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PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION

OPENED IN MONTREAL WITH ECLAT

gythe Hou. Mr. Joly de Lotbiniere-A splendid Show in Science, Manufactures. Arts, and Agriculture _Enermous Attendance.

The great fair in Montreal was opened last Thurstay under most favorable cir-The exhibition was in fact consumers and the inauguration took place amid the noise made by exhibitors was forman; by the Mayor of Montreel play of fireworks. Mr. James McShane, jr., M.L.A.

The attendance at the opening ceremenies was not very large, but it commonics agoodly number of representative titions. The Hon. Mr. Mercier was expected to have been present, but owing to hasness was obliged to depute Hon. Joly le Lotbiniere. When at 3 oclock Mayor de Latiniere. When at 3 ociock Mayor Meshane, accompanied by Pres. Tour-rille and the Hon. Joly de Lotbiniere, ascended the band stand in the centre of the lorse ring there were perhaps 500 people present. Among them were Ald. Rolland, Preferataine, Wilson, J. B. R. Villeneuve, Clendinneng, D. Pariseau.

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D. Lockerby, Morin, N.P.,
Jonahan Hodgson, Hector Roy, E. Senecal Langeria, I., E. Beauchamp, B. J. Coghlin, Chas. Desmarteau, C. Delford, Laberge and many others.

Hon louis Tourville explained the absence of Promier Mercier, and request-el Mayor Meshane to read the address to histopre-mative, Hon. Joly de Lotfor what he had done to ensure the

success of the exhibition. The Her., Mr. Joly de Lotbiniere repledbriely in alluding to the vast importance to the province of the establishmentcheese and butter factories. People sometimes complained of the grants made for agricultural purposes, but he considered that if one man went home after learning something which he had not known before, the money had been wisely spent. The speaker then dwelt in a paper that England required 320,-000,000 business of wheat during the coming year, which he could help supply, and bringing to him the relization that his labor had not been futile. Continushould follow the example of their On-tuno friends in Quebec. It was their grand lot in their class. duy to teach, the young farmer that there were new and modern ways of doing his work ways that were an improvement upon those of his forefathers. They should teach him that the days of the old fashioned sickle were passed and that the present was the day of the reaper and the binder. They should teach him to remember that he could work not only with his hands, but also with his head, and that my so doing the results of his labors would be larger and better. The speaker then referred to the great advancement that was being made in agricultural science, and illustrated his re-marks by referring to the attempts, and

ing they had given him. Some of the performances which form a feature of the show were then presented and the distinguished party left the

frost by means of an artificial cloud pro-

duced by smealge fires. Yet in doing this they were only following in the root-

steps of the French farmers, who had for

many years successfully used the smudge

fire in protecting their vineyards from

fost. Attempts had not only been made

to drive away frost, but to produce rain,

and he cautioned them against ridicul-

ing these experiments, which might, if

successful, at some future time be their

salvation. The speaker closed by thank-

ing those present for the attentive hear-

The first "grand day" of the fair was Saturday, Friday having been wet and unpleasant and the attendance somewhat slim. Saturday, however, made ample amends for all defects, and close on thirty thousand people were on the grounds. One of the chief attractions of

the whole force fell to the lot of Lt.-Col. Butler, of the 1st Batt. Prince of Wales Rifles, who thus had the honor of being, probably, the first militia officer who has commanded a force of the Queen's regulars. The 11th Battalion (Argentenii) and a troop of cavalry arrived late, owing to their train losing time. The brigade marched past in the customary order in front of the grand stand, and then the "Tourmaline" men went through their gun drill, mounting and dismounting their piece with remarkable rapidity Cutlass and small arms movements followed, greatly to the delight of the people on the grand stands. The Scottish cadets then went through their "physical drill" movements, and a heavy gun shift place annot the noise made by exhibitors and a heavy gun shift getting their goods in but by the next by the M. G. Artillery followed, No. 1 dayall was in fair order. The exhibition Battery winning in 6 minutes 52 seconds. In the evening there was a brilliant discovery that the Montreel was a brilliant discovery.

