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DISCOVERY IMPORTANT MARCONI TOLD TO GET OUT

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Anglo-American Telegraph Company Has a Monopoly in Newfoundland and Demands That Wireless Experiments Cease or the Law Will Be Appealed To.

London, Dec. 16.—A cable despatch has been received here from St. John's, Nfld., announcing that Signor Marconi will sail for England Dec. 19.

At the headquarters here of the inventor of wireless telegraphy, it was said to-day by the officials in charge that the experiments at St. John's, so far as they know, are all over.

They do not expect to hear any further details until Mr. Marconi arrives in London.

It was pointed out that storms on both sides of the Atlantic had seriously interfered with the work.

ABSOLUTELY GENUINE.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 16.—Owing to fog and rain, Marconi was unable to swing his kites in mid-air to-day. He went to Cape Spear to determine on the fitness of that promontory for the wireless telegraph station. The inventor will use a mast 200 feet high.

Marconi, while at Cape Spear, on being telephoned the newspaper reports that Thomas Edison discredited the announcement of signals having been received here last week from Cornwall, replied that **the signals were received by himself, and added that they were absolutely genuine.**

Further, Gov. Boyle, at Marconi's request, has cabled the fact to King Edward.

Marconi has just returned here from Cape Spear, where he experienced poor luck. The weather was rendered extremely unpleasant by fog, wind and a rainstorm, and the inventor was unable to decide upon a site for his proposed station.

On returning here from Cape Spear Marconi was served with legal documents from the solicitors of the Anglo-American Telegraph Company, notifying him that the said company possesses an exclusive monopoly of the telegraph business within Newfoundland and its dependencies, **and demanding that he cease his experiments and remove his apparatus forthwith, else the company would supply to the Supreme Court for an injunction restraining him from further trials.**

Marconi has not yet decided as to what course of action he will take in this matter. But he regards this action on the part of the Anglo-American Telegraph Co. as the best proof of the importance of his new discovery.

SURE OF SUCCESS.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—The Record-Herald's correspondent has this from St. John's: Marconi talked at some length to-day of his feat in transmitting signals across the Atlantic without wires. When it was suggested that some cable experts and electricians were incredulous and thought the signals were simply the result of atmospheric conditions, he said:

"I have no doubt that there will be a good deal of criticism. Many will find the news difficult to believe. If I were a novice at wireless telegraphy I might possibly be misled by such things as atmospheric disturbances. It is now five years since my discovery was made that messages could be carried by electric currents without wires. I am confident that Thursday's tests were in no way affected by atmospheric disturbances.

Why Letter Was Used.

"I have been asked why a signal was sent and not a message. Scientific men will readily understand the reason. A sig-

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TWO BULLETS IN HEAD KILLED A DUTTON MAN

William G. Urlin Found Dead in a Hencoop Sunday Morning Early.

BROTHER-IN-LAW'S REVOLVER BY HIM

Inquest Begun, But Adjourned Till Next Monday—Some Peculiar Circumstances Evident.

Dutton, Dec. 16.—At about 8 o'clock Sunday morning William G. Urlin was found dead in the hen coop in the rear of his residence. The circumstances were such that Dr. Ling, coroner, deemed it necessary to hold an inquest, which was opened this evening.

Deceased was 48 years old, and was at one time a member of the firm of Urlin Bros., who carried on a general store in this place. He was out of employment for a few weeks, and, is said to have become despondent. Nothing was seen of him by his own family after Saturday evening, until his body was found in the hen coop.

A peculiar circumstance is that two bullet wounds were found back of the right ear. Some physicians say that a man could not so shoot himself twice. Other remarkable facts are that the skin was not burned, indicating that the shots were not shot at close range, and no shots were heard, altho the family were up all night.

A revolver belonging to Albert Hertel, his brother-in-law, was found close by where the body was lying when found. Three chambers were empty, and two were loaded when the revolver was found. The deceased leaves a wife and four children. A. D. Urlin, who keeps the Queen's Hotel, is a brother.

The inquest was opened this evening before Coroner Ling of Dutton, County Crown Attorney Donahue was present to represent the Crown. C. St. Clair Leitch of Dutton, the family, and W. L. McLaws of St. Thomas, private parties. After hearing the evidence of Albert Hertel, who found the body, the inquest was adjourned till next Monday.

