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ENGLAND'S GREAT STORM.

Further Particulars of the Great Blizzard Which Caused Such Destruction.

Towns Completely Isolated—Loss of Property Will Be Enormous—The Thames Rising.

Despatches from London to the American papers give the following particulars of the great storm:

The extreme severity of the snow storm becomes more apparent as reports come in and it is believed that many lives have been lost.

Eight passenger trains on various lines were snowbound between stations all last night and the passengers suffered intensely from the cold and hunger. They were rescued this afternoon and they all showed the effects of their ordeal. Many of them were frostbitten and all were in an exhausted condition.

One train on the Great Western line, between London and Plymouth, had not been dug from up to a late hour to-night. Another train on the same line was derailed by running into a snowbank and the passengers were imprisoned in the cars all night, not daring to leave lest they should be frozen to death.

Many towns are completely isolated, all railway and telegraphic communication being cut off.

The harbor walls at Torquay, which were recently completed at a cost of £50,000 have been almost entirely destroyed by the violence of the storm, and the railway seawall near Exeter has been washed away.

The total loss is enormous. The men at all the life-saving stations on the coast are nearly exhausted from over work, and many of them are prostrated. A war office sentry was snowed in while standing in his box in Pall Mall, last night, and his relief found him in a semi-conscious condition. He was found none too soon to save his life.

Reports from various counties in England report the snow drifting heavily. Trains are more or less delayed, and in some instances completely stalled. All field work has been abandoned, and the loss to farm stock will undoubtedly be immense.

The railroads of Kent and Sussex are completely blockaded, and the neighboring country covered deeply with snow. The hurricane which accompanied the snow storm piled snow drifts on all sides, stopping all traffic on the railroad lines, and upon country roads.

Two trains full of passengers in the midlands were snowed up last night, and the passengers not rescued until this morning. It is reported that people suffered terribly from the cold during the night owing to the absence of heat in the cars. A train on the North Kent railroad, bound for this city, was snowed up last night and still remains in the railroad cutting where it was stopped by drifts. A number of engines were sent to the scene, but they were unable to move the train.

The Sheerness mail car cannot be found. It is lost somewhere along the line between this city and Sheerness. A search party sent out after the missing car recovered the engineer of the lost engine. He was found half frozen in the snow.

Two clergymen were found snowed up in a carriage last night and were rescued with much difficulty.

Reports from the Provinces show that the blizzard prevailed from St. George channel to the North sea. One effect of the storm has been the stoppage of the South Wales Iron Works. All road traffic is stopped and trains are delayed.

In Somersetshire, Dorsetshire, Hampshire and Gloucestershire there are snowdrifts many feet deep everywhere, rendering field work impossible. In these counties the mail service is completely stopped and farmers suffer immense loss in cattle and sheep.

Another instance of the snow blockade upon a road familiar to Americans who cross the channel to and from the continent is the passenger train which left Charing Cross railroad station at midnight on the Norfolk. It was caught in a huge snowdrift outside of Folkestone, and the passengers were not rescued until this morning, when many of them were half frozen.

On the London, Chatham & Dover railroad trains were delayed for hours. Maidstone, Sheerness and Sittingbourne are cut off from all communication with the surrounding country.

In addition to the damage done by the storm itself, the Thames has commenced to rise in a dangerously rapid manner, and has already inundated the low-lying districts bordering the river, from Richmond down.

The green-grocers of the city and elsewhere are suffering from a dearth of vegetables. All wagons coming in from the country are snowed up along the roads, and scarcity and consequent rise in the prices of such provisions may be looked for during the next day or two

Work on the docks in and about London is partially suspended, owing to the snow accumulated about them.

In South Devonshire the snowstorm continued in violence; the railroads are blockaded, and the mail train from Southampton to London is snowed up. Towns in the Channel islands are also cut off by snow from all communication with each other. At Lydd, a small seaport town of Kent, while the coast guard lifeboat was going to the rescue of a crew of an endangered vessel, the lifeboat capsized and many occupants were drowned.