THE CIVIC HOLIDAY.

Monday was the civic holiday, and not fewer than lifty thousand people visited the fair. This was the day on which the live stock was in position, and it attracted a vast crowd of agriculturists and others interested.

THE LIVE STOCK. Horses.

No one need despair of the future agricultural progress in Canada after Pafresic. Shorey, Gauthier, Cunning-Hamelin, A. Dubuc, Griffin, Perracult, Brunet and Savignac, Mr. Jacques Brunet and Savignac, Mr. Jacques bossess some of the finest stock in the world and this is received. in the world, and this is specially notice-Brunet and Sarrighads, M.L.A.; firether, Mr. Jos. Beland, M.L.A.; firether, Mr. Jos. Beland, M.L.A.; in the world, and this is specially notice-due to the firether, M.L.C.; Hon. Louis Beaubien, M.L.A.; for Beauharnois, Mesr. Briston, M.L.A. for Beauharnois, M. M. Duff, P. Lyall, p. Farrsett, J. M. M. Duff, P. Lyall, p. Lockerby, Morin, N.P., and the produced in any part of the country. The exhibit of the Haras Tuesday the horses were paraded in the ring and a more magnificent exhibition could hardly be produced in any part of the country. The exhibit of the Haras National shows that it has done good service in introducing stock to the province; it has a noble lot of Percherons, nambly: Bearnard. Vercheres; Dr. headed by their great prize winner Joly who has won honors on more than one occasion at Toronto. Among the others are Holopherne, Marquis de Pinsaye, Bon Temps, and Franchette, a grey mare, which carried off the first prize in biniere. The address was in French, and in it the directors thanked Mr. Mercier Ranche of Alberta has an exhibit which proves that good stock is rapidly super-seding the local weedy though tough stock of the prairies. The crosses of good European blood on the indian pony all show good results. Clydes are shown in perfection by Mr. Stewart, of Howick P.Q., Mr. Richardson, of Warden, and Mr. Ness of Howick. Mr. W. Kennedy of Granby has on view a magnificent Suffolk Punch, a horse which has not been sufficiently introduced into this county. Mr. Bleau, of Chateanguay, has wisely spent. The speaker then dwelt described a noble specimen of a cross beproduced the great staff of life and the pride that he should feel when he read descendants of the Norman horse brought here in old French days. Mr. Racicot. of Boucherville, shows a good example of the English cart horse, or

shire horse. Senator Cochrane has some fine pure horses on view, notably one the farmer should ask for his exhibitions, but he should ask for an agricultural education. He should ask that he be the diviner that ask for an ariselet he be the diviner that ask for an ariselet he be the diviner that are the should ask that he be the diviner that are the should ask that he be the diviner that are the should ask that he be the should ask to should ask that he be the should ask to should ask to should ask that he be the should ask that he should ask that he should ask that he be the should ask that he should be the should ask that he should a from Senator Stanford's celebrated breededucation. He should ask that he be tanked next to electioneer at Paio Allo, and his dam is Flower Girl, 2.171, sired to devote the seven or eight years of his lite that he devoted to his education by the great Electioneer. Senator the way to do his future work in an intellection that the devote his future work in an intellection. They were doing it the seven of the seven or eight years of the most important which has taken by the great Electioneer. Senator Cochrane has also two fine three-year old stallions, Aubrey and Courage. The old stallions, Aubrey and Courage. The initial guests were numerous and the three-year old stallions, Aubrey and Courage. The old stallions are provided from Canada. None of the animals, which were all beautiful specification to the continent during the present century.

