

OLD WORLD NEWS OF INTEREST IN TELEGRAPH'S CONTINENTAL LETTER.

German Depression—Horrible Murder of a Young Girl—Excitement in a Cathedral—\$460,000 Lost at the Gambling Table—Masqueraded 19 Years as a Girl—Sedition in Russia—Servian Intrigues.

Mena, Thuringia, Dec. 29.—Liber M. Bloom was cast over the German Christians by the awful railway accident among the Wesphalian hills, near Paderborn. The other passengers in the train gave every assistance in their power, but were compelled to watch three persons burn to death before their eyes. As they had no means of liberating them. It was not until the only implement the workmen brought with them were shoveled. Only one doctor came, and the injured suffered terribly from lying so long in the snow. Twelve dead bodies have already been recovered, and two persons have died from injuries. It is feared that there are still five or six buried among the ruins. The killed and wounded are apparently all Germans, and chiefly students and business men returning home for the holidays.

Excitement in Cathedral. Great excitement was caused at Leghorn Cathedral during midnight mass Christmas eve by an individual vaulting over the altar rails, and running towards Bishop Gianni, the celebrant. Being arrested before reaching the bishop, the man gave the name of Taddei and said he was a boatman. He pleaded that his intention was to summon the bishop to celebrate his marriage with a dying woman. It thought the man's intention was to assault Dr. Gianni, whose name has been prominently before the public owing to his recent speech at the Taranto Congress.

Sedition in Russia. On Sunday last, at the Russian theatre, Odessa, a whistle was blown in the middle of the performance. This was the signal for handbills to be thrown from several parts of the theatre into the pit. The handbills were lithographed, and were of a violently seditious nature. They ran: "Down with the emperor; long live the republic." "The students are the friends of the workmen!" and much more to this effect. As can be imagined, a tremendous sensation was caused, but the performance was continued. Its conclusion was the signal for a fresh shower of handbills from all parts of the theatre. On the public attempting to leave the theatre, they found all the doors locked, the police having carefully surrounded the building. Many arrests were made, chiefly amongst workmen. Demonstrations of a similar nature also took place at the town auditorium.

Heavy Gambling. Last Saturday afternoon Count Joseph Potocki, a wealthy Polish magnate, lost \$400,000 while playing cards at the Jockey Club here. The whole sum was lost within a couple of hours. Count Pallavicini won two-thirds of the amount. The game is said to have been innocent, but the members of the Jockey Club are keeping the details as secret as possible. Count Potocki has asked for three months' respite for settling the debt, and the same has been granted, as he owns vast estates, which alone yield a revenue of \$500,000 per annum. His heavy loss will not ruin him, however, and he is expected to return to his estates in Poland.

Servian Intrigues. The banishment of King Alexander's uncle, Colonel Constantinovich, because he opposed the king's marriage with Queen Draga, is exciting so much indignation in Serbia that King Alexander desires to conciliate his relative. A hint has been conveyed to Colonel Constantinovich that he may return to Serbia on two conditions, the first that he begs for an audience of Queen Draga, and the second that at the beginning and the end of the audience he kisses her hand. Colonel Constantinovich certainly will refuse to return on such conditions.

Loss of the Bowman B. Law. Report of Court of Inquiry Into Loss by Fire of a Yarmouth Bark. The London Shipping Gazette publishes the following finding and order of a court of inquiry held at Singapore on the 26th day of October, 1901, to investigate the circumstances attending the loss of the British barket Bowman B. Law, of Tegal, in Java, on the 11th October, 1901. The Bowman B. Law was a sailing vessel, barque-rigged, 1,359 tons registered tonnage, official number 96,074, belonging to the port of Yarmouth (N. S.), and owned by William Law & Co.

Revenge for Wreschen. An association has been formed at Warsaw with the object of furthering home industries and encouraging international commercial relations with those states which are not inimical to the Poles. The Polish papers describe the movement as a boycott of German merchandise in revenge for Wreschen.

Horrible Murder of a Young Girl. A ghostly murder was perpetrated Sunday night in the tunnel between Beauclief and Monte Carlo, the victim being a Swiss girl, aged 20, named Germaine Hirzbrunn. The murderer drove a huge knife, which is a foot long, four times through her body and flung her on the line.