Before the funeral, however, a post-mortem will be held. There was an insurance of $2000 on the life of the deceased.

KILLED WHILE BEECHNUTTING

Wiarton, Dec. 16.—A young man named Ball of Adamsville was killed by the falling of a limb from a tree while he was out picking beechnuts on Saturday. The limb struck him on the head, fracturing his skull. Two of his younger brothers who were with him at the time succeeded in getting him home. The accident took place on his own farm. He lived only 24 hours.

BY A BLAST OF GAS.

Halifax, Dec. 16.—William Morgan, aged 25, a native of Birmingham, Alabama, was killed at Sydney this morning by a blast of gas in the blast furnace.

WAKE UP, OLD COUNTRY! WALES' URGENT MESSAGE

Full Text of the Orator Prince's Great Speech at the Guildhall on Dec. 5—Statesmanlike and Suggestive Lessons of His Tour.

The London Daily Mail to hand of Dec. 6 gives the following report of the Prince's speech at the Guildhall banquet, tendered him by the citizens of London:

The toast of the King having been honored after dejeuner, the Lord Mayor then proposed that of Queen Alexandra, the Prince and Princess of Wales, and the other members of the royal family, and this having been enthusiastically received the Prince replied. His rising was greeted with loud and prolonged cheers. Speaking with great clearness, he said:

In the name of the Queen and other members of my family, and on behalf of the Princess and myself, I thank you most sincerely for your enthusiastic reception of this toast, proposed by you, my Lord Mayor, in such kind and generous terms.

Your feeling allusion to our recent long absence from our happy family gave frank expression to that sympathy which has been so universally extended to my dear parents, whether in time of joy or in sorrow, by the people of this country, and upon which my dear mother felt she could ever reckon from the first day of her life among us.

As to ourselves, we are deeply sensible of the great honor done us on this occasion, and our hearts are moved by the splendid reception which to-day has been accorded to us by the authorities and inhabitants of the City of London.

I desire to take this opportunity of expressing our deepest gratitude for the sympathetic interest with which our journey was followed by our fellow-countrymen at home, and for the warm welcome with which we were greeted on our return. You, my Lord Mayor, were good enough to refer to His Majesty having marked our home-coming by creating me Prince of Wales. I only hope I may be worthy to hold that ancient and historic title, which was borne by my dear father for upwards of 59 years.

You have attributed to us more credit than I think we deserve, for I feel that the most credit is due not to us, but to the King and Queen for having made it possible for us to carry out, with every consideration for our comfort and convenience, a voyage unique in its character, rich in the experience gained, and in the memory of the warm and affectionate greetings from the many races of His Majesty's subjects in his great dominions beyond the seas.

Where the Flag Waves.

Here, in the capital of our great Empire, I would repeat how profoundly touched and gratified both the Princess and I have been by the loyalty, affection and the enthusiasm which invariably characterised the welcome extended to us thruout our long and memorable tour. It may interest you to know that we traveled over 45,000 miles, 33,000 of which were by sea, and I think it is a matter of which all may feel proud that, with the exception of Port Said, we never set foot on any land where the Union Jack did not wave.

Leaving England in the middle of March, we first touched at Gibraltar and Malta, where, as a sailor, I was proud to meet our two great fleets of the Channel and the Mediterranean. Passing thru the Suez Canal, a monument to the genius and courage of a gifted son of the great friendly nation across the Channel, we entered at Aden, the gateway of the East. We stayed for a short time to enjoy the unrivalled scenery of Ceylon, where we witnessed a gorgeous display by native races, and saw in what happy contentment its various peoples lived and prospered under British rule.

Perhaps there was something still more striking in the fact that the government, commerce and every form of enterprise in

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WAITING BETWEEN FURROWS.

CINCINNATUS ROSEBERY: I've plowed my little furrow and I've made my little speech. Now is that noble old Roman Bull going to call me to the dictatorship?

'GET TOGETHER,' ROSEBERY'S SLOGAN BUT HE HIDES MAP OF HIS FURROW

Ex-Premier Received at Chesterfield by an Immense and Enthusiastic Crowd—Declares Government Should Listen to Peace Overtures and Not Unnecessarily Humiliate the Boers—His Services at His Country's Disposal.