The invited guests were numerous and well known trotting mare. Molly Stanton in the continent during the present century. is Ontario, where a convention of teachers last year decided to ask the Government to introduce the study of the elements of agriculture into the schools. It
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hand it was agreeter and grand thing for them to do and it was greater and grander when, and it was greater and grander when, few shown are all good ones. Mr. Buzis order to make room for the new study, few shown are all good ones. Mr. Buz-taey had to stake out some of the sub-Senator Cochrane has a cob which looks jets already on the list, and which they bad been tracking for years. They it for anything. Hackneys are even in the property of the bunters are a fewer in number. The hunters are a

The show of eattle is also very fine. As might be expected Senator Cochrane has a leading position and shows some of his finest Herefords and a grand head of Polled Augus. Dr. Craik has a good herd of the same cat-tle. The Galloways are shown by Mr. McCrae, of Guelph, and Mr. Kough, of Owen Sound. In Ayrshries, Mr. Drummond and Mr. James Brown both have 20 heads; Thomas Irving, 16; W. C. Edwards, North Nation Mills, Que., 14; Hon. Louis Beaubien, 3; Thos. Drysdale, Bryson Station, Que., 15; Robt. Robertsuccessful attempts, he declared, in Manitoba to preserve the crops from frost by means of an artificial cloud proof Canada suits this breed though the same is not applicable it is said to the Galloways and Holsteiners. The same may be said of the Jerseys, though in the West they are bred exsensively. Mr. Jones of Brockville has a fine herd on view. Mr. Wm. Johnson, of Sweetsburg, has nine head, with a very fine bull, Romeo, of St. Lambert, at their head, and Messrs. Hugh Paton, of St. Martin, and John McDougall, of Lachine, are also competing. Holsteins are a nice show. Mr. James of Fletcher, of Oxford Mills, Ont., is the leading exhibitor. The others are Messrs. John Pickering, of Frelighsburg, Que., and C.E. Baker, of East Dun-ham, Que. A couple of East Indian cattle of the sacred order are also the ob-

jects of much attention.

The sheep department contains two flocks of Southdowns, containing about two dozen each; one flock belonging to Mr. Robert Shaw, of Glanford Station. the day was the military display. It had been previously arranged that the Sth Battalion, the city corps and two companies of the blue jackets from the structure of them building from the structure of them the structure of them building from the structure of the st Montreal, with a field gun, should take Hillhurst farm, part of them belonging part in the show, and the force paraded at the arsenal at mid-day. Detachments of each of the city corps were present, though not in such strength as might!

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Leaving this shed and passing to the force paraded to Mr. Fuller, who is the comes from the Eastern townships.

have been expected. The command of north end of the other sheep shed, there are on the left a flock of Oxford Down sheep belonging to Henry Arkell, of Guelph. They number 24 in all, and in-clude several lambs, which took prizes at the Royal Agricultural show of England about two months ago. James Main, or Milton, Ont., shows some good Corswolds.

Pigs.

The Hon. Louis Beaubien shows some choice pigs but the greater number and the best hail from Ontario. Poland China hogs and pigs are shown by Daniel DeCoursey, of Perth County, Ont... and Messrs. Smith Bros., of Fairfield Plains, Ont. Yorkshires belonging to Mr. Joseph Featherston, M. P. P. for Halton County, and J. E. Bethour, of Burford, Ont., are much admired. Fifty Chester Whites, owned by S. George & Sons, of Brampton, and Daniel DeCoursey, of Perth County, are shown. This breed of pigs is not very well known in the eastern part of the Dominion, but those who know their many good qualities declare them to be the Canadian hog of the

GRAINS, &c.,

are shown in magnificent variety and perfection. The agriculturists who visited the show cannot fail to have learnt much by so doing. Perhaps one of the most striking exhibits are those of the Experimental Farms at Ottawa, Brandon and Indian Head. To particularize the exhibits of these institutions would be a hard task, and it is, perhaps, as well that judges were not called on to deal with them. There was not an item, wheat, barley, tomatoes, peas, fodder grass, pota-toes, corn, oats, or anything almost that can be named, in connection with farm or garden, not shown for the education of the farmer. It is hardly necessary to add that every one of the items in the exhibit were as perfect as could well be. The show of crops from this province was most superb.

