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DESERTING LONDON 'CHANGE.

200 BROKERS WITH THEIR CLERKS RETIRE FROM THE BOARD.

Tim Healey's Bitter Tongue—Although Parnell Invited Someone to Tread on the Tail of His Coat and Was Accommodated He Fails to Make Good His Boast.

LONDON, March 22.—Discount was firm during the past week at 2¼ for three months and 2 for short. The reports of large drafts of gold going to Montevideo in connection with the loan of £10,000,000 negotiated by Uruguay tend to cause a hardening of the money rates. Business on the Stock Exchange was very inactive and there will be no revival until after the Easter holidays. The House will close from March 26 to March 31. In spite of the paucity of transactions prices generally improved. Rupee paper fluctuated and closed ⅝ lower on the week. In foreign securities the feature was the strength of Argentine nationals, the recovery ranging from ½ to 2½.

The movements of English railway securities were slight, though the tendency was good. There was an average rise of ¾. In American railroads the feeling was distinctly weak, no initiative being taken in dealings here.

Significant of the condition of business on the Stock Exchange is the fact that nearly 200 members with 200 clerks are about to retire, being unwilling or unable to renew their annual subscriptions.

Although business on the Paris bourse was limited during the week the tendency was toward firmness. The fortnightly settlement passed without a symptom of embarrassment arising from the Society des Depots et Comptes Courants collapse.

The Banque de Paris is negotiating a loan for China.

THE NEWFOUNDLAND QUESTION.

G. W. Smalley Sums up the Matter in The N. Y. Tribune.

LONDON, March 22.—The Newfoundland troubles seem rather more numerous since arbitration was agreed to than before. It was bad enough to limit arbitration to lobsters, though, as the French positively refused to include anything else, Lord Salisbury can hardly be blamed. He took what he could get. The French, in fact, occupy ground very similar to Lord Salisbury's own in Behring sea matters. They decline to submit to arbitration points which, as they allege, are not in dispute, or not open to dispute. Telegrams indicate that Lord Knutsford's new bill is regarded in Newfoundland as a greater grievance still, but Lord Knutsford's bill is very simple. The colony was asked to enact a measure to enable treaties with France to be carried out. The colony refused. Thereupon Parliament is appealed to. It is hard to see how any Government could do less. Treaties must be observed. The Foreign Office and Parliament are responsible if they are violated, and Newfoundland can hardly expect England to allow herself to be embroiled with France by sheer bad faith in treaty matters. In short, Newfoundlanders will have ultimately to make up their minds whether they wish to remain an English colony or not. If not, they have only to say so and may depart in peace, but if they decide to remain a colony they must accept the position. They cannot expect Imperial interests to be sacrificed to whims of a single and really not very large part of the Empire. Meantime they have the consolation of Lord Salisbury's sympathetic remark that they are the sport of historic misfortune.

There is every disposition here, both in the Foreign Office and the Colonial Office, to do all that can be done for Newfoundland. If they seceded, French treaty rights would survive, and it might be not less easy for the French to enforce them as against Newfoundland than as against England.

YOUTH AND TEMPER.

Old Baron Reuss' Wife Has Involved Him in a Distasteful Duel.

LONDON, March 22.—A Berlin dispatch says that the Kaiser and Chancellor Caprivi are very much stirred up over the unpleasant position in which the young wife of old Prince Reuss, the German ambassador at Vienna, has got her husband, by insulting the son of the Roumanian Minister. It is difficult to see how Prince Reuss can avoid fighting a duel, now that the Roumanian Minister has resigned in order to obtain satisfaction for the insult to his son.

The Prince is a general in the Prussian army, and could not refuse the challenge without incurring the charge of cowardice. On the other hand he is not a man of fighting disposition, and prefers a quiet, easy life, from which the lively temper of his wife is continually dragging him. It is even said that there is a story similar to that of Joseph and Potiphar's wife behind the animosity of the Princess toward the young Roumanian.

The Baron has refused to fight on the ground that the rebuke was deserved; the young man having borrowed jewels from a circus rider and afterwards pawned them.

NEWS FROM BERLIN.

Ratification of a Treaty of Alliance Between Russia and France.