Near Hastings, Sussex county, five fishing smacks were wrecked and three fishermen drowned, the others barely escaping.

At one time it was said that the mail boat plying between Dover and Calais, on her way to the latter port, foundered. The report turned out to be incorrect, the mail boat having reached Calais in safety, but in terribly battered shape.

DREADFUL DISASTER.

A Jewish Synagogue Falls in, Carrying Numerous Victims to Destruction.

LONDON, March 11.—A dispatch from Tunis gives an account of a dreadful disaster at a place called Menzel, in the vicinity of Cabez. A children's service was in progress in the synagogue at that place when, without warning, hundreds of people hastened to the spot to find that the whole congregation had been buried beneath the fallen walls and roof. The shrieks of the victims held fast by the heavy beams, stones, etc., horrified the spectators, rendering them powerless for the moment to do anything toward rescuing the injured from their terrible position. A few cool-headed ones, however, took the lead and the work of extricating the victims began. Within a short time fifty maimed and bleeding men, women and children were taken out and cared for, and four dead bodies crushed out of all semblance of humanity were taken to the dead house. The number of killed cannot be even approximately estimated. It is known that the building was crowded with people, and hundreds of dead bodies must still be buried beneath the tons of debris not yet removed.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

Sudden Death at Harrison Hot Springs—An Indian at Popcum Horribly Mutilated—Squatters on Seabird Island Notified to Quit.

(Special to THE COLONIST.)

A man named Robert Graham died very suddenly at Harrison Hot Springs, last night. He had been in the Jubilee Hospital for six weeks, and came over by advice of his physician to drink the mineral waters of the springs. Graham is a rancher of Chilcoten, and has no relatives on the coast. Coroner Pittendrigh has gone up to hold an inquest.

News was received in the city, to-day, of a horrible accident at Popcum Saw Mill on the 28th. An Indian named Pierre, employed as a sawyer for Knight, Bros., slipped on a piece of ice and fell against a circular saw, being cut up and mutilated in a terrible manner. His intestines were ripped out, one leg was sawed off close to the body, and was otherwise horrible cut up. Another Indian working in the mill, named Jim, saw the terrible affair. He dropped down, sickened at the sight, and died a few hours afterwards. Both bodies were buried without an inquest, and the authorities were not notified. It is probable coroner Pittendrigh will hold an investigation.

The 27 squatters who moved on to the Sea Bird Island Indian reserve have been served with notices to quit. They promise to leave within a week, and the Indians are quieting down in consequence.

SERIOUS ARRAIGNMENT.

Harrington Accuses the Irish Prelates With Deliberate Duplicity.

DUBLIN, March 11.—Mr. Timothy Harrington, M.P., has thrown a bombshell into the camp of the Irish bishops. In a letter to the Freemans Journal, Mr. Harrington, in very plain terms, accuses the prelates of deliberate duplicity. In support of his accusations he furnishes the original copy of a joint letter which the bishops wrote to Mr. Parnell, on October 15th, before the O'Shea trial, in which the writers vigorously condemn Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien, whose independent action they declare is calculated to separate the moral element from National politics. This has reference to the action of Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien in holding independent meetings and sustaining movements in sympathy with the former's cause, in his controversy with Bishop O'Dwyer, of Limerick, and Mr. Parnell is earnestly besought to express to the two members mentioned, his emphatical disapproval of their course. Pursuing the subject further, the bishops unsparingly denounce the glaring absence of supervision of the columns of United Ireland, even in the gravest matters affecting the national cause, and requests Mr. Parnell to use his influence with Mr. O'Brien to the end of inducing him to abandon his course and devote his time to the interests of the paper, the efficiency of which, as a means of true expression of the national has been greatly impaired by his neglect while treading forbidden paths.

NANAIMO NEWS NOTES.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

NANAIMO, March 11.—The funeral of the late A. T. D. McElmen took place this afternoon.