Chesterfield, Eng., Dec. 16.—Lord Rosebery's long expected and much heralded speech, delivered here to-night, was received with much enthusiasm by an immense crowd. It can hardly be said to have thrown much light along the pathway of the Liberal party.

Resolved into its elements, the speech merely said: "Get together." The speaker himself confessed that he did not pretend to say how this cohesion should be accomplished.

The tenor of the former Premier's speech was that the ministry was wrong, but the Liberals should be very careful how they tried to set it right.

Concerning the government's conduct of the war, Lord Rosebery was severe and scornful.

He was particularly sarcastic at the expense of the explanation of the Earl of Halsbury, the Lord Chancellor, that only a "sort of warfare" was now going on, and he strongly condemned the scandalous misrepresentations by which the government had precipitated the last general election.

Lord Rosebery strongly blamed the government for its tactlessness, which had produced unparalleled ill-will toward Great Britain in every European population, and which he attributed largely to the provocative oratory of Mr. Chamberlain, the Colonial Secretary.

Whilst he was emphatic on the necessity of vigorously prosecuting the war, and in expressing the fullest confidence in Lord Kitchener, Lord Rosebery said he thought the government should be prepared to listen to peace overtures, and contended there was nothing degrading or abasing in recognizing the exiled Boer government for the purpose of making peace.

Lord Rosebery said no sane Boer now hoped for anything but annexation, and for many reasons it was urgent that the war should be ended. The Boers should not be unnecessarily humiliated. To the Boers swearing allegiance, he would give the largest possible amnesty and the fullest civil rights.

Scornfully rejecting the idea that such an Empire as Britain could not provide an alternative government to the existing ministry, he said if that were true the nation was more fitted to control a cabbage garden than an empire.

In conclusion, amid loud cheers, Lord Rosebery declared his services were at the disposal of the country in anything he could do to further the policy he had just expounded.

Lord Rosebery spoke for almost two hours, and was received thruout with the greatest enthusiasm.

NO MAGICAL EFFECT.

London, Dec. 16.—The Times, in an editorial on Lord Rosebery's speech, says it is worthy of his high reputation as a patriot and statesman, and that it is an utterance which rises with rare completeness to the level of a great occasion, but that it will not produce any magical effect in the domain of British politics.

REFUSE TO CONDEMN EX-MAYOR'S ENEMIES

Ottawa Council Kill Resolution Deprecating Method By Which He Was Disqualified.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—The City Council sat till midnight wrangling over the several civic propositions which have earned for the Ottawa aldermanic board such an unenviable notoriety for vacillation and incompetence. After profuse private lamentation over the incident which robbed the Council of its elected head by disqualification, the Council to-night, by 19 to 3, voted down a resolution deprecating the method by which that disqualification had been brought about.

Then the whole scheme for purchasing a site for a contagious disease hospital was wiped out, and, whith a recrudescence of the smallpox epidemic on, the Council voted against a proposal to enforce the compulsory vaccination proclamation issued at an earlier and less serious stage of the epidemic.

The irony of the situation lies in the fact that, while in the opinion of the City Solicitor the proclamation remains effective, despite to-night's action of the Council, its course is calculated to encourage contempt for a very necessary precaution.

A Christmas Suggestion.

Why not buy a house as a Christmas present for your wife? What could be more acceptable than this desirable detached modern home on leading-street in Parkdale; contains 9 well-planned rooms, laid out under architect's supervision; Daisy hot-water heating; best approved plumbing, expansive overmantels, gas grates, laundry tubs, divided cellar; ground floor finished in polished oak, colonial verandah, possession any time; price only $3750; terms $750 cash. Apply H. H. Williams, 10 Victoria-street.

FATAL MISGIVING.

Rome, Dec. 16.—It was reported here a few days ago that a well-known lawyer had shot himself in court during the hearing of a somewhat sensational case of libel against a local paper. It now transpires that the cause of the suicide was the honest doubt of the counsel as to whether the true course of justice lay with his client or with the other party to the case.

Table Lamps at $1.75.

We've over two hundred table lamps for gas in stock. They're splendid Christmas gifts. Fitted with Argand burner, green shade, tubing and connections, for $1.75. They can be attached to any gas jet, and are guaranteed satisfactory. You'd better secure one before they're all gone. Fred Armstrong, 277 Queen-street west.