BERLIN, March 22.—Dispatches received by the Foreign Office from St. Petersburg convey some unwelcome information pointing to the conclusion of a formal treaty of alliance between France and Russia. Until recently the Czar had resisted all attempts of going beyond an entente with France. The draft of a treaty prepared in Paris in 1887 and approved by M. de Giers, the Grand Dukes Nicholas and Vladimir, and the other chiefs of the Imperial Council on the part of Russia, and which was then rejected by the Czar, but was again presented to him after the last elections in France had confirmed the permanency of the republican form of government in that country and was again rejected, has finally received his sanction. As an event of such immense international importance as this cannot be kept secret, it is expected that M. de Giers, Minister of Foreign Affairs, will cause some informal notification to reach the Governments of the Dreibund. As a corollary of the alliance the Czar, it is stated, has signed a decree bestowing on President Carnot the grand cordon of the order of St. Andrew, the highest Russian decoration and one limited to members of the Imperial family. This decoration has hitherto been conferred as an exceptional honor on sovereigns nearly connected with the Russian throne.

If the Foreign Office here has any precise knowledge regarding the terms of the reported Russo-French convention highly placed officials have not been allowed to share it. The honor conferred on President Carnot is the open talk of the diplomatic circle. The announcement that it had been conferred has been telegraphed here under the sanction of the St. Petersburg authorities. No open dispatch can be obtained regarding the conclusion of the treaty.

Irish Political Items.

The convention of Irish delegates at Newcastle has adopted resolutions of a lack of confidence in Parnell.

While Mr. David Sheehy, member of Parliament for Galway, was addressing a meeting in the Market-square of Sligo Saturday, Mr. Timothy Harrington and other Parnellites attempted to storm the platform used by the speakers. The mob immediately attacked Harrington. He was thrown upon the ground and severely handled in the free fight which ensued. Finally the police separated the combatants.

The priests of Drogheda denounced from the altar this morning the anti-Parnell meeting announced to be held in the town in the afternoon. The result was a practical boycott of the meeting, only imported contingents being present. The mayor and sheriff refused to attend. Mr. Parnell repeated his usual statements.

Meetings were held this afternoon in several places in North Sligo. At all of these places Mr. Parnell was denounced from the pulpits in the morning. There was some rioting at Tireragh, which was suppressed by the police.

A federation meeting was held in Queenstown yesterday and was addressed by Messrs. Timothy and Maurice Healey and other members of Parliament. Mr. Timothy Healey in his speech asked where Mr. Parnell's impudent challenge was now. For two days they had been engaged in halloaing, but had failed to make the fox break cover. He had understood that the delay had arisen from Mr. Parnell's going to Brighton to consult a lady. Mr. Parnell had not got permission from this Brighton banshee. Mr. Parnell's followers complained that the challenge was impolite. But his opponents did not address Mr. Parnell as a personage who ought to be sued and wooed. Mr. Parnell had broken a solemn pledge in a shameless manner. What could they not think of his stories about the Boulogne negotiations and Hawarden!

CAUGHT OFF THE COAST.

Fourteen of Her Crew Carried Down With Her.

LONDON, March 22.—The Swedish ship Senator Weber, Capt. Winck, which sailed from Cardiff March 9 for Rio Janeiro, was caught off the coast by the recent heavy gale which swept over England. She was dismasted and sprung a leak and when the gale subsided was found to be in a sinking condition. On the 11th inst. the Senator Weber foundered, carrying down with her 14 of her crew.

The steamer Abyssinia stranded at Saigon, but was afterward assisted off. The second officer and two of the crew were drowned. This may be the British steamer Abyssinia, Capt. Lee, which was last reported as having arrived at Hong Kong Feb. 21, from Vancouver.

How Gladstone Spent the Week.

LONDON, March 22.—Mr. Gladstone's public occupations during the last seven days have included a lecture on Homer to the boys at Eton, embellished with interesting passages of autobiography, a journey to Hastings under the guidance of Mr. Harcourt, Sir William's son, a speech of an hour and a half at Hastings, attendance at two dinners given by Lord and Lady Aberdeen at their house in Grosvenor-square to meet him, a reception of the women's deputation, sundry speeches in the House of Commons, and a long correspondence with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, embodying the course of a series of corrections of errors in the Hastings speech, accompanied by a handsome apology for having made them. His health continues to be a political topic of the first importance. The truth appears to be that, when he has a considerable effort to make, like that at Hastings, he pulls himself together and speaks with much of his old vigor and animation. When this impulse, or inspiration, or, perhaps, stimulus of necessity is lacking, marked decrease of his former energy and vitality is perceptible.

Fortifying the Premier.

ROME, March 22.—The Chamber of Deputies, during the debate on the revised budget to-day, voted confidence in the Government. The vote stood 256 to 96. During the debate ex-Premier Crispi acquiesced in the proposed economies, but said he would leave the responsibility of effecting them to the Government, and would therefore vote against the Cabinet. The large majority received by the Government in the vote of confidence was unexpected and materially fortifies the the position of Premier Rudini.

Wife Slavery Abolished.

