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of many interesting stories. The London Zoological Gardens have recently acquired two new condors, which are probably the rarest and most valuable birds possessed by that great institution. An illustration of one of these two birds, taken from the London Sketch, is printed here.

An artist who went to inspect the new condors found them sitting disconsolately on the stump of a tree, and was somewhat disappointed at their appearance. Having read that these birds occasionally measured eighteen feet from wing to wing, he was surprised to find them considerably smaller than him-

self. The condor belongs to the vulture family. Although its size has been frequently exaggerated by travelers, it undoubtedly attains a great size. The ordinary expanse of the wings in a fullgrown bird is said to be about nine feet, and the height four feet, but the wing measurement is sometimes as great as

fourteen feet. The wings are long in proportion to the body and extremely powerful. The tail is short and wedge-shaped. The general color is black and is brightest in the males. Around the lower part of the neck there is a broad white ruffle of downy feathers. Above this the head is bare and of a raw appearance. The male has a large cartilaginous comb on his head and a dilatable wattle on his neck. The beak is very thick and strong and the upper mandible is sharply curved at the end. The condor could probably kill an unarmed man if inclined to do so.

The condor feeds by preference on carrion. It is quite unpleasant to look upon and a disagreeable neighbor, on



CONDOR OF THE ANDES.

account of its appearance, its personal uncleanliness and its habits in general. It is an enormous feeder. The naturalist Tschudi mentions the case of one which ate eighteen pounds in one day and the next day appeared to have as big an appetite as if it had not eaten for weeks. Condors often eat so heavily that they cannot fly, and then if attacked they disgourge their food in

order to be able to get away. Their usual dwelling place is at a height of 10,000 or 15,000 feet above the sea, in the Andes Mountains. They make no nests, laying their eggs on the

bare rocks. They usually live in little companies. Together they descend to the plains for food and then return to their mountain

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Shortt and His Two Fires - "Pretty Plain Statements" - Contradictory Evidence.

Tuesday Afternoon.

The case of Jackson vs. the Globe Casket Company was resumed at the afternoon session. Mr. Hellmuth announced that the defense had no evidence to offer. The jury was then addressed by the counsel, and Justice Meredith summed up. The judge submitted a series of questions to the jury, who returned in about two hours. It was found that the defendant had ordered Jackson to do work of a dangerous character, but that Watson was entirely unaware of it. The injury was caused by the dangerous nature of the job, but it was decided that Jackson was ignorant of the risk he was incurring. Watson was guilty of negligence, and Jackson could not by reasonable care have avoided the accident. The damages were assessed at \$500. A stay of proceedings until the next term

was granted. TRUE BILL AGAINST PAULDER. The grand jury returned a true bill against Joseph N. Faulder, of McGillivray. Faulder is accused of attempting to bribe John Mawson, a juror at the fall assizes, to hold out in favor of John Hodgins, charged with robbing Muir's mill in Exeter.

THE ALLEGED SLANDER CASE. Every case reached on the docket so far as been for damages on some ground or another. And still there are more to follow. The sixth, and one of the most interesting, was that of James Benjamin Shortt, of Parkhill, vs. John Loudon, of the same place. Shortt was a shoe-maker, and about nine months ago his shop was burned. He collected the nsurance, and shortly afterwards went to Edmonton, N. W. T. This was the second fire in Shortt's place, and much talk was created by the circumstance. Suspicion rested on the young shoemaker, and after a detective had worked on the case Shortt was brought back. His trial last spring for arson, with its many sensational developments, and the discharge of the accused, will be remembered. The present action arose from certain statements alleged to have been made by the defendant Loudon, charging Shortt with starting the fire. He claims \$10,000 damages. Mr. J. M Mc-Evoy appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. James Magee, C.C., and Mr. McTavish

(Parkhill) for the defense. Wm. H. Marks, of Parkhill, was the first witness. He was in business about a year ago and was at the last fire in Shortt's Loudon. place. Witness met Loudon and another man there, and in course of a conversation Loudon insinuated that Shortt started the fire. "I asked him," said the witness, "if suit." he really thought Shortt did so, and his answer was: 'Of course, he did; there is A.—Is he? I do not think so. He did not not the slightest doubt in my mind about want to see an innocent man persecuted. Witness' reply was that he did not think Shortt was guilty, but if he was, ROASTING ON THE TELEGRAPH POLE

Marks was closely cross-examined by Mr. Magee as to the doings on the night of the fire. He became rather entangled a certain matters, but stuck to the Leudon statement. He denied having made a remark to Mr. Metcalfe not long since that Loudon had stated that he only believed Shortt was the incendiary.

