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MY LADY'S SIMPLE STORY

CREATES A STRONG PREPOSSESSION IN HER FAVOR.

Her Denials Direct and Unhesitating, and Her Manner That of a Witness Who Is Telling the Truth.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The atmosphere in the Divorce Court has become a little clearer. The Attorney-General's opening in behalf of the Duke of Marlborough showed a stronger and more confident line of defence than the public had expected. His argument that the Duke had offered marriage with Lady Aylesford disposed of one of the ugliest prejudices against that peer. The counsel for Capt. Shaw, Sir Wm. Butler and Dr. Bird had an easy task. The general opinion is that there is no real case against any one of these three. Lady Colin's appearance in the witness box certainly creates a strong prepossession in her favor. Her testimony is given clearly and simply. Her denial of the charges against her are direct, unequivocal and unhesitating. Her manner is that of a witness telling the truth, and if she has to admit any fact that seems damaging she admits it frankly. Lady Colin's remarkable power of rapid and picturesque expression proves to be of much advantage to her, for she makes the jury see things as she saw them. Her examination and cross-examination are likely to last over Monday. The Pall Mall Gazette adds much to the general hilarity by daily exhortings to its contemporaries against indecency. The rebukes would certainly come well from some cleaner mouth. Nearly all the papers except the Times still publish abominable reports.

When the court opened to-day Lady Campbell resumed her testimony. She denied having ever spoken to the nurse, Mrs. Duffy, about the methods persons adopted to prevent maternity. Witness said she refused to continue relations with Lord Colin because of the physical and moral suffering it entailed upon her. She told Lord Colin if he ever attempted to compel a continuance of the relations he would find her dead on the following morning. Witness added that she told Lord Colin further that she preferred to live apart from him under the same roof to avoid scandal, but declared that if there was to be a separation it must be open and public. She would not permit Lord Colin's family to give any version of the affair that suited them. Witness was never accused by her husband of any impropriety until the family meeting in 1883.

In cross-examination she said the book written by her was a child's book. It was illustrated by Kate Greenaway and eight editions of it had been printed. Witness began writing for the Saturday Review in 1880. She wrote three articles every week. Witness really meant that she would commit suicide when she said she would be found dead next morning if Lord Colin ever attempted to compel her to occupy the same apartment with him. She admitted having gone into society once while suffering, and that she wrote in her diary, "enjoyed myself hugely." She made up her household expense book mostly on Saturdays. (At this point one of the plaintiff's household expense books was produced. It showed that no entries were made on Saturday, Aug. 12, but that they were made on Monday, Aug. 14.)

Witness said the Duke of Marlborough still visited her father, mother and brother. She denied the statement made by one of her servants, that being notified of the arrival of a guest while she was in the drawing room with Gen. Butler, she went to the door and said to the maid "not at home." It was Lord Colin himself who selected Dr. Bird to attend witness.

The judge decided that Mr. Finlay, defendant's counsel, was entitled to see the copies of Lady Colin's diaries, but that some of the entries ought not to be published. One of the entries read described somebody's evening party as a "ghastly affair," and another entry pronounced another evening party as "deadly dull."

COLLAPSE OF A ST. LOUIS BUILDING.

The Ruins Take Fire and Two Men are Burned to Death.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 11.—The upper floor of Shapleigh & Cottrell's hardware establishment fell with a crash this afternoon, under the heavy weight of agricultural implements. It carried the second floor with it, and soon the building was in a blaze, fire having communicated from overturned stoves. In a short time the roof of an adjoining building fell, soon followed by the toppling of a side wall.

There were fifty employes in the building at the time of the crash, and it was feared that some of them had been injured, but all have been accounted for but two, and they, it is thought, have escaped. The loss will approximate $500,000, with $300,000 insurance.

Up to a late hour to-night Arthur W. Palmer, one of the clerks in the store, and John Molnan, one of the porters, had not been heard from nor had they reached their respective homes. It is therefore believed that their dead bodies are in the ruins. The search has not yet been commenced, the ruins being too hot, but water is being poured upon them with plug streams and to-morrow a thorough search will be commenced. One of the employes, named Furlong, had a leg badly crushed, but nobody else received injuries worthy of mention.

FRANCE'S NEW MINISTRY.

Premier Goblet Announces Its Completion to the Chamber.

PARIS, Dec. 11.—M. Goblet has concluded the formation of his ministry, which is as follows:

Goblet, President of the Council and Minister of the Interior and ad interim Minister of Foreign Affairs; M. Dauphin, Minister of Finance; Bardoux, Instruction; Sarrien, Justice; Boulanger, War; Aube, Marine; Garnet, Posts and Telegraphs; Lockroy, Commerce; Millaud, Public Works; Develle, Agriculture.