LONDON, March 22.—The Jackson abduction case is the subject of comment in all the papers. The decision of the Court of Appeal giving the wife her liberty is generally applauded. The ancient law that made the wife the slave of the husband has been extinguished, and it is a cause for general congratulation that anachronism is forever buried.

The Pope and Science.

ROME, March 22.—The Pope has written a letter announcing the re-establishment of the donation for the astronomical observatory at the Vatican. His Holiness declares that he is solicitous for the progress of science and places the observatory in the same rank with other papal institutions.

Big Strike Near Liege.

BRUSSELS, March 22.—A general strike has taken place between the men employed in the collieries and steel works owned by the Cockerills. The managers of the concern are apprehensive of trouble from the strikers and have applied to the authorities at Liege for a force of gendarmes to suppress any outbreaks.

Naphtha Cheaper.

LONDON, March 23.—The Chronicle's St. Petersburg correspondent says that the price of naphtha has fallen 30 per cent. owing to the tapping of a stream at Baku yielding 50,000 tons.

A Malay Murderer Respited.

LIVERPOOL, March 22.—Bhergwar, the Malay sailor who was recently condemned to death for murdering Capt. Lyall of the ship Buckingham, on a voyage from Dundee to New York four months ago, has been respited, another seaman on the Buckingham having made an important statement in relation to the case.

Another Monte Carlo Victim.

BERLIN, March 22.—Albert Gruenwald, a leading citizen of Essen is missing, and his relatives fear that he has been foully dealt with at Monte Carlo.

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Coal $55 Per Ton.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Advices from Valparaiso report that nearly all the railways of Chili have been suspended because of a coal famine in that country. The price of coal on Jan. 17 was $55 a ton and the supply almost exhausted. Unless the blockade of the coal ports is soon raised railway traffic and all industries requiring fuel will have to be entirely suspended.

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A Jockey Killed.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Jockey Decker, who has been one of the foremost handlers of race horses this winter at the Guttenburg track, was instantly killed while alighting from a moving train on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad at West Chester this morning.

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Bombarding Another City.

BUENOS AYRES, March 22.—A report comes from Chilian sources that Antofagasta is being bombarded by the insurgents.

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HE SHOT THE OFFICER DEAD.

THE MANY CRIMES OF A BROCKVILLE DESPERADO.

After Robbing a Jewelry Store He Opened Fire on a Police Posse Sent to Capture Him, Killing Detective Gilkinson and Wounding Several Others and Then Made His Escape.

PITTSBURG, March 22.—Six weeks ago Laura Hill and three men entered Smith's jewelry store at Homestead, knocked down and bound the proprietor and got away with $3500 in cash and jewelry. The girl was arrested soon afterwards and was jailed at McKeesport. There she peached on her pals. Last night Detective Gilkinson of Pittsburg, Detective Pat Murphy and two policemen drove to Peter's Run, reaching the house of the leader in the robbery, A. B. Budd, alias Fitzsimons. Gilkinson threw open the door and Budd shot him dead. A terrible duel then took place at short range between Murphy and Budd. Each emptied his revolver. Budd's wife brought him another and Murphy took Gilkinson's revolver and the fight continued in the smoke-darkened room. Murphy was shot in the forehead, breast and hip, but was not fatally wounded. Mrs. Budd was shot in the arm and the two policemen were slightly wounded. Budd escaped. Mrs. Budd was arrested. Budd is a noted crook. He weighs only 100 pounds and is said to be a native of Brockville, Ont.

The Murderer Captured.

Fitzsimons was arrested near Homestead, Pa., to-night. A satchel found near the scene of last night's murder contained a lot of valuable jewelry stolen at Homestead. A copy of the will of Robert Fitzsimons, dated at Brockville, Ont., Dec. 10, 1890, was also found in the valise. This will shows that the murderer's father was a wealthy man, having about $40,000 in money to divide among his heirs, besides a large amount of real estate. The murderer is named in the will as Frederick Carrollton Fitzsimons and is bequeathed $8000 in money and a good share of real estate.

Cincinnati's Eloquent Doctor.

Rev. Dr. Lockwood of Cincinnati, who has been in the city before and is a man of striking presence and finished speech, preached yesterday three times. In the morning at Carlton-street Methodist Church his subject was, "The Reasonableness of Religion." He showed that when science, conscience and spirit are reduced to their elements God is found in each of them. The Doctor has great power of expression, which shows itself in numerous epigrammatic sentences. The musical service was special. Mr. Harold Jarvis sang two solos.

