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GERMANY AND FRANCE READY AT ANY MOMENT TO COME TO BLOWS.

The Fighting at Present Being Done by the Newspaper—An Improbable Story by a Paris Correspondent—The Position of the Pope.

BERLIN, Feb. 15.—Commenting on the recent article in La France asserting that France's despatches was pacific and that the responsibility for a war would rest with Germany, the North German Gazette says: "It requires all the effrontery of revanche journalism to dish up perversions of this nature." Articles in the same paper on Oct. 10 and Dec. 18 announced that France was ready to fight, and expressed the wish that the decisive moment would not be long delayed, and proclaimed the firm intention of the French to retake Alsace-Lorraine, adding that war would be inevitable at first opportunity.

An Improbable Story.

BERLIN, Feb. 15.—A Paris correspondent dwells upon the propagation throughout France through the Masonic lodges of a feeling in favor of a war. He says the number of lodges affiliated with Alsace-Loraine Lodge, which was recently started, is now increased to 135.

The Pope's Course Justified.

ROME, Feb. 15.—The Moniteur discards the idea that the Pope is fermenting a European war, hoping thereby to obtain the restoration of the temporal power of the Church, but declares that the Pope is justified in securing the friendship of powerful empires in order eventually to submit the position of the Papacy to a vote of the powers.

Disquieting Events on the Frontier.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—The Paris newspapers report many disquieting events on the German frontier. La Justice learns from Neufchateau that not a single soldier is allowed leave of absence for even half an hour on any pretence, the commander having learned that Germany is seeking a pretext for a petty quarrel.

THE CAMPAIGN CONSPIRACY.

Dillon, O'Brien and Others on Trial at Dublin.

DUBLIN, Feb. 15.—In the Commission Court to-day Messrs. Dillon, Sheehy, Crilly and O'Brien pleaded not guilty to the charge of conspiracy to induce tenants to refuse paying their rents. The Crown then proceeded to swear in a jury for the trial of the defendants. Several Catholic jurors, including one named O'Brien, were ordered to stand aside. Counsel for the defendants protested, and for a while there was much commotion.

Mr. O'Brien, one of the defendants, declared he would rather be sent to jail at once than be submitted to a trial before a jury composed so unfairly, that because a man's name was O'Brien he was excluded from it.

Mr. Crilly denounced the Crown's conduct as ruffianly.

Justice Murphy refused to interfere with the exercise of the Crown's privilege of challenging the jury.

After a long wrangle a jury of a composite character was finally sworn. Its character portends disagreement.

THE BARCELONA EXHIBITION.

The Buildings for the Purpose Being Rapidly Constructed.

BARCELONA, Feb. 15.—The buildings for the International Exhibition to be held in this city this year under the auspices of the Government, are being rapidly constructed. They are situated in the public park and adjacent grounds. The exhibition will be opened September 15 by the Queen Regent and other high functionaries, and will remain open for six or eight months. This will be the first international exhibition ever held in Spain. The awards will consist of diplomas of honor; diplomas of gold, silver and bronze medals; honorable mention, besides the awards of a national character which may be specially granted by Her Majesty's Government. Numerous applications for space have come from manufacturers all over Europe, including many from America.

FRIENDLY ISLANDERS EXCITED.

Six of Them Sentenced to Death for Assaulting a Missionary.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—Despatches from Auckland, New Zealand, state that the latest advices from Tonga, in the Friendly Islands, were to the effect that the situation had become very serious, that the King had commenced the trial of the men arrested as Missionary Baker's assailants, and that 3000 natives had assembled at the trial. Six natives have been sentenced to death for assaulting Missionary Baker, and the King has refused to grant a petition presented by the Wesleyan missionaries on the islands, asking that mercy be shown the condemned men.

TO COMMEMORATE THE JUBILEE.

Twenty-five Thousand Prisoners to Be Liberated in India.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 15.—Twenty-five thousand of the 75,000 persons at present confined in the different jails throughout India for different offences will be released to-morrow as an act of clemency to commemorate the jubilee of Queen Victoria. In selecting the prisoners to be liberated especial pains have been taken to show leniency to females. All persons imprisoned for debt throughout India in cases where the debt is under 100 rupees will be liberated to-morrow also in commemoration of the jubilee, and in these cases the Government will pay the debts.

Socialistic Boodle From America.

BERLIN, Feb 15.—The National Gazette comments on the interest which is being taken in the pending German election, by the Socialists in every part of the world, and the support which these are furnishing their friends in Germany. The paper refers especially to the activity of the Socialists in the United States, who, it avers, have already cabled $5,000.

Increase of Trade at Belfast.

BELFAST, Feb. 15.—The statistics of the Chamber of Commerce of this city for 1886 show a considerable increase in trade in almost all kinds of business.

