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TO NEWSDEALERS.

Orders for The World of Saturday last can now be filled on receipt of card or telegram.

Ontario, Mother of Men.

Mr. Blue, the energetic secretary of the Ontario bureau of industries, attended a recent conference of statisticians held at Boston. Mr. Blue, as became his modesty, put in a good word for his province, backing up his statements with a wheelbarrow of figures. After showing, and quoting David A. Wells in support of his view, that Ontario has the climatic conditions which especially fit it to grow men, and claiming that, other circumstances being equal, the odds are on the side of the best breeds of men in the rivalries of nations, he wound up with the somewhat athletic and able-bodied assertion that there were in every village amateur Hanlans, and Wallace Rosses in the potential were on every limb. There is no doubt that the sons of Ontario are strapping chaps, and when that little army, tanned and hardy, returns from the Northwest in a few days the proof of our statement may be seen in an accentuated form. But it is down in the county of Glengarry that Ontario has surpassed herself in the size and vigor of her sons. They are to be found all over Canada, all over the United States, these Glengarry men of giant build, of indomitable energy. But besides the quality of her men Ontario has many other advantages that make and ought to make her the finest province or state on the continent.

Again Rumors of War.

We would not too readily accept as true the revived war rumors which are now coming from Persia and Afghanistan. As far as the public are permitted to know, recent exchanges between London and St. Petersburg have been of a peaceful character. But the most disturbing part of the news is that the Russian commander, General Alikanhoff, is determined to force on a war, and that he is even deceiving the Czar as to what is actually going on. This story may be an invention, but there is nothing intrinsically improbable in it. For it has happened ere now that the army and the war party at Moscow and St. Petersburg together have proved stronger than the nominal autocrat of all the Russians, and have carried their point against all opposing influences. And again—who knows?—it may be that the czar is willing to be deceived, and to allow some frontier accident or "incident" to do what should be done only by grave and diplomatic deliverance from the foreign office. It is conceivable that the czar, oppressed as he is with heavy responsibilities, and the terrors of nihilism to boot, may consult his own ease and safety chiefly, and simply allow things to drift. In which case Komaroff and Alikanhoff may be depended upon to make the drift go in their own desired channel—that is, towards war.

It is becoming more and more evident that it has been a grand mistake all along to regard Russia as a really civilized power—as a power sufficiently amenable to the requirements of civilized diplomacy to pay respect to formal agreements. Suppose that such an agreement as that recently made with Russia had been made with either France or Germany instead. We might feel quite sure that no French general, or German general either, as the case might be, would so far presume as to break the agreement by an act of war without express orders from his superiors at the capital of his nation. But this is exactly what we cannot depend upon when Russian generals are concerned. When the fit is on them they do as they please, and next the Russian foreign minister of the day writes diplomatically about an incident—the "Penjdeh incident," for example. The real truth is that Russia at is best only a half-civilized power; and that as such she ought to be treated by all Western Europe, until she has better shown her fitness to bear the character she assumes. At bottom she is more than half-Tartar, and her outside French polish of diplomacy fails to conceal the savage nature underneath. Let us hope that Britain's new government will be well prepared for every turn of her crooked ways.

The American Financial Volcano.

The stock market of Wall street is an edifice built upon a volcano foundation; and not upon what Disraeli might have called an extinct volcano, either. Beneath the seemingly solid crust there are glowing fires, which may any day break forth above, and light up the sky with lurid glare. During some decades past, but especially since the end of the civil war, a vast financial structure of shares and bonds has been building up, the whole real value of which is not one-third or one-half of nominal quotations. The owners, or alleged owners, of this gigantic structure of many wings and section's labor day and night, with the stock exchange, the telegraph, and a great portion of the press at their back, to uphold fictitious values, and that in the face of what everybody sees to be a falling market. A writer in a New York paper says that it has become absolutely useless to argue or attempt to draw any conclusions from existing facts. The investor does not want to hear of Wall street. Nine-tenths of the speculators know that stocks are not worth anything like the prices they are selling at. Yet prices advance as if a general revival of business had set in; as if magnificent crops had been assured, and an immense export demand for them created. Nothing of the kind has occurred, however, and the market is being put up on the prospective settlement of the differences between the managers of two railroad corporations—the New York Central and the Pennsylvania. The speculators believe that if these differences are settled all the other competing lines will be whipped into a brotherly pool, which will be able to establish extortionate rates for transportation and to secure brilliant profits to the holders of stocks. But as long as there is not traffic enough for all the roads no brotherly pool is possible, and an advance of rates can certainly not increase the traffic. Wall street, however, does not care about that. The speculators buy stocks because they believe that prices will be made to advance and that there will always be ample time to jump out with profits. So far they have been right. But as the short interest must be very nearly eliminated by this time, and as the outside public is less than ever disposed to bring its money to Wall street, it is very difficult to see how prices can be sustained any longer unless all the banks and bankers of the country are going to make even the most worthless Wall street securities their only investment.