Goblet read a statement saying he relied on Republicans to support the ministry and that he would follow De Freycinet's foreign policy. He also asked the voting of a provisional government.

Juvenile books in great variety at Mc-Alush & Ellis', opp. the Postoffice. ed

His Children Testify Against Him.

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—A sensational murder trial, which was held with closed doors, has just been concluded at the Ostrowo assizes. The prisoner, a man named Mix, aged 70 years, criminally assaulted a 13-year-old girl and then set fire to the cottage in which she lay. Her body was reduced to ashes. Mix's children were the leading witnesses against him. He was convicted, and after being sentenced to death he partly confessed his guilt.

American Thieves in Germany.

BERLIN, Dec. 11.—Two Americans named Burton, alias "Aston," and Anderson, alias "Flint," who had just been released from prison at Metz, where they were confined for swindling, have been sent to Hamburg to be tried on the charge of robbing the Imperial Bank of Hamburg of 200,000 marks eighteen months ago.

An Embezzler Attempts Suicide.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—H. D. Garrett, the lawyer accused of embezzling $12,000, took two ounces of nux vomica before going to court this morning, but an emetic was administered and he was able to stand the examination.

CABLE NOTES.

Earl Iddesleigh is in feeble health.

The Cork moonlighters have been acquitted.

An earthquake shock was felt at Smyrna on Saturday.

Archive's rich in historic interest have been found in Posen.

At a Metz council officials were rebuked for using the French language.

M. Decrais has been tendered the foreign portfolio in the French cabinet.

Cholera has broken out at Mendoza, Chili. Seven cases have appeared at the prison.

Chili has quarantined against all vessels which sailed from Montevideo since Dec. 7.

Dublin citizens are already preparing a royal welcome for Michael Davitt and his bride.

The tenants of Lord O'Neil and Orangemen have called opposition meetings but both will be prohibited.

The London Chamber of Commerce approves the Southampton mail service but declares the mails should be given to the fastest lines.

All small towns in Russia bearing German names will be given Russian ones after Jan. 1. The Russo-German residents resent this action.

An intimation has been given that Germany will not receive the Bulgarian deputation. This news has created astonishment in this city.

Although attempts to plant American oysters in the Baltic Sea have hitherto resulted in failure, a Schleswig merchant named Feddersen has submerged twenty-five tons of breeding oysters in favorable ground in Schleiford.

THE TRADES FEDERATION.

A Constitution Adopted and Officers Elected—The Next Meeting.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 11.—The Federated Trades met this morning and adjourned sine die, after resolving to entar the new Federated Trades of North America, whose organization will be completed to-day. In the Trades Conference the cigarmakers' and baker labels were adopted and the action of the Boss Brewers Convention at Buffalo in regard to blacklisting union men, and the New York Tribune's treatment of union printers, were denounced. Local trades unions were urged not to appropriate money except for duly authorized strikes.

At the afternoon session of the new Trades Federation a resolution was adopted that while they favored eight hours for a day's work and believed it would be ultimately adopted, it was first necessary to secure nine hours in all branches now working ten hours, and in those trades working more hours to reduce still further. The Conference Committee that met the Knights of Labor Committee submitted a written report purporting to contain what was said and done at Friday's session. It said there had been no agreement, that the Knights of Labor Committee had refused to consider the Trades Union treaty and recommended that the Executive Council of the newly organized federation issue an address to the public on the subject of the differences between the organizations. The constitution adopted forms a new federation on a much similar basis to the Knights of Labor, placing the power of the Executive Council, consisting of the five officers elected, who are as follows: Samuel Gompers of New York, President; George Harris of Pennsylvania, First Vice-President; J. W. Smith of Springfield, Ill., Second Vice-President; P. J. McGuire of Philadelphia, Secretary, and E. Edmuntson of Washington, Treasurer.

The president's salary was fixed at $1000 and traveling expenses. The new federation adjourned at 4 p.m. to meet at Baltimore on the second Tuesday of December, 1887.

MEDICAL MEN MYSTIFIED

By Two Strange Cases That Have Developed in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—About two weeks ago Harry Gibson, a hotel bell-boy, was taken to the insane department of the county jail suffering from a malady which seemed at times to resemble hydrophobia. It cannot be ascertained that young Gibson was ever bitten by a dog either rabid or otherwise, yet he snapped his teeth and growled at people, frothed at the mouth, and in every way gave evidence of suffering from rabies. It was at first supposed his malady was brought on from a serious injury he received from falling and striking his head on an iron staircase, a new and mysterious phase of the case has developed and is worrying the physicians. Before Gibson's removal to the jail he was cared for at the hotel and a young gentleman named John Helland detailed to watch him. He would argue with his attendant in a most rational manner, saying there was no necessity for his being watched, but the moment the attendant turned his back Gibson would leap upon him and endeavor to bite him.

