

FR. LACOMBE TO LAURIER

As the Representative of the Hierarchy He Addresses the Liberal Leader.

Strongly Imporing the Liberal Party To Support Manitoba Remedial Legislation.

Protection Against Fraud for Canadian Cheese Makers—\$3,000,000 for Defence.

Denial of the C. P. R. Land Purchase Opposition—The Dead Meat Scheme.

Montreal, Feb. 21.—The Star publishes an open letter from Rev. Father Lacombe addressed to Hon. Mr. Laurier. Father Lacombe states that in writing the letter he is doing so as the representative of the hierarchy. It is dated Montreal, Feb. 20. The letter strongly impores the Liberal party to support the Dominion government in carrying the remedial bill. Speaking for the hierarchy Father Lacombe says they cannot accept if the Conservative party is defeated in an appeal to the country on this issue, the hierarchy, from one end of Canada to the other, will never rest until the present government are restored to power. Father Lacombe notifies Mr. Laurier that he is now ready to confer with him on the subject.

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—Hon. Mr. Foster yesterday introduced a bill to provide for the stamping of cheese and butter in packages with the word "Canadian." Also for the registration of factories. The registration can extend to districts, as well as to individual factories. Several insisted that packages should be stamped with the date of production, as a further measure of protection to the consumer. Mr. Foster said that the bill, in addition to the word "Canadian," will also contain the word "Canada." Under the provisions of the bill, no cheese or butter can be held for export except that produced in the Dominion. Mr. Foster called the attention of the government to the fact that there were numbers of old maps of South America in the archives here that might be of importance in the Venezuela boundary dispute. Sir Charles Tupper said that the imperial government would be corresponded with and a copy of any map sent if required.

Sir Charles Tupper, in replying to a question by Mr. Lister, also inquiring as to the settlement of disputes between Great Britain and the United States by arbitration had been transmitted by the government, and what action, if any, was proposed to be taken thereon. Mr. Lister asked for and was promised a report of the last grain standards board of Winnipeg, also a report of the meeting at which the subject of standards and inspection was discussed with Commissioner Maclean. Replying to Mr. Edgar, Mr. Foster said the Chicago and Montreal Railway Company had sold \$300,000 of first preference bonds at par. Work on this enterprise was suspended at present.

The subject of the Resumption by Mr. Laurier, who was followed by Messrs. Bennett and Martin. Hon. Mr. Foster will move on Monday that it is expedient to authorize the government to raise a sum of money, not to exceed in the whole the sum of three million dollars, as may be required for the purposes of defence of the Dominion. The government has reached an important decision not to subsidize in future any steamship line that has a terminal at a United States port. This is in line with the policy to develop Canadian transportation facilities and establish a winter port.

Ministers here deny that the C. P. R. have made application for purchase by bonds. Vice-President Shaughnessy, it is said, also denies the report.

Professor Robertson was further examined at the agricultural committee meeting today. He concluded his evidence, which was, in effect, that part of the bill called on to vote \$200,000 for a dead meat scheme. This money would be used to purchase cattle for the first ten weeks; at the end of that time money would be coming from sales in Great Britain so that he thought no public money would be expended on the scheme. It was proposed that 500 cattle per week in Montreal, and dressed and sent to Great Britain. The committee thought lamb and nut ton should be included. A resolution was passed approving of the scheme, and also of the fitting up of cold storage facilities in Canadian steamers.

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IT'S NICE NOT TO BE THERE.

The Blizzard Still Raging in the East—Traffic Delayed.

Lyons, N. Y. Feb. 21.—The blizzard is still raging here. Trains on the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg road have been detained and all the towns in northern New York have been cut off, except by telephone and telegraph. The New York Central railroad is running nothing but passenger and fast freight trains, and although they are equipped with two engines, they are all behind time. The West Shore railroad has abandoned all but through freight, passenger and double headed trains. The Geneva and Lyons road is kept open by gangs of men who are kept out all the time shovelling the cuts. The storm shows no signs of abatement.

AN UNFORTUNATE AFFAIR.

The Brown Enquiry at San Francisco Not at All Edifying.

