Morning Edition.

London Advertiser

Two Cents Per Copy.

VOL. XXX., NO. 231. THURSDAY, MORNING JULY 20, 1893. WHOLE NO. 9624

French Ultimatum

ent to the Government of Siam.

More Light on Vice-Admiral Tryon's Terrible Blunder.

The Queen at Windsor—Opening of the Wesleyan Conference in Wales—A Hundred Senators and Journalists Involved in the Banca Romana Scandal.

From the Army to a Monastery.

BERLIN, July 19.—Prince Max of Saxony, who created a sensation a few days ago by suddenly leaving the army, has entered a monastery at Eichstadt. He is 23 years old.

A Hundred Senators Involved.

ROME, June 19.—The Tribuna gives a semi-official confirmation of the report that 100 Senators, members of the Chamber of Deputies and journalists are implicated in the Banca Romana scandals.

Wesleyan Conference.

LONDON, July 19.—The annual conference of the Wesleyan Church opened at Cardiff yesterday. Considerable routine business, including the election of officers, was transacted, Rev. Henry John Pope, of Manchester, was elected president for the ensuing year.

Cholera in Naples.

United States Surgeon-General Wyman has received the following cablegram from Passed Assistant Surgeon Young at Naples: "Cholera in Naples. Four fatal cases Sunday and Monday, widely scattered. Bacillus found in all. Origin untraced. No cases since Monday."

Mishap to Mr. Gladstone's Brougham.

LONDON, July 19.—Prime Minister Gladstone was proceeding to the House of Commons this afternoon when his brougham collided with a van in Parliament Square. Mr. Gladstone, though he received no serious injury, was considerably shaken up. After a very short delay he was driven to the House.

Cholera on Board.

CARDIFF, July 19.—The British steamer Blue Jacket, from Marseilles, arrived here to-day. She had cholera on board and was ordered into quarantine. She sailed from Kertch, in the Crimea, on June 24. She called at Constantinople and proceeded thence to Marseilles, from which port she came direct to Cardiff.

Racing From San Francisco to Queenstown.

QUEENSTOWN, July 19.—The British bark Pinmore, which arrived here on Monday last, was one of the four contestants in the long race from San Francisco, and was the first of the racers to arrive. The other vessels in the race were the British ships Bowden, Lord Templemore and the Lochee. All the vessels left San Francisco on March 22, and the Pinmore is the only one that has yet arrived.

Vice-Admiral Tyron's Terrible Blunder.

VALETTA, Malta, July 19.—The court-martial which is trying certain officers of the warship Victoria resumed this morning. Rear-Admiral Markham's official dispatches to the Admiralty reporting the details of the disaster were read. When questioned as to the impression made upon him when the signal of Vice-Admiral Tyron was hoisted on the Victoria ordering the distance between the two columns to be six cable lengths, Rear Admiral Markham replied that when the signal was read he said to his flag lieutenant, "That is impossible, since it is an impracticable maneuver." He said that when he signalled to the Victoria that he did not understand the signal, the Victoria answered that the Camperdown was delaying the maneuvers. It then occurred to the witness that he was to put the helm of the Camperdown down, and turn her sixteen points to starboard, while the Victoria would ease her helm and circle round on the outside of the division, which was being led by the Camperdown. Rear-Admiral Markham further said that he conferred with his flag-lieutenant and others on the subject, and that both concurred in his interpretation that the Victoria was to pass round to the outside of the Camperdown. Had this assumption been founded on fact the maneuver would have been attended by no danger. When he discovered that his assumption was wrong he watched the Victoria's helm signal with the closest attention. He was cognizant of Vice-Admiral Tyron's memorandum in regard to discretionary obedience of orders when strict obedience would entail disaster. When he saw the Victoria's helm signals were not altered he ordered Capt. Johnston to reverse the Camperdown's starboard screw, and to close the watertight doors in the collision bulkheads. These orders were promptly obeyed. Soon after Rear-Admiral Markham saw that a collision was inevitable and the order to go astern with both engines was signalled to the engine room. When the signal flying on the Victoria was lowered down the Camperdown was powerless to avoid a collision.

