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NOT A SINGLE WINDOW LEFT WHOLE.

Police, After Repeated Charges, Disperse a Mob of Several Thousands.

London, Dec. 18.—David Lloyd George, M.P., speaking in Birmingham Town Hall tonight, precipitated a scene unprecedented in that city since the Aston Park riots. The majority of the audience were hostile to the speaker, and were enraged by his pro-Boer and anti-Chamberlain utterances. They rushed the police cordon guarding the platform.

In the meantime the building was besieged from the outside by a mob of several thousand people, who smashed windows and tried to force the doors, which had been barricaded. They frustrated the audience with stones, thrown into the windows. The police reserves were turned out and succeeded in dispersing the mob after repeated charges. A number of persons were injured, and the Town Hall was completely wrecked. Not a single window was left whole.

AN EIGHTH CONTINGENT.

New Zealand Again Takes the Lead Among British Colonies.

New York, Dec. 18.—The Times has this from London: The Times correspondent at Wellington says: Volunteers for the eighth New Zealand contingent for service in South Africa are already pouring in. The Christ Church Press, the leading newspaper, states that, if the Empire calls for it, it is certain the colony will cheerfully furnish a ninth contingent.

The Melbourne correspondent of The Times says that there are strong indications that Premier Burt's determination not to furnish troops for South Africa unless officially requested by the Home Government to do so does not represent the public opinion of the Commonwealth. The Government of New South Wales, which had desired to offer troops without delay, has been disappointed.

ROBERTS MAY LEAVE.

Vanity Fair Says War Office Will Lose Him in April.

London, Dec. 18.—Vanity Fair says it hears on excellent authority that Lord Roberts, commander-in-chief of the forces, contemplating leaving the War Office in April, and that he will be succeeded by the Duke of Connaught.

SECOND TO DEWEET.

Commandant Kitzinger, Who Was Captured, a Leader of Abilene Scouts.

New York, Dec. 18.—The Herald prints the following from London: During the last few days word, persistent reports emanating both from South Africa and from Boer headquarters in Europe, of an approaching crisis in South African affairs have been current. It is alleged that Mr. Kruger will demand his demand for independence, and that the Boer leaders in the field are inclined to cease fighting and seek the best terms obtainable.

A Seasonable Suggestion.

What are you going to buy for Christmas? What are you going to buy for Christmas? I am not making a present of a home? Call in and see me. I shall be pleased to give you a selection of the most beautiful and useful articles in my store. I have a large stock of Christmas goods, and I am sure you will find something to suit your taste. I am not making a present of a home? Call in and see me. I shall be pleased to give you a selection of the most beautiful and useful articles in my store. I have a large stock of Christmas goods, and I am sure you will find something to suit your taste.

Turkish and Russian Baths, 129 Yonge

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

On view at Matthews' Art Gallery, 95 Yonge-street, for the last time, a selection of oil paintings and water colors, examples of the latest French and Italian art.

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

MANITOBA BOUNDARY QUESTION.

Winnipeg, Dec. 18.—Premier Roblin and Premier Hamilton are having a discussion tonight at Indian Head on the boundary question.

"Girardot Brand" is the result of 21 years' effort to produce the best wine that can be made—Sullivan's.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Executive Council, Canadian Manufacturers' Association, meets at 2 p.m.; monthly dinner at Temple Cafe, 630 Dan.

W. J. Gage disposes wholesale bookstores and stationers at National Club, 8 p.m.

Public School Board meets, City Hall, 7:45 p.m.

Provincial School Board meets, 8 p.m.; Annual meeting of Guild of Civic Arts, 94 West King-street, 8 p.m.

Dedication of new building, McMaster College, 2:30 p.m.; at home, 8 p.m.

T. A. Bakley lecture, organ recital, at Conservatory of Music, 8 p.m.

Final Rugby game for Minto Cup, at Victoria, 2:15 p.m.

Opening of Essex-avenue Public school, 2:30 p.m.

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

Grand Opera House, "The Briston Burglar," 8 p.m.

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

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

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

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

There are higher priced wines than "Girardot Brand," but there are no better. Ask Sullivan.

BYE-ELECTIONS.

Nominations Wednesday, Jan. 8, and Polling on the 15th. Dec. 18.—The following will be issued to the electors in the bye-elections in West Hants, N.S., on Jan. 8: Loyal, St. James, Montreal; Beaumont, St. Bede and Lisle, Quebec; and West Queen's, P. E. I. Nominations will take place on Wednesday, Jan. 8, and polling on Wednesday, Jan. 15.

An election in York, N. B., is to be held on Dec. 28, but the date of polling in Lisgar has not yet been fixed.