CABLE NOTES.

Business on the Berlin Bourse was stagnant yesterday.

Moonlighters are active in the County of Cork.

It is probable that the legalized lotteries in France will be suppressed.

The Austrian Government will ask a credit of 25,000,000 florins to complete military preparations.

A Nihilist conspiracy was discovered last week in St. Petersburg, which extends through the whole of Russia.

Cardinal Jacobini has sent a letter to Prince Bismarck thanking him for recent concessions in revision of the May laws.

The withdrawal of the annual subvention of $1,200,000 for the expenses of the Egyptian army has caused a panic at Cairo.

The Bundesrath has approved of the act of the Government in declaring Stettin, Germany, in a minor state of siege.

The guard of the mail cart going from Varnow to Taganrog, Southern Russia, has been murdered and 20,000 roubles stolen from the mail.

The Military Committee of the Lower House of the Hungarian Diet has approved the credit of 7,460,000 florins asked by the Government for national defence.

The negotiations for a renewal of the entente cordiale between Italy, Germany and Austria continue. Italy desires to extend the scope of the agreement so as to cover the Mediterranean and Balkan questions.

Ambushed moonlighters at Ballycan last night fired upon a party of emergency men, mortally wounding one named Byers and dangerously injuring another named Memanus and Police Sergeant O'Connor.

THE BIG STRIKE OVER.

Business Along the New York River Front Fully Resumed.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—The business of the steamship and railroad companies on the piers along the river front has assumed its normal condition, and freight is being moved as systematically as before the big strike. Many of the old hands have gone back to work, and those who took the places of the strikers are now accustomed to the work and the agents who have kept the strikers out say the Italians are as good as their old hands, except for their not understanding the language. The men now acknowledge they were badly beaten, and some of them are severe in their expressions regarding the action of their leaders.

At South Amboy a committee of the strikers this morning called upon the agents of the coal companies and asked upon what terms they would be reinstated in their old positions. They were told that when they were wanted the agents would send for them; the new men would not be discharged.

A FEARFUL LEAP.

Suicide of an Old Man at Suspension Bridge.

SUSPENSION BRIDGE, Feb. 15.—John Stever, a resident of Suspension Bridge, and about 70 years old, procured a ticket from the gate tender at the entrance of the railway Suspension Bridge this morning about 10 o'clock, and after peering strangely over the railway, jumped into the Rapids, falling 190 feet. He was seen by Wm. Gardner, a carpenter, just before and after he struck the water. Stever was not a drinking man, and no cause can be assigned for the suicide.

An Incident of the Illinois Floods.

STERLING, Ills., Feb. 15.—Word has just been received from up the river that on Friday last two young men, Hugh Ramsey and McClellan Fluck, started in a skiff for the residence of Mr. Ditman, which is situated in a submerged district known as the "Como bottom," for the purpose of rescuing a family. The current upset the skiff, but the occupants caught hold of a clump of willows. In this condition they remained until Saturday morning, when they were rescued, after having been in the water for sixteen hours with the mercury six degrees below zero. Fluck, it is thought, will die, but Ramsey may recover.

He Playfully Snapped the Pistol.

DAYTON, Ala., Feb. 15.—The children of David Powell have been using an old pistol as a plaything. One of the boys recently loaded the pistol to shoot a rabbit. He afterward laid the weapon, which had not been discharged, on the mantel in the room of his sisters. A day or two afterwards, while the girls were dressing to go to a party, another brother who did not know of the pistol being loaded, playfully snapped it at one of his sisters, and the ball went through her heart, killing her instantly.

Mr. Voorhees' Proposals.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Mr. Voorhees, delegate from Washington Territory (a son of ex-Senator Voorhees), has introduced a scheme to lend government money to co-operative enterprises of trades unions. Mr. Voorhees has also introduced a bill to prevent speculation in coal lands, providing that hereafter such lands shall be only disposed of to companies composed of actual wage-working miners incorporated under the Trades Union Act.

A Bill To Tax Telegraph Companies.

BISMARCK, Dak., Feb. 15.—A bill for the taxation of telegraph companies passed the House yesterday. It provides for the taxation of this property as the property of individuals, and that the tax shall be 60 cents per mile for the first wire, 30 cents per mile for the second, and 20 cents for each additional wire. Telegraph companies must take out a license, and failure to pay the tax abrogates the license.

The Word "Crank" Not Defamatory.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—Judge Blodgett, in the United States Court yesterday, sustained the demurrer of the Tribune to the declaration of Albert H. Walker, in which the proprietors of the paper are sued for libel in referring to a pamphlet written by the plaintiff as the work of a crank. The court decided that the word "crank" was not in itself defamation, and that to call a person by that name does not necessarily furnish grounds for action.