Munro was slightly hurt in No. 3 shaft to-day.

Sailed—Steamships Alki and Costa Rica, coal laden.

Rev. Lovey has been afforded the living of the South Nanaimo Episcopal parish.

The Floods in Nashville.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 11.—The river has remained nearly stationary during the past twenty-four hours, and unless heavy rains fall no further rises are expected. Messages received this evening from Burnside, Ky., at the head of the Cumberland river, reported a fall of from 8 to 9 feet. The weather is warm and cloudy, however, and rain is probable. While the loss sustained by those who were driven from their homes by the back water, in the aggregate, is not very great, it has fallen individually upon those who could ill afford to stand it, and much suffering has been the result.

CAPITAL NOTES.

Sir Charles Tupper Expects Mr. Blaine to Remove All Causes of International Difference.

The Commons Speakership to be Given to Peter White, of Renfrew.

Blake Suffering From Insomnia—Sir John Macdonald to Take a Rest.

OTTAWA, March 10.—The first meeting of the Cabinet after the election was held to-day. April 29 was definitely selected as the date of the meeting of Parliament. It is expected the session will be a short one—seven weeks at the most.

Sir Hector Langevin returned to to town to-day. It is understood he will sit for Richelieu. Chapais, his son-in-law will contest Three Rivers.

Hon. G. E. Foster arrived this morning. His majority in Kings is over 80.

The reports of the British farmer's delegates have been issued, and give great satisfaction. It is expected one thousand pounds will be raised in England for the Springhill sufferers.

The United Empire trade league is making great headway in the Mother country. As soon as the details of the organization have reached here, branches will be established in Canada.

Sir John is improving in health daily. He was present at the Cabinet meeting to-day.

The new militia list has been published.

The Customs department has issued a batch of decisions under the new tariff.

OTTAWA, March 11.—Sir Charles Tupper, and the three cabinet ministers—Sir John Thompson, and Hon. Messrs. Costigan and Tupper—returned from the Maritime provinces to-day. The victorious quartette received an enthusiastic welcome from several hundred citizens.

In an interview to-night, Sir Charles Tupper said: "I am very sanguine that reciprocal treaty arrangements between the States and Canada will soon be made on a broad, liberal basis, embracing all articles whether the produce of the forest or farm, as arranged for the mutual advantage of both countries. This confidence arose from the fact that Mr. Blaine is known to be opposed to the McKinley tariff, and sought to minimize its evil effects by reciprocal trade with other countries." Mr. Blaine, Sir Charles said, need only turn to the record of the Liberal party of Canada to ascertain that it was the Conservatives who were invariably disposed to friendly relations between the two countries, and Sir Charles will be greatly surprised if Mr. Blaine does not crown his best efforts as a public man by removing all questions of irritation between the United States and Canada.

Peter White is spoken of in connection with the Speakership. Mr. Weldon, of Albert, is mentioned for Deputy Speaker.

Mr. Blake is here attending Supreme Court. He declines to make any further statement touching his manifesto. He is suffering from his old complaint, insomnia, and has not had sleep for seven days.

In the Supreme Court to-day the British Columbia appeal case of Forrier vs. Brule, was argued.

The Grits of the Maritime provinces are endeavoring to find a seat for Hon. A. G. Jones, of Halifax.

Sir John Macdonald is unwell to-day. His physician has ordered absolute rest.

THE ENGLISH BLIZZARD.

Storms, Floods and Wrecks—Biggest Outbreak of the Elements for Years.

Trains Snowed in, Streets Blocked and Traffic Suspended—Improved Prospects.

LONDON, March 11.—The British ship Bay of Panania has been wrecked off Falmouth, and the captain, his wife and twelve of the crew drowned.

The snow continues to block the roads and railways to a certain extent, but the situation is improving. In the south-west of England trains are still snowed in, in some districts, and communication with Wales is delayed.