In the afternoon and evening Dr. Lockwood preached in McCaul-street Methodist Church. The evening discourse was crowded to by a large audience. The text was Ecclesiastes ii., 16: "And how dieth the wise man as the fool." He showed the wide scope of spiritual vision enjoyed by the wise man as compared with the circumscribed view of the fool. The fool continually dies and each time he becomes deader, so to speak, while the wise man dies only to become more alive. The fool dies in the world, the wise man to it. The latter part of the sermon consisted of an eloquent picture of the world under the future dominion of love. Under the conduct of Mr. S. S. Martin the choir rendered in an excellent manner "Ye Shall Dwell in the Land" with taste and efficiency. Miss Simpson sang Roeckel's "Bread that is Cast on the Waters" in a pleasing manner. Dr. Lockwood delivers his last sermon in the McCaul-street church to-night on "Hypnotism."

Another New'er Do Well.

Charles Preece of No. 4 Woodgreen-avenue is a curly-headed good-looking young Englishman aged 18, who, during his six weeks' residence in Toronto, has earned a police record. He was only here a few days when he was arrested with a companion on a charge of larceny and sent down for 15 days.

After his release he was taken in hand by friends and a situation was secured for him in the drygoods store of T. S. Lobb of 812 Queen-street east. He, however, appears unable to keep his "hands from picking and stealing," for he was arrested Saturday by Detective Watson charged with stealing a purse from a Mr. Haslem of 320 Queen-street east. The police state that he has also stolen about $8 worth of goods from his employer. It is said that when Preece left his home in England he carried off his father's watch and chain and £38, but was overtaken by his brother and a detective at Liverpool. He was allowed to proceed on his journey to Canada after surrendering the jewelry.

Local Talent Spoke and Sang.

The large audience at the Gospel temperance meeting in the Horticultural Pavilion yesterday afternoon had not an outsider to address it, as usual, but there was plenty of good speechmaking nevertheless, and an excellent musical program was thrown in. Mr. John Armstrong, president of the League, was in the chair. The speakers were Messrs. J. J. Finagan, W. R. Watson of The Nation, and E. W. Morphy. Besides singing several solos, Mrs. J. W. Bradley and Mr. Harold Jarvis sang acceptably a duet. Choruses were rendered by the choir. The closing meeting of the season will be held on Sunday next. Joe Hess will speak and the choir will be assisted by the Whyte Bros.

Murdered by Christian Scientists.

DUBUQUE, Iowa, March 22.—Within the last week three children have died at Springville, Lynn county, under the care of Christian Scientists, and great excitement prevails there. The first two were children of Mr. and Mrs. John Doan. Mrs. Doan wanted a doctor. The grandfather would not allow it, but summoned two faith healers, Mrs. Pitcher of Anamosa and Mrs. Miller of Town Grove. After the death of the children a daughter of old man Doan sickened and died, and the faith healers fled to the nearest railroad station.

Muldoon Gets Six Months.

UTICA, March 22.—The jury in the case of James Muldoon of Toronto, tried for smuggling Chinamen into this country, found him guilty of aiding and abetting in the smuggling and he was sentenced to six months in the Erie County Penitentiary.

Through Wagner Vestibule Buffet Sleeping Car Toronto to New York via West Shore Route.

The West Shore through sleeping car leaves Union Station, Toronto, at 4.55 p.m. daily except Sunday, arriving in New York at 10.10 a.m. Returning this car leaves New York at 5 p.m. arriving in Toronto at 10.25 a.m. Sundays leaves Toronto at 12.20 p.m. connecting with through car at Hamilton.

Alleged to Have Voted Once Too Often.

LONDON, March 22.—George Minhinnick of Petrolia was arrested this morning and brought here by Detective Graham. Minhinnick is charged with having cast more than once in the east riding of Middlesex. He will have a chance of telling the magistrate how he exercised his franchise.

Swept Overboard.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., March 22.—The British steamship Irthington, from Trampani, arrived here to-day. On the 4th inst. a wave swept the second officer, Ernest Jenkins of North Shields, England, overboard.

Taps from the Telegraph.

Fitzsimmons says his next fight will be with Ted Pritchard, the English champion.

The Holmes block at Detroit, Minn., was destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss $47,000.

Rev. Thomas McQueary, the Canton, Ohio, heretic preacher, will accept a charge at Jameston, N.Y.

The residence of N. P. Tobin, merchant tailor at Franklin, Pa., was burned yesterday, and Tobin's remains were found in a pool of blood. Burglar's tools were found about the place. He had evidently discovered them and they had killed him

ROBBED THE MAILS.

A Dishonest Canadian Postoffice Clerk Thought to be in Buffalo.