After Gibson's removal Helland was relieved from the duty of caring for the patient. He went to his room and spent the next forenoon in sleep. When he went to work he complained to his fellow porters of feeling ill, but thought nothing serious of it. The day following, however, he was attacked with the same symptoms manifested by young Gibson, and became violently mad and unmanageable. He frothed at the mouth and acted like a person having hydrophobia, though at time he was perfectly rational. He declares he was not bitten by Gibson, and had not been bitten by a dog. The attacks occur at regular intervals each day. The cases will be thoroughly investigated.

A ROMANTIC AFFAIR.

A Young Man Who Wants to Marry an Indian Girl Seeks Advice.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—A rather novel request was received to-day at the Interior Department from a young man living in Nebraska who wants to marry the daughter of Standing Bear, a Sioux chief. He says you do not even closes a photograph of the girl, who is very nice looking and who was educated at Carlisle. The young man, however, wishes to go and live on the reservation, with his prospective wife and her relations, and for this reason it was necessary to obtain the permission of the Interior Department. White men are not allowed to stay on an Indian reservation unless they have authority from the government to do so, and this young man was obliged to take the government into his confidence. The Secretary of the Interior considered the matter from its practical rather than its sentimental side and concluded that while he could not prevent the young man marrying the girl he could prevent him from going to live with the old folks, and if he was anxious to marry the young woman as he professed to be, he might scratch around and provide her with a home. Secretary Lamar will write a letter to the ambitious lover, and, while not discouraging the ardor of his love, will suggest the practical view of the situation, which seems to have escaped him. Outside there is some change in the present plans of the young man, the paternal benediction of the Interior Department will be withheld.

TRAFFIC ON THE LAKES.

The Season Just Closed Has Been a Remarkably Successful One.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—The season of lake navigation now at an end has been a remarkable one. Its chief claim to distinction is that lake carriers have made money. Last year comparatively few vessels on the lakes made enough to pay their actual running expenses, while this year it is estimated that the average earnings of the lake fleet will show a net profit of 20 per cent. on the capital invested. This showing has so enhanced the value of vessel property that standard tonnage is held at a much higher price than was asked at the beginning of the season, and recent sales have been made at an advance of from 10 to 15 per cent. over insurance valuations.

During the year fifty-seven vessels, aggregating 17,000 registered tons, have passed out of existence, involving a financial loss of $956,000. The list of partial losses amount to $385,000, and as many minor mishaps are not recorded it is safe to estimate that not less than $1,500,000 worth of property has been destroyed on the lakes. The loss of life foots up 138 persons, including those who accidentally fell overboard. Much of the vessel property was not insured, and a careful computation of the losses sustained by the hull interest in the lakes and $400,000. This is not so high an estimate as some that have been made, but it is probably large enough to wipe out the premiums earned on lake hulls by pool companies. Probably the most striking feature of the summary of losses is that more than one-half of the vessels that were totally destroyed belonged to the standard grade.

A YOUNG FRENCHMAN'S FEAT.

He Walks Across Niagara River in a Pair of Big Shoes of His Own Invention.

NIAGARA FALLS, Dec. 11.—Alphonso King, a young Frenchman, recently accepted a bet of $300 that he could not walk across the Niagara River, a distance of 100 feet, in a pair of shoes of his own invention. This forenoon, accompanied by a few friends, he went down to the ferry landing and prepared for his trip.

The shoes used are shaped like a fish and are 32 inches long by 8 inches wide. They are provided on the bottom with paddles, which are made so as to make a smooth surface when the foot is pushed forward. Three men in a boat went along to assist King by the whirlpools. King moved along all right for a third of the way, when he struck a swift current and was thrown forward on his face. Those who witnessed the feat are of the opinion that the shoes could be made practicable in ordinary waters.

AN IDEAL ROW.

The Cause of Miss Huntington's Dismissal From the Boston Company.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 11.—And now it is the Boston Ideal Opera Company that is exemplifying the tradition that singers cannot live together in harmony. The Peoria Transcript published to-day what purported to be an interview with Miss Agnes Huntington, attacking Mlle. La Blanche and Mlle. Lelie De Lussan, the prima donna of the company. The latter fainted on the stage, during the performance this afternoon, it is stated from nervous excitement induced by reading the article. At the close of the performance Manager Forster called the company together and asked them if they sympathized with the attack and they declared they did not. Mr. Forster thereupon dismissed Miss Huntington from the company and announced that he would begin legal proceedings against her, laying damages at $10,000.

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A Father's Mistake.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 11.—J. C. Hill, a prominent resident of Edgewood, a wealthy suburb of this city, mistook his daughter for a burglar last night and shot her through the neck, inflicting a dangerous, and it is feared, fatal wound. Mr. Hill made collections yesterday of about $5000, which he took to his home to keep over night. His daughter, who had a toothache, arose early this morning and went down to the library to the fire to warm herself. Her father, hearing the noise, thought burglars had entered the house and fired.