A Quail Eater Ready for More.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—The proprietor of a chop house on Twenty-sixth-street named Paul last night completed the task of eating eighty-two quail in forty-one days. He also ate five birds additional on a side bet. Ten thousand dollars were wagered on the result. Paul now offers to eat 100 quail in forty-two days.

Threatened Strike at Paterson, N.J.

NEW York, Feb. 15.—The Tribune says: There is a strong probability that Paterson, N.J., whose chief industrial stay is its silk manufactories, will soon experience a lock-out that will close every one of these mills and throw 15,000 men and women and children out of employment.

Convicted of Cruelty to a Boy.

PEKIN, Ill., Feb. 15.—Gottlieb and Catharine Sancsi, charged with horrible cruelty to their 10-year-old son, were found guilty today and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary, the extreme penalty of the law. The child, whose feet and part of whose body were amputated, has been taken in charge by a local clergyman.

He Swindled the Farmers.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Guy W. Foster, the head of a band of swindlers in this city who have defrauded scores of country merchants by buying produce from them and paying in worthless checks and drafts was to-day sentenced to imprisonment at hard labor for six years and one month. Foster's principal accomplice has fled to Canada and cannot be reached.

Compensation for Ill-used Chinamen.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—One of the questions considered at to-day's Cabinet meeting was in regard to the reimbursement of Chinese residents of Washington territory for losses sustained during the riots in that territory last summer. It was decided to refer the claims, amounting to $4167, to Congress, with a recommendation for their payment.

A Salvationist on Trial for Murder.

WARSAW, N.Y., Feb. 15.—The trial of Robert Van Brunt for the murder of Will Roy is progressing slowly. Before the arrival of witnesses from Toronto and St. Catharines, claimed as important by the defence, there will be no developments of much interest to the general public.

Mrs. Logan Will Have $34,000.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—A Herald Washington special says: The Logan fund now amounts to $64,000. This includes the $13,000 raised in Chicago. Capt. Lemon says the balance remaining to Mrs. Logan, after the encumbrances have been lifted from her Chicago and Washington property, will be about $34,000.

Death on the Toboggan Slide.

RUTLAND, Vt., Feb. 15.—Coming down a toboggan slide last night, in a party of three, James C. Barrett, a son of ex-Judge Barrett was impaled on a huge splinter which had become loosened from the side of the chute. He was fatally injured. The two ladies escaped unharmed.

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

A Call for 3 Per Cents Expected.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 15.—It is expected that a call for $10,000,000 3 per cent bonds will be issued next week, and that the entire 3 per cent loan, of which there is now about $40,000,000 outstanding, will be entirely extinguished before July 1.

THE LAST WEEK FOR WORK

NOMINATIONS FOR THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY.

Three Candidates in East Toronto—Reception Awaiting Sir John at Hamilton—Four Elections By Acclamation.

The candidates for the House of Commons have only another week to get there. Nominations were held throughout the country yesterday; as far as heard from only four members were returned by acclamation: three Bleu Bolters in Quebec, and a Conservative in British Columbia. The candidates in Toronto are: East—John Small, A. F. Jury, Ald. E. A. Macdonald. Centre—G. R. R. Cockburn, Ald. John Harvie. West—Col. F. C. Denison, E. E. Sheppard.

Three Candidates in East Toronto.

The nominations for East Toronto were held in the Executive Committee Room of the City Hall, where a large gathering had assembled when Returning Officer James S. Williams entered shortly before 12 o'clock, and took his seat at the table. Ald. Ernest Albert Macdonald was the first candidate to arrive, accompanied by his agent, John Arthur Macdonald. He paid in the requisite $200 in bills and handed in his nomination paper which bore the names of these gentlemen: J. J. Gartshore, Alfred Sandham, Thomas Bryce, W. H. Lockhart Gordon, Thomas Macdonald, J. Wilson, R. Hamilton, Joseph Walker, J. R. Barron, A. Sampson, A. Campbell, I. A. Whatmough, J. J. Withrow, Dr. John S. King, J. M. Faircloth, F. A. Bowden, Dr. Duncan, Lionel Yorke, J. H. Rosenbaum, T. R. Bain, A. S. Wilkins, John C. Graham, Henry Langley, Edmund Burke, Dr. R. H. Robinson, Hugh Neilson, J. T. Cuff, L. Robinson, R. Bradshaw, Dr. C. J. Hastings, Christopher Breadon and Taylor Butler.