The towns of Lele, Belgium, and Shered and Shillas, Hungary, are submerged by the overflowing of the river.

The storm in England is over and the sun is shining brightly to-day. The streets are still encumbered with snow, which, however, is fast melting away. Reports from the country show that the streams are rising. A widespread destruction of property by floods is feared in the southern counties, where the fall of snow was unprecedented.

The blockade caused by the blizzard in England has raised the price of food in many places, but no absolute scarcity is reported. The railroads are hard at work clearing their lines, and traffic is resumed, but in many places the trains still run irregular.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

Opium on the Zealandia.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—The steamer Zealandia sailed for Honolulu yesterday afternoon. About an hour or so before her departure customs house searchers commenced a search for opium. A large part of the cargo was turned over but none of the precious drug was found. Before leaving the steamer, however, the searchers paid their respects to the shaft alley and succeeded in bringing to light ten 50-tael boxes of opium that had been tucked away there.

Stanley Visits San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—Henry M. Stanley, the African explorer, and his wife, arrived in the city at noon to-day. Stanley will deliver a lecture to-morrow night.

Preferred Death to Disgrace.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—Charles A. Hogreve committed suicide this afternoon by shooting himself through the heart. He was a cabinet maker employed by the Southern Pacific company. He belonged to a number of lodges, and about a week ago was accused of embezzling $5 from one of them. He felt the disgrace so keenly that he killed himself.

A Missing Count.

OAKLAND, Cal., March.—A New York despatch to-day said Count Carolyi, of Hungary, is being searched for, and that he has married in America. On the 26th of January a marriage license was issued here to Geo. Carolyi and Borska Frank, both natives of Hungary. He was 23 and she 19.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Obituary.

MONTREAL, March 11.—The death is announced of John Lesperance, who has been for twenty years a familiar figure in Canadian literary circles.

Sir Richard Cartwright's Opinion.

MONTREAL, March 11.—Sir Richard Cartwright is in the city. Talking about the election, he said he expected that on a division in the new parliament, Liberals would have a majority of twelve to fourteen from Ontario and Quebec.

Ontario Legislature.

TORONTO, March 11.—The Ontario legislature re-assembled yesterday.

A Challenge From Teemer.

TORONTO, March 11.—John Teemer writes to a friend in this city that his backers are prepared to match him with Jake Gaudaur or William O'Connor for $1,000 a side. It is likely that O'Connor will accept the offer.

Reports of the Farmers' Delegates.

TORONTO, March 10.—A cablegram to the Globe says: The Farmers' Delegates reports are now issued and in the course of circulation throughout the country. Their general tenor is highly satisfactory.

Mr. Chapleau to be Knighted.

TORONTO, March 10.—The Globe's Montreal correspondent says it is not improbable that Hon. Mr. Chapleau will be raised to the rank of Knighthood as a reward for his political services.

Bound to Beat Sir John.

HALIFAX, March 10.—Charles Langelier, of Quebec, and C. W. Weldon, of St. John, N. B., are in the city. Their mission is asserted to be an attempt to purchase Conservative support to defeat the Government.

The Seal to be Protected.

TORONTO, March 10.—A Washington dispatch says that it is the intention of the U. S. Government to exercise a more rigid policy of control of the Alaskan waters, the coming season, than ever before, and to use the utmost care to protect the seals there.

Serious Railway Accident.

MEDICINE HAT, March 10.—A collision occurred on the Great Falls & Canada Railroad, two miles west of Dunmore, yesterday evening. Three men were injured, but only one seriously, and an engineer named Barrett.

Frozen to Death.

LETHBRIDGE, N. W. T., March 10.—Word has been received of the finding of Policeman Haron's body. He was frozen stiff, with his eyes and mouth open, and his watch in his hand. His horse, with one foot caught in the saddle strap, was almost dead when discovered.

The Government's Majority.