Some day, most inevitably, the volcano will burst forth, the foundations will give way and the whole gigantic structure of fictitious values will come tumbling about the ears of those who happen to be "there" at the unlucky moment. Then it will be seen how much better absence of body (of one's substance invested) is than any degree of presence of mind; and Punch's dictum with regard to railway accidents will get another though not altogether a new application. But as it was in the old days, so probably it will be again. Before the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah the people took things right merrily—they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded, up to the very day of the catastrophe. Let Canadians be well advised to "stand from under."

The Return of the Troops.

Editor World: I do not advocate the secularization of the Sabbath, but if in the natural course of events Sunday should be the day on which the volunteers could reach the city, I should say they ought to come in on that day. Rather than hold the troops over to enable excursionists to come in and see them on Monday I would support the running of excursion trains to the city on Sunday. All could then see the men without losing a day and the volunteers would be among their friends at the earliest possible moment. CITIZEN.

The Skiff Had the Right of Way.

Editor World: As a member of the new skiff club I would like to know whether the Island ferries have the right of way in crossing the bay. As an instance, last evening as I was sailing across to the Island, the Luella was coming in the opposite direction, and as she got near me she turned her rudder to get ahead of me; I kept on my course, as I thought I had the right of way, but when I was about twenty feet from her she gave another turn, causing me to "let off," and the steamer coming close beside me caused my sail to gibe, almost upsetting me. Now, as I was alone and had no oars or anything to help me along I would like to hear the opinion of others on this subject, as, if the Luella or any other boat ever upset me I will bring it into court and have the matter sifted.

A MEMBER OF THE SKIFF CLUB.

Licenses for the Island.

Editor World: I am surprised at your allowing a man, so illy-informed as to the facts as your correspondent, J. T., of this morning shows himself to be, to write on this question. The west end of the Island, known as Hanlan's point, where nine-tenths of the people go, is not a public park. It is private property for which I pay a rental of $2500 a year. The wharves are mine, and so are the sidewalks, all the seats, band stand, lights, etc. The music and all the other attractions are supplied by Mr. Doty and myself. It costs us $60 a month to keep the place in shape. Men like J. T. come over there with five cents worth of peanuts in their pockets; all I get from them is that I have to pay for cleaning up the mess. Before J. T. can make his contention good he will have to show that things were disorderly at the Island last year, when a license was in force. To bring the thing down to a dollar and cent basis it is a fact that if our patrons—the masses of the city—are deprived of getting even a glass of lager beer on the island the custom will leave us, we will have to abandon our improvements, and the trade will go places like Victoria park, Lorne park and the Humber, where no such unjust and unfair restrictions obtain. We would close up now hotel, wharves and three-fourths of the ferries had we not some hope of this arbitrary treatment to which we have been subjected being abandoned next season. The majority of the people are in favor of our having a license, and when J. T. can show that such is not the case then I am willing to give in to him and his party.

July 15. JAMES H. MACKIE.

The Religious Press on the Modern Babylon.

From the Christian Guardian, July 15.

Brutal and vile as the facts stated by the Gazette are, they are probably true. Rev. Mr. Spurgeon is not apt to speak rashly or to write unadvisedly, but he published over his own signature in the Monthly Review of June 27 an article which a despatch from London says has produced a profound sensation. In this article he gives in detail the story of the death last year of Justice Williams in a brothel and the disclosures brought out in the recent Jeffries case. He makes these examples from high official life the basis of a denunciation of English immorality, and he says: "Sodom in its most putrid days could scarce exceed London for vice." To our infinite disgust and horror the names of the greatest in the land are openly mentioned in connection with the filthiest debauchery and the most hideous evil that drags in the wake of vice. These things are alleged to be the chosen luxury of certain hereditary legislators and rulers in England. Woe unto thee, England, when thy great ones love the harlot's housetop!

From the Canadian Presbyterian, July 15.