THE "DEAL" INTERRUPTED

RAID BY THE POLICE ON "PHIP'S" SPOHN'S GAMBLING ROOM.

A Sensation Early Sunday Morning—Seven Men Arrested—Barricaded Doors Attacked With a Sledge Hammer.

Coincident with the arrival of Sam Jones a moral wave struck the town on Saturday. It was at its height at 12.30 that night and an hour and a half later seven people were reported lost. At 12.30 o'clock a select party consisting of Inspectors Archibald, Duncan, and Stephen, Detective Reburn and a posse of ten officers left Police Headquarters and proceeded along King-street west, halting at No. 6 Revere Block. The party was armed with the usual revolvers and clubs and the unusual sledge hammer and two jimmys. Their object was to raid No. 6, which was reputed to be a gambling house, and the unusual arms were to help force an entrance, it being understood that the place was a regular fort. And it was. Detective Reburn had a warrant for the arrest of "Phip" Spohn, James McCormack and Fred Haskins for keeping a gambling house.

Part of the police took up a position at the front door while Inspector Stephen and half a dozen constables went around to the rear. Reburn pulled the bell gently and while he was waiting a response a man who proved to be "Phip" himself skipped across the road from the north side and said: "Do you want to get in? I'll fix it for you." He caught hold of the bell handle and gave it such a jerk as to set up a ringing that alarmed those up-stairs. This was his little chestnut bell racket. No one responded and the door, which was of wood with a glass in the upper half, was easily forced in. By this time a crowd of night birds, including hotelmen, sports and late pedestrians generally to the number of perhaps fifty, had gathered in front of the place, while a smaller crowd viewed the affair from the entrance of the Palmer House across the way. When the door was forced the police found themselves stopped in the narrow hallway by an oak door barred and braced with iron, bolts and locks such as were to clearly all had dreamed. The sledge hammer was produced, and the muscular Reburn attacked the door, the other tools also being brought into use. For half an hour the work was kept up, but with little effect, and the noise thereof was heard over a block away. Meanwhile the people upstairs were busy throwing the furniture from the knocked out of the door and some iron was broken. Reburn hurt his hands, but the door opened not. The word was passed around to the back door brigade, and they commenced to use it. The defences, however, remained firm, and the door yielded to capitulate, and then Major, General Fred. Haskins, who seemed to be in command, came down and opened the front door. The police entered and opened the successive, heavily-barred back doors, through which the reconnoitering party entered. Both entrances led into a small room at the foot of a narrow stairs, and up these the attacking forces went. In a handsomely furnished room at the head of the stairs was the surrendered garrison, seven in number. One policeman said, "they were pale and shaking. They rendered however say that they were sitting there, chatting quietly and smoking. They were all young and well dressed, some in the latest style.

Their names, ages, addresses, nationality and occupation, as given subsequently at the Police Station, and which are believed to be fictitious, are:

Frank Hoskins, 31, Club Chambers, Canadian, clerk.
James Sinclair, 27, Brampton, Canadian, bookkeeper.
Fred Harrison, 26, Belleville, Canadian, contractor.
John Evans, 24, no home, English, clerk.
James Morris, 31, Scott-street, United States, clerk.
George Carter, 24, Chicago, Scotch, laborer.
Robert Peters, 29, Jarvis-street, United States, printer.

The room was full of smoke, and Mr. Harrison, the Belleville contractor, kept puffing at a pipe right under the nose of a stalwart policeman who had hold of him. The guardian of the law struck his breast and coughed, gasping: "I wish you'd quit smoking that pipe." "Go to blazes, replied Mr. Harrison, "you had no consideration for me when you intruded upon me and my friends." Haskins was arrested on the charge of keeping the place, and the others for being found therein. Handcuffs were produced and the seven submitted to wearing jewelry on their wrists. A search was commenced and those on the street could hear the policemen pounding the walls and floors to find secret hiding places. Two green-covered tables of strange shape were found in the room. They were carried down to the street where, guarded by two policemen, they excited the curiosity of the outside throng. A dealing board, a chip case and half a dozen decks of cards, all of which, it is claimed, are used in the fascinating game of faro, were also seized. In their search the policemen turned everything upside down, but a couple of decanters of whisky in the sideboard were not molested. Proceeding to the flat above, where there were two bedrooms, they unmade the beds in vigorous style and opened trunks, boxes, and the drawers in the dressing tables. Everything was turned topsy-turvey on the floor. In the ceiling of the back bedroom was a trap-door leading to the roof while behind a door was a ladder. Detective Reburn went up, but caught nothing except a view of the starry sky.