MONTREAL, March 10.—Sir Hector Langevin thinks the government's majority in the new house will reach 40, and he fully expects that, if a vote be taken on the election of speaker, the government man will have a majority from every province in the Dominion.

CABLE NEWS.

Mr. Gladstone's House Warming.

LONDON, March 10.—Mr. Gladstone gave a house warming in his new house, on Park Lane, to-night. Mr. John Morley, the Earl and Countess of Aberdeen, Earl Rosebery and many others were pacsent.

The Boehm Will Case.

LONDON, March 10.—The court has rendered a decision in the case of Miss Florence Boehm, daughter of the Sculptor Boehm, whose petition for an alteration of the wording of her father's will was recently heard and decision reserved. The obvious intention of the testator was to bequeath £10,000 each to his daughters, Florence and Georgiana, but by an error in drawing up the will the name of Georgiana appeared as the inheritor of both bequests. Evidence was produced to show that Boehm had expressed his purpose of leaving an equal sum to each of his daughters, and the court has decided that Florence is entitled to £10,000.

Russia Wants More Territory.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10.—Public attention is closely directed to the tension of affairs caused by the Scandinavian political situation. Russia has long been waiting an opportunity to incorporate into the empire the territory beyond the Northwest frontier, thus gaining an Atlantic seaboard and enabling her by joining the gap, now separating the railway systems of Russia and Scandinavia, to make Ofelen in Norway a naval port of equal stratagic importance to Vladivostok, near the northern limit of Corea, on the Japan Sea.

The Dying Prince.

ROME, March 10.—Prince Victor was today brought by the Princess Clothilde, wife of Prince Jerome Napoleon, to the bedside of his dying father. Prince Napoleon recognized his son and said to him "I am going; all is over." The attending physicians say that it is not likely that death will occur immediately.

Japan-Vancouver Mail Subsidy.

LONDON, March 10.—It is said that the proposition to include in the postal service estimates the sum of £39,000 for a mail packet service between Japan and Vancouver will be opposed in the House of Commons by the member for Canterbury, Mr. J. Henniker-Heaton, who has recently returned to Great Britain, after a prolonged visit to the United States and Canada, in connection with a system of one cent postage.

Governor of Moscow.

ST PETERSBURG, March 10.—The Czar's brother, Grand Duke Sergius, has been appointed Governor of Moscow.

Mrs. Jos. Dwyer and daughter returned from Seattle, last evening, accompanied by B. Dyllyn, nephew of Mrs. Dwyer.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP.

German Military Expenditure Materially Reduced—Herr Windthorst Seriously Ill.

Suicide of Baron Kaufmann—Extensive Fire—Fatal Explosion—A Diplomatic Matter.

Revising French Turf Usages—Public Betting Prohibited — Pugilistic Programme.

THE JEWS IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, March 11.—Advices from St. Petersburg say that by order of the Czar all restrictions have been removed from the immigration of Jews, and the authorities everywhere are instructed to facilitate such immigration. The severity of the anti-Jewish laws has not, however, been in any degree mitigated. In accord with the new policy the Jews are flocking in multitudes towards Odessa, in the south, and the German frontier, in the north. They avoid the Austrian frontier, owing to the strong anti-Jewish feeling which prevails in Austrian-Poland, and which has lately found expression in acts of violence against the Jews. Baron Hirsch is supplying money to assist the emigration of Hebrews by way of Odessa. It appears that not only have a considerable number of Russian and Polish Jews been forwarded through England to the United States during the past few months, but many foreign Jews, already residents in London, and who have been living here in poverty, have been assisted to emigrate to America, so that the actual Jewish population of London is diminishing instead of increasing.

ILLNESS OF THE DUKE OF BEDFORD.

The Duke of Bedford, who succeeded to the title a few weeks ago, when the late duke committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart, is so seriously ill that doubts are entertained of his recovery. The new duke is about 39 years of age. He is staying at Woburn Abbey, suffering severely with pleurisy.