San Francisco, Feb. 21.—When the council to try Dr. Brown convened yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Sarah B. Cooper, assistant pastor to Dr. Brown, and one of his accusers, was recalled for cross-examination. She declared that she did everything possible to bring out the truth of the charges against Dr. Brown. Mrs. Lena Blanchard was then called and told of an interview with Dr. Brown in which he had threatened her with arrest for voting lack of confidence in him at a church meeting, witness not being a member. Witness said Dr. Brown promised her immunity from prosecution if she would sign an affidavit confessing that Mrs. Cooper had urged to vote, although not a member. Witness at first signed such affidavit, but afterwards amended the affidavit. She also said that Dr. Brown had allowed the newspapers to publish the affidavit in its original form. She held Dr. Brown responsible for the publication. After Mrs. Blanchard told her story the members of the council and Dr. Brown attempted to question her. Mrs. Rogers, who says Mrs. Blanchard told her Mrs. Cooper urged her to vote, was also present, and insisted that Mrs. Blanchard told her the facts as stated. Mrs. Blanchard grew intensely excited: "You lie! you lie!" she shrieked. All efforts to calm her were unavailing and she was led from the room shrieking and crying.

The council then adjourned until evening. At the evening session only the reporters were admitted. Another session was sprung when Mrs. Albertine Stockton, who Dr. Brown said attempted to blackmail him long before the Davidson affair, came on the stand. She practically admitted that Dr. Brown had been very intimate with her and that their relations were known to Mrs. Brown. Dr. Brown sent her a note asking her to come to his study. She went and found Mrs. Brown with the note in her hand. Then there was a stormy scene; Dr. Brown confessed to his wife and asked her to forgive him, promising reform. Mrs. Stockton said Dr. Brown appeared to be infatuated with her and wanted her to elope with him. She refused to do so.

USED ANCIENT EGGS.

Chinese Actors Roughly Treated in the Cormorant Street Opera House.

The Opposition Faction Make it Lively for their Opponents on the Stage.

There was a lively time at the Chinese theatre on Cormorant street last evening. Two factions of actors have been for some time endeavoring to secure the good wishes of the theatre goers from the Chinese quarter. The rivalry has been very keen between the two parties, but it did not come to a climax until last evening. Actors belonging to one faction were on the stage, and the others accompanied by their friends were in the audience. Suddenly there was a shower of ancient eggs which had evidently been long kept for the occasion. The showy garments of the actors were soon ruined, but their opponents in the audience did not intend to let them off so easily. A fusillade of potatoes, a good deal softer than the usual housewife would care to cook followed, and then came one or two stones. Only one of the actors, Ah Moon, was hurt in any way, but he showed a couple of ugly cuts and bruises, when he complained to the police.

Chan Soon and Le Gon, known to be connected with the opposition faction, were placed under arrest for assaulting Ah Moon, and Ting Ying, one of the leading doctors of Chinatown for throwing missiles on the stage. The information against the doctor sets forth that he "did unlawfully interrupt an assemblage of persons met for a social purpose in the Chinese theatre, by rude and indecent behavior, to wit, by throwing potatoes, rocks and eggs on the stage, contrary to section 173 of the criminal code."

The three men were up in the police court this morning, but Mr. G. E. P. Koch, who had been retained for the prosecution, not being ready to proceed the case was remanded until Monday, the defendants being allowed out on bail. The case will no doubt be stubbornly fought, as is usual when two factions of Chinamen start quarrelling.

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ORDER OUT OF CHAOS.

Boers and Uitlanders Are United in the Common Sorrow and Suffering.

Kruger Trusts His Mutual Good Feeling Will Have Permanent Results.

Goldwin Smith Expresses to a New York Reporter His Views on Current Events.

Constitution of the French Republic Called Into Question—Crisis More Acute.

Johannesburg, Feb. 21.—Latest estimates place the number of deaths from the dynamite explosion at Viedendorp on Wednesday evening at 120. About 400 persons were more or less seriously injured. The death list has been increased by the fact that a number of the injured succumbed to their injuries. While the victims are chiefly the poorer class of Boers, whose families of white people have been wiped out, President Kruger, who has arrived from Pretoria, made a speech congratulating the inhabitants upon the splendid manner in which they have sunk all race feuds in the common endeavor to relieve the sufferers of the disaster. He added that he earnestly trusted the good feeling which has arisen from this common sorrow might have permanent results and lead to a much better feeling in future between the Boers and Uitlanders. The president's remarks have had a great effect upon the foreign population, and it is believed that the reforms in the internal administration of the Transvaal, which have for so long been advocated by the Uitlanders, will shortly be inaugurated in some shape or form which will give general satisfaction, even if they do not entirely reach the point desired by the reformist element.