REUBEN'S EVIDENCE. Reuben Jackson, a young tinsmith employed by A. W. Humphrey, was in the store the day after the fire. Loudon and several others were there. They were in conversation about the fire, and Loudon said, "The man that ran the boot and shoe store was the person that started the fire. He had \$1,300 insurance and only a small stock. It is pretty plain talk." Loudon's remark did not alter witness' opinion of Shortt. Jackson stuck to his

story in the main. A PRETTY PLAIN STATEMENT. Arthur Humphrey, hardware merchant, swore that the morning after the fire Loudon was in his store, and a conversation arose over the fire. Witness said it was a big one. Louden said it was remarkable that two fires should follow each other so closely and about the same time in the evening. Loudon also added: "There is no deubt in my mind but that the shoemaker set the fire for what was in it-a \$1,300 insurance on a small stock. It is a pretty plain statement, but nevertheless

Mr. Humphrey was closely cross-examined by Mr. Magee, but he proved a very careful, positive and determined witness. He denied stating that things looked very suspicious or that he gave a man named Metcalfe the impression that Shortt was the incendiary. Humphrey also denied having said that it looked very suspicious because the fire hose was olugged. Witness was of the opinion that the fire was incendiary, but did not think Loudon intended to injure Shortt's repu-

Mr. Fallis, a drug clerk, overheard a conversation between Loudon and Mr. Bishop. Loudon said that he had told Shortt he set the building on fire and that he believed it yet. Witness could not say

many rumors around town criminally connecting him with the blaze witness went to Loudon and asked him if it was true he had circulated such reports.

Loudon said, "What if I did?" Witness pany at the close of 1894 about \$2,000,000. true he had circulated such reports. Loudon said, "What if I did?" Witness asked if he could prove it, and Loudon answered, "Unfortunately I cannot."

"Now, said Mr. Magee, "in what way have you sustained damages?" Shortt-The people have lost confidence Q.-As a result of what Loudon said to you? A .- I do not know what else it could

be. My credit has not been good since Mr. Magee asked Shortt if that was the only way he had sustained damage. Shortt was slow to answer and the question was repeated several times. At last he said:

left Parkhill witness had owed several accounts, which were unpaid. He deposited his insurance money to the credit of his wife (then Miss Johnston), but claimed that she had instructions to pay the notes when due. The creditors were unable to locate the fund, and after Shortt was arrested he was contained that when the results of the contained that when the contained that the co

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Shortt professed ignorance on this point. The Parkhill people, it seemed, have very little respect for him now. Slurs were very often thrown at him.

The trial was reverted to again, and the startling statements of the two Downies and Johnston (it was the latter who swore that he was in Shortt's store and saw the witness start the fire) were reviewed. Shortt, it was shown, had played cards in his hotel during the progress of his fire, although he was aware that the store was burning. Adjourned till 10 a.m.

Wednesday Morning. The case of James B. Shortt, the young Parkhill shoemaker, against John Loudon, of the same place, claiming damages for slander, was continued and occupied the attention of Mr. Justice Meredith at this morning's session of the Winter Assizes.

Caleb Metcalfe, who was so frequently

mentioned in the prosecution yesterday afternoon, was the first witness for the defense. He is a contractor, and has resided within the vicinity of Parkhill for nearly 40 years. Metcalfe had conversed with Storekeeper Humphreys. Humphreys had remarked to Loudon that the circumstances of the fires were very peculiar. Two had occurred in the block across from Shortt's and two in the Shortt block. The hose had been plugged, too, and the fires had happened within a very short space of time and about the same time of day. Humphreys had also spoken of the insurance on the stock. Witness practically denied the statement that Loudon had accused Shortt

of starting the fire. Henry Levett denied the statement made by Wm. H. Marks. Marks had sworn that during the progress of the fire he met Levett and Loudon, and the latter had spoken about Shortt being the incendiary. Levett could not recollect having met the two men at the fire.

