

Beyond Hope!

The Entombed Miners in Dig Lake Colliery Doomed.

Francois Felix Faure Elected President of France.

The Event Marked by Uproar, But No Enthusiasm.

The Chinese Forces Ready to Retreat from New Chwang.

Marchioness of Lorne Confined to Her Room by Illness—Duke of Argyll Recovering.

The Anti-Jesuit Law.

BERLIN, Jan. 17.—In the Reichstag today the motion of the Centerists for the repeal of the anti-Jesuit law passed its second reading.

The Marchioness of Lorne Ill.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The Marchioness of Lorne is suffering from an attack of influenza, and is confined to her room in Kensington Palace. Her condition is not serious.

Rapid Rise of the Rhine.

BERLIN, Jan. 17.—Owing to a rapid thaw the river Rhine has suddenly risen and is flooding the territory along its banks. The authorities have ordered precautions to prevent loss of life or damage to property.

No Hope for Them!

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The rescuing parties at work in the Dig Lake colliery at Hales since the mine was overflowed by a rush of water from the old workings have met with fresh and insuperable obstacles, and have abandoned efforts to reach the men who were entombed alive. It is impossible that any of the miners can still survive.

Both Better.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The Duke of Argyll, who was stricken with syncope while speaking in Glasgow, Jan. 15, has regained his strength, but it is announced in Glasgow that he has canceled all his lecturing and other engagements, and will retire from public life.

Sir Henry F. Ponsonby, the Queen's private secretary, is progressing slowly toward recovery.

Ananias Arrived.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The story cabled yesterday by the Chicago organization regarding itself the Associated Press, in which it was asserted that the United Press had been forced to consent to a judgment for \$300 damages in an action brought by the United Press for breach of contract, because of a sudden stoppage of American service in May, 1893, is an absolute and unqualified falsehood.

Sweden's Parliament Opened.

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 17.—The session of the Riksdag was opened today by the King in person. The speech from the throne declared the union of Sweden and Norway by the act of 1814. Though this union was necessary, his Majesty said it was capable of improvement in detail; yet the fundamental idea was a great one. The speech announced the introduction of grants for the maintenance of working men in case of age, sickness or accident. A bill was also submitted providing for an increase of the duty on cereals. The aim of this bill is to prevent the importation of grain for speculative purposes.

Former French Presidents.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The predecessors of M. Casimir-Perier in the Presidential chair were not much more fortunate than he was. Their acts as President, but with the title of Chief of the Executive Power, from 1871 to May, 1873, when he resigned, being replaced by Marshal MacMahon, MacMahon could not remain President to the end of his constitutional term. He resigned in 1879, unable to resist any longer the pressure brought to bear upon him by the different parliamentary factions. His successor, Jules Grovy, completed his full first Presidential term and was re-elected, but he was compelled to resign in 1889, after the disclosure of the malversations and corrupt dealings of his son-in-law, Deputy Wilson. He was succeeded by M. Carnot, whose honorable career was cut short by the poison of Caserio at Lyons on June 24, 1894.

China and Japan.

In the budget of war news brought to Vancouver by the steamer Empress of Japan is the following:

The total loss of life in the Japan army up to Dec. 6 was 780—430 men died of disease and 350 were killed in battle. A dispatch to the Japan Mail from Shanghai says that although the Chinese ships are not in condition to fight the Japanese, the Government at Peking is ignorant of the fact. It imagines that the squadron would win a decisive victory if it could only find the enemy, and it has ordered the ships to go out in search of the Japanese.

The last accounts of the battle at Kang Wasa, on Dec. 19, say that Gen Oseko's forces numbered 1,500 men, while the Chinese numbered 10,000. The ground was covered with snow. Marching was very difficult, and the cold was intense. The Japs were the attacking party, and in spite of the great difference in numbers succeeded in dislodging the enemy with the loss of 54 killed and 358 wounded.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The Central News correspondent in Shanghai telegraphs: The peace envoys are not likely to start for Japan this month. Fifty thousand troops are reported to be in and around New Chwang. The Chinese are preparing to retreat.

The Times' correspondent in Peking says that Gen. Wai Yu Kwei, one of the Chinese commanders at Pin Yung, was beheaded yesterday.

The New President.