WELLAND, Ont., March 22.—Owing to the mysterious disappearance lately of numerous packages of mail matter containing money from the Welland postoffice Inspector Burnham was detailed to investigate the matter. He arrived here Thursday morning and made some private enquiries regarding the working of the postoffice, leaving in the afternoon. Early this morning he made his appearance in company with Detective Winstanly and at once proceeded to the postoffice, which they found deserted, and Assistant Postmaster Bowes, who was in charge, missing. It is rumored that Bowes took the 5.30 Michigan Central train for Buffalo before the officers arrived. Detective Dawd has started for Buffalo in hopes of running the delinquent official down and bringing him back to Canada if possible.

FATHER AND DAUGHTERS KILLED.

Frightful Accident on the Canadian Pacific Near London—The Fatal Crossing—Mangled Beyond Recognition.

LONDON, March 22.—While driving into the city last evening Wesley Warner, a prominent farmer of London township, and his two daughters, 12 and 19 years of age, met a terrible death at a place called "O'Brien's Cut," about two miles west of here, on the Canadian Pacific Railway. The passenger train from the west which is due in London at 5.30 ran into their buggy, smashed it to pieces and killed both horses and mangled Mr. Warner and both daughters in a frightful manner. Their bodies were brought to the city.

SAWED HIS HEAD IN TWAIN.

Many Men Injured by the Gyrations of a Circular Saw.

MORRISBURG, March 22.—Mr. Peter Gokey, with a party of men, was sawing some wood with his circular saw in the yard behind Mr. Thomas Eastwood's carriage shop at North Williamsburg, when the boxing which held the arbor of the saw gave way, owing to the saw "pinching," and the saw left its position with lightning speed tore its way across the iron table, behind which were Gokey and several others at work. It ran up Gokey's left arm and crossed his breast and right shoulder, inflicting terrible gashes in his arm and shoulder. Gokey may recover, but Ransom Hess, who was handing the wood to Gokey, had his head nearly split in two. It seems that the saw took the course of a semi-circle and thus struck him fair in the face and then, after passing over his head, plowed a deep furrow down his back. Hess is in a critical condition. The grain in his head was so deep that the base of the brain could be seen. Both men have families. The other men had a miraculous escape. The large balance wheel passed over one's shoulders and grazed those of another.

Killed by a Falling Roof.

BRECHIN, March 22.—Wellington and James Graham, brothers, were engaged moving some hay from the loft over a roothouse at Dalrymple when the roof suddenly collapsed and Wellington was instantly killed. James was crushed through into the roothouse but escaped with some slight injuries. The floor through which he was crushed was the steam of the roots. The deceased, who was 38 years of age, was a brother of Mr. S. Graham of The Whitby Chronicle. He leaves a wife and four children.

Probably Fatally Hurt.

LONDON, March 22.—Frank Jamieson, employed at the Grand Trunk roundhouse with the boiler-makers, was in the act of holding a rivet while standing under a locomotive, when another engine was moved too far on the turntable, causing some planks to fall where he was standing, Jamieson thus getting the full force of the engine on his side. He was removed to his home. The doctor pronounced it a serious case, the victim being hurt internally.

Goldwin Smith on Tupper.

NEW YORK, March 22.—In an article in this week's Independent, Professor Goldwin Smith thus pours vitriol on a Canadian statesman in his terribly cold-blooded way: "A member of Congress, Mr. Hitt of Illinois, expressed his surprise the other day that a certain Canadian baronet should have made use of a letter of his which had manifestly been stolen or obtained by dishonorable means. No Canadian would have been much surprised had the baronet been detected in abstracting the letter from Mr. Hitt's desk with his own hand. Nothing is less like the genuine British aristocrat of the better class than the colonist who apes him, and thinks that he makes himself aristocratic by parading contempt for the Yankees—a habit, it my be observed, to which no Canadian Tories are more given than those who are themselves American by birth or by connection."

Distillery Cattle.

MONTREAL, March 22.—Mr. Goldsmith of New York, who, together with Mr. Bickerdike of Montreal and Mr. Morris of Chicago, purchased about 10,000 distillery cattle yesterday, arrived in Montreal this morning. Mr. Goldsmith says that American cattle are altogether free from pleuro-pneumonia. The American dealers, it is said, contemplate doing considerable business in Canada this summer. Yesterday's transaction amounted to about $800,000.

Better Out Than In.

Messrs. Frankland & Dunn, the well-known exporters of this city, have stood aloof from the syndicate which has obtained control of a good portion of the Canadian winter-fed cattle. To The World Saturday the worthy Beef Baron stated why he was not in the deal. "We have," he said, "for some years made a special study of the export trade and have succeeded in placing on the English market what may be termed a special brand. As a result when we land cattle there dealers from different parts flock to buy. If we accepted the syndicate's offer we would be out of the English market for a year, a circumstance which would tend to cripple our future operations. We believe in Canada first," added the ex-Ald. as he proceeded to indite an epistle on the prospects of the Canadian cattle trade.

