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OUR ENVOY AT WASHINGTON.

CANADA REPRESENTED IN THE FISHERY NEGOTIATIONS.

Hon. C. H. Tupper Goes to the Republic's Capital on an Important Mission—Private Members' Day in the House—Mr. McMillan's Free Grain Resolution Lost on a Division.

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—Hon. Charles H. Tupper, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, is now on his way to Washington as a representative of the Canadian Government in the negotiations pending between Great Britain and the United States for the settlement of the fisheries disputes.

This information was unexpectedly brought out in the House this afternoon in response to a question by Mr. Jones of Halifax. Mr. Jones had asked whether or not the Government intended to appoint a Canadian commissioner to participate in the fishery negotiations at Washington.

Sir John's answer was a surprise. "There has been no formal commission issued," he said, "but the Minister of Marine and Fisheries left at 1.30 this afternoon to represent Canada at Washington."

That was all the information given to the House but it was learned subsequently that Mr. Tupper's hasty departure for Washington was the result of a message received by the Governor-General on Sunday evening from Sir Julian Pauncefote stating that formal negotiations were about to commence and inviting the presence of a Canadian Government representative. The matter was considered in council this morning and it was decided that Mr. Tupper should go.

Private Bills Advanced.

The House was in a passive mood to-day and good progress was made with the order paper. Private bills had precedence and four of these were read a third time and passed without discussion. Among the four were bills incorporating the Tilsonburg, Lake Erie & Pacific Railway Company and incorporating the Canada Cable Company.

Eighteen were read a second time and referred to committee. These included:

To confer on the Commissioner of Patents certain powers.

For the relief of Samuel May.

To incorporate the Hamilton Junction Railway.

Respecting the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

Respecting the Grand Trunk, Georgian Bay & Lake Erie Company.

Respecting the Don Improvement, Toronto.

To incorporate the Victoria & Sault Ste. Marie Junction Railway Company.

Respecting the Central Ontario Railway.

To incorporate the North Canadian Atlantic Railway & Steamship Company.

To incorporate the River Detroit Winter Railway Bridge Company.

To incorporate the Sault Ste. Marie & Atlantic Railway Company.

To incorporate the Thousand Islands Bridge & Railway Company.

Amidst the applause of his fellow members for his solicitude on behalf of the cause, Mr. Cimon rose to ask for some Canada Temperance Act statistics. Mr. Chapleau told him that the act had been put in force in 71 counties, that it had been repealed in 31 counties and that there are no counties now petitioning for the act.

Mr. Laurier endeavored, through a motion for the correspondence, to elicit some information respecting the Anderson fast Atlantic service negotiations. Sir John Macdonald declined. The Government were, he said, negotiating with other parties and they would not expose their hands by making public the Anderson agreement.

The Farmers' Friends.

Dr. Landerkin's anti-drawback resolutions were next called, but notwithstanding the doctor's recent declaration that he was going to wage relentless war against the drawbacks he backed down and allowed the four resolutions to be dropped.

Another farmers' friend arose, however, in the person of Mr. McMillan who moved that the House go into committee of the whole to consider this resolution:

That it is expedient to remove the duty and place on the free list all grains and seeds which do not ripen in Canada, but which are now largely imported and sown for the production of food for cattle, under the system of feeding called soiling and ensilage now largely adopted by the farmers of Canada.

The mover and Mr. Rowand spoke on behalf of the resolution and then Mr. Bowell asked that it be withdrawn because the matter being one pertaining to the tariff the Government could not discuss it in advance of the Budget speech.

This did not check the flow of farmers' friend talk on the Opposition side, which continued up to recess and was resumed when the House met again. Mr. Foster then made an appeal similar to that by Mr. Bowell but with no more effect, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Blair, Mr. Scriver and others of the Opposition whooping it up on the farmers' behalf.

Lost on Division.

Then Mr. Ferguson of Welland let them know that their game was understood. These gentlemen were well aware, he said, that a number of tariff changes are about to be made and they wished by advocating any they thought likely to create the impression that they were entitled to the credit for bringing them about. The Opposition insisting upon a division, the members were called in at 10 o'clock and the resolution was lost on a division of 59 to 84. The vote was on party lines, save that Mr. Kirkpatrick went with the Opposition.

Though the resolution covered grains of various sorts the discussion on both sides was confined to corn, and the speeches of Hon. Messrs. Bowell and Foster were inferentially confirmatory of the announcement made by The World last week that free corn is altogether likely to be proclaimed in the Budget.

The House adjourned soon after the division.

THE COMBINES BILL.