VERSAILLES, Jan. 17.—M. Francois Faure, member of the Chamber of Deputies

for Seine-Inferieure, was today elected President of the French Republic to succeed M. Casimir-Perier, whose resignation was read in the Chamber yesterday. The balloting began at 1:20 p.m., and lasted until 3:30. The counting, revising, etc., of the votes required another hour, and the result was officially announced at 4:30 p.m. as follows: Brisson, 338; Faure, 244; Waldeck-Rousseau, 184; scattering 28. Total number of votes cast 794, necessary to elect 398.

The announcement of the second ballot was made amid a terrible din. The Brissonites were so busy groaning, cheering and reproaching their neighbors that they paid no attention to Challemel-Lacour when he rose to read the figures. It was five minutes after he spoke before all the members of the Assembly knew the result. The figures were: Faure 430, and Brisson 361, showing that Felix Faure was the President of France.

The Brissonites, who had not once ceased howling, were joined by other malcontents and the windows were fairly shaken by the undecipherable tumult. The Radicals mounted chairs and benches, shouting: "Down with this President elected by the Right." The Socialists ran up and down the aisles, howling "Down with the thieves." "Down with the Congo adventurers." Down with the Panama scoundrels. Occasionally, when the din subsided for a moment, the Socialists would yell in an ear-splitting chorus, "Hurrah for the Local Republic!" "Hurrah for the Social Revolution!"

The big palace clock struck 8 as the President, who had been receiving official congratulations, passed through the Salle des Tombeaux between lines of soldiers with fixed bayonets. He was preceded by ushers and was followed by Cabinet Ministers. The crowd heard the beating of drums and saw the President come out, bowing right and left, but it gave no sign of welcome—there was no enthusiasm.

The Socialists have issued a manifesto denouncing the Republicans as traitors to the country, and asserting that Faure was chosen merely as a shield for the clerical and capitalist politicians. M. Faure will begin his duties by giving 20,000 francs to the poor of Paris.

M. Faure is a tall imposing figure, whose lines show the training he got in early life as a mechanic. Although a millionaire ship owner he has simple tastes. His election is a blow to the protectionist party.

PARIS, Jan. 17.—M. Francois Felix Faure, member of the Chamber of Deputies for Seine Inferieure, who was today elected President of the Republic of France, was born in Paris on Jan. 20, 1841. He was Under Secretary of State for the Colonies in the cabinets of Gambetta, Ferry, Breton and Tiersard and was one of the Vice-Presidents of the Chamber of Deputies, preceding the present one. He has been a Republican Deputy for about fourteen years and has served on several of the most important committees of the Chamber. M. Faure has made a legislative specialty of business questions, particularly those concerning French merchant marine and foreign commerce. He served in the Franco-Prussian war as chief of a Guard Mobile and was made a Chevalier of the Legion of Honor on May 31, 1871.

The London Daily News remarks that M. Faure is the first Protestant ruler of France, Henry IV. having recanted before ascending the throne.

TELEGRAPHIC TICS.

The Elmir, N. Y., San has suspended publication.

The United States gold reserve is down to \$76,081,799.

Henry McCauley, aged 103, died at Battle Creek Thursday morning.

A cyclone struck San Miguel, Cal., on Wednesday, doing much damage.

R. T. Palmer, aged 29, hardware drummer, Buffalo, committed suicide by shooting, at his home there Wednesday evening. The cause for the rash act is a mystery.

John Davoy, of Chicago, who was a prominent member of the Clan-na-Gael before it was disrupted by the discovery of the murder of Dr. Cronin, has been in Buffalo for a week trying to reorganize the old secret society. Members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians oppose the movement.

THE OUTRAGES IN ARMENIA.

Action of the Evangelical Alliance in Toronto.

TORONTO, Jan. 17.—The annual meeting of the Evangelical Alliance was held tonight in the Bond Street Congregational Church. The principal feature of the meeting was a denunciation of the recent outrages in Armenia, and the passage of a strongly-worded resolution, which will be forwarded to the committee of the alliance in London, to be used in connection with any action that might be taken by that body on behalf of the oppressed in Armenia.

Rev. Principal Caven, Rev. Dr. Eby, Hon. S. H. Blake and Mr. Bagdasarian, a native of Armenia, who is studying for the ministry in McMaster University, made speeches.

THE GLOBE FIRE.

Inquest in Fireman Bowery's Case—Erroneous Reports Denied.