Two classes are strongly opposed to the action of the Gazette—good men who think that the end does not justify the means, and immoral men who love the deeds of darkness on which such an awful glare of light has been thrown. It seems to us there is but one question to solve: Is the good that is undoubtedly being accomplished by exposure greater than the evil caused by exposure? If so, then exposure is a duty, a terrible duty it may be, but still a duty. The charge that the Pall Mall Gazette is merely getting up a sensation to increase its sale is not worth considering. That may be and very likely is true; but it does not affect the horrible facts revealed.

AN ACTOR'S ALLEGED DEATH.

Said to Have Been Killed in the Northwest Rebellion.

From the New York World.

In the early part of June, and while the Riel rebellion was still in progress, this despatch from Winnipeg was published in The World:

Among the party of scouts conveying a train of ammunition wagons who were massacred by Riel's troops was an actor whose name is unknown.

Investigation quite conclusively shows that the name of the actor was Mason Mitchell. The story of his life, ended by this tragic death—if he is indeed dead—in the Canadian wilderness, is only now beginning to be known in the theatrical profession. Mitchell was at one time connected with the Mary Anderson company. He played as leading gentleman in the Minnie Maddern company, and was also a member of the McKee Rankin stock organization at the Third Avenue theatre. He was first heard of in New York five or six years ago. He came here from his home in Rochester, where he had been admitted to the bar.

When Mary Anderson sailed for England Mr. Abbey engaged Mitchell to support her. It was understood that he was to have a leading part, but American actors, Mr. Abbey feared, had not been particularly magnetic on British boards, and it was decided to change former plans and have Miss Anderson supported almost entirely by English actors and actresses. So at the first rehearsal of "Ingomar" Mitchell, instead of being cast for a fair part, found that he was to appear as one of Ingomar's barbarians. He promptly resigned and entered the Augustus Harris company at the Drury Lane Theatre. In this, it is said, he was so successful that a tour of the provinces was made, Mitchell taking Harris' own part.

After his return from this tour Mitchell met Miss Sophia Eyre, the lady who was once selected by Mr. Wallack to supersede Rose Coghlan. They were together on the ship coming over, and it was understood in the profession on their arrival that they were engaged to be married. Reaching New York Miss Eyre took quarters at the Victoria hotel, but for various reasons did not appear at Wallack's. Mitchell joined the Minnie Maddern company.

A few months ago Mitchell picked up a newspaper and read therein that Miss Eyre had married a wealthy young gentleman from Cincinnati. There had been some opposition in the bridegroom's family, but her beauty and agreeable qualities smoothed all difficulties, and to day she is to all appearances a devoted and happy wife.

The affair, his friends say, preyed on Mitchell's mind. During his stay in New York—he was of a frugal turn and had saved money—he lived in a private hotel on Fifth avenue, and gradually disappeared from the usual haunts of actors about town. One of his friends advised him to try hunting. He did so, and spent several months in the Dismal Swamp of Virginia. On his return, and in April last, Mitchell left the city to play the leading juvenile part in Kate Claxton's company. The tour lay through Wisconsin and Manitoba.

Charles Stevenson, the manager of the company, was sitting in his office just after the first performance, when Mitchell entered, said that he had grown tired of theatricals and was going to enlist with the Canadian troops, then marching to the attack on Riel. Both the actress and Mr. Stevenson endeavored to dissuade him from this purpose and he said he would think it over. From the theatre, however, he went directly to a lawyer, had his will drawn, bequeathing his few effects to his relatives at Syracuse, and on returning handed the will to Mr. Stevenson for safe keeping. A few days later he left the company and enlisted, and it was to him that the despatch above quoted referred. Since that time nothing, so far as can be definitely learned, has been heard of him, although an uncle, Wilbur W. Brown of Syracuse, has made inquiries in every direction concerning him.

Unknown.

—There is no remedy known to medical science that can excel Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry as a cure for cholera morbus, diarrhœa, dysentery, or any form of summer complaint afflicting children or adults. 246

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

WEDNESDAY, July 15.

Consols closed last night 100⅜, opened to day 100 3-16, declined to 99⅞ at close.

Hudson's Bay shares in London £16½; Northwest Land unchanged at 35s.—Special cable to Cox & Co.

New York—Oil opened 96, closed 94⅞ bid, highest 96½, lowest 94⅞.

Canadian Pacific shares in London 45⅝.