Clark Wallace's Proposed Trades Union Amendment.

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—This is the amending clause affecting trades unions which Clarke Wallace intends to propose for his anti-combines bill: "The following provisions of this act shall not be held to repeal section 22 of the Trades Unions Act so far as such section applies to trade unions which are combinations, whether temporary or permanent, for regulating the relations between workmen and masters, but shall be held to repeal the said section so far as such section applies to trade unions which are combinations, whether temporary or permanent, for imposing restrictive conditions on the conduct of any trade or business."

Mr. Lavergne has given notice of a series of inquiries respecting flogging as a punishment in penitentiaries, and asks whether the Government is aware that about one month ago a convict in Stoney Mountain penitentiary was flogged for attempting to escape and two days after the flogging he was declared insane and sent to the Kingston Asylum.

It is understood that the duty on lime is to be reduced to one-half that paid at present.

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The Behring Sea Dispute Settled.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—A Washington despatch to The Mail and Express says Secretary Blaine and Sir Julian Pauncefort have reached an amicable agreement upon the Behring Sea fishery controversy, and the question of damages sustained by British vessels will be submitted to arbitration. The United States will pay whatever damages the poachers have suffered in the past where there was no sign up prohibiting poaching, and England guarantees they shall not trespass again.

It will be the best yet—The Foresters' Concert, March 6, at the Pavilion. A magnificent program will be rendered.

Good Advice.

Know what you are expected to say and then say it. We know you don't expect us to say it, but the truth must be told, we've some of the nicest scarfs ever imported. See them. A. White, shirtmaker, 65 King-street west.

A REIGN OF TERROR.

Dynamite Outrages in Havana—A Railway Station Blown Up.

[C.P.R. Press Despatch.

HAVANA, Feb. 24.—An attempt was made to blow up the Antilla Cubana cigar factory last night. A dynamite bomb was exploded close to the walls of the main building, but the factory was not seriously damaged. Hardly had the people recovered from their fright when a tremendous explosion took place this morning in the Baldvaus Railway station on the Plaza Dexarmav. This, although powder was used, was terribly effective. The station was totally destroyed.

Traffic was active at the time and the building was thronged with employes and passengers. Thirty injured have been taken from the ruins, some of whom may die. Others are missing.

On the top of this disastrous outrage news comes from Cardenaz that the warehouses of Henri Zurrieta have been destroyed by fire. The losses are estimated at $200,000, on which the insurances amount to $95,000. There is great excitement and alarm in Havana over these events, coming at a time when the Government is without a head. The authorities are paralyzed.

Since the strong hand of Captain General Salamanca has been withdrawn brigands are increasing in numbers and audacity. They have seized two wealthy men of Puerto Principe and carried them off to the mountains, where they hold them for ransom. Similar cases have occurred in other parts of the island.

BRETHREN FALL OUT.

Another Exciting Episode in the Nova Scotia Supreme Court.

HALIFAX, Feb. 24.—In the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia to-day on an appeal from a judgment of Judge Townsend's, Judges Weatherbee and Graham read an opinion sustaining the appeal, Judge Ritchie contra. Judge Townsend thereupon concurred with Judge Ritchie, causing the appeal to be lost. It is unprecedented in this court for a judge to take part in the decision of an appeal from a judgment rendered by him, and Judge Weatherbee made some sarcastic allusions to his brother Townsend's conduct, whereupon the latter remarked in a very emphatic manner that he didn't propose to listen to any reflections upon his judicial conduct from the bench, gathered up his papers and retired with the promise that he would bring Judge Weatherbee's conduct before the full bench.

The U. S. Silver Bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The Silver Bill to be reported by the Senate Committee on Finance has been drawn up after consultation with the Senatorial advocates of free silver coinage. The bill authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to increase the purchase of silver bullion from 2 to 4½ millions a month. The bill abolishes the requirement that $2,000,000 of silver shall be coined monthly. The secretary is also authorized to purchase gold bullion in unrestricted quantities. Upon this gold and silver bullion the secretary shall issue treasury notes in such denominations as he shall see fit, to be redeemable in lawful money.

Fatal Boiler Explosion.

MOBILE, Feb. 24.—The tugboat Flora D. blew up yesterday in Mobile River, 25 miles above the city. The vessel had stopped for repairs to the engine and the captain was on the bank putting on a hawser when the boiler exploded with a terrible report and the boat was blown almost to pieces and sank immediately. Engineer Grimsby and his son were killed. The colored cook was also killed. Pilot Rowell was badly cut about the head and is in the hospital. Capt. Hall was slightly injured.