The "Elboner," 99 King west—Good liquors, popular service. A judge at the bar or buffet would be convinced.

Holiday Presents for Men.

In our characteristic way we have gathered, not only the greatest assortment, but also greatest values in smokers' presents. The novelties are here. The sensible things are here. We can satisfy the most exacting gift-seeker. It is easy and pleasant to shop at our store. Havana Cigars, Briar Pipes, Cigar and Cigarette Cases, etc., Tobacco, Pipe Racks, Ash Trays, Tobacco Pouches, in fact, anything a smoker needs, at A. Clubb & Sons', 49 King west. Open evenings.

While in Buffalo stop at the Manhattan, 620 Main Street. European. Rates reasonable. 246

A Rare Chance

To buy a caperine and muff or what you call a fur set of Persian Lamb and Sable Caperine with Sable muff for $55. They're at Dineens. They can't be purchased elsewhere less than $50.

Smokers' presents — Briars — Meerschaum—fine assortment. Alive Bollard

Be Good to Yourself.

If you have a notion to be good to yourself this Christmas, why here's an opportunity to buy a fur-lined overcoat, with wide Otter collar and lapels and Muskrat lining for $50—best value on the continent. There is a splendid exhibit at Dineens.

Patents — Fetherstonhaugh & Co., King-street West, Toronto, also Montreal, Ottawa and Washington. ed

Pictures.

On view at Matthews' Art Gallery, 95 Yonge-street, for the Christmas holidays is a select collection of oil paintings and water colors, examples of the latest French and Italian art. ed

JURY GAVE HIM $100 AND PRICE OF TICKET

Important Suit Involving the Right of Passengers to Transfer at Any Point.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—Judge MacTavish and the jury in the County Court to-day decided a suit involving the right of a passenger on a street railway to transfer at any point on the line. The case was that of Porter versus the Ottawa Electric Railway Company. Plaintiff having secured on Rideau-street a transfer to Bank, got off the Rideau-street car at the corner of Rideau and Sussex, five blocks on the rear side of the transfer point, which is at Sparks and Bank. A minute later he boarded a Bank-street car at the corner of Rideau and Sussex, and tendered his transfer slip. The conductor refused to accept it, as it was not a transfer point for that line, and, laying his hand on the passenger's shoulder, ordered him off the car. Porter paid another five, under protest, and took action against the company for assault and damages. The jury awarded him $100 for assault, and held he was entitled to damages in five cents, the price of his second ticket. The verdict makes good plaintiff's contention that notwithstanding the printed conditions on the ticket a passenger is entitled to transfer at any point on the line of a continuous passage.

TO DEVELOP AFRICAN MINES.

English Owners Secure Co-operation of Colonial Office.

London, Dec. 16.—The owners of the principal gold mines in the Gold Coast Colony are organizing a chamber of West African mines in London for the purpose of developing their properties. More than 300 companies, representing an investment of many millions sterling, have already joined the movement, which has been promised the co-operation of the London Chamber of Commerce. Recent discoveries and developments of mines on the Gold Coast are considered proof that the future of the mining industry in that quarter is assured.

A Bright Christmas.

The Siche Gas Company is working overtime trying to fill its orders for installations to be in operation before Christmas. Its system being altogether reliable, inexpensive and approved by the Underwriters as absolutely safe, is now recognized to be the only desirable light for churches where independent plants are necessary. As a house light also it cannot be excelled. No more orders will be accepted for delivery in 1901, as the company has all it can handle up to that date. Persons wishing machines for the New Year must send in orders betimes, as after February the summer cottage business will be coming on, and then orders will only be accepted for delivery at the company's convenience.

The Siche Company handles the celebrated Shaffer burners, which took the first prize at the Pan-American, being sole agents for Canada. Gem and Queen burners, $4; Champion, $3 per dozen—sent on receipt of price by return mail.

Catalogue on application to head office, 83 York-street, Toronto. Phone Main 1971.

Thomas' English Chop House—music from 5 to 7.30 p. m.

QUEEN BECOMES PATRONESS.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—Her Majesty Queen Alexandra has sent the following cablegram to the Countess of Minto:

"With pleasure I will become patroness of the Victorian Order of Nurses and of your hospitals."