The local stock exchange was active to-day, the transactions amounting to 891 shares. The active stocks were Western Assurance and Consumers' Gas, both of which sold in large blocks. 10 Bank of Montreal sold at 194½; 5 Ontario at 106½ (reported); 20 Imperial at 121; 50 30-20 Western Assurance at 90, 20 at 90½, 20-10-40 at 90½, 20 at 90¾; 100-50 100 50 Consumers' Gas at 159½, 75 100 at 159¾; 1-20-10 Dominion Telegraph at 86; 12 Western Canada at 191; 49 Can. Landed Credit at 120½; 7 Farmers' L. and Savings at 112½, 50 new stock at 107.

Posted asking rates of sterling exchange in New York, 1 lower for long bills, at $4.84½; demand unchanged at $4.86.

The New York stock market was strong again to-day, but feverish and irregular at times, New York Central opened unchanged at 92⅞, touched 92⅞ and 96½, closed 95⅞; sales 52,600. Lackawanna opened ¼ lower at 96⅞, touched 96¾ and 100½, closed 99⅝; sales 88,200. Delaware and Hudson opened ¼ lower at 79, touched 80⅞, closed 80½; sales 2500. Erie 2d's opened ½ higher at 56¾, touched 56⅞ and 58, closed 57½. Louisville and Nashville opened ½ higher at 37½, touched 37¾ and 39, closed 38⅝; sales 27,800. Lake Shore opened unchanged at 61⅝, touched 65, closed 64⅞; sales 61,600. Northwest opened ½ lower at 95¼, touched 95⅞ and 98½, closed 97⅝; sales 34,000. Omaha preferred, opened ½ lower at 76½, touched 75⅞ and 77⅞, closed 77½; sales 24,000. St. Paul opened unchanged at 76½, touched 76½ and 77⅞, closed 76⅞; sales 72,600. Union Pacific opened ½ lower at 53, touched 52½ and 53¼, closed 52⅞; sales 20,100. Western Union opened unchanged at 63⅞, touched 63⅞ and 64½, closed 63⅞; sales 16,100. Pacific Mail opened ⅜ lower at 49½, touched 47½ and 50, closed 49⅝; sales 14,000. Canadian Pacific opened ½ higher at 44½, touched 44½, closed 44½; sales 600.

The receipts of grain on the streets to-day were small and prices steady. Wheat steady; only two loads of spring offered, and sold at 84c per bush.; fall is worth 83c to 85c, and goose 69c to 71c. Oats are easy, about 200 bushels selling at 34c to 36c. One load of peas sold at 64c. Barley and rye purely nominal. Hay in better demand, and prices steady; twenty loads sold at $14 to $19 for old, and at $10.50 to $13 for new. Straw sold at $9 to $10 a ton for five loads. Hogs unchanged at $5.50. Beef $4 to $5 for forequarters, and $8.50 to $10.50 for hindquarters. Mutton, carcase, $5 to $7.

The following failures are reported today in Ontario: Stead & Co., dry goods, Brampton, assigned; Thos. Currie, lumber, Wiarton, assigned.

Toronto Stock Exchange.

Montreal 194½, 194¼; Ontario 107, 106¾; Molsons, buyers 116; Toronto 182, 181; Merchants', 112½, 111½; Commerce 124, 123¾; Imperial 121½, 121; Federal, 94½, 93¾; Dominion 196, 195; Standard 116, 115½; Hamilton 125½, 123; British America, sellers 75; Western Assurance, 90¾, 90½; Confed. Life Association, buyers 230; Consumers Gas, 160¾, 160½; Dominion Tel. 86½, 86; Northwest Land Co. buyers 36; Canada Permanent, buyers 199½; Freehold, buyers 165¾; Western Canada, buyers 190; Canada Landed Credit, buyers 120; B. and L. Ass. buyers 104; Imperial S. and Invest. 109, 108; Farmers' L. and Savings, buyers 112; Lon. & Can. L. and A., buyers 139; Manitoba Loan, sellers 110; Ontario Loan and Deb., buyers 122½; British Can. L. and Invest., sellers 104.

Montreal Stock Exchange—Closing Prices.

Bank of Montreal 194, 194½; Ontario 107, 106½; Molsons 119, 116; Toronto 182, 181; Merchants 112½, 113¾; Commerce 124½, 124; C. P. R. 44½, 43; Montreal Tel. Co. 124, 123; Richelieu 58½, 58; City Passenger 120, 119½; Gas 182¾, 182½; Canada Cotton 55 asked; Dundas Cotton 45, 30; Northwest Land offered 55s.