THE POULTRY SHOW

is very elaborate, there being some fifteen hundred entries. Montreal is well represented by the fine exhibits of Mr. H. Paton, Mr. Wells, Cote St. Antoine; Captain Sylvestre, Cox, Ruby and Taylor and others.

The swine were very fine, but the exhibition showed a lack of proper breeding in the Province of Quebec, and the greater part of the laurels went to Ontario, No doubt this fact will cause a change in the feture course of our agriculturists. See fifth page for continuation of report.]

IRISH NOTES.

The oldest inhabitant in Drumquin, Tyrone, has passed away in the death of Mrs. Nancy Fleming, of Carn, who lived to the great age of 105 years. She was twelve years of age at the time of the rebellion in 1798, and remembered many of the stirring scenes of those days.

Week before last the steamers of the City of Dublin Steam Packet Company and therefore considerable difficulty was experienced in getting the animals unshipped. It is understood that they were consigned to Messrs. Gavin Low for auc-

Sunday. September 27th, has been fixed upon as the date upon which a great meeting in favour of Mr. Parnell's policy of independent opposition will be held at Clonard Heath. In no part of Ireland could there be found a more fitting spot from which to preach the policy of Legislative independence. The 'Croppies Graves' should remind us very forcibly of the tremendous sacrifices which had to be made in years gone by to preserve even a semblance of Irish Nationality.

A resident of Stewartstown found a rather curious coin of the reign of King William III. in his garden recently. It is not a shilling or a 'tenpenny', being smaller than either, and larger than a sixpenny piece. The coin, which is of an interior kind of silver, bears on the obverse side a very clear profile of William and the legend Guilelmus III, Dei Gra.' On the reverse side are the arms of England, Ireland, France and Scotland quartered in a cross, and the inscription 'Mag Br Fra et Hib. 1697.

The edge of the coin is not milled.

Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, has written a long letter to the National Press in reference to the recent strike at the Ballyknockan quarries, County Wicklow, which was brought to a satisfactory termination through his intervention. His grace takes the opportunity of discussing the labor question generally. He strongly advocates the establishment of Boards of Arbitration as a means of preventing strikes, and says that the settlement of strikes in Ireland was rarely a matter of formidable difficulty, no disposition existing on either side to push matters to an unreasonable length.

Owing to the very severe weather

lately experienced throughout the country, the corn crop is almost com-pletely destroyed in Cork, large tracts having been stretched by the recent rains. The wheat crop is not extensively grown, but wherever it appears it has suffered considerably. Hay is very scarce and ill saved. The potato crop is excellent, but from some quarters there are some reports that the tubers are get-ting black. The most backward crops are hay and corn, and considering the state these are in at present and the lateness

COMMERCIAL

GRAND TRUNK TUNNEL OPENED

At Sarnia and Port Huron-A Large Assembly and an Enthusiastic Gathering on the Occasion.

SARNIA, September 19.—To-day has not only been a big day for Sarnia, but it has been a day which will mark a most important epoch in the history of the Grand Trunk railway. It has also been a day which has witnessed an event that will tend to further cement and to more strongly bind together the good feeling which exists between the people of Can-ada and those of the United States. Hitherto, though the St. Clair river is only little more than a mile in width, the only means the Grand Trunk has had of conveying its passengers and freight from the Sarnia terminus to the American side of the river has been by ferry. Even in summer this was a slow process, and gave rise to much delay, but in winter the difficulties were far worse and the delay was consequently more serious. The idea of driving a tunnel under the bed of the river was mooted, but for a time it was declared impracticable. At last, however, the directors of the company determined to launch upon the undertaking, and in due time the work was begun. Many and great were the difficulties encountered, and at times the task seemed almost hopeless, but eventually engineering skill triumphed over all obstacles, and the shields which had for months been scooping out the earth under the river's bed on the American side came in contact with those which had been as busily engaged on the Canadian side, the workers shook hands 'neath the swift current of the St. Clair, and the tunnel, so far as the actual boring was con-cerned, was an accomplished fact. Thus was given the means of a vast impetus to the commerce between the two countries and one of the