Cook's Turkish and Russian Baths Bath and bed, $1. 202 and 204 King W

Linens for Christmas Gifts.

N. Rooney, 62 Yonge-street, next door to The Globe office, has just passed into stock the finest assortment of Pure Irish Linens, suitable for Christmas gifts, consisting of beautiful hem-stitch cloths, all sizes, napkin to match, fine hemstitched linen towels, ladies' and gents' handkerchiefs. Lady friends looking for something dainty and useful for Xmas gifts should call and inspect our goods. N. Rooney, 62 Yonge-street.

Edwards and Hart-Smith, Chartered Accountants, offices Canadian Bank of Commerce Building, Toronto.

Age, purity and flavor, "Girardot Brand" Canadian wines. Sullivan's.

HOPE TO RECONCILE LABOR AND CAPITAL

Important Conference in New York Planned to Minimize Wage and Industrial Disputes.

New York, Dec. 16.—Brought together thru the good offices of the National Civic Federation, leading representatives of labor and capital met here to-day to discuss plans to minimize wage and industrial disputes. Aiding them with counsel were several prominent students of economics and leading figures in the religious world, and the opening session was notable for a number of striking expressions and comments upon the problem faced by the conferees.

Oscar Strauss, former Minister to Turkey, who acted as chairman, announced that it was planned to form a general Executive Committee, with representation divided among labor, capital and the great public, and it was hoped it would become a tribunal of peace. Senator Hanna, Charles M. Schwab, Archbishop Ireland, Bishop Potter and S. R. Callaway, were among those who attended.

Mr. Schwab declared he was opposed to labor unions, as they were now constituted, and said they must fail, as the trusts had failed, for seeking to limit production and control prices.

Senator Hanna expressed strong approval of the principle of organized labor, and his speech drew apologies from John Phillips and John J. Donnelly, two of the labor delegates, who confessed they had held erroneous and unjust views as to the attitude of the Senator toward organized labor.

Other speakers were strongly in favor of conciliation. President Gompers, John Mitchell, Theodore Shaffer and other leading members of the American Federation will be here to-morrow, when the conference will be continued.

FORTY SMALLPOX CASES.

Dr. Bryce Finds a Grave State of Affairs in Essex.

Windsor, Dec. 16.—Dr. Bryce is here. He has discovered 40 well-developed cases of smallpox in the Townships of Dover and Tilbury. A number of cases have been reported from Walpole Island, among the Indians.

Cook's Turkish and Russian Baths. Bath and bed, $1. 202 and 204 King W

IN TOUCH WITH THE NURSERY.

London, Dec. 16.—During the absence from home of the Prince and Princess of Wales, said Sir J. Wolfe Barry, at a dinner to Sir John Pender last night, the cables enabled them to receive a nursery telegram every morning.

Turkish and Russian Baths, 129 Yonge

CHILI AGAIN INVADED.

Santiago de Chili, Dec. 16.—A report has been received here of another alleged invasion of Southern Chili by Argentine troops. Should this be true, it will create new difficulties between the two countries.

When you want the best perfumes go to Bingham's. 100 Yonge St.

A Charming Gift.

A box of Dunlop's roses is a gift sure to delight any of your friends. Visit our salesrooms and examine our display of cut flowers and plants. Now is the time to order for Xmas. 5 King St. West, 445 Yonge St., Toronto. ed

Pember's Turkish Baths, 129 Yonge.

Made in Canada, "Girardot Brand" wine; something worth having at Xmas. Sullivan's.

Smokers' presents Cigars—10 in box—Havana. Alive Bollard, manufacturer.

'TWAS A BRAVE FIGHT THO BRITISHERS LOST

Graphic Description of the Last Stand of 120 Men at Brakenlaagte.

London, Dec. 16.—Relating the last stand of the 120 men who defended the two guns at Brakenlaagte against 700 Boers, the Daily Mail's Pretoria correspondent writes:

"The gunners stood manfully to their work, and as first one and then another fell his place was at once filled by eager volunteers.

"'The guns, the beauties, seem to know they are wanted. See how eager they are!' said the corporal; and so saying he fell mortally wounded. 'Ay, ay!' said his mate; 'they're British, God bless 'em!' and stood ready for the recoil as his officer finished sighting. Then they both fell beside their beloved guns.