SALES—Morning board—1 Molsons at 116; 20 Merchants at 111¾; 25 Richlieu at 58½. Afternoon board—277 Bank of Montreal at 194½; 50 Commerce at 124; 50 C. P. R. at 44½; 450 City Passenger at 118½, 25 at 118¾, 75 at 119; 75 Gas at 182¾.

Grain and Produce Markets by Telegraph.

NEW YORK, July 15.—Cotton unchanged. Flour—Receipts 16,000 brls.; active and steadier; sales 22,000 brls.; unchanged. Wheat—Receipts 1,565,000 bush., exports 23,000 bush.; spot ¼c to 1c higher, options opened ¼c to ¼c lower, strengthened on war news and advanced 1½c to 2c, closing firm; sales 420,000 bush. future and 185,000 bush. spot; No. 1 hard $1.01, ungraded red 85c to 94½c, No. 2 red $1 in elevator, No. 2 red spring $1.01. Corn—Opened heavy, ¼c to ½c lower, reacted ¼c to ½c, closing strong; exports 169,500 bush., sales 1,816,000 bush. future and 163,000 bush. spot; ungraded 50c to 53c, No. 2 52½c to 52¾c in elevator, 53¼c to 53½c afloat, No. 2 July closing 52¾c. Oats—Receipts 36,000 bush., opened a shade lower, closing ¼c to ½c better on options; cash easy; sales 440,000 bush. future and 97,000 bush spot; No. 2 36c½ to 36¾c, mixed western 37c to 38c, white do., 39c to 43½c, No. 2 July closing 36½c. Eggs stronger; Canadian 14½c to 15c. Pork firm; mess spot $11.50. Cut meats firm; pickled bellies 5¾c to 6c; pickled shoulders 5¾c; hams 10½c. Middles dull, long clear 6c. Lard 6 to 7 points higher and quiet, closing firm.

CHICAGO, July 15—Flour steady. Wheat active and very unsettled, advanced ¾c early due to decline in English consols, declined ¼c, rose again and became buoyant, closing 1½c over yesterday; sales ranged, July 83½c to 83¾, closed 83½c; August 83c to 83½c, closed 83½c; September 90½c to 92½c, closed 92c; No. 2 spring 88½c to 88¾c, No. 2 red 93c to 94c. Corn active, very unsettled; cash 46½c, July 45½c to 46¼c, closed 46¼; August 45½c to 46½c, closed 46¼c. Oats firmer; cash 31¾c, July 31¼c to 31½c, closed 31½c, August 26½c to 26¾c, closed 26¾c. Rye steady, No. 2 58c. Mess pork fairly active and irregular; cash $10.30 to $10.35, August $10.20 to $10.42½, closed $10.40 to $10.42½, September $10.35 to $10.52½, closed $10.47½ to $10.50. Lard steady, 5c to 7½c higher; cash $6.62½ to $6.65, August $6.65 to $6.70, closed $6.70. Boxed meats steady; dry salted shoulders $3.90 to $4, short rib sides $5.65 to $5.70, short clear sides $5.85 to $5.90. Receipts—Flour 18,000 brls., wheat 69,000 bush.

OSWEGO, July 15.—Barley nominal. Rye quiet; Canada held at 71c in bond.

BEERBOHM'S DESPATCHES:—"London, July 15.—Floating cargoes—Wheat and maize weaker. Cargoes on passage—Wheat and maize neglected. Good cargoes California wheat, off coast, 34s, was 34s 6d; red winter, 34s, was 34s 6d. London—Good shipping No. 1 California, just shipped, 36s, unchanged; do nearly due, 34s, was 34s 6d. English and French country markets quiet. Imports into United Kingdom for past week—Wheat, 275,000 to 280,000 qrs; maize, 130,000 to 135,000 qrs; flour, 130,000 to 135,000 bbls. Liverpool—Spot wheat, very quiet; maize, quiet and steady. Paris—Wheat and flour, unchanged.

LIVERPOOL, July 15.—Spring wheat 6s 9d to 6s 11d; red winter 6s 10d to 7s 1d; No. 1 California 7s to 7s 3d; No. 2 California 6s 8d to 6s 11d. Corn, 4s 5½d. Peas, 6s 8d. Pork, 51s. Lard 34s. Bacon, long clear, 27s 6d; short clear, 28s 9d. Tallow, 28s. Cheese 41s. Cotton steady; Uplands 5 9-16d; Orleans 5¾d.

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