An Ultimatum Sent to Siam.

PARIS, July 19.—The Soir says M. Develles has telegraphed the Siamese Government that he will wait 24 hours for the reply to France's demands. A dispatch from Bangkok says the Siamese Government admits that the French citizens whose losses and injuries have been the subject of negotiations and protest are entitled to indemnity and has offered to make a deposit in a bank, pending proceedings, to determine the amount of damages. Every attempt to get a definite statement of claims, however, is said to have failed.

PARIS, July 19.—The Figaro says the French ultimatum sent to Siam demands that the Siamese evacuate the left bank of the Mekong River; that a guarantee be given by the Siamese Government for the faithful performance of its treaty obligations, and that indemnity be paid for outrages perpetrated by the Siamese upon the French.

The French are already in possession of the lower Mekong River and if Siam considers the demands now made upon her the river will be entirely French. If France retains possession of the territory she evidently desires her newly-acquired possessions will border on what is practically British territory.

The reply of Foreign Minister Deville to the interpellation of M. Dreyfus in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday, explaining the position of France in the dispute with Siam, is considered a master-stroke of policy.

PARIS, July 19.—The statement published in the Soir yesterday relative to the sending of an ultimatum to the Siamese Government is confirmed by a semi-official announcement made this afternoon. The ultimatum has been sent, but instead of only 24 hours being allowed for an answer, as stated by the Soir, Siam will be given 48 hours in which to accept or reject the demands made upon her by France.

The French Government will demand as security for the indemnity demanded the revenues derived from the fisheries in Lake Toulesape, the chief contested frontier point. The French claim the Province of Luang Prabang, on the left bank of the Upper Me-Kong.

London Gossip.

LONDON, July 19.—According to Mr. Edmund Yates, during the residence of the Queen at Windsor she has spent the morning every fine day at Frogmore. Her Majesty drives down from the castle through the home park at about 9 o'clock and breakfasts at Frogmore, usually in a tent on the lawn. After breakfast the Queen does her morning's work in another tent, all dispatches, letters and boxes coming down to her from the castle after they have been prepared for her by Sir Henry Ponsonby. During the morning two mounted grooms are kept busy riding between Frogmore and the castle with messages and letters, and about half-past 1 the Queen drives back in time for luncheon.

The Duke and Duchess of York will reside for several months in each year at Sandringham, and the Duke is making arrangements to take over the farm on the royal estate, on which he will establish herds of red polled cattle and Berkshire pigs, which are breeds not owned by the Prince of Wales.

The Duke of Connaught has accepted the invitation from the Emperor of Austria to go to Hungary in September for the autumn maneuvers, and will be attended by Lieut.-Gen. Keith Fraser.

Scarcely a month passes without the papers announcing the betrothal of the Czarewitch to some princess or other. A few weeks ago it was Princess Alix of Hesse, and now it is Princess Victoria of Wales. This last report is utterly baseless. The canons of the Greek Church strictly prohibit the marriage of first cousins, and the heir of the Emperor of all the Russias could not possibly ignore these laws, even if he wished to do so. As a matter of fact, however, the Czarewitch has now no desire to marry anybody, but it is well known that only the laws to which I have referred prevented his being betrothed to the daughter of the King of the Hellenes, and he made no secret of being at her feet.

Lord Petre's personalty has been proved a little over £50,000, a sum somewhat less than he was expected to have accumulated at the end of a bachelor's tenure of the Petre property of several years' duration. That Lord Petre died without a will was no accident. He prepared a draft of one some years ago, but never cared to execute it.

Lord Revelstoke's house, in Charles street, Berkeley Square, a building the decoration of which cost about £130,000, was offered for sale the other day, but did not change hands, the highest bid being £70,000.

The deepest sympathy is expressed by an unusually wide circle of friends, and shared by the public, with the accomplished vocalist, Mme. Antoinette Sterling, who has just lost her husband during a visit to Australia. By his untimely death three children are left fatherless.

AT THE FAIR.