Peggy Martin's Strong Tipple.

LONDON, Ont., Feb. 24.—Early yesterday morning an elderly woman named Nancy Martin, alias Ralston, aged 61, who lived with her son Henry in Johnston's lane, London South, drank a quantity of carbolic acid out of a bottle, and before medical assistance could be secured she succumbed to the effects. Whether she drank the poison with suicidal intention or by mistake is unknown. She was a general domestic servant and known in the neighborhood by the children as "Peggy" Martin.

His Mistake Forgiven.

LONDON, Ont., Feb. 24.—Ernest Stephenson, who was suspended some time ago by the Grand Trunk Railway on account of the accident at the junction cut west of Hamilton, while on duty at that office, has been reinstated and resumed his duty as night operator at Wyoming station.

East Northumberland Reformers.

WARKWORTH, Feb. 24.—The Reformers of East Northumberland in convention here today selected Henry T. Young as their candidate to contest the riding for the Ontario Assembly. The selection of a candidate for the Commons was postponed.

Attempted Dynamite Outrage.

OTTAWA, Feb. 24.—Dominique Postingal, a hackman, is charged with attempting to blow up with dynamite the house in which his wife and two children reside with her uncle's family. Postingal has not lived with his wife for two years.

The Cotton Oil Trust May Sell.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The order enjoining the trustees of the American Cotton Oil Trust from disposing of the property to the American Cotton Oil Company of New Jersey or any other company, was vacated to-day by Judge Wallace.

To Await Results.

MONTREAL, Feb. 24.—It was announced this evening on the street that the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company will not pay any dividend until the suit with the Montreal Telegraph Company has been disposed of.

Death of John L. Cassidy.

MONTREAL, Feb. 24.—The death is announced of one of Montreal's wealthiest citizens, Mr. John L. Cassidy, the largest wholesale dealer in crockery here. He leaves a widow but no children.

The Belleville Murder.

BELLEVILLE, Feb. 24.—Walter Hargraves, who was to-day discharged on the charge of murdering Hannah Cole, was bound over to appear as a witness against William Arnott.

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With Prayer and Praise in the Name of the Trinity.

The corner-stone of the new Hazelton-avenue Congregational Church was laid yesterday afternoon with due formality. At 3 o'clock a meeting was held in the old building, at which Pastor George Robertson presided. The church statement was read by Mr. John Wightman, after which Mr. George Hague of Montreal was presented with a silver trowel with which to perform the ceremony. Copies of The World and other papers and current coins were placed in the cavity of the stone. An adjournment was made to the church, where addresses were given by Rev. John Burton, George Hague, Rev. A. M. Phillips, Rev. T. Trotter, Rev. Septimus Jones, Rev. George H. Sandwell, Rev. John Neil, Rev. Charles Duff, Rev. F. Davy, Rev. Hugh Bentley and Rev. Dr. Fulton. Tea was served by the lady members.

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PROFESSOR SMITH REPLIES

TO THE ASPERSIONS AT THE HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

The Conference of Associated City Charities Endorses the Repudiations of Their President and Secretary—Wholesome Criticism Not Malignant Untruths—Mr. Baille as the Candid Friend.

The Conference of Associated Charities yesterday heard the statements of President Goldwin Smith and Secretary Pell in reply to the strictures of the House of Industry Board. Unanimously a resolution was passed endorsing these statements and expressing implicit confidence in both these officers in their work for the poor and services to the House of Industry.

The Professor's deliverance was calm and conclusive, the Secretary's earnest and effective, and at times pathetic; whilst that of Mr. John Baille was a "tell the truth and shame the devil" statement of the animus and inwardness of last week's onslaught by the secretary of the House of Industry.

Mr. Goldwin Smith's Disclaimer.

You may have noticed a report in The World of a board meeting at the House of Industry at which there was an outbreak of wrath against this conference. I was myself assailed in language which, I suppose, the chairman of that board deems it consistent with his duty to allow to be used at his meetings.

What has disturbed the temper of these gentlemen it is difficult to see. The proposal to appoint a city relief officer was not in any way directed against them. If the functions of such an officer trenched on the province of any organization it would be not on theirs but on ours. This conference, on which they now pour the vials of their wrath, was called by themselves and organized in their own board room. Their delegates, when they have done us the honor to attend, have, I believe, always met with courtesy and attention.