Then and Now.

A few years ago the people in this country who wished to visit friends at home or see the Mother Land thought that the seat in the driver's box of a stagecoach, by which they had to travel to the nearest port, the acme of comfort, luxury and pleasure, and then the old wind jammer (or sailing ship) which took from 16 to 25 weeks to cross the "pond," was a perfect marvel and an achievement worthy of serious consideration. But the traveler of to-day steps to his telephone, calls for 2010 and asks Messrs. Melville & Richardson of the Toronto General Steamship Agency to send them round a ticket for the limited train made up of Pullman sleeping and dining cars, vestibuled and fitted up in the most approved style of modern decorative art, etc., such as are run over the C.P.R., G.T.R. or Erie railroads, and making direct connection with the fast mail steamers from Canadian and New York ports, where they are at once shown to their cabins and where nothing can exceed the elegance and luxury furnished and all modern conveniences found for the passage; then repairing to the dining saloon, where a sumptuous repast awaits them; then to the literary, music and smoking rooms, and which space will not allow us to attempt to describe, but intending travelers should not fail to try Melville & Richardson for any point, no matter what part of the "world."

Our Van Still Maintained.

No doubt many anxious Canadians who have seen that the R., W. & O. has been leased by the N.Y.C. will be glad to hear this change will not affect H. W. VanEvery's position in any way, only that they say that they will give him much better train service than heretofore. There is no doubt but Van is the most popular railroad man in this country and has always been a friend to the traveling public by keeping rates down, and has always been courteous to his patrons. No doubt thousands of Canadians will congratulate the new company in having retained his services.

TO TURN OUT MAYOR CLARKE.

LAWYER WALLBRIDGE'S IMPEACHMENT OF HIS WORSHIP.

A Five Hours' Speech Before the Master in Chambers on Saturday—All Founded on the Evidence Taken Before Examiner Bruce—Pithy and Pertinent Points.

After many postponements, the motion to unseat Mayor Clarke came up for argument before Master in Chambers Dalton on Saturday morning.

W. H. Wallbridge appeared for the relator, E. A. Macdonald, and A. B. Aylesworth, Q.C., and J. A. Worrell, Q.C., for the Mayor.

Mr. Wallbridge opened the argument by stating the grounds on which the motion was brought:

1. That Mayor Clarke has a contract for printing with or on behalf of the city.
2. That Mayor Clarke, either by himself or other persons, has an interest or derives a benefit from a city contract.
3. That he has a contract with the city for supplying paper and ink.
4. He has an interest in the contract to supply these materials.
5. That he is disqualified from sitting as Mayor, because he is the owner of presses or printing plant upon which the subject of the city contract is performed.
6. If he is not a contractor he is an agent of a contractor or is interested as an agent of a contractor.

The section of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 77, was then read:

No person having by himself or his partner an interest in any contract with or on behalf of the corporation shall be qualified to be a member of the Council of any municipal corporation.

In the same section occurs the oath which Mayor Clarke was obliged to take:

I have not on behalf of myself, partner or agent, any interest, directly or indirectly, with any contract with the municipal corporation.

Mr. Wallbridge promised to establish all this ground, and commenced an argument which lasted nearly five hours. He stated that it was against the general policy of the law that anyone should occupy a position on a municipal board who could not give a disinterested vote. His argument was to the effect that John Y. Reid, the contractor for the city printing, occupied the position of trustee for Mayor Clarke and that the Mayor had such an interest in Mr. Reid occupying the position of city printer, on account of the advantages which accrued to Clarke therefrom; that the Mayor was put in a position if any dispute arose between the city and its printer to deal with the matter in an unbiased manner or to cast a disinterested vote.

John Y. Reid's evidence was first taken up. It was shown that Mr. Reid rented the printing office for $52 a month; that it consisted of one large room and one small room; that Mr. Clarke had the exclusive use of the smaller room as an office and the use of the larger room in common with Mr. Reid; that in the larger room Mr. Clarke carried on two departments, viz.: The Orange Sentinel and the job printing; that Mr. Reid had the use of the large room in common with Mr. Clarke, and all that he did there was the city printing, and yet Reid paid $35 of the whole rent, while Clarke paid only $17. It was shown that Reid paid two-thirds of all expenses and Clarke one-third; that when Reid purchased the city printing plant from Clarke he paid him $1600 for it; that the whole plant in the office was then insured for $3300; that notwithstanding the fact that Clarke's interest was worth $1900 and Reid's worth only $1600, that Reid paid two-thirds of the premium and Clarke one-third.

It was also contended that in this evidence alone there was sufficient to establish an interest which should unseat the mayor.