Spohn, after ringing the bell, disappeared. It is said that he was in the place a few minutes before the arrival of the police, but that he went to get some letters at the place where he boarded. As to McCormack's whereabouts, there are two versions. The police say that he was not there when the raid was made, but those who ought to know say that he was there, and that he got out either by a back window or via the roof. They were told to be at the Police Court to-day to answer to the charge against them.

At 2.05 o'clock on the quiet Sabbath morning a move was made and a procession of batoned policemen and handcuffed prisoners moved along King-street. Fifteen minutes later it reached Police Headquarters, where the captured ones, after registering and being searched, were placed in the cells. The keys and other spoils were taken down in an express wagon. Haskins had $647 on him, while the others, to use the words of a policeman, "hadn't enough to set up the drinks for the crowd."

All except Harrison, Ferris and Evans were bailed out at the station early yesterday morning, while the trio named went over the Don in the "Black Maria." Harrison and Ferris were bailed out from the jail in the afternoon, while Evans was obliged to remain.

The police claim that they have sufficient evidence to convict. The fact of the doors being barricaded against them is in itself a serious matter. Mr. N. Murphy has been retained for the defence.

Xmas Cards, showing views of Toronto, Niagara Falls, Ottawa, 1000 Islands, Muskoka, Rocky Mountains, etc., at Winnifrith Bros., 6 Toronto-street. ed

HAMILTON ITEMS.

The Late Mr. Steele's Funeral—Committed for Trial.

HAMILTON, Dec. 12.—On Friday afternoon Owen O'Brien, coal-heaver, while employed in unloading the propellor Lake Ontario, lying at McKay's dock, fell into the hold and sustained injuries which will incapacitate him for work for some weeks. His hip bone was broken and it is feared that he has sustained internal injury.

Thomas Stokes, John Meaney, Patrick Dawse and Daniel O'Reilly were charged in the Police Court yesterday morning with having committed an aggravated assault upon Constable Griggs on November 28 in Little's Hotel. The evidence showed that O'Reilly and Dowse had kicked and beaten the constable in a most brutal manner and that the two other prisoners were of the party. The four men were committed for trial, bail being refused.

Messrs. McMaster, Darling & Co. of Toronto, have donated $25 towards the building fund of the Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. J. P. Wheaton also of Toronto sent $5.

The funeral of the late David Steele took place this afternoon from his brother's residence, Jackson-street, to the Church of St. Thomas, where musical services were held. The church was draped in mourning. After the services the procession re-formed and proceeded to Burlington Cemetery, where the interment took place. There was a large turn out of leading citizens. Steps will be taken for the erection of a window in the church to his memory.

Suicide Near Belleville.

BELLEVILLE, Ont., Dec. 11.—George Cunningham, a respected farmer of Ameliasburg Township, hanged himself in a cow shed on his premises. The deceased was nearly 77 years of age. Family trouble is said to have been the cause of his suicide.

For Life and Ten Years After.

ST. JOHN, N.B., Dec. 11.—Gilbert Craig, who was convicted of criminal assault on his 13-year-old daughter and assault on his wife, has been sentenced to life for the first crime and ten years' imprisonment for the latter.

THE FISHERIES DISPUTE.

Minister Foster on Mr. Bayard's Proposed Commission.

OTTAWA, Dec. 11.—Mr. Foster was asked yesterday by a correspondent: "What do you think of Secretary Bayard's recommendation that a commission be appointed to take into consideration claims of American fishermen and vessel owners whose alleged rights have been invaded by Dominion authorities?"

"The appointment of such a tribunal, which would not be of an international character, is a matter within their own control," he replied. "It doesn't affect us. If the American Government thinks that American vessels have sustained damages on account of seizure it has a perfect right to take steps to ascertain the precise amount. It is Canada's duty to make sure that the enforcement of the treaty is carried our strictly within the powers conferred by law. In all such negotiations as are now in progress it is usual to reserve the right to demand compensation for damages alleged to have been sustained. I don't see in what way the Secretary's recommendations will tend to complicate matters."

"What do you think of England's stand on this question?

"Pretty firm and strong. It is in accord with Canadian interests."

Opinion in England.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The meager summary of the fishery correspondence cabled here excites little discussion and that languid. The English press, oblivious of its old dislike of arbitration, urges the appointment of a mixed commission and seems unaware that the American Government has decided to enter upon general negotiations, while the policy of aggression is continued by Canada.

The Bait Question.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Sir Ambrose Shea urges the government to sanction the bill passed by the Newfoundland Legislature prohibiting the export of bait. Lieut.-Governor Voex also advises the government to sanction the bill, but the government intends to do no more than it is proved that the protection of the bait fisheries will not interfere with the just demands of the American and French fishermen.

THE MANITOBA ELECTIONS.