I can truly say for my own part that I have never said a hostile word or cherished an unfriendly thought against the House of Industry. When the casual ward was improved I heartily acknowledged the improvement in my address. The statistics of relief which were denounced at the meeting do not affect the credit of the House of Industry, if anything, they furnish proof of its activity. They are based on returns furnished by the House of Industry itself. It was not by me that they were brought before the conference. In commenting on them here I took care to limit and qualify the references to be drawn from them. I pointed out that the occasional acceptance of relief did not constitute a pauper, that a large proportion of the recipients were probably immigrants or newcomers and that there was no ground for believing that the figures denoted an increase of distress relatively to the population.

Yet I am accused by party journals of saying that 4 per cent. of our population are paupers and the vilest motives are ascribed to me for the statement. One set of people abuses us for putting the amount of distress too high, another set abuses us for putting it too low. We have simply reported the facts as they came before us, and we have had no motive but that of doing our duty to the city, and especially to the working class, by preventing unsuitable or unseasonable immigration.

Secretary Pell's Defence.

With vigor and pathos, the secretary repelled the insinuations which had been cast upon his probity by House of Industry Secretary Gillespie. The reports of the latter institution supplied him with the figures on which he founded his statement that 4 per cent. of the people of Toronto receive charitable relief. Taking the population last year at 175,000, 3 1-2 per cent. were relieved at the House of Industry. The other 5-6 per cent. he put to the credit of the national societies and ladies' relief agencies. This was the head and front of his offending, and for this forsooth he had been villified and branded as "liar." And then was seen "The Old Man eloquent" as he told of his love for his adopted Canada and his aid to necessitous Englishmen. 'He would be the last to decry Toronto, but much as he loved the city he loved truth more. He disclaimed having ever said a word in the spirit of hostility to the House of Industry, but only from an earnest and sincere desire to make that institution more efficient.

Mr. Malcolm Gibb moved the conference's thorough endorsement of the statements made, that they be recorded in the minutes, and a copy of Goldwin Smith's address be sent to the secretary of the House of Industry.

Mr. John Baille, secretary I.P.B.S. and a prominent member of the board of management of the House of Industry, in seconding the motion strenuously maintained that the views of Secretary Gillespie and Chairman Alcorn were not shared by the majority of the House of Industry Board. It was outside their power to "libel the conference," which, representing every charitable agency in the city, would go on in its useful way spite of such puny opposition. Criticism of the House of Industry and its management was good and there was room for more of it. "The end is not yet."

Unanimously the ladies and gentlemen representing all denominations and societies supported the vote of confidence.

A galaxy of stars: Mrs. Luther, Mrs. Mackelcan, Miss Jessie Alexander, Mr. Charles E. Stevens, at the Foresters' Concert, March 6.

A Conference About Mains.

The Mayor, Ald. Hill (chairman of the Waterworks), Superintendent Hamilton, City Engineer Jennings and City Solicitor Biggar conferred yesterday morning on the proposition of Mr. Jennings that the work of laying the mains be relegated to him. After considerable discussion a modus vivendi between the two departments was finally arranged. The Waterworks will notify the Board of Works whenever it proposes to lay down mains, and in return the Board of Works will notify the Waterworks whenever it finds it necessary to flush the city sewers. Under no circumstances will the Waterworks surrender any of its chartered privileges.

Don't miss the Foresters' Concert at the Pavilion, March 6; a host of attractions will be presented. Reserved seats at Nordheimer's. Plan opens Thursday, Feb. 27.

In the Interest of "H" Company.

Capt. Gunther presided and Capt. Mowatt occupied the vice-chair at the annual meeting of "H" Company, Q.O.R., in Keachie's restaurant last night. The reports showed a good financial standing and a prosperous state of affairs generally. It was decided to hold a smoking party before the spring drill commences. These committees were appointed:

General—Col-Sergt. World, Sergt. Boyd and Pte. McGie.

Finance—Sergts. Bogert, Greene and McNamara.

Rifles—Col.-Sergt. World, Corpl. Anglesand and Pte. Pafford.

Recruiting—Sergt. Boyd, Ptes. Gilbert, Welch and Brown.

Mr. S. A. Greene was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Secure your tickets for the Foresters' Concert now. It will be the finest concert ever given in Toronto by any society.

It Was a Narrow Escape.

About 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, while driving down Jarvis-street in a buggy, George Kiely, son of Mr. George Kiely, Jarvis and Charles-streets, met with an accident, which but for the promptitude of Policeman Blake of the mounted squad might have had serious consequences. One of the wheels came off the vehicle near Gerrard-street, frightening the horse, which started to run. Policeman Blake saw the accident and after a race of three blocks succeeded in catching and restraining the animal. Mr. Kiely will bring the matter to the notice of the chief, as he believes Blake's prompt action saved his son's life.