Alfred Fredman Jury entered shortly afterwards, accompanied by a number of friends, including two new $100 bills and his agent, Lawyer James Haverson. The bills, and his nomination paper bearing the names of these gentlemen, were deposited: W. H. Parr, Thomas Tracey, Joseph Reddigan, W. J. Coolaghan, W. H. Cahill, W. L. Taylor, Frederick Stevenson, Thomas Delaney, Thos. C. Flint, Jas. Britton, James Madge, Wm. Nichol, Robert Newman, Charles Smyth, Robert Burke, Patrick O'Connor, John H. Curran, Robert Curran, John Sylvan, Robert G. Flint, George Vennell, Alex. Wilson, Robert McBride, John Elder, Patrick J. Jennings, Frank Armstrong, Andrew Tyrson, David Hastings, Charles McManus, Edward McGee, Thos. C. Mackenzie, John Hamilton and James Henderson.

John Small had given his nomination paper and $200 to the Returning Officer before the proceedings commenced, but he appeared at nearly 1 o'clock and handed in his declaration. His agent is Emerson Coatsworth, jr., and his nominators are: J. F. Pearson, Robert Beaty, P. H. Drayton, Wm. Ince, R. R. Wickett, W. S. Lee, James Lobb, John Massey, R. McA. Cameron, Harry Symons, J. W. Beaty, Jas. Tilt, E. Westman, S. J. Westman, Thos. McMullen, Thomas McElrea, William Fitzgerald, James Grover, J. H. Cameron, E. Coatsworth, jr., Frederick Hammett, J. W. Young, W. Ince, jr., C. Parsons, C. A. Masten, J. H. Greenshields, John Mills, J. R. Lee, W. C. Price, D. M. Defoe, J. E. Ellis, R. G. Barrett, Alexander Miller, D. Lamb, William Hawthorn, J. W. Hughes, James Hewitt, Thos. Hawthorn, Thomas F. Higgins and W. M. Wickett.

At 2 o'clock the Returning Officer declared that a poll would be granted to Messrs. Jury, Macdonald and Small, and then he retired. Candidate Macdonald was anxious to speak, Candidate Jury appeared a little later ready to speak; but Candidate Small appeared not at all to speak. There was a good-sized gathering of electors, chiefly friends of Mr. Jury. Mr. W. D. Gregory was chosen chairman, but he couldn't shut up a noisy drunken man who insisted on interrupting the Labor candidate.

The first speaker was Mr. Jury, who reviewed the platform of the Labor party and paid particular attention to Mr. Small's absence and to his career in Parliament. Ald. Macdonald followed and also took occasion to speak his opinion of Mr. Small's action in not appearing to address the electors. He denounced the party machine system of nomination and said that he had assumed a citizen's right and brought himself out. He said he was an unqualified supporter of the N.P. and Prohibition.

After short addresses by Geo. H. Beales, Thomas Tracey and Thomas Adair the gathering broke up.

Two Nominations in West Toronto.

Two nominations were made for West Toronto. Mr. Huson W. M. Murray, the Returning Officer, took possession of the platform in St. Andrew's Hall at 12 o'clock, and announced his willingness to receive nominations. From this time on till 2 o'clock the crowd which filled the hall quietly discussed the situation. At 1.30 o'clock Mr. Murray stated that time was nearly up, and advised intending candidates to come forward with their nomination papers. "Where is the Boy?" shouted a voice, which elicited general laughter at Mr. Beaty's expense.

Promptly at 2 o'clock the Returning Officer declared that a poll had been demanded for Col. F. C. Denison and Mr. E. E. Sheppard, Lawyer George M. Evans and Lawyer W. M. Hall being named as their agents. Col. Denison's nomination was sent in Monday and Mr. Sheppard's early yesterday morning.

Col. Denison's nomination paper was signed by Edward Gurney, Goldwin Smith, Jno. Hill, Jno. Woods, W. R. Lake, P. Johnston, P. Burns, A. P. Macdonald, W. R. Brock, W. H. Knowlton, A. R. Boswell, G. M. Evans, H. A. E. Kent, Wm. Ball, Jas. Johnston, Wm. Berry, J. Armstrong, E. F. Clarke, S. May, J. D. Henderson, G. Heintzman, H. Heintzman, H. E. Clarke, H. W. Hime, F. D. Barwick, T. Shortess, Barlow Cumberland, Robt. Hay, A. M. Hubbard, A. M. Browne, John Baxter, G. J. St. Leger, Thos. Bickerstaff, R. C. Bickerstaff, Alex. Manning, Angus Cumming, Richard Friller, D. M. Defoe, W. Weatherstone, Thos. Murray, Jas. Way, Henry Symons, J. A. W. Verrill, Dr. George Wright, Wm. Mara, C. A. B. Brown, John Dill, John French, James Brownley.