BIGAMIST BROKE JAIL

DIDN'T WAIT FOR TRIAL

Lawyers Had Assembled For the Hearing, But the Accused Was Far Away.

St. Catharines, Dec. 18.—Frederick Hine, bigamist and jail-breaker, got away from the St. Catharines Jail yesterday, and his flight caused considerable consternation in the court.

Hine was a Dunville man, who, 14 years ago, married a Miss Hartsell of that town. Until four months ago they lived happily together in Dunville, and Hine, who is a comfortable, claims to have kept her in the same manner.

Two weeks ago, when he returned he found his wife had been married to Luke Hammon in Buffalo, and the two were in Hine's home in Dunville. Mrs. Hine claimed to have been deserted. Hine wanted to make trouble, but he was advised to keep away, and decided to go and live with relatives in Hammonstone.

There he forgot the faithful one and became infatuated with Edith Minor, a daughter of Henry Minor of Lowbush, an engagement followed, and the two were made one at the residence of Mr. Gilson in Hammonstone. The father of the bride was present, and assisted in the merry-making which followed the ceremony. The next morning he swore out a warrant for Hine's arrest, and the groom was taken before Magistrate Melan on the 10th and charged with bigamy. He tried to explain, but was remanded for a week and adjourned to the 17th. The prisoner was released, but the lock-up was opened the cell was empty. No explanations were forthcoming, and the court adjourned until the prisoner is found. It is thought Hine received outside assistance in his escape, but there are no clues to the guilty ones.

FROZEN TO DEATH.

William Miller of Lindsay Found Dead at Severn Bridge.

Severn Bridge, Dec. 18.—William Miller of Lindsay was found dead in the lumber yard here today. Miller had been employed by the Ontario Government, and was on duty at the bridge. He was found lying on the ground, and his body was frozen to death. The cause of death is not yet known.

TO SHUT OUT AMERICAN MEAT.

Bremen, Dec. 18.—The Weser Zeitung says that the discontinuance of microscopical meat inspections in the United States, as has been reported, simply means that Germany's imports of American pork will cease on Jan. 8, 1902.

The \$50,000 Fur Auction To-Morrow at 2:30.

Mr. Charles M. Henderson will commence to-morrow at 2:30 the greatest auction sale of furs of \$50,000 worth of high-class furs at his rooms, Nos. 87 and 89 East King-street, when the public will have an opportunity of viewing the furs at their own prices, as the sale is positively reserved. Seats will be provided for the ladies.

Attractive Display.

Messrs. C. J. Townsend & Co., advertise in another column a valuable collection of holiday goods. This is a direct shipment from the manufacturers, and includes a large stock of Christmas goods, and is a very attractive display. Will be closed out to the highest bidder. The sale will continue every afternoon and evening until the whole is sold.

Cook's Turkish and Russian Baths, Bath and bed, 212 and 204 King W.

Present Him With a Walking Stick.

Present him with a walking stick. A gentleman's fine walking sticks and canes, in plain and fancy woods. One fine, genuine bridge wood with solid sterling silver mount, a very dainty cane, selling for \$1.25, makes an ideal present for a gentleman. If you want to give him a cane, present him with a walking stick. A gentleman's fine walking sticks and canes, in plain and fancy woods. One fine, genuine bridge wood with solid sterling silver mount, a very dainty cane, selling for \$1.25, makes an ideal present for a gentleman. If you want to give him a cane, present him with a walking stick.

Smokers' presents—Brisas—Meerschaum—fine assortment. A. V. S. Bolland.

Havana Cigars for Christmas.

We have the most extensive stock of Havana Cigars in Canada, including many fancy packages, specially imported for the holiday season, in boxes of 25, 50 and 100. If you are going to buy Havana, get our close wholesale prices before buying elsewhere; special quotations in small or large lots at A. C. Clubb & Sons, 49 West King. Open evenings.

While in Buffalo stop at the Manhattan, 60 Main Street, European, rates reasonable.

PURCHASED STR. TRYAN.

Montreal, Dec. 18.—It is understood that the Department of Public Works has purchased the steamer Tryan, now at Halifax, to replace the "New Brunswick."

Two only Handsome Bureaux, Redolite, at 25¢. From the manufacturers. The best value in Canada, today \$55 each. C. J. Townsend & Co.

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

Open at Night.

The Robert Simpson Co.'s store will be open from 10 till 12 o'clock, the convenience of patrons who cannot shop during the day.

Pemberton's Turkish Baths, 129 Yonge.

See Savary's great picture, "Peace on Earth," closed on Toward Men," in Oak Hall, Kingston window.