The Foresters' Concert at the Pavilion, Thursday, March 6, will be the success of the season. Reserved seats 50c. at Nordheimer's.

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CHICAGO HAS THE FAIR.

Congress Selects the Windy City as the Site for the Columbian Show.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Chicago has the fair. The eighth official ballot was:

Chicago	157
New York	107
St. Louis	35
Washington	18
Total	307
Necessary to a choice	154

Chicago, which led from the first ballot, thus had 3 more than necessary for choice. The announcement was greeted with cheers and the House adjourned.

Profits of the Paris Exposition.

PARIS, Feb. 24.—The net profits from the exposition held here will reach $1,800,000.

ACTUATED BY JEALOUSY.

Further Details of the Quadruple Murder at St. Alban—The Victims Terribly Mutilated—Dubois Under Arrest.

QUEBEC, Feb. 24.—Further details of the horrible quadruple murder at St. Alban in Portneuf County have been received. Dubois committed the crime in a fit of wild rage, occasioned by unfounded jealousy of his wife.

During the day the neighbors, suspecting something extraordinary had occurred to the inmates of the dwelling on account of the deadly stillness that prevailed around it, entered the building and to their utter dismay beheld the mangled and bleeding bodies of Mrs. Dubois, wife of the murderer, and of Mrs. Olympe Thibault, his mother-in-law, lying on the floor with their skulls opened and smashed to a jelly, their bosoms open and the entrails hanging out. Portions of brains were scattered about the place in pools of blood, but the horrors ended not there.

Opening a door that led to a bedroom they discovered the bodies of the two children, also cut and torn in a most barbarous manner. The four-months' old baby was entirely beheaded, while another cut exhibited the heart and lungs. The elder boy, as he lay on a bed, appeared to have fallen terrible agony. His legs were hacked to pieces and the body showed indications of having been struck repeatedly before receiving the fatal blow.

The news spread like wildfire among the parishioners of St. Alban and posses were organized to go in pursuit of the fiend. He was arrested late last night in a wood by a man named Naud, and he is held in custody until the arrival of the provincial police, who are now on their way to the scene of the murder. Coroner Belleau has also gone to St. Alban to hold an inquest on the bodies of the victims.

The opinion of the people of St. Alban is that Dubois was jealous of his wife, who, however, gave him no cause to be jealous. She had enjoyed a good reputation in the County of Portneuf, but Dubois, the murderer, was considered a dangerous character and had several times acted in an unmanly way towards his wife. He had also a grudge against the mother-in-law, whom he accused of conniving clandestinely to his prejudice.

Dubois was born in Canada but was brought up in the States where he learned to speak English very well. This got him the nickname of the Irishman among his fellow-parishioners. He was a beggar by profession and for more success in this business he associated with his brother-in-law Thibault, who is blind. Dubois is of colossal build and is exceedingly ferocious. Two years ago he left his wife and went away wandering about leaving her in the greatest misery. He came back to her some time ago and ill-treated her shamefully. Knowing his wickedness no one dared to interfere lest they should get "done up."

Sunday while the villagers were at mass Dubois after having quarreled with his wife went at the back of the house and got a chopping axe, entered the house and assailed his wife and mother-in-law, whom he soon butchered. Next he coolly murdered his two boys and threw the four bodies in the cellar from where they were brought up by Thibault, the blind beggar and brother-in-law of Dubois, who appears to have been present at the onslaught.

Dubois manifested a desire of being brought to Quebec, where he said he could obtain justice. He also declared that he did not know what he was about when he murdered his victims. Several parishioners of St. Alban are of opinion that Dubois was idiotic but Mayor Naud holds the contrary.

School Board Notes.

The sub-committee of the Sites and Building Committee of the Public School Board met yesterday afternoon, Trustee McCracken in the chair. The other members present were: Trustees Baird, Kerr, Hastings, Somers and Mingay. The building superintendent was recommended to prepare plans for a twelve-room school, so managed that it can easily be added to. This new school is proposed to be brick, near the corner of Dundas-street and Dovercourt-road. It was also recommended that a twelve-room building be erected on the site of the present Church-street school.

A public meeting will be held in Victoria Hall on Friday evening next at 8 o'clock for the purpose of presenting the prizes recently awarded to successful competitors of the several city night schools.

The new eight-roomed school on Hamilton-street will be opened on Monday with Mr. Charles McMain as principal, and the following teachers: No. 2, Miss C. Grout; No. 3, Miss M. J. Grout; No. 4, Miss E. M. Wiley; No. 5, Miss Finch; No. 6, Miss Stevenson; No. 7, Miss Grout; No. 8, Miss Sheppard. The opening of this new school will relieve the over-crowded Bolton-avenue school.