The Norquay Government Sustained by a Good Working Majority.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 11.—Official returns show that twenty Conservatives, thirteen Liberals and two Independents have been returned, the only correction in the list sent on Friday being the substitution of Robinson for Wagner as representing Woodlands.

The Free Press says that the Government will have a majority of at least five. The physicians of Conservative majorities throughout the province are 864, and the Opposition 622, showing a Government net loss than 250 in the aggregate of the two parties. Eleven candidates are returned by majorities of under twenty, six of which were under ten votes. The polls were quiet in many places, and the above figures may be somewhat changed.

The Sun, Independent, says: "One thing is apparent, and that is that the Norquay government has been sustained by a good working majority. The Opposition may possibly muster fifteen seats, but they will scarcely do better, and the possibility is that the Government majority will be five or six. This is all it ought to have, with a view to proper administration of the affairs of the country. Any Government is apt to get reckless with a large majority to fall back upon, and the present administration is not likely to prove an exception. The result is not altogether remarkable, although the majority for the Government is possibly larger than been expected.

Thos. Gelley, elected as an Independent in Cartier, has promised his support to the Government, while David Glass, who ran as an Independent in St. Clemens, will support the Opposition.

BY-ELECTION IN QUEBEC.

A Conservative Returned for Montcalm and a Liberal for Iberville.

MONTREAL, Dec. 12.—The following is the result of the elections held in Montcalm and Iberville Counties on Saturday: In Montcalm Taillon, the Conservative candidate, was returned by over 480 majority, and Duhamel, the Liberal candidate, by over 400 majority in Iberville.

The Laval Election Case.

MONTREAL, Dec. 11.—The judge to-day postponed the Laval election contestation till Tuesday and, referring to the large number of contestations, said: "In England 1380 members were returned in two elections within eighteen months and only one petition has been presented for contestation of seat. In Quebec sixty-five members were elected and, I understand, half of them are contested. This I consider proof of political immorality. It would not be my duty to allow the business of the general community to suffer through the hearing of these electoral cases."

Marshal Bazaine's Poverty.

Marshal Bazaine is a good deal before the newspaper world at present on account of his poverty, but nothing comes of it. He remains poor. What causes him anxiety at present is his inability to perform an old custom of giving white silk handkerchiefs (such as qumn the shirtmaker is selling) to the officers of his division at Christmas.

Broke Through the Ice.

OTTAWA, Dec. 11.—A farmer named Foubert, of Ottawa County, attempted to cross the Ottawa River on the ice this morning on his way to market. His team broke through and was drowned. He lost his load also. He, himself, had a narrow escape.

—Steel wire door mats will not wear out. They require no shaking as they clean themselves. Keep the office free from dust; all dust falls through and can be readily swept up. 136

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

Brampton is to have a toboggan club.

A detachment of the Salvation Army from Toronto arrived in Winnipeg yesterday morning.

Joseph Clarke, the victim of the Brantford dynamiters, is reported to be improving, although the wounds heal very slowly.

Mr. Abraham Hugill, a farmer of West Flamboro', was badly hurt recently through his horse running away on the Copetown hill.

Mr. Patrick Collins of Campbellford had a team of valuable horses killed on the railway track near there a few days ago and the driver had a very narrow escape.

The traffic receipts of the Grand Trunk Railway for the week ending Dec. 4 were $335,410, an increase of $16,353 compared with the corresponding week of last year.

An effort will be made to have the Dominion grant for an annual Dominion exhibition devoted to aiding the Ontario Provincial Exhibition which will be held in Ottawa next year.

Mr. Gable of Mount Vernon denies that his daughter has run away from home with a man named Wright, as was reported in the Toronto papers. She left home to visit friends in Harrisburg and her departure was maliciously distorted into an elopement.

On Nov. 30 a number of young men gathered on the 6th Concession of Brant to engage in a charivari. Two of them, Hampson and Marshall, had guns and being invited into the house undertook to discharge the pieces. Both guns burst fearfully shattering the hands of the young men.

Last week J. Laurance and his sister, residing in Albany, visited Acton for the purpose of exhuming the remains of their grandfather, W. Rhodes, buried forty-two years ago, and removing them to Albany. When the coffin was raised it was found to be empty and it is believed that body snatchers stole the body years ago.

Two men drove up to a farm house and as they talk about the high prices of groceries they unload a barrel of sugar and offer it at half price. The farmer grasps the bargain and the men drive off. When the farmer opens the barrel he finds a thin streak of sugar on top and salt underneath. This is the latest mode of swindling up west.

The Products of Japan.

The festive season will soon be upon us when all friends vie with each other in offering tokens of good feeling. There can be no more acceptable present than some article of beauty or utility from the land of wonders, Japan. Ichi Ban will repay a visit as goods are there displayed which have never before been seen in Canada. 31 Yonge-street. xed

Papers Read at the Canadian Institute.