JOHN LOUDON'S FRANK STATEMENT. The defendant, John Loudon, was called and gave his evidence in a straightforward manner. His first answer was in direct contradiction to what Marks had said. Mr. Loudon was at the fire, but instead of standing around he was busy handling fire hose. As to the evidence of Mr. Humphreys, the witness said that it was he who had first mentioned the suspicious circumstances-such as the plugging of the hose and nozzies. Loudon never had any illfeeling toward Shortt and never made

accusations against him. Under cross-examination Loudon withstood Mr. McEvoy's whirlwind of questions without the least excitement,

"Do you know whether Shortt would have been prosecuted for arson if this suit had not been entered?" was asked. "I said that if the action was not taken Shortt may have got away free," answered

"The Downeys and James Johnston came and voluntarily revealed what they knew about the fire after they had heard of the Q.—Johnston is a great friend of yours?

Mr. Loudon denied being in Humphreys' store on the day after the fire. Johnston had not been given in front of the fire would be too good for employment at McGinnis' mill in order that his knowledge of the blaze could be learned. Loudon had never apologized to Shortt-he had never said any-

thing which required an apology.

Messrs. Humphreys and Jackson had sworn positively that Loudon was in their store the morning after the fire, and had purchased some rivets. In denial of this Jabez Mason and Ainsley Salter gave evidence. They were equally positive that it was two days after the fire and mentioned many reasons for their belief. Loudon, too, also produced his day book, in which the purchase was entered. It bore the date of March 14—the second day

after the fire.
In rebuttal of this the prosecution calle ! the Methodist clergyman at Parkhill, Rev. John Holmes. Mr. Holmes was certain that he saw Loudon in the store on

March 13. ONLY TEN DOLLARS. The jury returned after an hour's deliberation with a verdict for the plaintiff for \$10

and costs.

NORTH AMERICAN LIFE. The Annual Statement of Its Affairs Promptly Forwarded to Ottawa at the Close of the Year.

On the 1st inst. there appeared a short notice in several of the daily papers advising the policy-holders of the partial result of the successful operations of this home company for the year 1894. Notwithstanding the business de-pression which has prevailed throughout the Dominion during the past year, it appears the North American Life Assurance Company has had a wonderfully successful year, and the figures show that the remarkable progress which it made in every department in 1893 has been repeated during the past year. When the report is presented at the annual meeting, which we learn will be held about the close of this month,

it will be found that the figures will show that the insurance issued will exceed that of any previous year in the history of the company.

The cash income, both for premiums and interest, will show the largest increase yet made, now totaling about \$560,000. What will doubtless be of whether the words were speken with a great interest to policy-holders and others intent or not.

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\$560,000. What will doubtless be of great interest to policy-holders and others concerned in this progressive company is that notwithstanding all the company is that notwithstanding all the James B. Shortt, the plaintiff, was next called. He knew nothing of the origin of either fire in his store. When he heard so many rumors around town eximination. ducted in a conservative and careful manner, for the amount put by during The large sum of \$245,000 was added to the large sum of \$225,000 was added to the reserve fund, which now stands at over \$1,500,000, while the surplus has very largely increased during the year, and is now about \$340,000. If the paid-up guarantee fund of \$60,000 be added to this it shows that over and shows this, it shows that over and above every this, it snows that over and above every liability the company holds for the security of its policy-holders a surplus of about \$400,000, proving, if anything, that the holders of policies in this company have undoubted security, besides a large surplus being accumulated for their

While the figures quoted all tend to show that this progressive company has met with marked success during the

the notes when due. The creditors were unable to locate the fund, and after Shortt was arrested he was committed to jail for refusing to asset where the money was.