"And the fight went on, until finally the guns stood alone, silent but defiant, the last to face the foe being a gallant officer, who, disdaining cover, stood up and dared the enemy—and died daring him.

"The same spirit of defiance held good all along the hillside. The Boers sank back to cover time after time. 'Hands up!' shouted a shaggy-bearded Boer to a group of three Scottish Horse in the extreme front. 'We're Scots!' was the laconic reply; and a volley kept the Boer quiet.

"When ammunition failed, the men fixed bayonets, and for hours the glint of the steel kept the enemy off, till, the ambulance coming up, they rushed in and removed the guns."

JUDGE FERGUSON FELL.

Woodstock, Dec. 16.—His Lordship Judge Ferguson fell heavily when alighting from the hack at the court house this afternoon. He had just stepped from the hack, preparatory to proceeding to the court house to open court, when he fell on the icy sidewalk. The judge, who is a stout, elderly man, was rather badly shaken up, but not hurt.

NO MORE BOER ORDERS.

London, Dec. 16.—The value of Germany's exports to South Africa during the past year was £701,300, as against £1,156,200 in 1899, thus showing a shrinkage of £454,900. A significant feature of this decrease is that £139,950, or nearly one-third, stands for explosives and weapons.

TORONTO SENDS 30 MORE FOR THIRD CONTINGENT

Dates for Recruiting Will Be Dec. 27 and 28, With Col. Otter in Charge.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—The western members of the third contingent passed thru Ottawa to-night en route for Halifax. Col. Evans, commanding the force, will leave this morning for Halifax, leaving the recruiting of the two extra squadrons to the direction of the Militia Department. Arrangements for this were made to-day, but subsequently a change was made. Quebec was struck from the list of places at which volunteers are to be enrolled, and Kemptville substituted. The five mounted riflemen to have been enrolled at the Ancient Capital will be raised in the right loyal little half-way town between Ottawa and Prescott.

Eleven officers will be required for the two new squadrons, and the allotment of these will obviously necessitate a re-arrangement of the list prepared for the original four squadrons. There will be two more captaincies, and these will doubtless be created by the promotion of lieutenants from those already commissioned, which will be rather a source of regret to those who refused to take commissions below their rank of captain in the first instance. The addition of two squadrons will also mean the appointment of another major, besides the second in command, and it is altogether likely this commission will be given to Lt.-Col. Cameron, D.S.O., of the 5th Royal Scots of Montreal.

The names of the eleven new officers have been sent to His Excellency for transmission to the War Office.

Recruiting in Ontario.

Recruiting for the second of the two additional squadrons attached to the Mounted Rifles will take place as follows:

London, Quota 15, 28th Dec.; recruiting officer, D.O.C.; medical officer, Major C. W. Belton, A.M.S.

Hamilton—Quota 10, 28th Dec.; recruiting officer, Major V. A. S. Williams, R.C.D.; medical officer, Major G. S. Rennie, A.M.S.

Toronto—Quota 30, 27th and 28th Dec.; recruiting officer, D.O.C.; medical officer, officers in medical charge of Stanley Barracks.

Peterboro—Quota 8, 28th Dec.; recruiting officer, Col. F. S. Lessard, C.B., R.C.D.; medical officer, Surg.-Major T. W. H. Young, 3rd Dragoons.

Ottawa—Quota 10, 28th Dec.; recruiting officer, Lt.-Col. W. G. Hurdman; medical officer, Capt. C. W. F. Gorrell, A.M.S.

Kingston—Quota 13, 28th Dec.; recruiting officer District Officer Commanding.

PROHIBITION AND TEMPERANCE.

[The following editorial is from The Church Record, a paper for Canadian Churchmen, published on the 1st and 15th of every month, whose office is in the Confederation Life Building, and which is recognized as the organ of the Evangelical wing of the Church of England in Canada and edited by a board connected with Wycliffe College in this city.]

From The Church Record, Toronto, Dec. 15, 1901.

"There is a flutter in political circles caused by the decision of the Privy Council, that the Province of Manitoba was within its powers in passing an act prohibiting the liquor traffic. The political leaders have long been fencing with the question, and some of them have declared that if they only had the power they would do something. Now they have the power and prohibitionists are demanding that they shall use it.