Twenty-four members attended the Canadian Institute meeting Saturday night. Mr. F. N. McKennin, Ernest C. Mackay and J. H. Horsey were elected members. Mr. A. F. Chamberlin read an interesting paper on the relationship of American languages, in which he sought to disprove the theory that they were of Asiatic origin. Rev. Dr. McNish of Cornwall sent in a valuable paper on the language and literature of Brittany. A large number of donations to the library were received during the week.

AMONG HIS MANY FRIENDS

RETURN OF REV. SAM JONES TO THE QUEEN CITY.

The Evangelist Preaches Four Sermons Since His Arrival From Georgia—The Mayor of Toronto and Bob Ingersoll—A Matter of History.

Rev. Sam P. Jones arrived in the city Saturday morning, coming straight from his home at Cartersville, Ga., where he has been resting since the close of his Omaha revival, which, the Georgian says, was quite a success. Mr. Jones was accompanied by Rev. Hugh Johnston, who had gone to Cartersville to meet him and escort him to the city. After breakfasting at the Rossin House Mr. Jones left the hotel and went to the residence of Mr. Thomas Thompson in Rosedale. He will remain Mr. Thompson's guest during his stay in Toronto.

The evangelist has been very busy since his arrival in the city and has preached in four different Methodist Churches. He looked fresh and robust under a shiny plug, as he strutted around the Rossin House corridors, puffing contentedly at a 15-cent Havana, after his Saturday breakfast.

It is needless to say that at the churches where he preached Saturday night and yesterday the sacred edifices were packed beyond limit, and if they had been twice the size they would not have held the crowds that sought admission. This was noticeably the case at the Elm-street Church last night, where the doors were thrown open at 5 o'clock. At 6 o'clock the church was packed as full as it would hold and the doors were locked. Fully 5000 people came up to the doors after they were bolted and were compelled to turn their steps towards other churches. Many of them stood outside until the services were over, in the vain hope of squeezing in through the keyhole or one of the windows. It took two policemen to keep the street in front of the church "open for traffic."

Saturday night Mr. Jones preached at the Central Methodist Church in Bloor-street, and was introduced by the pastor, Rev. Manley Benson. Rev. Dr. Potts, Rev. Hugh Johnston and Rev. Dr. Stone were on the platform. The evangelist gave the large congregation two-thirds of which were ladies, a quiet Saturday night talk. He took for his text Matt. xxi.:

"Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Mr. Jones said Christ was the great physician of mankind. One of the greatest drawbacks that a human physician had to contend with, in the treatment of disease, was the carelessness of the case. If he could get a proper diagnosis, the remedy was simple. This was not so with Christ. He could diagnose our ills at a glance and he had the remedy right at hand. When we were weary we required rest. Religion was the greatest rest on earth. "There are 50,000 tired people in this town tonight," said the evangelist. "They need rest. God bless the poor tired working shop girls of Toronto. They need rest. They need it or they will outlive and outwear their wealthy, painted sisters. They find their rest in religion. God bless them."

When the service was over Rev. Manley Benson told the congregation that he had been informed by the Chief of Police to "beware of pickpockets" at these great gatherings. He accordingly warned the people.

At the Carlton-street Church yesterday morning Mr. Jones preached to a crowded church. The services were begun at 10.45. Mr. Jones said he would preach by special request a sermon that he had delivered to one of the largest congregations that had ever gathered in the Mutual-street Rink when he was holding forth there. It was that famous discourse on "Conscience, Record, God," based on the words: "What I have written I have written." The sermon is a familiar one with those who have followed Mr. Jones' Toronto work. The evangelist, during the sermon, told the great congregation that he was proud of the fact that Toronto was the most moral city in the American continent. It was inhabited by a law-abiding class of citizens. "You have a moral man for Mayor," continued Mr. Jones, "and you should not forget to put him there again." [Applause.] "The first specifically good thing that I ever heard about Toronto," he went on, "was when the Mayor refused to let Bob Ingersoll lecture in the city. You remember Bob came to the Mayor and asked for the use of the City Hall. What did the Mayor asked the Mayor. "You know my line," replied Bob. "Well, you can't have the hall," replied the Mayor. [When Ingersoll was in Toronto he lectured in the Grand Opera House—REP.]

Bro. Jones is in error in this connection, and he has apparently allowed his memory to err. When he was in Toronto before he made a similar statement in the Rink. At that time Lawyer N. G. Bigelow called Rev. Hugh Johnston's attention to the mistake, but it was never corrected. The honor claimed for Toronto by Bro. Jones belongs to Napanee. The case is fully reported in 43 U.C.R., p. 226. In September, 1874, Allan Pringle of Napanee rented and paid for the Town Hall of that place for the purpose of holding infidel lectures by Mr. Underwood, a New England free thinker. The lectures were to be delivered on Sept. 15, 16 and 17. On Sept. 7 the Mayor and Town Council passed a resolution ordering to permit the hall to be used for such a purpose and tendered back the money, which was refused by Mr. Pringle. In consequence of this action Mr. Pringle had to pay $125 for another hall, while the rent of the Town Hall was but $7.50 per night. The Mayor positively refused to carry out the contract, and Mr. Pringle entered an action against the Town of Napanee for breach of contract.