GREAT ENGINEERING FEATS

of the nineteenth century on the Ameri continent was achieved. Though the tunnel proper is only 6,026 feet in length, or, with the approaches, about three miles, its importance to the commercial world can hardly be gauged. The vex-atious delays hitherto experienced will be known no more and the trouble of trans-shipping the vast quantity of freight that finds its way to this point will be a thing of the past. Truly the successful accomplishment of such an undertaking was an occasion for rejoicing, and to-day, when the tunnel was formally opened, leading representatives of the United States joined hands with those of the Dominion and congratulated them upon the pluck and perseverance which had been undaunted by so many obstacles and which had brought to so grand a termination a work of such vast importance to the commercial interests of both countries. The event, indeed, from a trade point of view, was one of

circles. The Montreal visitors were Sir dent of the United States and others in high Joseph Hickson, Sir A. T. Galt, Sir William Dawson, Sir Donald Smith, Mayor McShane, Consul General Knapp, Ald Martineau, Ald. Clendinneng. Messrs. H. and A. Allan; Robert Archer, president of the Board of Trade; D. Parizeau, president of the Chambre de Commerce; . Clouston, J. P. Dawes, L. J. Forget, G Hardrill, Donald McMaster, Q.C.; Hon. H. Starnes, J. Torrence, W. C. Van Horne, T. G. Shaughnessy. Geo. Olds, Richard White, P. W. St. George, W. Shanly, K. W. Blackwell, J. Kennedy, P. Markey, P. M A. Kennedy, P. A. Peterson, H. Beau-grand, Hon. Peter Mitchell, H. Paton, Colonel Twohey, R. B. Angus, T. David-son, K. Dobell, S. C. Keefer, W. R. Ramsay, F. B. McNamee. The ceremony of FORMALLY OPENING

thetunnel commenced shortly after noon when Sir Henry Tyler, president of the directors of the Grand Trunk railway. accompanied by a number of officials of the company and some 400 invited guests, left Sarnia in a special train, composed of an engine and five cars, to pass through the tunnel. On the arrival of the train at the tunnel the Municipal Council of Sarnia presented an address to Sir Henry Tyler of a congratulatory character, to which the President of the Grand Trunk replied. Amid the strains of music the gaily decked engine then steamed on its way, passed under the triumphal arch which had been erected, and, with the cheers of the crowd which had gathered ringing in their ears, the visitors entered the tunnel. After a smooth run of four minutes cheers again broke forth, but this time it was the welcome of our American cousins, the first passenger train had gone from Canada to the States under the bed of the St. Clair river. The train was drawn up at Port Huron and the Mayor presented to Sir Henry Tyler, the crowd cheering most heartly. After Sir Henry's reply the company repaired to lunch. customary loyal toasts having been drunk, the health of the Governor of Michigan followed, and in replying to the toast

GOVERNOR WINANS

said that the progress of the state has been wonderful. When admitted into the union she ranked twenty-seventh now she was ninth in wealth and population, and in agricultural products, in minerals, in forest products and in fisheries she ranked high among the states of the Union, while for intelligence and infully constituted. Judge dustry her people were a fair average take his seat on Monday.

with the people of the civilized world. He hoped that the good feeling which now existed between the United States and Canada might ever continue, and the two countries be united with a firm bond of love, as they were now united with a steel road. In conclusion, he proposed Success to the Grand Trunk and St Clair Tunnel companies."

Sir Henry Tyler was the first to respond. Alluding to the tunnet, he said that it and the line connected with it were barely three miles in length and cost about \$2,500,000. It was not a very gigantic operation, and it looked very small as a means of communication be-tween the 14,000 miles of railway in Canada, costing \$\$00,000,000, and 105,000 miles of railway in the United States, costing \$9,000,000,000. But it was the first example on the continent or elsewhere of a tunnel 20 feet in diameter constructed to carry a railway under a river. When it was proposed to make the tunnel Mr. Joseph Hobsonwas asked to make investigations and see what difficulties had to be encountered. Eventually a contract was entered into with General Shooey Smith, of New York to sink a shaft on each side of the river and make a driftway under the river. He sank his shafts and commenced his driftway, but before he had gone 180 feet gas came up from below

BLEW UP THE DRIFTWAY.