"The question is not a simple one. Putting aside the politician with his ear to the ground, who is thinking not of the effect of prohibition upon the country, but of the political effect upon himself, of his own advocacy of it, we must in all seriousness face the two practical tests. Can a prohibitory act be secured? If secured will it find moral support in the community to make it really effective?

"As to the first we think that it would not be very difficult to secure in the Legislatures of, at least, Ontario and Manitoba, majorities for the act. Not only temperance people would vote for such an act. Those who are themselves the victims of drink will vote in many cases to have temptation removed from their path. The other question remains, could such an act be enforced? Probably it could in a considerable number of localities. In the cities the work would be difficult, almost impossible, for in the cities it is admitted large majorities would vote against prohibition.

"We will say frankly that we rather dread a revival of political agitation on the question of prohibition. The temperance cause is making rapid progress in this country. In the rural districts a drunken man is a much rarer spectacle now than 20 years ago. Our young men are for the most part sober, and they leave drink alone, not because the civil law says they must, but because a deeper law of well-being is freely accepted by them. At the recent medical banquet in the University of Toronto, by general consent of professors and students, no intoxicating liquor was served. Those who remember the scenes at such banquets a quarter of a century ago may well thank God and take courage.

"Whatever attitude individuals may take upon the question, we should like to impress upon our readers the truth that the church's work is to preach temperance on the basis of the moral, not of the civil law. We confess to considerable perplexity on the question of legal prohibition tho our sympathies are with those who desire to remove a great snare from men's path. We shall during the next few weeks watch with probably some amusement the manoeuvres of the politicians who wish to stand well with both the liquor interest and the Prohibitionists."

NATURAL GAS FLOW CEASED.

Many Windsor People Had to Go Without Breakfast Yesterday.

Windsor, Dec. 16.—The natural gas in Windsor ceased to flow at 7 o'clock this morning, and many persons were compelled to go without breakfast.

Windsor hardware dealers were doing a land office business all morning. The call for stoves was incessant, and express wagons had to be impressed to make deliveries.

Dr. King, manager of the United Gas and Oil Company, said that there was no other reason to give for the low pressure than that the wells were becoming exhausted. He does not look for any increase in the flow so long as the cold snap continues.

Solicitor Coburn, acting for the Interior Construction Company, to-day delivered to Magistrate Bartlett the keys to the pipe house at Sandwich, and the magistrate will see that there is no further leakage into Detroit.

SON DROVE HER CRAZY.

Quebec, Dec. 16.—Mrs. Gregorie, mother of Odilon Gregorie, the Thetford Mines murderer, is a raving lunatic. She became absolutely insane upon hearing of the coroner's verdict in her son's case, and is now almost at the point of death. Her strength is failing rapidly.

Go to Bingham's when you want the best perfumes, 100 Yonge St.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Old Halton Boys, Temple Building, 8.30 p.m.

Ward 1 Conservatives' at home, Dingman's Hall, 8 p.m.

Reception to Hon. William Mulock, Massey Hall, 8 p.m.

Board of Management, House of Industry, meet, 4 p.m.

Choir concert, McCaul-street Methodist Church, 8 p.m.

Princess Theatre, "The Burgomaster," 8 p.m.

Grand Opera House, "Brixton Burglary," 8 p.m.

Toronto Opera House, "Two Little Waifs," 2 and 8 p.m.

Shea's Theatre, vaudeville, 2 and 8 p.m.

Star Theatre, burlesque, 2 and 8 p.m.

Association Hall, McEwen, the Scottish hypnotist, 8 p.m.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

Dec. 16.	At.	From.
Umbria	Liverpool	New York
Cestrian	Liverpool	Boston
Aller	Gibraltar	New York
Mesaba	New York	London
Rhyland	Philadelphia	Liverpool
Arcadia	Boston	Hamburg
Rathlin Head	Belfast	New Orleans

APPLY THE CRIMES' ACT.

Influx of Policemen Into Mayo and Roscommon Recalls Capt. Boycott

Dublin, Dec. 16.—Large numbers of constabulary have been drafted to important points in Mayo and Roscommon, and a proclamation, placing both counties under the Crimes Act, is expected to be issued immediately. This influx of extra policemen is unprecedented since the days of Capt. Boycott. Nationalist members of Parliament and United Irish Leaguers have been most active in Mayo and Roscommon recently, preaching forcible resistance to the authorities. Dublin's reception of Messrs. Redmond, McHugh and O'Donnell, on their return from the United States, will take the form of a torchlight procession and addresses at the Mansion House.