The case was heard before the late Chief Justice Moss, then sitting as a judge. After reserving his decision, His Lordship handed down judgment in favor of the plaintiff. This was appealed against, and the judgment in appeal was given on June 29, 1878, by the late Chief Justice Cox Harrison in the Court of Queen's Bench, and was concurred in by Mr. Justice Armour, who, with the Chief Justice, constituted the court. After citing many English authorities bearing on the case, the learned Chief Justice held that:

Christianity was a part of the law of the land, without respect to creeds or sects. The doctrines of Christianity are deducible from the Holy Scriptures, and are illustrated by the life, conduct and teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ and His apostles. An attack upon the life or teaching of Christ is therefore an attack upon the Christian religion, and an attack upon the Holy Scriptures, in which the life and death of Christ are foretold for our instruction and guidance, is also an attack upon the Christian religion. The contract for the lease of the hall being against public policy and the Christian religion is therefore void.

His Lordship dismissed the appeal.

In the afternoon Mr. Jones preached at the Metropolitan Church. It was a sermon specially for the Sunday-school children, who are celebrating the 53rd anniversary of their institution. The seven hundred odd pupils and teachers occupied a portion of the gallery which had been reserved for them. Mr. Jones denounced the frivolities of society of the present day as setting a bad example, and quoted from Scripture God's injunction, "I have given you one heart, I have given you one way, for the benefit of yourself and your children that come after you," etc. Dancing, card-playing (especially progressive euchre), were denounced as opposed to the doctrines of Christianity and as bad examples to children. Mr. Jones said there was about twenty different roads to heaven in Toronto, but in reality there was only one true one. The worldly way, the dancing way and the card-playing way would not take you there. He said there were twenty-three aldermen in our City Council that should be left at home in the next election. Presumably he referred to the twenty-three who voted against Ald. Fleming's license by-law.

The Metropolitan Sunday-school is flourishing as usual under Superintendent Boustead's care. There are over 700 pupils. During the year the scholars raised $560 for missionary purposes and over $1400 for all purposes. The annual statement will be presented at the anniversary meeting proper, which will be held in a few days.

Mr. Jones concluded an active day's work by preaching another eloquent sermon at the Elm-street Church last night. His text was Galatians v., 22-23: "But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance; against such there is no law." The services were commenced at 6 o'clock, and the sermon was an unusually instructive one.

Special musical arrangements were provided at all the above services.

Mr. Jones lectures in the Metropolitan Church to-night on "Troubles of Life and What to Do With Them."

A Wealthy Man Convicted of Perjury.

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—Volney R. Chamberlain, an extensive pork packer, was two years ago charged by John P. Squire & Company, of concealing the assets of Lincoln Chamberlain & Company, and of perjury in falsely swearing to the purchase of Government bonds. Chamberlain's company did a large business with Squire & Company and at the time proceedings were instituted were indebted to them in $800,000. After a long trial the jury returned a verdict of guilty of perjury against Chamberlain.

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HOT SHOT FROM THE CANON.

The Rector of St. James' Cathedral on the Book of Selections.

At St. James Cathedral yesterday morning Rev. Canon DuMoulin continued his sermons on the Holy Scriptures from the previous Sunday. His text was the same, I. Thessalonians ii.:

3. For our exhortation was not of deceit, nor of uncleanliness, nor in guile.

4. But as we were allowed of God to put in trust with the Gospel, even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts.

The Canon said he meant to add something additional to his discourse of Sunday, December 5. Many persons had taken exception to what he had said on that occasion, and he felt that it was his duty as a Protestant minister to talk out, for at his ordination, and at his induction into his present charge a copy of the Holy Scriptures was placed in his hands that he might preach them, and he meant to do so in face of all the abuse the world could heap upon him. He held up in his hand, the volume called Book of Selections and said it was a mutilated copy of the Bible and disarranged the whole order of Scripture. It jumped from Genesis to Revelation, omitting certain portions which were calculated to give offence to a certain church.

He referred, for instance, to Romans, where human depravity was pictured in justification by faith, which was carefully omitted from the Book of Selections. Also to Hebrews, where the Sacrifices were referred to, this being also omitted. He then referred to certain chapters which were quoted from verse 1 to 7, then omitted from 7 to 11, then taken up from 11 to 14, and from 14 to 22 omitted, showing the desire of the compiler