MARCONI MUST AWAIT

ADVICES FROM LONDON

Cable Company Exhibits Desire to Effect a Compromise With the Inventor.

MEANWHILE HE WILL BE BUSY.

If Company is Reasonable He Will Return to Newfoundland and Continue Experiments.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 18.—Marconi this morning is awaiting a cable message from London, announcing the result of the negotiations between his agents and the Anglo-American Cable Company. The inventor fears the latter will insist that he cannot engage in commercial business here until after the expiration of his monopoly. Marconi is not prepared to agree to such a condition, believing he can perfect means for signalling between Cornwall and Nova Scotia within a few months. He is now practically decided to visit Nova Scotia within a few months. He has now practically decided to visit Nova Scotia on Sunday; but, this does not necessarily mean that he will abandon Newfoundland if the Anglo-American Company proves reasonable.

Superintendent MacKay, manager of the Anglo-American Cable Company, denies that he protested to Governor Boyle yesterday against the latter visiting the Marconi station. Mr. MacKay admits calling upon the Governor, but says the call was a regard to another subject, a purely social one, of Marconi's affairs, and that nothing in the nature of a protest transpired.

It is certain, however, that the Cabinet met yesterday forenoon prior to visiting Signal Hill, and discussed whether to go there or not. The Premier, Sir Robert Bond, says the government decided to support Marconi while his work is experimental, on the ground that its scientific value should be ascertained. The government is not prepared to take any action until the work is completed.

Regarding the statement given by the solicitors of the Anglo-American Cable Company, Mr. MacKay explains that the letter to him, which is referred to, was only the second letter to him, and was written after the substance of their first letter to him had been given to the public. He explains further that this first letter was such that the outside world was under no misapprehension as to its contents. It stated unequivocally that unless the Anglo-American Company received a letter from Marconi stating that he would abandon his work and return to Newfoundland, the company would institute legal proceedings to restrain him from further work and would hold him responsible for any damage done by the Anglo-American Company might sustain.

Upon receipt of this letter, Mr. MacKay wrote the Anglo-American Company, saying he did not wish to interfere with their rights, and remarking that he was not prepared to give up his work. He also wrote to the Anglo-American Company, saying he was not prepared to give up his work, and that he was not prepared to give up his work.

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IS THIS ANOTHER NEWSPAPER HYPOCRITE?

Some considerable years ago, at a family council of the Rioridons, Buntings and Douglasses, held in The Mail building, in the interest of the respective bearers of these illustrious names, it was solemnly decided to award all to round, and Mr. Edward Farrer, then on the staff of the paper, was asked to join, and did consent, and was then made a public profession of the family pledge, and definitive of The Mail's position on the liquor question. Here is the article:

PROHIBITION.

Mail Editorial, Sept. 23, 1887.

The Mail has determined to cast in its lot with the advocates of prohibition. A contemporary is pleased to hint that our conversion is probably due to the circumstance that prohibition is now the winning side—that, in fact, we are fair-weather pilots and nothing more. But it must be evident to everyone that a long and severe contest still lies between prohibition and victory. The successes it has achieved up to the present are at best only isolated and partial. The real struggle is yet to come; and we do not think, therefore, that the tried friends of the cause need suspect the bona-fides of any new adherent who throws in his fortunes with them at this stage.

Many old friends have been kind enough to advise The Mail on this question, that the failure of the Scott Act has forever discredited prohibition, and that in allying ourselves with a doomed movement we are simply committing felo-de-se; others, again, saying that prohibition on its merits is unsound and indefensible. Our answer to the latter contention is that, whilst judging it by the strict philosophy interpretation of human rights, prohibition may have its defects, it is, nevertheless, the only instrument yet forged by the wit of man with which an effective blow can be struck at a crying evil. If moral suasion could check drunkenness to an equal degree we should prefer moral suasion; but the world has been trying that agency for a long time, and the it has saved many, it is not an adequate remedy by itself. On the other hand, whilst no one person can deny that it does not wholly embrace it; but at present, for it is plain that if there were no liquor there would be no abuse of it. If any opponent of prohibition can point us to a better temperance measure, or to one so good, we will gladly embrace it; but at present, as Mr. Gladstone would say, prohibition holds the field, and we intend to do what little we can for it—drumming up recruits, guarding the camp, keeping the weapons bright, and even carrying a banner in the fight, if the leaders think fit to entrust us with one.

As to the failure of prohibition in the Scott Act, it is necessary to remind our anti-Scott Act friends that that measure was not a prohibition measure. It was a compromise, and, like most compromises, it