Sand, silt and water came in, and General Smith concluded not to go on with his contract. Mr. Hobson, who was the company's engineer of that section of the line, was selected to go on with the work, and they had that day seen the noble manner in which he had carried it out. Mr. Hobson had never constructed a tunnel before, but by his caution, unwearied patience, hard work and vast capability as an engineer he had been a credit to his profession, to his country and to the Grand Trunk railway. Not only Mr. Hobson deserved credit, but also those who worked under him, Mr. Blacklock, Mr. Eames, Mr. Hillman and Mr. Murphy, the last named of whom on one occasion never left the tunnel for thirty-six hours. When all difficulties had been overcome the shields met in the middle of the tunnel, and so accuratey had the calculations been made that they were only a quarter of an inch out. It was now only a question of a month or two in which to remove the quicksands and slippery clay before the tunnel would be open for traffic.

Several other gentlemen also spoke before the gathering dispersed.

The Holy Coat,

Treves, September 19.—Archbishop Walsh, of Dublin, read Mass before the Holy Coat to-day.

Died on the Altar.

Rev. Father Mullaney, of the Catholic Church at Granville, N.Y., dropped dead on the altar while saying Mass, Sunday.

The Pope Condemns Duelling:

ROME, September 21.-The Pope has ent a letter to the German and Austrian Catholic clergy urging them to make the strongest endeavor to eradicate duelling. The Pope attended Mass in the Basilca to-day for the French Pilgrims.

An Ambitious Lady..

TORONTO, Sept. 20 .- A sensation was caused in medical circles yesterday by the issuing of a writ at the instance of Mary Elizabeth Tyndall, of this city, against the Woman's Medical college, including the board of examiners. The plaintiff's claims are for a mandamus to compel the defendants to give her a certificate that she had passed the required examination to entitle her to a diploma; for damages for alleged wrongful refusal to certify to the result of the examination and for a further mandamus to compel the college to grant her the diploma. The details of this case give promise of disclosing something sensational. It has been said by friends of the plaintiff that she has been kept from taking her diploma because of her being poorer than some other students. She has attended the college for four years, and claims to have passed a creditable examination, but has had her diploma withheld while it issaid other students not nearly so well up have been granted their parchments in due form.

Hamilton.

Since Bishop Dowling's arrival in Hamilton, some three years ago, it has peen his earnest desire to inaugurate a school where youths wishing to study for the Church or other professions could obtain a preparatory education in classics. This hope has now been realized. A wing of the De La Salle Academy has been fitted up for the accommodation of such classes, and the school placed under the immediate charge of Rev. Geo. Clarkson, an experienced professor and for some time Director in the city of Limerick, Ireland. Last week His Lordship formally opened the school, and placed it under patronage of the Blessed Virgin and of St. Thomas of Aquin. In his address to the pupils, thirty in number, he said that they were to be the pioneers of the institution, and hoped that they would prove themselves worthy of the sacrifices made in their behalf. Congratulatory addresses were also delivered by Vicar-General Keough, Paris, Archdeacon Bardou, of Cayuga, and Professor Clarkson. Chancellor Craven and the Cathedral clergy were also present.

Hon. Jean Blanchet, M.P.P. for Beauce leader of the Opposition in the Assembly and Batonnier General of the Bar, has been raised to the Queen's Bench, viceindge Tessier, resigned. The court is now fully constituted. Judge Blanchet will

ABERDEEN

PAYS A VISIT TO THIS COUNTRY

A Deputation of Montreal Irishmen Thank Him for His Services to the Cause of Ireland.