FATAL EXPLOSION.

LONDON, March 11.—The large heating apparatus in the Blochairn Iron Works, Glasgow, exploded to-day. Four men were killed outright, their bodies being dreadfully mutilated. Many others were seriously injured. The building in which the heating works were erected was torn to pieces by the explosion.

THE DELAGOA RAILWAY.

U. S. Minister Lincoln had an interview with the authorities at the British foreign office, to-day, on the subject of the claim of Mrs. McMurdo, growing out of the seizure of the Delagoa railway.

THE FRENCH ANTI-BETTING CRUSADE.

The movement of the French authorities against betting on race tracks has had a depressing effect upon the enthusiasm of race-goers at the races at Colombes, a suburb of Paris. Only a thousand persons were present, to-day, though turf events at that place have hitherto attracted immense crowds. Plenty of private betting was indulged in, but there was no attempt at public betting.

THE NEXT PRIZE FIGHT.

The date for the fight between Ted Pritchard and Jack Burke, which was postponed a few days ago until March 12th or 13th, is still unsettled owing to the growing probability of police interference. It is now believed that the fight will not take place in England at all, but in France, where the liability of interference by the authorities is much less than in Great Britain. Although the suggestion to transfer the scene of the "mill" to French soil has been permitted to reach the ears of the police here it has not yet thrown them off their guard, for they are watching the principals and their intimates very closely and the police in other parts of the Kingdom are keenly on the lookout for the fighters.

RETRENCHMENT IN GERMANY.

LONDON, March 11.—Advices from Berlin show that the Government continues to cut down the expenditures for military equipment at Spandau. The force employed in the manufacture of small arms has been reduced from 2,000 to 600, and work is also less active at the dockyards, since the Reichstag gave notice that extravagance in naval construction would not be permitted. Is is stated also that for the present the plan of converting the city of Breslau into a great fort will not be carried out. This is a favorite scheme of Count Waldersee, and also had the approval of Von Moltke.

A MILLION FLORINS FIRE.

A destructive fire is reported from Bruner, Prussia. Thirty-five houses were destroyed, and help had to be called from neighboring places to subdue the flames. Another destructive fire is reported from the little town of Fechen, in Branderburg. The Friedrichsane Sugar Works at that place, which employed a large proportion of the inhabitants, were utterly destroyed by the flames, involving a loss of about 1,000,000 florins.

HERR WINDTHORST DYING.

It is feared that Herr Windthorst, the great German Catholic leader, is dying He has received the last sacrament. He is suffering with congestion of the lungs.

BARON KAUFMANN SUICIDES.

Baron Kaufmann, adjutant to the Czar, committed suicide last night at St. Petersburg, by shooting himself. An attempt was made to keep the affair quiet but without success. The official enquiry to ascertain the cause of the deed, has resulted in disclosing the fact that the Baron had recently sustained heavy losses at the gaming table, for which he had given notes that he was unable to pay. It is assumed that he killed himself to avoid the disgrace which his failure to meet these obligations would have entailed.

WIGGINS PROPHECYING.

He Says a Great Storm Is Now Approaching the American Coast—No Great Earthquakes in North America Until 1904.

OTTAWA, March 10.—Prof. E. Stone Wiggins, the weather prophet, says there is at this moment on the North Atlantic, and approaching the American coast, a greater storm than any that will happen during the remainder of the year, or either during the year 1892. There will be no earthquakes, beyond a few shakes, north of our equator during these two years; but there will be some south of the equator, owing to Jupiter's southern declination, which is 12°. His large right ascension of 22 hours will contribute greatly to the storm now pending. There will be no great earthquakes, with displacement, in North America until August 17, 1904. This will rack the surface from Philadelphia to Prince Edward Island, and may produce some damage in the maritime cities of the Northern States and the Dominion.

LION TAMER FATALLY WOUNDED.

One of the Beasts in the Spectacle of "Nero" at Paris Turns on His Keeper.