Mr. Sheppard's paper had these signatures: William Fraser, Thos. Jackson, Jno. Francis, J. A. Harkins, M. O'Hallern, Arthur Young, E. Ash, Jos. Smith, Jas. Murray, J. J. Barker, Jos. Malone, Martin Dunphy, Andrew Malone, Edward Memory, W. E. Caiger, Geo. Stewart, Jno. Dodwell, P. Kelher, James Hall, Jno. Smellie, H. T. Brown, J. G. Robinson, W. J. Buchanan, J. H. Fyfe, Lytle Duncan, T. Collins, S. J. Reeves, Thomas Collaton, James Hughes, G. W. Whitely, L. Hart, Andrew Bourke, Thos. Simpson, Wm. Mansell, P. Fletcher, Richard Dawes, George Bradley, S. P. Taylor.

As the Returning Officer was vacating his chair Mr. William Fraser, chairman of Candidate Sheppard's Cent al Committee and School Trustee Bell undertook to move different gentlemen for chairman of the meeting to follow. Ald. Johnston was Trustee Bell's man and Samuel Dunbar, a member of the Trades and Labor Council, was Mr. Fraser's choice. The uproar that followed lasted many minutes. Finally Ald. Johnston went on the platform and retired in favor of Mr. Dunbar. Then Col. Denison addressed the meeting. He spoke of the N.P. and the Canadian Pacific Railway and pointed to his record in the past as an evidence of his desire to do as much as anyone for the workingmen and West Toronto. Mr. E. E. Sheppard dwelt at length upon the platform of the Labor party and denounced the insinuation that he was an agitator or disloyal to Canada.

Two Candidates in Centre Toronto.

Nominations for Centre Toronto took place in Albert Hall betore a small audience. Mr. R. L. Fraser was Returning Officer. During the two hours required by law the only nominations made were Mr. John Harvie and Mr. George R. R. Cockburn.

Mr. Harvie's deposit of $200 and his nomination paper were handed in by his agent, Mr. Wm. Macdonald. The latter was signed by J. K. Kerr, John Weston, H. A. Schomberg, James A. Proctor, G. W. Kiely, George Maclean Rose, Geo. Grey, J. D. Edgar, Ed. McKeown, P. Jamieson, John J. Maclaren, F. S. Spence, Robert Jaffray, W. Christie, James Pearson, Alfred McDougall, James B. Boustead, A. Bertram, H. M. Graham, James Ryan, James H. Shearer, James Maclennan, L. McFarlane, Dr. Wm. Britton, Geo. Craig, James Macdonald, M. O'Connor, George H. Bertram, R. McCleary, Robert Jones, John Stalker, H. Salmon, Hugh E. Ellard, L. L. Palmer, R. L. Baird, John A. Paterson.

The nomination papers of Mr. Cockburn were handed in by his agent, Lawyer R. H. Bowes. Appended were the following names: Robert Hay, Ed. Gurney, W. R. Brock, W. S. Lee, A. R. Boswell, Wm. Ince, Jas. J. Foy, J. A. Worrell, Thos. Caswell, R. H. Bowes, John Irwin, R. Somers, Geo. Musson, Jas. Wilson, Frank Baby, Henry O'Brien, James Young, Robt. McCord, A. W. Smith, T. H. Bills, Alex. Patterson, Geo. Boxall, J. H. McCollum, W. J. Hammond, John Davis, Andrew McCormack, Walter Taylor, E. P. Pearson, James Tilt, John Fletcher, Wm. A. Wilkson, John Fawcests, Robt. Williams, John Bain, John Duggan, A. J. Willard, J. W. Young, W. T. Murray, D. W. Thompson, E. W. D. Butler, A. T. McCord, Jas. Brandon, S. Michael, F. J. Phillips, Alex. McGee, M. Basso, K. Cerberry, A. A. Graham, Wm. A. Bannon, John Bethell, John Finch, J. A. Meyerhoffer, John Armstrong, Robt. Cross, W. H. Toone, P. Edgar, Wm. Edwards, Edward M ek, P. H. Ince, Frank Arnoldi, W. J. Townley, James Mason.

When the returning officer declared the nominations closed a meeting was organized with Mr. Samuel McKeown presiding. The meeting was rendered one-sided by the absence of Mr. Harvie and his agent. Ald. Hunter undertook to hold up the end of the Reform candidate, but he was overwhelmed by the N.P. arguments of Ald. Millichamp and Mr. Cockburn. The meeting broke up with cheers for Mr. Cockburn.

The East York Nomination.

There was a lively time at Markham yesterday when Hon. Alex. Mackenzie was nominated as the Opposition candidate and Mr. Boultbee as the Conservative candidate. The hall was crowded and speeches were delivered by Hon. A. S. Hardy on behalf of Mr. Mackenzie and by Mr. Boultbee. The meeting was three to one in favor of the ex-Premier, whose election is regarded as a certainty.

Two Labor Meetings.

Labor Candidate Jury addressed a meeting of his St. Lawrence Ward supporters in Poulton's Hall last night. At St. Andrew's Hall Mr. Andrew Malone presided over a meeting in support of Mr. Sheppard.