TORONTO, Jan. 17.—At the adjourned inquest into the death of Fireman Robert Bowery, killed at the Globe fire, expert evidence was given to show that the destroyed building was empty strong enough for all that was required of it. Evidence was put in contradictory to the statement made by telephone operators previously that the flames were seen at the Globe building several minutes before the alarm sounded.

Vanderbilt's Divorce.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—William K. Vanderbilt sailed yesterday on the Teutonic for Liverpool. Before he left an amicable arrangement had been made by which Mrs. Vanderbilt will secure a divorce without contest. The suit is now pending. The arrangement gives Mrs. Vanderbilt \$250,000 a year for life and the use of the Fifth Avenue and Newport houses during the minority of their children.

HOTHOUSE strawberries from New Jersey, now in the market, sell at \$3 a basket. The fruit is large, perfect and beautiful, but the baskets are small. They run about fourteen berries to the basket.

In the Political Swim

Ontario's G. O. M. Addresses a Big Audience at Kingston.

East York Liberals Nominate Ald. H. R. Frankland.

South Ontario Patrons Fail to Select a Candidate—The South Huron Petition Dropped.

TORONTO, Jan. 17.—Today the East York Liberal convention gave Ald. H. R. Frankland the unanimous nomination of the party for the next Dominion election. Numerous complimentary nominations were made, but all retired in Mr. Frankland's favor. Mr. J. D. Edgar, M.P., was present and spoke at considerable length.

SIR OLIVER AT KINGSTON. KINGSTON, Jan. 17.—The Opera House was thronged tonight to hear Sir Oliver Mowat and Hon. G. W. Ross in the interests of Hon. W. Harty. The Ministers reached the city this afternoon, and were cordially greeted by a deputation of leading Liberals and conveyed to the city station in a special car. Afterwards they visited the dairy schools and other places of interest.

At 8 o'clock they were accorded an enthusiastic reception in the Opera House. Edward Pease, president of the Reform Association, presided, and briefly opened the meeting.

Sir Oliver Mowat spoke first, and dwelt chiefly on the religious question, which was prominent in Kingston. He held that no one questioned the merits of Mr. Harty, either as a business man, a moral man or socially, but they objected to his religious faith. The Premier pointed out the support Canada had given to those grand, whole-souled Roman Catholics, Cartier, Tache, Sandfield Macdonald and Sir John Thompson. The late Sir John A. Macdonald was earnestly supported by Roman Catholics, and had it not been for his alliance with them in Quebec, could never have maintained his place. This, he said, was it fair to raise the religious cry against Mr. Harty? Outside of that every man said he was a faultless candidate.

Sir Oliver showed that tolerance has been expressed by all religious denominations and they were seeking to introduce pure true religion to the people. Persecution did no good, and those who defended their religion with their tongue and libeled it with their lives, commanded little respect from anybody. He spoke of the conduct of the Government as regards patronage and grants to Roman Catholics, and his separate school legislation proving that in all instances the acts of the Government were universally commended. He told of the work of Roman Catholics in the army and closed this part of his address by saying "If Roman Catholics have been so commended in arms they should also be our friends in peace." (Cheers.) Sir Oliver reviewed the work of the Ontario Government and concluded by remarking that if the electors voted upon the merits of the candidates and the Government he would have no doubt of the result of the Kingston election.

Hon. Geo. W. Ross made a vigorous address, showing that no class or religious grievances against the Government. By financial operations, its grand charitable work and its temperance policy were universally indorsed. Its legislative work toward separate schools had been continuously indorsed for 20 years by both parties, save as to the rights of the ballot and the attitude toward education and agriculture were advocated in stirring tones. He declared it would be a blot on Ontario if its elections were to be decided on grounds of religious intolerance. He said it was a slender charge that policies existed in the Education Department. It could not be proved, if it could, even before twelve Kingston Tories, he would retire. He closed with a vigorous review of the grand work done to maintain the constitutional rights of Ontario.

Mr. Harty's candidature was strongly urged, and the meeting broke up amid great applause.

Hon. Sir Harty also spoke.

ELDERLY MEN FOR CANDIDATES. The death of Senator Tasse Thursday leaves eleven vacancies in the Canadian Senate. There are two vacancies in the Province of Ontario for the places vacated by the deaths of Senator John Macdonald, Toronto, and B. Flint, Belleville. In Quebec Province there are four vacancies to fill the places through the death of Sir John Abbott, G. G. Stevens, William Henry Chaffers and Joseph Tasse. In New Brunswick there are three vacancies in the places of A. E. Botsford, John Glazier and W. H. Odell. In Nova Scotia there is one vacancy and in Prince Edward Island one. The latter vacancy is the place of Senator Howland, who became Lieutenant-Governor of the Province.