PARIS, March 9.—A terrible scene by which a well known lion tamer will lose his life was witnessed at the Hippodrome to-day. The spectacle of "Nero" was being prepared, one of the features being an attack by lions upon wooden figures arranged in the arena to represent human bodies. Seets, the lion tamer, had just concluded the day's drilling or training of six lions for the performances and was driving them into their cages when one of them refused to enter its cage. Seets managed to cage the remaining five lions and then turned his attention to the rebellious animal.

Seets armed himself with a lance and tried to dislodge the refractory lion, but in so doing he tripped and lost his hold of the lance. Before he could regain possession of the lance the angered lion sprang on the man, hurled him to the floor and bit and rent him in a horrible manner. His cries for help soon brought another trainer to the scene. The latter caught up the lance and gallantly attacked the lion, inflicting a severe wound with the weapon. Cowed by the wound received the lion released poor Seets and slunk into his cage. Medical assistance was promptly sent for and everything possible done to save the lion tamer's life, but the latest reports are that he is in a dying condition.

THE MINERS' PROCESSIONS.

Magistrate Planta Reads the Riot Act and Gives the Men One Hour to Disperse.

The Miners March as Usual, But Disperse Before the Expiration of the Hour.

(Special to THE COLONIST.)

NANAIMO, March 11.—Mr. J. P. Planta, stipendiary magistrate, acting under instructions from the Attorney-General, proceeded to Wellington this afternoon and read the Riot Act to the union miners who had assembled as usual to form in procession. After giving the men some advice in the matter, the magistrate read the proclamation commanding them to disperse within the hour. Advantage was taken of the hour and the procession marched, but before the expiration of the time limit all had dispersed to their homes.

YUMA'S DEVASTATION.

Flood Almost Destroys the Town—List of the Heaviest Losers.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—Yuma presents a scene of desolation. From the hill at the prison one looks down on the ruins of almost the entire city. Among the heaviest losers are: W. H. Blaisdell, $45,000; Antelope Canal company, $10,000; Ancient Order United Workmen Lodge, $4,000; J. M. Morrin, $21,000; Sisters of St. Joseph, $4,000; F. L. Ewing, $4,000; Jesus Redondo, $8,000; Juana B. Smith, $9,000; Chris Horner, $25,000; Isaac Levy, $15,000; Charles Baker, $5,000; O. F. Townsend, $55,000. Other parties lost from $100 to $300 each. The railroad company has 100 men at work at the east end of the washout and 600 at the west end.

The City Clock Arrives.

The new city clock arrived by the Sound steamer, last evening, and the work of placing it in position will at once be commenced. The clock has four dials, 7½ feet in diameter, glazed with opal glass, so that it can be illuminated at night with gas or electric light, as will be decided by the Council. It will have Dennison's double three-legged gravity escapement and 1½ seconds' compensated pendulum. It is guaranteed by the makers, Messrs. Gillett & Johnson, of Croydon, England, to keep time within five seconds per week, and it will strike the hour in full and one blow at every half-hour. The bell, upon which the hours are struck, is the largest in British Columbia, weighing 2,098 pounds. Mr. Redfern expects to have the clock in good working order by about the end of next month. When finished, it will be the finest clock on the Pacific Coast, and the largest north of San Francisco. The dials, made of cast iron, each weigh nearly five hundred pounds, and the entire clock weighs nearly four tons. It will be wound once each week, by means of an ordinary crank, and the weights will be carried to the top of the tower and will descend fifty feet. The clock is exactly the same in principle and construction as the clock that has been in front of Mr. Redfern's store for the last fifteen years, and is manufactured by the same firm.

The mate, with a large gang of men, was hard at work until midnight putting freight on board the Danube, which having completed, she will sail at once for the north.

Steamer Islander and City of Kingston continue to bring in large cargoes.