Call and secure bargains at the clearing sale of furniture, upholstered goods, mixed and woven wire mattrasses. The People's Furniture Warerooms, 161 Yonge-street.

A Central Bank Judgment.

At the Civil Assizes judgment was given yesterday by Mr. Justice Street in Central Bank v. Howard for $421, without costs. This practically amounted to a verdict for the defendant. Mr. Howard signed 11 notes to the defunct Central Bank, on 10 of which the word interest appeared, but on the 11th one the word interest was not written. A clerk noticed the deficiency after the note passed into the bank and inserted the missing word. The defendant refused to pay the interest but admitted owing the principal, and the court upheld the defendant.

Joe Hess' Third Week.

The large audience that nearly filled Jarvis-street Baptist Church last night was not disappointed. Joe Hess appeared at his best and delivered a stirring address on the evils which follow from the use of alcoholic wine in the sacrament. About 50 put their names to the total abstinence pledge. The meeting to-night will be held in Wardell's Hall, Spadina-avenue.

Merchants can warehouse goods in bond or free with Mitchell, Miller & Co. Negotiable warehouse receipts issued; rate of insurance low.

University Federation Revived.

The case of Cobourg v. Victoria University comes up this morning before Judge MacMahon at Osgoode Hall. Mr. Christopher Robertson and Mr. Robert Cassells appear for Cobourg and Mr. Gordon Kingston and Mr. Moss for the University.

An English Actor's Impression.

"I have seen nothing outside of Great Britain," a member of the Gaiety Company remarked last week, "which reminded me so much of home as Toronto. It is the most thoroughly English of any place I have seen. Having occasion to purchase a pair of gloves I dropped into quinn's on King-street and was shown a range of Fownes', Alexander and other celebrated brands that would compare favorably with some of the leading outfitters in England."

Advances made on merchandise warehoused with Mitchell, Miller & Co., 45 Front-street east.

'Dineen's New Hats.

The new stock of hats is now arriving. In a few days we will have twenty cases of the new styles opened up at the corner King and Yonge-streets.

BALFOUR'S DESPOTIC REIGN.

ALLEGED ILLEGAL VIOLENCE AT EVICTIONS

The Cause of Some Hot Talk and a Division in the Imperial House of Commons—Agitation Caused by Chamberlain's Charge — Tennyson's Condition Serious—General Cable News.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—In the House of Commons to-day Mr. Morley gave notice that he would move as an amendment to W. H. Smith's motion that the House adopt the Parnell report:

That the House reprobates the charges of the gravest and most obvious falsehoods based upon calumny that have been made against members of the House, and while expressing satisfaction at the exposure made of the evildoers regrets the wrong inflicted and the suffering and loss endured through those acts of flagrant iniquity.

Sir Charles Edward Lewis, member for Antrim, gave notice that he would move:

That the House deplores that Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien and seven other members have by an official commission been declared parties to a treasonable conspiracy and that Mr. Parnell and many others have been declared parties to a criminal conspiracy, and that the House finds the conduct of such members deserving of severe condemnation.

Mr. Sexton moved to adjourn. His purpose was to call the attention of the House to the illegal violence used by the Irish Executive during the Clongorey evictions. In the dead of night a body of emergency men assisted by a body of armed police burned the houses over the heads of the tenants to be evicted, making many families homeless, while charitable neighbours who endeavored to provide shelter for the victims were roughly assailed, the police marching to the ruined huts were in course of erection and arresting the workmen in gross violation of law. Another lawless outrage of the police was their breaking into tenants' houses and arresting seventeen workmen. Could the police break into houses for the purpose of making arrests except upon a charge of felony? What was the charge against those workmen? Father Kinsella, who had tried to protect them, had been sent to prison by a complacent magistrate for opposing the illegal command of a police officer. All of which proved once again that Ireland was not governed by law but was ruled by a horde of unscrupulous instruments of a practically absolute ministry.

Mr. Balfour denied that the police had destroyed the property of tenants. Mr. Sexton, perhaps, had not allowed to violate the law with impunity. Poverty might excuse much, but it could not excuse organized and wholesale lawlessness. The men evicted at Clongorey were, however, rich enough to subscribe to the plan of campaign. They were rich enough to offer the land agent certain payments on condition that their friends were let out of prison. Certainly landlords should be sparing in the use of violent methods of eviction, yet if it was once admitted that the law might be defied whenever resistance was backed by a powerful conspiracy a most injurious blow would be struck at the order and prosperity of Ireland. [Cheers.]

