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News Summary.

A despatch from Tangier, Morocco, declares that all Europeans have been expelled from Fez.

The Giornale D'Italia announces that the Emperor and Empress of Russia will come to Italy next December escorted by a Russian squadron.

It is reported that Turkish troops have occupied the Kresna Pass, thus becoming masters of the Struma Valley and that all the insurgent positions are now untenable.

The Western Union Telegraph Company has entered a suit in equity against the Pennsylvania Company to restrain the latter from taking away the former right to use the telegraph lines along the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Prof. Goldwin Smith is a generous citizen of Toronto. He has presented to the Nursing at Home mission, a splendid house, all clear, on Beverly street, one of the best residential avenues in the city; \$1000 to the Working Boys Home; and the same amount to the Old Men's home.

There was a large meeting here to-day under the auspices of the Macedonian committee. Resolutions were passed requesting Bulgaria to negotiate with the powers to secure their mediation for the enforcement in Macedonia of the Berlin treaty.

The str. Orinoco, from Colon, Columbia, which reached Kingston, Ja., Sunday, brings a report that yellow fever and small-pox have broken out among the forces of the Columbian government at Colon and that there are ten deaths daily from these diseases among the soldiers.

Lord Cromer, the British diplomatic agent in Egypt, has telegraphed to the foreign office announcing that Cairo is practically free from cholera. The total number of cases in Egypt is under 100 daily and the disease is expected to cease its epidemic form about Nov. 1.

A very disastrous fire occurred in Shediac, N. B. on the 15th. It swept the North side of Water street, and destroyed 13 buildings; loss \$150,000. The fire started at 5.30 in a barn—cause unknown. The insurance is some \$75,000. The water supply was poor. O. M. Melanson, general storekeeper, lost \$50,000; insurance, \$15,000.

A proclamation has been issued bringing into force the act of last session respecting the coasting trade of Canada. This act provides that no foreign built British vessels, whether registered in Canada or elsewhere, shall be engaged in the coasting trade without first obtaining a license and paying duty of 25 per cent advalorem on the value.

In a despatch from Moscow the correspondent of the London Mail says that a Dr. Konlathe has succeeded in his experiments in reanimating the heart of an infant which he had extracted from a child who had died twenty-four hours previously. The heart beat with normal regularity for one hour. Dr. Konlathe hopes that his discovery will assist in reanimation in cases of death by drowning.

In a telegram to the state department, Washington, dated Caracas, Oct 18, and received here at 5 o'clock this afternoon, Minister Bowon stated that the revolutionary army had withdrawn from near Victoria. He also stated that the government troops still held Valencia. A later despatch, dated 10.45, this (Sunday) forenoon, from the same source, stated that the battle had ended with no decisive result.

Mrs. Emily Crawford, in Truth, says the Countess Lonyay, formerly Crown Princess Stephanie of Austria-Hungary, and the creditors of Princess Philipp of Saxe-Coburg will probably be forced to sue their father, King Leopold of Belgium, to obtain their share of their mother's fortune, amounting to \$2,000,000, which she left equally to her two daughters. It is believed that the king claims the money as a creditor for amounts lent and unpaid.

A Johannesburg despatch says: Important discoveries of petroleum have been made in the Wakkerstroom district. The prospectors found an oil-bearing area many miles square, and state that the oil is equal to the best standards produced in Scotland. Development operations are proceeding in charge of a syndicate. The production of oil within the Transvaal, which consumes untold quantities of American oil, means a revolutionary decrease in the cost of lighting and cooking.

Twelve persons were injured, two perhaps fatally, in a trolley collision on the Hampshire & Worcester Street Railway line Saturday, a heavy double truck car slipping on a heavy grade and coasting down hill into another car. William E. Swindell, of West Brookfield, and James

Fleming, of Ware, suffered concussion of the brain and are considered in a serious condition. Most of the others injured were bruised and cut by broken glass.

The Central Committee of the International Sunday School Convention has issued a circular telling that a conference of Christian workers at Winona Lake Assembly has designated Sunday, Nov. 9, next as a day for special effort in winning souls for Christ, the Golden Text for that day being "Choose you this day whom you will serve." The International committee earnestly recommends that special effort be made on the part of pastors, officers, teachers and parents during the week beginning with the first Sunday in November to persuade the unconverted children and youth to accept Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour. The Nova Scotia Sunday School Association herewith endorses the above and calls on all superintendents of Sunday Schools in Nova Scotia to make special effort on Sunday, Nov. 9, and also respectfully requests all pastors to preach that day on the Golden Text.

Mr. Stackhouse's Programme.

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- 28. Port Williams.
- 29. Upper Canard.
- 30. Pereaux.
- 31. Canning.
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- 4. Coldbrook.
- 5. Cambridge.
- 6. Waterville.
- 9. Berwick field.
- 11-14. Kingston, Morristown, Burlington, Wilmot.
- 16. Upper and Lower Aylesford.
- 18. Melvern Square.
- 23. Nictaux (a. m.) Middleton (evening.)
- 24, 25. Nictaux field.
- 26. Lawrencetown.
- 27. Port Lorne.
- 30. Paradise, Clarence, and Bridgetown in evening

Dec. 1. Annapolis. The brethren are asked to give Mr Stackhouse and the 20th Century Fund the right of way—if possible, according to this schedule—and to communicate at once with Mr. Stackhouse and complete the arrangements for his coming. Mr. Stackhouse, as you will see from the above has some dates left open which may be used by the churches in the vicinity where he happens to be. The Committee has done its best in this matter. Do you brethren do the rest!

ORANGES AND CIGARETTES OF LIFE.

Life is like an eating saloon into which I went last week at a railway station. I saw there oranges, and here boxes of cigarettes. I saw boys coming in, and the question in my mind was as to which way they would turn. They would choose the oranges or the cigarettes. The same price was marked on each. Once in a while I could see a boy take an orange, and I saw other cadets take cigarettes. They stood between oranges and cigarettes; we stand all of us between that which is good and that which is evil, and we are responsible for our choice. I was called out to the insane asylum a little while ago to see an insane young man who was made insane by smoking cigarettes. The doctor said four cigarettes are enough to drive any boy insane, between the ages of twelve and sixteen; while between twelve and twenty-four it would certainly injure the brain for life. Yesterday I saw in a New York paper an account of a young man who was carried to an insane asylum, driven insane through having smoked five cigarettes. That man had chosen cigarettes. Every man who smokes them knows the effect. He would not advise his child to smoke them. He knows it is wrong, and yet there is a choice set before him—will he take the orange or the cigarette, take the good thing or the injurious? It is ever before us. I wish there was some opportunity of escaping from it. I long to teach some high condition of elated piety where there will be no longer temptation of any kind around us. But God has taught me that that time will never come on earth. Even the latest breath a man

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draws, the last of life, there is set before him this necessity to choose; and we will choose that which we love most. We will do that—if we love a cigar the most we will spend our money for it. If we love God the most we will put it into the contribution basket. If we love God the most we will give him the most rather than spend it on self. If we love our child the most we will devote our time on him. We do give where we love most, but love is intermittent, changeable. Sometimes we love more than at other times. We are tempted continually, but we have the liberty to choose the good or the evil. —Ex.

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