Present Kruger has been chosen president of the reform committee, and the work of clearing the racial ground of Viedendorp, and sheltering people who have been rendered homeless by the terrible calamity.

New York, Feb. 21.—A morning paper prints an interview with Prof. Goldwin Smith, of Toronto, who is en route for Lakewood, N. J., where he will rest. The interview says: Prof. Goldwin Smith said to-day that all boundary disputes should be settled by arbitration. "The question of the Venezuela boundary dispute," he added, "is now in a fair way of being settled. The policy of the United States is no new thing and I have already detailed at length my views on the subject."

"What about the South African trouble?" "That is a firebrand that may at any moment precipitate war. There are many irresponsible adventurers in that country who, by their reckless acts, are likely to cause a war which will involve all Europe. Nations who desire a foothold in Africa are naturally more or less jealous of each other. Europe is now an armed camp, and, like a match to powder, any spark may kindle an unforced incident. President Kruger is an able man, in fact, one of the ablest in that part of Africa, but the Boers are not now in the majority."

With regard to the Armenian question, he stated that he believed Turkey was rotten to the core and should be dismembered. He did not condole with Lord Salisbury especially, but said in substance: "Lord Salisbury is simply following out the policy of England, which began when the Crimean war occurred. England has an idea that Russia should not have an open sea to the south, and for that reason made a treaty with Turkey, or rather accepted the Islamic proposition for the partition of England persists in standing up for Turkey. Lord Salisbury was present at the Berlin treaty conference and, of course, knows the policy of the English 'Conservatives. To their disgrace and shame Turkey is permitted to exist and carry on daily a massacre enough to make civilized nations blush with shame."

Paris, Feb. 21.—The general opinion is that the political crisis has been rendered more acute by the second vote of confidence passed yesterday by the chamber of deputies. It is expected the senate will persist in its resistance to the deputies, and, therefore, further trouble is anticipated. A few of the newspapers, however, think that the senate will yield under fear of a revision of the constitution, which might result in the abolition of that body. Conservative organs declare the cabinet's victory brings the whole constitution into question.

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ARBITRATION CONFERENCE.

Influential Meeting in Philadelphia—Letter from Mr. Cleveland.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 22.—Delegates to the conference in favor of international arbitration crowded the historic Independence Hall to-day and listened to addresses by prominent advocates of peace by arbitration. The delegates hall from Columbus, Boston, St. Paul, New York, and as far away as England. The meeting was presided over by Judge W. N. Aslman, of this city, and the venerable Frederick Friley acted as vice-chairman. The meeting was opened by reading letters and telegrams from prominent persons from all parts of the country, who were unable to be present. A letter containing a strong sentiment from President Cleveland, was received with much applause, as follows: Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Feb. 21, 1896. "I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, and to thank you for the interest you have taken in the cause of international arbitration. I shall be unable to attend the conference to be held to-morrow in the interest of international arbitration at your city, but it should be entirely unnecessary for me to assure those who advocate this cause of my hearty sympathy with any movement which tends to the establishment of peaceful agencies for the adjustment of international disputes. The subject should be discussed with a clear perception of all the features belonging to it, in a spirit of patriotism, as well as of love for mankind. Hoping the conference you contemplate may result in stimulating the sentiment in favor of just and fair arbitration among nations, I am yours very truly, (Signed) Grover Cleveland."

AN UNGRATEFUL SON.

Bow Kee, a Well Known Merchant, Robbed by His Foster Son, Ching Tang.

Over Five Hundred Dollars and Some Gold Dust Stolen—the Thief Arrested.