After the longest passage ever made between Great Britain and the Pacific Coast, the British bark Embleton arrived at Port Townsend on Monday. She was 613 days from the port of Ardrossan, Scotland. The voyage was a series of accidents that were enough to wear out the patience of Job. The Embleton left Ardrossan on July 3, 1889, for Tacoma, in command of Capt. Bennett.

THE SEALING QUESTION.

Gratification in Washington at the Peaceful Solution of the Difficulty.

Opinion of Some of the London Papers on the Despatch to Secretary Blaine.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Nothing could be learned at the State Department to-day as to whether or not Secretary Blaine would accept the terms of arbitration set forth in the latest despatch which he had received from Lord Salisbury in regard to the Behring's Sea difficulty; but that the outcome will be arbitration no one doubts. Mr. Blaine will, it is thought, endeavor to make some changes in the scheme which Lord Salisbury has embodied, but whether he is or is not successful in that effort arbitration will ensue. Members of Congress who were spoken to to-day about the matter expressed gratification at the prospect of a peaceful solution of what might have been a most difficult question to handle.

LONDON, March 11.—The press and people take but languid interest in the Behring's Sea controversy. The trial of diplomatic skill between Lord Salisbury and Secretary Blaine lends to it the main attraction.

The St. James Gazette, commenting on the subject of the dispatch to the British Minister at Washington, says: Mr. Blaine having abandoned his absurd theory calling the Behring's Sea a *mare clausum*, has no longer a valid reason for refusing to submit all questions for arbitration. We are informed the foreign office will meet any reasonable modification on the American Secretary's part as to the terms of submission.

The Pall Mall Gazette thinks Lord Salisbury's dispatch will be generally satisfactory to England. It is hard to see how Mr. Blaine can refuse his lordship's proposals.

The Star congratulates the noble lord on having got the better of Mr. Blaine in the controversy.

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WON THE PIANO.—Miss Bella Archer, daughter of our Reeve, Mr. J. W. Archer, has been successful in winning the $600 prize piano offered by S. Frank Wilson, Toronto, in a Bible competition. Miss Bella has been very successful in former competitions of this kind, and is entitled to the hearty congratulations of her friends.—Collingwood Enterprise, Jan. 15th, 1891.

ST. THOMAS, Feb. 16th, 1891.

I take much pleasure and delight in acknowledging receipt of the handsome square piano offered as first prize in "TRUTH'S Bible Competition, No. 21." I also thank you exceedingly for the promptitude with which you answered my letter by forwarding it to me on the following day. I had really not expected it for some weeks. Several persons of musical talent have already examined it and all pronounce it a first-class, genuine piano, both in tone and finish, and say it is in every respect what you claim it to be. I will be pleased at any time to exhibit it to anyone who may wish to know the fairness and honesty of the competition. I have no doubt but that you will receive many of my friends' names as subscribers to your valuable paper, which is well worth the money as a household friend. Again thanking you for your valuable reward.—MRS. GEO. SHAW

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AN EXAMPLE WORTH FOLLOWING.

Mrs. ——, living near Stratford, Ont., has had an experience worth relating; and her plain, truthful story may, in some measure, be the means of guiding aright other women who now suffer as Mrs. —— once did. In her letter to us she says:—"Eighteen months ago my health began to fail. I was nervous and always felt weary and worn out; I did not sleep well, and got up in the morning almost as tired as when I went to bed. I was assisted in the housework by my daughter, a girl of seventeen, who, owing to my continued weak condition, was obliged to work a great deal, and neglect her studies. A relative from Toronto paid us a visit, and was surprised to find me so changed. Without asking my permission she drove to Stratford, and came back with a bottle of Paine's Celery Compound, which she told me I must commence to use. I had often heard of it before, even in this neighborhood, but had not thought of using it for my own troubles. I commenced its use, and in two weeks felt much stronger and slept better. After using it for about five weeks I was as well as ever before. Now my appetite is good, I sleep soundly, rest as peacefully as a child, I am fatter, and my digestion is perfect."

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