NOTES. Dr. M. C. Atkinson was elected on Thursday by acclamation in Carleton for the New Brunswick Legislature.

The South Huron election petition against M. Y. McLean, M.P.P., has been withdrawn, so far as the petitioners, Mr. D. Mill and Mr. Weissmiller, are concerned.

The Patrons of Industry of South Ontario met at Brooklyn on Tuesday night to nominate a candidate for the Federal elections. The meeting broke up without making a nomination.

The Hamilton Herald gives voice to a rumor that Mr. A. T. Freed, formerly editor of the Hamilton Spectator, and now inspector of weights and measures, has been offered and accepted the position of chief editorial writer on the staff of the Toronto Empire.

County associations of Patrons of Industry will be held as follows: Leeds, at Delta, Feb. 6; Muskoka, at Uxterton, Feb. 5; Lennox and Addington, at Nanawake, Feb. 12; South Perth, at Mitchell, Feb. 5; Middlesex, at London, Feb. 5; South Grey, at Durham, Jan. 22; North Perth, at Milverton, Feb. 6; Victoria, at Lindsay, Feb. 2; Carleton, at Ottawa, Feb. 19; Kent, at Chatham, Feb. 5; Bruce, at Port Elgin, Feb. 5; Welland, at Welland, Feb. 5.

\$15,000 for Being Bounced.

MANHATTAN, Mich., Jan. 17.—The jury in the case of Brasil vs. the Soo Line, brought in a verdict, after being out eight hours, of \$15,000 for the plaintiff. Brasil was ejected from a Soo Line train some time ago and sustained injuries from which he will be crippled for life.

Late Canadian News.

The Gananoque Woman Bigmist Pleads Guilty.

Premier Taillon, of Quebec, is Seriously Indisposed—36° Below Zero at Prince Albert.

Thirty-six degrees below zero at Prince Albert. The child of Mr. Buckler, of Blake, Man., was fatally scalded by falling into a tub of hot water.

The oldest established hardware firm in Hamilton of Bowman & Moore, has made an assignment.

Cardinal Taschereau has been well enough of late to make several visits to the religious communities. A meeting of the shareholders of the Union Bank, of Newfoundland, revealed the fact there is no hope of the institution resuming business.

Owing to ill health L. J. Cornwell, B.A., the popular mathematical master of the Stratford Collegiate Institute, is compelled to retire from teaching.

Hon. Mr. Taillon's health is not improving, and he is troubled with insomnia, and his physicians have again ordered complete rest and complete seclusion.

A. T. Freed, of Hamilton, inspector of weights and measures, denies the report that he had accepted the position of chief editorial writer on the Toronto Empire.

An Ottawa dispatch says it is learned from reliable sources that the transfer of the Aylmer branch of the C. P. R. to the P. and P. J. Railway is to take place within the next few months.

Within a few days it is probable that ex-Detective John Fahey, the noted Grand Trunk burglar, who was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary, and who is dying of consumption, will be released.

Mr. George Ormiston, a first cousin of the well-known Rev. Dr. Ormiston, died lately at Raglan, East Whitley, leaving a widow and five grown-up children in comfortable circumstances.

At the annual meeting of the Southern Fair, Brantford, the following officers were elected: President, Thos. Elliott; first vice-president, Geo. McLaughlin; second vice-president, H. A. Foulds; secretary, R. M. Wilson.

Mrs. James Dempster, the Gananoque bigmist, was brought before Judge Macdonald at Brockville on Thursday and elected to be tried by the judge. She pleaded guilty. The judge reserved sentence until Saturday.

THE BUTTE HORROR.

Fifty-Three Deaths Result from the Disaster—Eighty-Two Persons Injured.

BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 17.—The dead reported today as the result of the powder explosion number 53 and the injured 85. The bodies of four of the firemen have not yet been recovered. The financial loss to the city and explosion in the immediate vicinity of the disaster is \$100,000. The relief committee today received subscriptions amounting to \$70,000.

OVERTAKEN BY A "SLIDE."

Five Miners Killed by an Avalanche in British Columbia.