Quite a sensation was sprung among the upper caste Chinese last night. Ching Tong, the foster son of Bow Kee, a prominent merchant, was arrested for stealing \$500 and 500 in gold dust from his father. The money and gold dust had been carefully put away in a trunk. This Ching Tong broke open, and securing the money and dust hid himself in a state room. Ching Tong did not make a fuss, but simply returned home and restored \$330 and the gold dust to his father. He had no more he said. Bow Kee then did not warn his son arrested, but the warrant had already been issued, and for the second time during the night the young man was rudely awakened from his slumbers. Sergeant Hawton made the arrest. The balance of the money was found on the prisoner.

The case was called in the police court this morning, but was remanded until Monday. According to the Chinamen who know him, Ching Tong has been spoiled. Although over 22 years of age he is considered one of the "sports" of Chinatown, his father having given him a liberal allowance, which he spent in riotous living. Bow Kee is a pioneer of the city. He was making clothes for the miners and residents of British Columbia before a white man thought it was worth while opening a tailoring establishment here. Having a comfortable fortune and no children to inherit it, he adopted and educated Ching Tong, who has now turned on him and robbed him.

BILL NYE SINKING RAPIDLY.

The Great Humorist's Condition Shows No Change for the Better.

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 22.—The condition of Bill Nye shows no material change to-night. He remains in an unconscious condition and appears to be sinking.

HOW THE THING WORKS.

W. W. Astor Will Bask in the Light of an American Girl's Title.

London, Feb. 21.—The Leeds Mercury says to-day that the engagement of William Waldorf Astor and Lady Randolph Churchill, formerly Miss Jennie Jerome, of New York, will shortly be announced.

One Honest Man.

Dear Editor:—Please inform your readers that if written to confidentially I will mail in a sealed letter, particulars of a genuine, honest, home cure, by which I was permanently restored to health and manly vigor, after years of suffering from nervous debility, sexual weakness, night losses and weak shrunken parts. I was robbed and swindled by the quacks until I nearly lost my mind, but thank heaven I am now well, vigorous and strong, and wish to make this certain means of cure known to all sufferers. I have nothing to sell, and want no money, but being a firm believer in the universal brotherhood of man, am desirous of helping the unfortunate to regain their health and happiness. Perfect secrecy assured. Address with stamp. L. A. Edwards, Jarvis, Ont.

A CRY FROM MACEDONIA.

Father Lacombe Working Hard in the Interest of the (to Tories) Disastrous Bill.

Tories Pleading With French Liberals for Their Support in This Strail.

Sir Charles Tupper Coming to Winnipeg With Abundant Promises of Everything.

Lord Aberdeen Again Shows Mercy to One Who Has Broken the Law.

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—Father Lacombe had a letter from Archbishop Langevin telling him to call on Mr. Choquette, M. P., regarding the remedial bill. That was why Father Lacombe met Mr. Choquette in the commons to-day. Last night a number of Tories called on Mr. Choquette and some other French Liberals asking them to support the remedial bill. This shows the desperate straits which the government is being driven to. The Tories got no satisfaction and to-day they are asking their newspapers to say that the Liberals came to them.

Mr. Choquette authorizes a denial of this. Lord Aberdeen to-day signed a reprieve setting aside the conviction of G. B. H. Morin, formerly of St. Pierre Montagnary, who was sentenced to be hanged for murder in April, 1890 and which sentence was afterwards changed to imprisonment for life.

Mr. Choquette, M. P., defended the prisoner and has now succeeded in getting the reprieve. Morin killed Roy in a drunken row. He has served 7 1/2 years. Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 22.—Sir Charles Tupper is understood to be on his way here to assist in making some settlements of the school question. It is believed he will propose to make the schools purely secular.

ROBERT WAS RAPID.

He Knocks Maher Out To-Day With a Single Right-Hander on the Jaw.

Waterloo Cup Won by "Fabulous Fortune"—Corbett Wires to El Paso.

Sanderson, Tex., Feb. 21.—Train No. 12 of the Southern Pacific road, left El Paso at 10 o'clock last night, enroute to reach Lanley, on the Mexican border, at 1:35 p.m. to-day. The present expectation is that the cars containing the prize fighters will stop either at that station, Shumla or Viaduct, and arrange for a fight.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 22.—The train bearing the pugilists and their admirers has returned from the battle ground and arrived here at 9 o'clock. Fitzsimmons and Martin Julian drew the money to the party will cross the Rio Grande river into the Mexican state of Coahuila and have the ring pitched at the foot of Mosquito mountain. This region is very inaccessible to Mexican troops, the mountains dropping close to the edge of the river.