Sir Charles Russell maintained that the Government procedure in Ireland was instituted a system that would not long stand beside that of a country governed according to constitutional principles. [Hear, hear!] The proceedings at Clongorey presented an instance where the police measures were purely arbitrary, without either legal sanction or moral justification. The despotism of Mr. Balfour directly endangered the peace of the country. The House should remember the case of Clongorey as another instance that Mr. Balfour always stood by the police in enforcing the law, however brutal their conduct or however great the interference with the rights and liberty of individuals. [Cheers.]

The House voted against the motion to adjourn, 196 to 164.

Morley Denies the Bargain.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—There is much agitation in Parliamentary circles over the allegation by Mr. Chamberlain that the Gladstone party has made a bargain with the Parnell party to the prejudice of undenominational education, agreeing to abandon opposition to Catholic schools for the Irish support on other things. Mr. Morley denies that there is any such compact. He declares he has never spoken on the subject to any Parnellite.

Repulsed with Great Slaughter.

PARIS, Feb. 24.—Information reached here to-day that 500 of the King of Dahomey's troops attacked the French posts at Kotonon, Senegal. The French repulsed them and killed 60 of their number.

Funeral of Mr. Biggar.

BELFAST, Feb. 24.—The remains of Mr. Biggar were interred at Carmoney to-day. A large number of friends and sympathizers attended the funeral. Many Parnellite members of the House of Commons were present.

Election Riot in Portugal.

LISBON, Feb. 24.—During the election at Cezimbra there was riot. The district administrator was shot and seriously wounded. Several supporters of the Government were injured.

Spain's Infant King Has a Relapse.

[Dunlap's Cable News Agency.]

MADRID, Feb. 24.—The infant King of Spain is ill again and the Queen Regent is in despair at the relapse.

Quakes in Italy and Portugal.

ROME, Feb. 24.—There have been felt here two slight earthquake shocks and there is great alarm.

LISBON, Feb. 24.—There was a slight earthquake to-day in Estaemadma between Teiria and the sea coast.

Tennyson's Condition Serious.

[Dunlap's Cable News Agency.]

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Lord Tennyson's condition to-night is serious.

Young Abraham Lincoln has had another relapse and it is feared that the end is near.

Fatal Accident at Hamburg.

HAMBURG, Feb. 24.—While a large number of workmen were engaged to-day about the Flora Concert Hall which is being erected here, the iron cupola fell burying 38 men in the ruins. Five have been taken out dead and eight have been rescued severely injured. Five others are missing.

His Lordship will Keep a Pub.

[Dunlap's Cable News Agency.]

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Lord Bellew, a ruined Irish nobleman, has applied for license to sell wine, beer and spirits.

Mutiny in Bismarck's Camp.

[Dunlap's Cable News Agency.]

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—There is mutiny in Bismarck's own camp. The Hamburg Nachrichten, formerly his blind follower, blames him for the defeat of the Government at the last election because he permitted the general voting system.

Gladstone Preparing a Speech.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Mr. Gladstone is studying the report of the Parnell commission. He is expected to make a brilliant speech upon it in the course of the debate of W. H. Smith's motion that the House accept and approve the report.

The Duke May Learn a Trade.

PARIS, Feb. 24.—The Duke of Orleans was to-day removed to the prison of Clairvaux. The principal industry in which prisoners there are employed is spinning cotton and flax.

Labouchere Weakens.

[Dunlap's Cable News Agency.]

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Henry Labouchere has weakened in the matter of the Cleveland-street scandal and has consented to give up his promised exposure at the request, it is said, of Mr. Gladstone himself backed by the most powerful pressure of the aristocracy, which naturally wishes to hush up this awful scandal which will now blow over like other short lived squalls.

The Plunger's Prison Life.

[Dunlap's Cable News Agency.]

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Jubilee Plunger Benzon's friends, who have just returned from Nice, report that the plunger is working in the prison laundry and he does not like it. He is forced to wash the jailor's shirts and other clothes and the under garments of his wife and daughters. He is penitent and unhappy, and talks of entering a religious order. At first he refused the prison diet, but after two days hunger forced him to eat. He looks very comical in his parti-colored suit of yellow and black and wept when he first put it on. "I," exclaimed he, "who never in my life wore less than three shirts a day, and shirts at twelve and six each; oh!" and he glanced with intense horror at his combination suit of black and tan, "oh, it is perfectly disgusting!"

Cable Flashes.