Elected by Acclamation.

In Yale, Kootenay District, B.C., Hon. J. A. Mara (Conservative) was returned without opposition. Mr. Mara is a brother of Mr. William Mara of Toronto, and emigrated to British Columbia some years ago. Other elections by acclamation were: M. J. C. Coursol (Bleu-Bolter), for Montreal East; G. A. Gigault (Bleu-Bolter), for Rouville; and Dupout (Bleu Bolter), for Nicolet.

Big Time for Sir John at Hamilton.

HAMILTON, Feb. 15.—The Conservatives are getting up a grand reception for Sir John Macdonald when he arrives here to-morrow night. A torchlight procession and bands will meet him at the station, and he will be driven to the Royal Rink in a four-in-hand. The front seats will be reserved for ladies, and arrangements will be made to accommodate as many people as possible.

Arrival of Sir Donald Smith.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15.—Sir Donald A. Smith arrived in the city this morning at 12.30 from New York by the Delaware and Hudson train. A number of gentlemen expected to meet Sir Donald and give him a welcome, but the train was so late that many took their departure before its arrival. Mr. J. A. Cantlie, Mr. A. Robertson and other members of the committee were present. Sir Donald drove to his residence. He was present at the nomination for Montreal West this morning.

Ald. Harvie's "Call From God."

Editor World: We often hear of men being "called by God" to perform a great work but does it not seem absurd that Mr. Harvie should claim that he is called by the Supreme Being to represent Centre Toronto in Parliament. It is a well-known fact the Grit wirepullers were almost at their wits' end to get an available candidate and to keep Ald Hunter from the nomination, although he was most anxious for it and had proposed as the "workingman's friend" for many a day, looking forward to this event. Does Mr. Harvie not know that if Centre Toronto was not looked upon as a very doubtful riding that Mr. Murray, Mr. J. K. Kerr and others would have been only too glad to have run. I say it is absurd, nay, sacrilegious that this nominee of a few pet wirepullers should claim that he has a call from God. ST. JAMES' WARD.

The Roar of Battle.

Woodstock Standard.

In London the Advertiser and Free Press have kept up a tremendous fusilade of heavy ordnance, and ever since the dissolution was announced there has been a continual roar and crash of cannon, interspersed with occasional yells as one or the other of them was struck.

Campaign Notes.

The Telegram yesterday resurrected a Globe Biddulph murderer cut and labelled it Candidate E. A. Macdonald. It is too bad that the handsome features of the energetic young alderman from over the Don should be so shamefully caricatured.

The campaign was opened at Rat Portage on Friday evening last by a public meeting in the interest of Mr. Burke.

Young Reformers in London have a song which heads off with "We'll elect Charlie Hyman on February twenty-two."

The Belleville Intelligencer gives what it terms the simple facts regarding the alleged bribery fund in Belleville as follows: $4000 was paid to Mr. D. R. Murphy by a check on the Bank of Montreal at Belleville, which was sent by Mr. W. D. Northrup. That money was part of the purchase money for a site for a public building in Trenton, which was purchased some time since by the Government from Mr. Murphy. Mr. Northrup was the solicitor employed by the Government to investigate the title. He reported it perfect, whereupon the check for the amount, which was voted at the last session of Parliament, was sent to Mr. Northrup to hand over to Mr. Murphy, who went to the Bank of Montreal and drew the money.

Tabor Candidate Jury has a meeting at Verral's Hall, Ontario and Seaton-streets, to-night, which will be the last of his campaign.

"If Mr. Harvie considers his nomination a 'call from God,' does it follow," asked a member of St. James' Cathedral Church, "that Mr. Cockburn is called by the Devil?"

UNITED STATES NEWS.

The schooner Alice M. Stropie of Gloucester, Mass., from Grand Banks, reports that on January 30, John Forberg, Fred Gustafson and John Noreen, three of the crew, were drowned, while attending trawls, by the capsizing of their dory.

The breach between the Trades Unionists and the Knights of Labor is widening in Cincinnati, causing much dissatisfaction in labor circles. The trouble comes from the dictatorial tone of the Knights, who assume to be the only mouth-piece for the organization.

The Massachusetts Legislature on Monday adopted resolutions urging upon Congress the appropriation of liberal sums for the purpose of coast defence and for the building of a navy that will command the confidence of the people and the respect of other nations.

A destructive explosion has occurred at a shingle mill south of Cabool, Mo. The boiler exploded with terrific force, and pieces of it were hurled 100 yards. Thomas Smallwood, aged 70, was killed. His son and two men named Crane were dangerously injured.

On Saturday afternoon three dynamite cartridges were found on the track of the Ontario and Western Railroad near Sidney, N.Y.

Secretary Manning has resigned his position in the United States Cabinet.