Langtry, Feb. 21.—Maher was knocked out in the first round by Fitzsimmons with a right hand blow on the jaw.

The fight lasted a trifle more than a minute.

TO SAVE APPEARANCES.

Chicago, Feb. 21.—Jas. J. Corbett sent two telegrams to El Paso to-night, one to Fitzsimmons and one to Maher, asking the winner to meet Corbett in Chicago any day between March 1st and 6th and arrange for a fight.

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The Maher party is here, but will probably go to Las Cruces to-day. Fitzsimmons has made the following statement: "I whipped with ease the man Corbett presented the championship belt to in order to escape the match with me. To show how little weight his championship present carried, I now formally, through the Associated Press, renounce all claims in the belt and refuse to accept it. I am going to Madison Square Garden for the night of February 29, with half a dozen contracts I made conditionally on winning from Maher, and then with Julian, Stenzler, Roebor and my family, I will sail for England."

FITZ TALKS. El Paso, Tex., Feb. 22.—The Associated Press representative had a talk with Fitzsimmons about the Corbett challenge on the way from the battle ground, this morning, and this is what he had to say about it: "I shall completely ignore that fellow Corbett. It was a thousand dollars American money to one cent Mexican coin that Pompadour Jim would get in his ear just as he has. I shall use about the same argument once employed by Charlie Mitchell. Tell him to get a reputation. Let him go and whip Peter Maher and Joe Choyanski before he opens his head to me. Both men want to fight him and I think either one of them can lick him. This much I shall insist upon. He must first win from Maher and Choyanski before he gets into the ring with me."

Chicago, Feb. 22.—Corbett, when shown the dispatch announcing Fitzsimmons' refusal to fight him, simply said: "He is a big coward. I will leave it to the public to judge whether I am correct or not. I predicted he would not make a match with me if he won the fight with Maher, but if he goes to England, he will find me there after him."

PUGILIST PARDONED.

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 22.—Richard Falls, the young pugilist of this city, who shot and killed James McCarthy on July 10, 1894, has been pardoned by the governor and liberated from Wau-pun prison. The shooting was the result of a feud. McCarthy and a companion had made threats that they would "do up" Falls when they met him. The three men met in a saloon and the two men assaulted Falls. He drew a revolver and shot McCarthy while he was running away. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to a term of six years in the penitentiary. The petition for his pardon was signed by some of the leading men of the city.

MEETS WITH APPROVAL.

The programme issued for the Victoria summer races has met with the most enthusiastic approval of the Oregon horsemen, and Mr. M. D. Wisdom, president of the Portland Racing Association, predicts that the support accorded to it by owners of racing stock in Washington and Oregon will be such as to make racing in British Columbia a complete success. At his suggestion a two-year-old trotting race will be added on the 4th of July, Thursday, July 30th, as the number of two-year-olds that will take in the circuit this year will be greater than that of any other age. The North Pacific Racing Association leaves the question of licensing jockeys and drivers to each individual association, the penalty of being set down applying to the meeting at which the offence is committed. As the positions of judges and starter will be occupied by the most competent men obtainable, and as they will have the power of enforcing their reprimands by inflicting the penalty of withdrawal of the license, the result to the public should be eminently satisfactory and the racing clean and honest.

NEW-CHEAP FERTILIZER.

Mr. Faure has reported the discovery, due to the development of the electric arts, of a new nitrated fertilizer adapted for agriculture on a large scale and remarkably cheap. It is cyanide of calcium, which up to the present time existed only in small quantities in laboratories, and which has suddenly become a very important substitute for the nitrate of soda that is imported at great expense from foreign countries. It is even richer than the soda, is assimilable nitrate. Being an oxidizable substance, it does not require a great amount of heat for its production, which is accomplished by placing a mixture of limestone and coal in the electric furnace and subjecting it to a direct preliminary heating of 1500 degrees C., and afterwards to a super-heating at 2500 degrees C. in the presence of pure nitrogen in large excess, and finally in an oxidation by air, the oxygen of which is retained by the product, while the nitrogen carries the heat due to oxidation to the electric chamber.—Scientific American.

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