The Socialists have secured 21 seats in the Reichstag.

The Swedish Government has negotiated a loan of 40,000,000 crowns.

On account of an unusual drought last season there has been a great scarcity of food in the Soudan. The mortality has been considerable.

A Government bill has been introduced in the Austrian Reichsrath to extend the boundaries of Vienna. The measure will double the population.

The Emperor of Germany contemplates a reorganization of the educational system and the introduction of a complete system of physical culture in addition to mental training.

The vacancy in the west division of Waterford caused by the mysterious disappearance of Jasper D. Pyne, home ruler, was filled Monday by the return of Alfred Webb, home ruler, who had no opposition.

The motion in favor of amnesty for all persons found guilty of taking part in offences in connection with strikes during the past decade was opposed by the French Government and defeated in the Chamber, 325 to 190.

Joseph Chamberlain in a letter to The Times denounces the new compact of the Gladstonians for the purchase of Parnellites by the abandonment of the principle of denominational education in favor of the Catholics.

Letters from Slatin Bey, the Egyptian governor, who has been a prisoner in the hands of the Mahidists since the fall of Khartoum, contradicts the wide-spread rumor that the Khalifa Abdullah, the Mahdi's successor, is dead.

TO BENEFIT THE MINER.

Mr. Hardy's Important Measure—The Work of Legislation—How Mr. Wood's Election Bill Was Put Off.

The Assembly was on the eve of an important discussion yesterday when Mr. Wood of North Hastings moved for a second reading of his bill to provide for the secrecy of the ballot at elections of members of the Legislative Assembly. The measure aims to make the ballot at such elections similar to the ballot provided for municipal elections.

The Attorney-General asked that consideration of the bill be adjourned for a few days. Mr. Mowat has a bill in hand relating to the same subject with which Mr. Wood's bill deals and in order that it may be first considered the matter was laid over.

A number of bills were introduced, among them one by Mr. Hardy relating to the Mining Claims Act. It is to enable miners, prospectors and explorers to staks out a claim upon payment of $5 to the local agent to get themselves entered for that particular claim of from 20 to 40 acres. They may then hold it for six months to work on so as to satisfy themselves whether it is a paying claim or not. They can then exercise the option of purchasing or leaving the claim. Mining prospectors have for some time past been urging the adoption of such a measure and it is also approved by the mining commission.

The amendment to the general mining act introduced by Mr. Hardy provides for the reduction of mining claims from 80 to 40 acres. This is to enable prospectors of small means to purchase claims. Secondly it provides machinery by which the Government may permit mining land to be sold by local agents.

Mr. Meacham introduced an act to amend the Voters' List Act. At present a laborer moves into a new riding too late for the assessor. None of his neighbors can testify to his nine months' provincial residence, hence he must either lose his day in order to attend court or lose his vote. This clause is to allow the judge to accept his affidavit as a prima facie evidence of his right to a vote.

Mr. Meacham got an order through for a return showing the amounts received from the sale of woods and forests and of Crown lands respectively in the electoral divisions of Lennox and Addington during each of the years 1886, 1887, 1888 and 1889.

Mr. Balfour's bill to amend the act incorporating the village of Tilbury Centre received its second reading.

The Provincial Treasurer yesterday presented a copy of the questions submitted by the Minister of Education relating to the interpretation of the amendments to the Separate Schools act, submitted for decision at Osgoode Hall, and their answers.

A MOUNTAIN OF WATER.

The Arizona Disaster—Terrible Loss of Life and Property.

PHŒNIX, Ariz., Feb. 24.—A courier from the Lower Hassayampa reports a tremendous mountain of water came down the Hassayampa at 2 o'clock Saturday morning and 34 men lost their lives at the lower dam where they were at work; 31 were whites and three Chinese. The town of Wickenberg is all right. The loss of life in the valley between Wickenberg and the dam may not be known for some days, but is doubtless considerable and may reach thirty or forty. The courier states the upper dam had undoubtedly broken and carried the two dams below down with it. The loss of property in the dams alone will reach $800,000.

The fall of rain and snow has been very heavy in the mountains and the water here is very high. Salt River rose 17 feet in 15 hours Saturday. The railway bridge across it is washed away for 200 feet and half the track on the river bank is gone.

The regular meeting of the Gaelic Society was held last night in Richmond Hall, Mr. David Spence presiding. Mr. McCharles contributed a very interesting paper on "Murdo McClellan, a Bruce Highlander," and Mr. Spence also read a paper on Lord Clyde. The standing committee reported that a concert would probably be held at the latter end of March. A report