Frank Rivers, a traveler for Scribner & Co., the New York publishers, died suddenly at Buffalo yesterday morning.

An unsuccessful attempt was made in New York to transfer a rabbit's eye to a human being.

A constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture or sale of liquor in the State of Tennessee will be submitted to the people.

The Death Penalty for Women.

ALBANY, Feb. 15.—The Assembly Judiciary Committee to-day, by a vote of 6 to 4, decided to report adversely Hoadley's bill to abolish the death penalty for women.

MINISTER WEST'S OPINION.

The Fisheries Dispute Will Result in a Reciprocity Treaty.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Sir Lionel West, British Minister at Washington, in an interview here to-day, said he did not anticipate any trouble whatever about the fishery question." Negotiations are now going forward in London between Minister Phelps and the British Government," he added, "and I think the question will be finally settled before Congress adjourns. These negotiations will be of a character to insure reciprocal relations between Canada and the United States and stop all action in the way of retaliatory measures that Congress desires to pass. I am not afraid to predict that by March, 4 a satisfactory basis or plan of treaty will be agreed upon between the two countries and the whole question settled."

—**Wire mats may be left out of doors in the rain, as all the parts are thoroughly galvanized and japanned, and will not rust or injure carpets or painted floors.** 36

The Visitors to the Carnival.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15.—The following are the official returns of the Carnival passengers who came in last week over the Grand Trunk system, embracing the Delaware and Hudson, Central Vermont, South Eastern, Grand Trunk main and suburban lines:—

	Cars.	People.
February 5	125	6640
February 6	116	1840
February 7	131	7970
February 8	205	10,190
February 9	220	9950
February 10	113	6060
February 11	149	5556
February 12	143	4950
Total	1222	52780

The Hi-Used Quebec Salvationists.

QUEBEC, Feb. 15.—L'Evenement comments very strongly upon the brutal attacks made on Sunday last upon three women of the Salvation army. It refers to the cowardice of such assault, and asks why no arrests were made, rightly assuming that if such conduct can be indulged in with impunity in full daylight and upon the public streets, like St. John-street, Quebec must soon enjoy the unenviable reputation of a city where men are women beaters.

Rumored Chinese Invasion of Burmah.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—Advices from India say that news of a Chinese invasion of Burmah has been conveyed in a letter to Thebaw and Iswah, who are visiting Mandalay. The Gazette and Pioneer of Bombay confirm the news. The Chinese Government has sent to the British Foreign Office a telegraphic despatch saying that it is unaware of any movement on the Chinese frontier adjacent to Burmah, and assuring the Government of the continued amity of China.

The Case of the Crofters.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—In the House of Commons this evening Mr. Cameron moved an enquiry into the "harsh and unjust" administration of the law in the Crofter districts. The Lord Advocate of Scotland denied the truth of the charge that had been made against the Scotch executive. He contended that the Crofters had been treated as leniently as possible. In the face of the agitation against the payment of rent the Government refuses to grant any further enquiry in the matter.

A Montrealer Among the Killed.

MONTREAL, Feb. 15.—The body of another Montrealer has been identified among the number who were killed on the Vermont Central Railway accident, namely, that of Charles Cadieux, and was only identified by a piece of clothing found on the charred remains by Mr. Louis Cadieux, a brother of the deceased, who had gone down for the purpose of discovering some trace of his brother if possible.

Killed By An Express Train.

RUSCOMB STATION, Ont., Feb. 15.—Patrick Burns, while attempting to cross the track this afternoon, was struck and instantly killed by the Chicago express going west, which was one hour late and running about sixty miles an hour. The unfortunate victim was a farmer, about 40 years of age and single.

The Quetlah Railway.

BERLIN, Feb. 15.—A despatch from Moscow says the Indian authorities have concluded to extend the Quetlah Railway to Northwest Afghanistan in order to secure an out et for British commerce in Central Asia and that the Czar has sent a number of Russian officers to Afghanistan to investigate the matter.

Evictions on a Large Scale.

DUBLIN, Feb. 15.—Numerous extra police have been drafted in the County Clare, the authorities fearing further outrages. Evictions on a large scale have been commenced on Lord Cork's estate, on the opposite side of the bay from Glenbeigh. Little resistance is offered, but police are being boycotted.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

College street Presbyterian Sabbath School held its annual social last night.

Mr. Tom Patton, the man who generally puts the ball through for the Montreal Lacross Club, is in town.

Thieves got away with some bottled liquor from Charles Heys' shop, Elizabeth and Hayterstreets, Monday night.

The vacancies on the Separate School Board for St. Lawrence and St. James' Wards have been filled by the unopposed return of Mr. Daniel Kelly and Dr. Cassidy respectively.

