There is nothing equal to Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator for destroying worms. No article of its kind has given such satisfaction.

LATE LONDON GOSSIP.

A "Coming Man"—The Silver Story—The Queen's Health.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—The recent invitation of the Prince of Wales to Henry Fowler, M.P., to visit him at Sandringham, is viewed by politicians as an indication that His Royal Highness expects the early return of the Liberal party to power. To be invited to Sandringham is justly regarded as marking a definite stage on a public man's progress toward celebrity, for the Prince of Wales has an extraordinarily quick perception for "coming men" and shows the most sagacious alacrity in making friends of them. In inviting Mr. Fowler the Prince has formally recognized and ratified the public judgment which has assigned to Mr. Fowler a prominent and merited place in the next Liberal cabinet.

It is learned on the authority of one of the governors of the Bank of England that the story about silver has for its foundation the fact that Mr. Goschen, Chancellor of the Exchequer, has been urged to introduce a bill into Parliament to provide means for the coinage of silver bullion to relieve British bankers and merchants from embarrassments caused by the constantly recurring scarcity of silver in Shanghai and other trading centers in China. For several months this scarcity of silver has been more remarkable than at any other period, especially as in addition to the imports of this metal, a noteworthy supply has long been obtained from mines in the Chinese empire itself. An increasing demand for the higher form of currency—silver—in China, however, seems a natural consequence of its commercial progress.

The supposed discovery of the bacillus of influenza by Drs. Maximilian and Adolphe Jolles, of the bacterian laboratory of the general hospital at Vienna, is not by any means a new one. In 1782 the influenza, as in the case of the present epidemic, traveled from east to west. Then the disease was supposed to have entered Russia from China, and no less a person than Kant professed to find its origin in an "insect" (nowadays the word would be microbe), imported into Russia in a bale of goods from China.

It is said by those about the court that the rheumatism from which Queen Victoria suffers has been of late very troublesome, and that the variations of climate this winter have made it more acute, so that the projected journey to Homburg is regarded by Her Majesty's advisers with great satisfaction. Regret has been expressed in a high quarter that the Queen is not advised to try the effect of a visit to Buxton or Bath. At the latter place great improvements have been carried out, but it is said that at both places there is no residence suited for the retirement desired by the Queen, and it is also remarked that Her Majesty derives benefit from the thorough change of scene involved in a visit to the continent.

The charming resort of our fashionable citizens. The Arlington Hotel, Toronto, has just opened new east wing for inspection. The arrangements and furnishings of the rooms are exquisite. 246

Niagara Central Directors.

ST. CATHARINES, Jan. 27.—The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Niagara Central Railway was held to-day at 3 p.m. These directors were elected: Dr. Lucius S. Oille, Messrs. S. Neelon, H. A. King, W. W. Greenwood, E. A. Smyth of St. Catharines, F. W. Fearman of Hamilton, John Shields of Toronto. At a subsequent meeting of the directors Dr. Oille was elected president and S. Neelon vice-president.

To Be Sold for Taxes.

MONTREAL, Jan. 27.—The provincial revenue collector will sell on March 27, in the parish of St. Antoine, of Longueuil, that part of the Montreal and Sorel Railway in the counties of Richelieu, Vercheres and Chambly. This action is due to the inability of the government to collect taxes in any other way from that corporation.

Incendiarism at Guelph.

GUELPH, Jan. 27.—Between three and four o'clock this morning a stable in Waterloo-avenue owned by James Boyle and occupied by Joseph Kirby was discovered in flames. Four of Kirby's horses were cremated and harness, etc., destroyed. Loss on stable about $300, insured in the London and Lancashire. No insurance on contents. Incendiarism is suspected.

A G.T.R. Brakeman Killed.

STRATFORD, Jan. 27.—While G.T.R. Brakeman Christopher O. Farmer was adjusting a coupling in the yard here Saturday night he was struck on the head by a projecting timber and falling beneath the wheels was instantly killed. Deceased had been married only five months. The remains were taken to Sarnia this afternoon. An inquest will be held.

Necessity