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 17.—A snowslide about ten miles from Kalama, B. C., killed three miners, named Moore, McMillan and Mitchell, owners of the Eureka mine, who were on their way to the mine from Kalama. As they ascended a mountain a mass of snow twenty feet high and 200 yards in length, became detached. The three men fled, but were all overtaken by the slide and carried into the canyon below, where life was crushed out of them. Two miners working on the Silverton mine, in the slide's path, are missing, and they are undoubtedly killed also.

ROUTED THE REBELS.

Japs Win Another Victory—Chinese Forces Congregating.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—A dispatch from Fusan, Korea, to the Central News, says a detachment of Japs from Ka Ku Tong attacked a large body of Gong Hak rebels in the Ho Hon Province on the night of Jan. 12. On the 13th the battle was continued and the rebels after desperate fighting were defeated and dispersed. The Tong Haks made their way northward. Hundreds of them were killed in the fight and many of their cattle horses and arms were captured by the Japanese.

A Central News dispatch from Hai Chung, under date of Jan. 17, says: "Gen. Nodzu reports that 34 battalions of Chinese, under Gen. Chang Shu and Ko, are in the vicinity of Ying Kow. A Chinese force of 6,000 men has been observed a little southeast from To Lung Sai, and it is said forces of the enemy of 2,000 and 4,000 respectively are near Hiyo Chang. The first and second Japanese armies are working under a mutual arrangement regarding operations against New Chwang and King Kow."

Hanged!

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C., Jan. 17.—Louis Victor was hanged in the jail yard here for the murder of Peter, an Indian policeman, at Coan on Sept. 17 last.

Firedamp Did It.

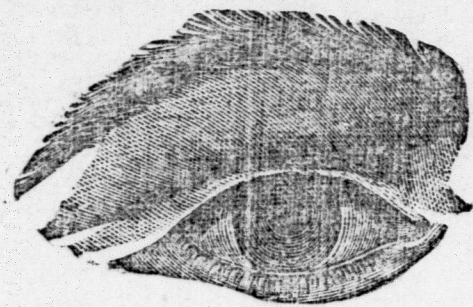
STEEBENVILLE, Ohio, Jan. 14.—An explosion occurred at the Blanche coal mines, near Colliers, W. Va., this morning. It is reported four men were killed and several injured. Firedamp caused the explosion.

In Congress.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 17.—Senator Frye's shipping bill, which became a law today with the President's approval, works an important reform. The bill abolishes registry, enrollment and license bonds for vessels. Its repeal relieves owners and masters of vessels from the obligation to obtain bonds and sureties, and reduces unnecessary clerical work in custom houses. The pension appropriation bill (appropriating \$140,000,000 for pensions) was passed by the Senate with an amendment to abolish \$2 and \$4 disability pensions and to make the minimum of them all \$6 a month.

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Silks.

"A charming collection in reduced circumstances," is the way a lady expressed her appreciation of our surplus offerings at

25 cents a yard.

You should see them.

Carpets.

The mere mention should be sufficient—everybody knows we are the leaders in both buying and selling. We have a few too many tapestries. Beautiful designs. We are cutting them at 50c. Sixty pieces of this fall's importations of English Brussels at 75c and 85c. These two are rare bargains.

Ordered
Clothing.

Some men want their clothing made to measure. For all such we have a Custom Tailoring Department, which, run in association with other stocks, costs less than if alone. Therefore, we can save money for the fastidious man, while we fit and please him with his clothes, more especially for the next two months, as we are most anxious to keep our work people employed. Stylish West of England Suits \$18 to \$22. English Worsteds and Serges, \$20 to \$25.

Blankets.

Their kind is legion. We have only the best and sell them this month at

\$3 15 the pair

Feel their weight.

Dress Goods.

Styles of last fall even are too old to live in this dress stock with the likelihood of new ones arriving inside of a month. We want the space they occupy.

—AT—

25 cents a yard.

42-inch all-wool French Cashmeres. 44-inch Brocaded Cashmeres, all wool. 44-inch all-wool Cheviot Suitings.

—AT—

32 cents a yard.

44-inch all-wool Surah Twills, usually 50 cents.

—AT—

35 cents a yard.

45-inch Fancy French Costume Cloths, reduced from 75 cents; 32 different patterns and colorings.

—AT—

50 cents a yard.

45-inch Repps, usually 67 cents; 45 inch Striped Camel's Hair; 46-inch English Suitings.

—AT—

At 55 cents.

50 inch Chintz Costume Cloth, reduced from 85 cents.

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