The movement to erect a building for the West-End Branch of the Y.M.C.A. was boomed by a meeting in Chalmers' Church, Dovercourt road, Monday night. Addresses were delivered by Hon. S. H. Blake, Mr. W. H. Lee, Rev. R. P. McKay, Rev. C. C. Duff, Rev. John Mutch, General Secretary McCullough, Branch Secretary Weir, Branch Treasurer Burt.

There was a large meeting in the school room of the Church of the Ascension Monday evening, it being the regular monthly gathering of the Church of England Temperance Society. A capital program was prepared by the Western C.E. T. S. branch, conducted by Miss Conron. Rev. H. G. Baldwin was in the chair, and a temperance address was given by Mr. H. C. Sixon. Refreshments were served.

At the Police Court yesterdad Wm. McKeand (not Keand as printed yesterday) the silver-plater, charged with counterfeiting, and Thos. Harding, on whom a number of bogus coins were found, were remanded. Harry May, aged 27, charged with indecent assault on a girl of 12 years, was remanded until Thursday, being bailed in two sureties of $100 each. Wm. Windsor was sent to jail for 30 days for assaulting his wife.

The members of Toronto Lodge, No. 827, I.O.G.T., held an open meeting Monday night, Mr. J. T. Dyson, C.T., in the chair. A large number of members and their friends were present. A program of readings, recitations and songs was presented, and several new members were initiated. The following ladies and gentlemen took part: Sisters Parkinson and Impey, and Bros. Impey, Sherwood, Norris and Moore.

The Red Breast of the Robin.

From the New York Mail and Express.

Of all the merry little birds that live up in the tree,
And carol from the sycamore and chestnut,
The prettiest little gentleman that dearest is to me,
Is the one in coat of brown and scarlet waistcoat.
It's cockit little robin!
And his head he keeps a bobbin!
Above the other pretty fowls I'd choose him;
For he sings so sweetly still
Through his tiny slender bill,
With a little patch of red upon his bosom.

When the frost is in the air and the snow upon the ground,
To other little birdies so bewildering,
Picking up the crumbs near the window he is found
Singing Christmas stories to the children,
Of how two tender babes
Were left in woodland glades
By a cruel man who took them there to lose 'em;
But Bobby saw the crime,
(He was watching all the time,)
And he blushed a perfect crimson on his bosom.

When the changing leaves of autumn around us thickly fall,
And everything seems sorrowful and saddening,
Robin may be heard, on the corner of the wall,
Singing what is solacing and gladdening;
And sure, from what I've heard,
He's God's own little bird,
And sings to those in grief just to amuse 'em—
But once he sat forlorn
On a cruel crown of thorn,
And the blood!—it stained his pretty little bosom.

THE CONTEST IN GERMANY

THE INTERFERENCE OF THE VATICAN IN ELECTIONS DENOUNCED.

The Crown Prince Will Not Visit Rome—The Emperor Will Not Issue An Electoral Manifesto—Opponents of the Government in Alsace Harassed.

BERLIN, Feb. 15.—Prof. Virchow, in the course of a powerful speech to the electors of the second Berlin circle, denounced the Vatican's interference as coercion of the Catholic electors which all Germany should resent. Toward the close of his speech he said: "If militarism be the supreme law, the sovereign good to which we must sacrifice commerce, industry, everything, Germany has a bad future in store. War will not be averted by one state's making always greater preparations than a neighboring state. On the contrary, these preparations must eventually result in a collision. Our position in the event of an external attack is the strongest defensive position, and if a foreign state means to attack us it will certainly not be hindered by a difference of 41,000 men." The final passage was received with enthusiastic cheers.

The report that the Crown Prince Frederick William, was going to Rome to visit the Pope, is semi-officially contradicted.

The North German Gazette confirms the statement that no electoral manifesto will be issued. It says: "The Emperor when recently receiving a deputation from the Oberhaus so clearly expressed his wishes in regard to the September elections that it is impossible to throw new light upon his position. The electors know what the Emperor expects of them."

A journal in Alsace reports that the Leipsig Court issued a warrant for the search of the house of Herr Schmulz of Strasburg, Secretary of Herr Kable's Election Committee, who was suspected of being connected with the Deroulede League, and that the police ransacked the house but found nothing of an incriminating nature. The houses of numerous bankers and others throughout the provinces are reported to have been searched for a similar reason.

THE CHORAL SOCIETY'S CONCERT.

"St. Paul" at the Pavilion—Operas at the Toronto and the Grand.

Mendelssohn's oratorio of "St. Paul" was performed by the Toronto Choral Society last night in Horticultural Pavilion before a very large audience. This was the society's first concert of the season, and the work chosen was one with which the audience were not entirely unfamiliar as it was performed by the Philharmonic Society a few years ago.

The Choral Society's work last night was scarcely up to the stand