MARRIAGES.

ARMSTRONG—BIGGER—On Thursday evening, Dec. 12, at the residence of the bride's father, 113 Rose-avenue, Toronto, by the Rev. John Neil, Leila W. Bigger to W. C. Armstrong of Winnipeg.

DEATHS.

ABBEY—On Dec. 9, at her son-in-law's residence, Port Colborne, in her 82nd year, Ann, relict of the late Mark Abbey, formerly of Etobicoke.

Interment at Berkeley.

Yorkshire, Eng., papers please copy.

BRODIE—At 532 Huron-street, Toronto, on Monday, 16th December, 1901, Robert Telfer Brodie, formerly of Peterboro and Hespeler, in his 71st year.

Funeral private on Wednesday, 18th, at 11.30 a.m. Interment at Guelph on arrival of Grand Trunk train leaving Toronto at 1 p.m.

BROWN—On the 16th inst., at 39 Ontario-place, William Brown, aged 2 years and 8 months.

Funeral to-day at 3 p.m. to St. Michael's Cemetery.

BENNETT—At his late residence, 106 Marion-street (off Sorauren-avenue), Toronto, on Saturday, the 14th December, 1901, John Othniel Bennett, in his 71st year.

Funeral on Tuesday, the 17th, at 2 o'clock. Interment in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

MORRISON—At Toronto, on Saturday, Dec. 14, 1901, Hector Morrison, (with D. McCall & Co.), in his 58th year.

Funeral private, from the residence of his brother-in-law, James M. Macdonald, Esq., 13 North-street, on Tuesday, Dec. 17.

PATON—At his late residence, 479 Euclid-avenue, on Sunday, Dec. 15, James William Paton, in his 62nd year.

Funeral to-day at 3 p.m.

Montreal papers please copy.

TWO CANADIANS DEAD.

One Succumbs to Wounds, the Other a Victim of Fever.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—The following cables have been received by Lord Minto from Mr. Chamberlain:

Dec. 12.—Regret to inform you Arthur Timlick, S.A.C., died of wounds Dec. 9, Krugersdorp. Father, R. Timlick, New Westminster, B.C. (Signed) Chamberlain.

Dec. 13.—Regret to inform you Sergt. George Armstrong, S.A.C., dangerously ill, enteric fever. Father, W. L. Armstrong, Beulah, Manitoba. (Signed) Chamberlain.

The casualty department, Cape Town, cables under date Dec. 13:

Please inform Mrs. Sophia Johnson, Georgetown, P.E.I., son Charles Johnson, Canadian Scouts, died of enteric fever, Pretoria, Dec. 9. (Signed) Casualty Department.

Have You Noticed?

Have you noticed that there's not such an awful big difference between the appearance of an electric seal jacket and the real thing? Have you seen Dineens? They've got some specially selected for holiday trade—$35, worth $50. Also combination sachets of electric seal and mink or Alaska Sable for $45 to $60. You should call and see them.

AGAIN DECIDEDLY COLD.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Dec. 16.—(8 p.m.)—The cold wave has reached the Maritime Provinces, and decidedly cold weather now prevails from the Northwest Territories to Nova Scotia, with no immediate prospect of any change. There are indications of the development of a disturbance in the Mississippi Valley, which is likely to cause a snowfall in the Lake Region.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 10—20; Victoria, 38—40; Kamloops, 20—24; Edmonton, 2—20; Prince Albert, 19 below—zero; Qu'Appelle, 14 below—6 below; Winnipeg, 10 below—4; Port Arthur, 16 below—4; Parry Sound, 6 below—14; Toronto, 4—16; Ottawa 12 below—6 below; Montreal, 4 below—zero; Quebec, 6 below—4; Halifax, 29—46.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Easterly winds; decidedly cold weather with local snowfalls, mostly light.

Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Continued very cold weather; fine during day, followed by light snow.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Fine and very cold.

Maritime—Northwesterly winds; fine and decidedly colder.

Lake Superior—Decidedly cold, with light local snowfalls.

Manitoba—Fine and continued cold.