Child Choked to Death by a Screw. Ottawa, Jan. 11.—Mary Gertrude Spry, the 18-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spry, died in a peculiar manner Thursday. While playing in her mother's home on Bell street, the little girl tumbled on the floor and put it into her mouth. The screw got into the windpipe and caused almost instant death. Mrs. Spry, on coming from the next room, found the child dying on the floor, and beyond relief.

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CANADA'S BOOM CONTINUES. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR LAST SIX MONTHS OF 1901 IS GOOD. Nominal Surplus of More Than Eight and a Half Millions Over Ordinary Expenditure—Two Millions Above All Expenditures—December an Excellent Month.

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—(Special.)—The statement of revenue and expenditure for the six months of the present fiscal year, which ended on the 31st of December last, was issued today by the finance department. The revenue shows a nominal surplus over ordinary expenditure of \$8,901,624.

GERMAIN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH HAS HAD FIRE OF INTEREST. Congregation Numbered Twenty and Ninety-two Years Ago—Through the of the Earlier Days; Tri

About 92 years ago the few Baptists in this city, numbering not more than 30, worshipped in a small room on the ground floor of a house on Duke street, a few doors from Germain street.

Table showing Customs, Excise, Post office, Public works, Railways, and Miscellaneous revenue and expenditures for 1901.

small body of Christians were distinguished for charity, faithfulness and most commendable liberality and broad-mindedness in their dealings with others.

The insurance was small and though the blow was a crushing one, it speaks well for the congregation's indomitable pluck and devotion to the cause of religion that the corner stone of a new church was laid the following October 2, 1877.

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contract was given to a firm of United States builders and when repairs were being made in 1901 it was found that the work had been greatly slighted and was far from satisfactory.

Rev. G. M. W. Carey was the next pastor and as the edifice was not yet completed he preached in the basement, though the main audience room was dedicated in November, 1886. The new building was erected at a cost of \$40,000 and

shipped in a Private House of Fire of 1877—Struggles of the Present.

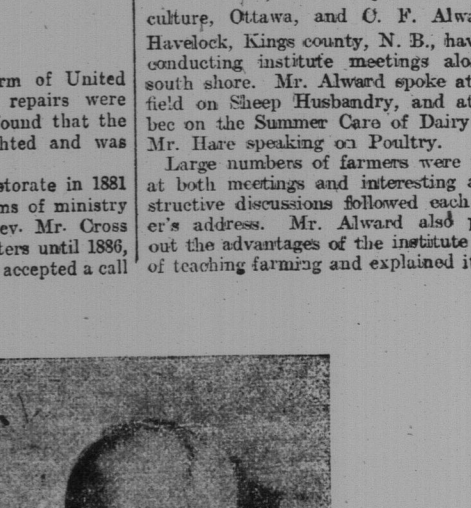
Finance committee—T. S. Simms, W. Cross, S. McDiarmid, D. Hunt, F. A. Dykeman, T. H. Belyea, S. H. Davis, E. Kisher, J. W. Vanwart, W. F. Nobles, H. H. Reid, secretary.



Germain Street Baptist Church.

New Passenger Locomotive. The Canadian Pacific today placed in commission one of the handsomest locomotives ever issued from the shops at Delorimier avenue, No. 801 of the 10-wheel passenger type, with five drivers of five feet, ten inches, and cylinders of 30 inches. The engine is destined for the Atlantic division, and today was sent on a spin as far as Perth to ease up her bearings.

Farmer's Institute Meetings. F. C. Hare, of the department of agriculture, Ottawa, and C. P. Alward, of Havelock, Kings county, N. B., have been conducting institute meetings along the south shore. Mr. Alward spoke at Penfield on Sheep Husbandry, and at Beebe on the Summer Care of Dairy Cows; Mr. Hare speaking on Poultry.



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The Late Rev. Dr. Carey, Once Pastor.

subject to be the interchange of thought among the farmers. Poultry raising is very profitable in these two towns, said Mr. Hare. "The prizes paid for early chickens at St. Andrews and St. Stephen are remarkable." Mr. Alward and Mr. Hare will leave tomorrow for meetings at St. Martins and Hillsdale.