The recent visit to Montreal of the Earl of Aberdeen' ex-Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, was made the occasion of a visit by several Irishmen who expressed their appreciation of his services to the cause of Home Rule. Among those present were Mayor McShane, Ald. Cunningham, Clendinneng and Tansey; Messrs. Jas. E. Mullin, C. J. Doherty, Q.C., P. McCrory, M. O. Loughlan, Jas. O'Brien, Wm. Wilson, Wm. Anderson, Bernard Tansey, Arthur Jones, B. Connaughton, Wm. Graham, C. Egan, V. J. Devlin, M. McCready, B. McNames, F. Langdon, P. Kenny, J. Foley and many others.

The deputation was courteously received by His Lordship and the Countess. The Mayor having welcomed the distinguished visitor, several of those pre-sent spoke in terms of admiration and praise of the Earl and Countess for the deep interest they had taken in the welfare of the poor people of Ireland and the many things they had done to ameliorate the wretched condition of these unfortunate people. Every allusion to this kindness on their part was received with outbursts of applause by the members of the deputation and made a marked impression upon the recipients of such eulogium.

His Lordship, in replying, said he wished on behalf of the Countess and himself to return their cordial, sincere and heartfelt thanks for this most unexpected kindness and consideration on the part of the deputation. This His Lordship said was truly characteristic of the warm-hearted Irishman, who was the same all over the world. Ald. Glendinneng; he said, had referred to the success of Irishmen wherever they might chance to be settled and had referred to the prominent part they took in Australian affairs. His Lordship said he had visited the Antipodes last year and could confirm this. He then referred to the great pleasure it always afforded him of meeting truly representative Trishmen wherever he might travel, and after a few flattering touches on the noble and generous character of the sons of Erin, he gave a sketch of what he considered to be the inevitable future of Ireland from a political standpoint. Lord Aberdeen is altogether of too phiegmatic and cool a temperament to be led into committing himself in the course of a speech, but it was evident to any ordinary observer that his ideas of Home Rule for Ireland were thoroughly established. Having travelled over nearly the whole world, he had seen that the principles of Home Rule were rapidly leavening the whole mass of Irishmen both at home and abroad. The moderate concessions which might have satisfied Irishmen some time ago are not sufficient for the demands now made. Mr. Gladstone, one of the greatest the past few days declared his firm conviction that the day was not far distant when this subject must be finally settled. The Earl is evidently a true believer in Gladstonian prognostication and his sentiments found a hearty re-echo from all present, who evinced their sym-

pathy in the cause by cheer after cheer. The Earl and Countess, after bidding the deputation a kindly good bye, had a private conversation with the mayor, during which the Countess expressed her desire to see some lady in Montreal who would undertake to get up a society for the disposal of needle-work, knitting-work, and other products of the Irish peasantry. This might be done by geting up bazaars in various ways, and it was therefore arranged that the Mayoress should call upon the Counters of Abershould call upon the Countess of Aberdeen with a view of making preliminary arrangements for the formation of such a society, which she did. The Earl was driven round the city on the following morning by the mayor, afterwards proceeding to Ottawa, en route to the West.

A Quadruple Alliance.

Washington, September 21.—It is said that while there is at present no formal alliance, yet the Government of the United States has reached an understanding with the Governments or Great Britain, France and Germany by the terms of which in the event of the failure of the Chinese Government to afford adequate guarantees for the protection of the lives, property and interests of the citizers of these nations, that duty is to b undertaken by the Governmnts of the United States, Great Britain, France and Germany acting jointly. In case of riot or other disturbances the vessels of any of the four nations will afford refuge to the citizens of any other nations, and will undertake to protect their consuls and other interests.

Poor Balmaceda.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—The Herald's Valpariso, Chili, despatch says: The suicide of Balmaceda yesterday morning in his bedroom at the Argentine Legation in Santiago is the one obsorbing and exciting topic of conversation in every part of this city. There is a mingled feeling of savage rejoicing at his death and of bitter regret that he should have killed himself instead of falling into the clutches of infuriated citizens, who would have delighted to rend him limb from limb for the long list of oruelties for which they hold him responsible.