E. N. Williams is J. Y. Reid's bookkeeper. From his evidence Mr. Wallbridge showed that A. E. Clarke secured the services of Reid's foreman, Smith, for $3 per week.

Thomas O'Brien was foreman of the city printing when J. Y. Reid first assumed the contract. According to Mr. Williams' testimony complaints were made that the city printing was not being properly attended to, and it was proposed to discharge O'Brien, but he was retained because "he might go running around saying he was discharged because he was a Catholic," and "that might to some extent affect the Catholic vote." It was contended that O'Brien should have been discharged, but that Richard Clarke, who is shown to have a power of attorney from the Mayor, had sufficient influence in the office to have him retained.

Mr. Wallbridge argued that the Mayor had allowed his duty to be subordinated to his interests. It was further shown that Clarke and Reid were partners in bookkeeping, and that they had a wage book in common. There was frequently an interchange of hands and some of the apprentices in Clarke's employ were qualified on Reid's men. If John Y. Reid's men were not in the office Clarke would be obliged, by the rules of the Typographical Union, to hire journeymen. This state of affairs, it was contended, would prevent the Mayor from giving a disinterested vote should any dispute arise between the city and the city printer.

The master was of the opinion that there was thus far nothing to show that this state of affairs in the office was more than a mere arrangement between the Mayor and John Y. Reid, but that Mr. Wallbridge's arguments were in point as showing the relations between the two.

An adjournment was made at 1.30. At 2 o'clock the master took his seat again and Mr. Wallbridge proceeded with his arguments. He read a letter which was written to Mayor Clarke by John Y. Reid, in which Mr. Reid tells the mayor that he may inform the Orange deputations who were complaining about a Roman Catholic being employed on The Orange Sentinel that O'Brien was not on the staff of The Orange Sentinel, but was exclusively employed on the city printing. Mr. Wallbridge characterized this letter as a deliberate lie and claimed that it showed conclusively that Reid was simply a tool in the hands of the mayor.

Extracts were read from the evidence of Foreman Smith, who is foreman of the E. F. Clarke job department and foreman for The Sentinel office. For his work on the city printing job Smith gets $12 a week and $3 a week for superintending Clarke's job department. Smith says that Clarke loses money on account of being forced to turn away cash jobs in order to allow his plant to be used by John Y. Reid in doing city printing. Mr. Wallbridge claimed that this was ridiculous. Smith further states that Clarke and Reid are partners in the use of type and presses, in that there is an exchange between them.

Thomas Moore, the printer who supposed that he had received the contract for the city printing as being the lowest tenderer, testifies that it would be impossible for John Y. Reid to do the city printing with $1600 worth of plant. He says it would require $6000 worth of plant. Mr. Wallbridge claimed that this puts a suspicious color on the $1600 sale by Clarke to Reid and that the sale could not have been a bona fide one.

Frank Newton, printer, swears that Reid does not possess sufficient type to do the city printing. According to Newton a proofreader cannot be hired for less than $11 per week. According to the evidence Clarke pays $3 only for his proofreader, who is also employed by Reid. Much other evidence was adduced to show the relationship existing between Clarke and Reid, and Mr. Wallbridge finished his argument at 4.30.

Mr. Aylesworth will reply on Tuesday.

Hats, Their Styles and Colors for this Spring, As Shown by W. & D. Dineen, Cor. King and Yonge-Streets.

The New York silk hat is a very neat spring style with rather more bell than has been customary of late with spring shapes. This is, however, in accordance with the latest idea of London hatters, and goes to show that the styles of both English and American silk hats for this spring will be both alike. The New Derby is very neat and stylish looking and somewhat different to the fall hat, the crown being much fuller and rounder. There is also out a very neat square crown hat that is quite likely to be in great demand as soon as the fine weather sets in. There is also quite a choice in new colors, all the different shades of browns are again in the race for popular favor. All these goods are opened Dineen's spring show will exceed any previous season.

LONGUE POINT ASYLUM ON FIRE.

One Patient Leaps to His Death—$12,000 Loss Occasioned.

MONTREAL, March 23.—A fire broke out yesterday afternoon in the reservoir building of the Longue Point Lunatic Asylum and damage to the amount of $12,000 was done. Four men in the fourth story, finding all hope of escape cut off, leaped from the window and one of them, J. B. Lachapelle, was fatally injured. The others were injured in a minor degree. The loss is uninsured.

HARRISON SCARED.

Was it an Attempt to Assassinate the President?

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The occupants of the White House had a genuine scare last night. Shortly after nightfall they were startled by a crash of glass in the red parlor on the south front of the building. The special officers were summoned and proceeded to the scene. Under a sofa was discovered a desperate-looking man, with nothing on but trousers and under-shirt and with an ugly-looking knife in his hand. The man made a desperate resistance. He fought like a tiger and it required several officers to subdue him. Strong ropes were secured and the fellow was soon bound hand and foot and forced into a small outbuilding until the patrol wagon arrived. When taken to the police station the man gave his name as Harry Martin and said he was a step-son of Senator Vance. It is supposed that he was suffering from delirium tremens.

Harry Martin, who created a sensation by breaking into the White House last night, has written a note to the President apologizing for his misconduct. The case will probably not be pressed when it comes up in court.

WHO'LL SELL ME OATS?

And Sold They Were and at a Rattling Good Price.

There was quite a boom in oats on 'Change Saturday. It came suddenly. Secretary Wills had recorded sales of white oats outside aggregating 5 cars at 32c. per bushel, when Mr. James Carruthers remarked: "I'll give 33c. for 10 cars of white oats outside."

"I'll take that," quickly responded Mr. Martin of Mount Forest, who holds large quantities, a good deal of which was bought when oats were several cents lower than at present.

"I'll give the same for 10 cars more," said Mr. Carruthers.

"I'll take it," again replied Mr. Martin.

Mr. Carruthers again repeated the offer and he was again taken up by the Mount Forest man. Excitement was by this time beginning to show itself, and Mr. Carrick remarked: "Oh, buy the whole crop!" And it looked as if Mr. Carruthers was willing to do so, for he again repeated his former bid and was accommodated with 10 cars more, 5 from Mr. Martin and 5 from Mr. McCuaig. The latter was also a purchaser of 5 cars from the former at 33c. Then, being unable to find any more sellers at 33c., Mr. Carruthers raised his bid ½c., and would have taken 20 cars more at this figure, but the desideratum was not forthcoming. The transactions at 33c. aggregated some 45,000 bushels.

Local Jottings.

There were registered with the City Clerk last week 81 births, 54 death and 34 marriages.

The board of the Industrial School has accepted tenders for the building of a workshop to cost $618.

John Paxton of St. Clair-avenue, Eglinton, caused George Auburn's arrest on Saturday on a charge of horse-stealing.

John McWilliams, for theft of a pair of shoes from George C. Cooper, was on Saturday committed for 40 days.

Joseph Fitzstephen, 29 Lombard-street, is under arrest charged with stealing a washing machine from A. E. Denison, 703 Ontario-street.

The sub-committee of the Waterworks Committee on the condition of Toronto's water supply visits the engine house this afternoon.

Lizzie Simmons was on Saturday sentenced to 30 days' imprisonment for theft of a handker chief from the counter of T. Eaton & Co.

The Collegiate Institute Board will meet in the public schools' board room, corner York and Adelaide-streets, to-morrow evening.

John D'Arcy Brown of King-street west was on Saturday fined $50 and costs or three months on two charges of selling liquor without a license.

The half-yearly meeting of the Home Mission Committee of the Presbyterian Church will be held to-morrow at 9 a.m. in the lecture room of St. Andrew's Church.

The police on Saturday night found a male child three weeks old and evidently well nourished on the doorstep of a house in Rosedale. It was sent to the Infants' Home.

The Royal Canadian Academicians have decided to continue the exhibition of their paintings this week. On Tuesday and Friday evenings promenade concerts will be given.

Pat Donnelly, at present in jail, was re-arrested on Saturday on a warrant charging him with having stolen a gold watch and two gold rings from Mary Harrington last September.

Robert Russell, Thomas Blake, James Skinner and Kenneth White, all strangers with no home, were arrested in the Bay Horse Hotel yard at an early hour Sunday morning and held on a charge of trespass.

In consequence of Honorable Mr. Justice Falconbridge being engaged in the Woodstock assizes the open debate of the Osgoode Legal and Literary Society announced for April 3 has been postponed till April 10, a week later.

The people of St. Lawrence Ward east of the Don will be rejoiced to learn that on Saturday Justices Gait and Rose dismissed the appeal of Gooderham & Worts against Justice Ferguson's decision affirming the city's right to extend Strange, McGee and Saulter-streets.

The annual smoking concert of "C" Company, Q.O.R., this year surpassed its predecessors. Sergeant A. M. Burns was chairman, and a baker's dozen of brave men contributed to the harmony of the evening. The chairman and Privates J. E. Collins and Alexander Coulter were the Committee of Management.

Professor Lott, mus. doc. of S. Sepulchre's, Holborn, London, will deliver the following inaugural course of lectures in the Convocation Hall of Trinity University: Friday, April 3, 4.4 p.m.—"The Music of the Ancients." Saturday, April 4, 4 p.m.—"Rameau