Nearly 100,000 Paid to See the Show on Tuesday.

CHICAGO, July 19.—The paid admissions at the World's Fair yesterday were 98,071.

Fourteen separate and distinct congresses were in session at the Art Institute to-day. The most largely attended was that of college fraternities.

Judge McConnell has refused to grant an injunction restraining the exposition authorities from removing Corbett from Midway Plaisance, and Corbett will have to go.

DROWNED!

A Five-Year-Old Lad Loses His Life at Wallaceburg.

WALLACEBURG, Ont., July 19.—Charlie Kelly, the 5-year-old son of Mrs. George Kelly, was drowned in the river here this afternoon. He was out alone sculling a small boat when the oar slipped in some way, throwing him overboard. The body was recovered about two hours afterwards.

HAMILTON, July 19.—In response to a telegram announcing the death of her son, Mrs. Bevan, of Dundas, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. C. A. McCardel, left yesterday for Utica. Deceased was Mr. T. J. Bevan, for many years a resident of Dundas, who had been living in Utica. He was out rowing on Sunday last on Lake Oneida, and was drowned through the capsizing of the boat. He leaves a widow and two children.

The tax rate in St. Catharines this year is 22 mills on the dollar.

The Stratford Council refuses to grant tax exemption to the North American Mill Building Company, whose premises were recently destroyed by fire.

The Buffalo grand jury has found twenty indictments for grand larceny against Erie Ontario Van Brocklin, the defaulting ex-secretary of the fire board of that city, formerly of Brantford.

Mr. James McCarthy, who for the last 40 years has been an employe of Mr. Warren Holton, at the Hamilton nurseries, Main street east, died suddenly Wednesday. He was 59 years old.

Mr. W. H. Wesley Johnston, of Stratford, died Wednesday morning at the family residence, Nelson street, after a painful illness of four months, in his 23rd year. He was an estimable young man.

Worms cause feverishness, moaning and restlessness during sleep. Mother Graves Worm Exterminator is pleasant, sure and effectual. If your druggist has none in stock, get him to procure it for you

For fine styles and low prices of all kinds of furniture go to Wm. Trafford, 95 and 97 King street. Upholstering and repairing by skilled workmen.

Masonic Grand Lodge

Thirty-Eighth Annual Communication at Ottawa.

Interesting Address by Hon. J. M. Gibson, Grand Master.

Steady Progress of the Order in the Jurisdiction.

An Organization That is a Terror to Frauds,

But Ever Helpful to Deserving Members of the Craft.

[Special from Our Own Correspondent.]

OTTAWA, July 19.—At high noon to-day the 38th annual communication of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario was opened in the Grand Opera House by M. Wor. the Hon. J. M. Gibson, Q.C., M.P.P. Over 400 members of the Grand Lodge were present, including Past Grand Masters John Ross Robertson, Toronto; Col. Moffatt, London; Hugh Murray, Hamilton; H. Walkem, Q.C., Kingston; Henry Robertson, Q.C., Collingwood; D. Spry, Barrie, and A. A. Stevenson, Montreal. Among other well-known brethren in attendance are: R. Wor. Bro. W. R. White, Q.C., Deputy Grand Master and Speaker of the House of Commons; R. W. Bros. J. J. Mason, grand secretary; R. W. Barker, grand S.W.; R. B. Hungerford, London; W. Gibson, M.P., Beamsville; J. S. Dewar, London; Alex. Hess, St. Thomas; J. E. Harding, Stratford; Wor. Bros. Frank Love, P. W. D. Broderick, O. J. Bridle, E. T. Essery, W. T. Vanston, A. G. McWhinney, Geo. Hampton, W. S. Rychard, Dr. Reome, M.P., J. A. Nelles, and Sergt.-Major Kennedy, London; W. T. Duff, London West, and A. Rowatt, Nilestown.

Everything possible to add to the comfort of the visiting brethren has been done by the committee of 49 from the Ottawa lodges.

After Grand Master Gibson had formally opened the Grand Lodge, R. Wor. Bro. R. A. Klock, D. D. G. M. of the Ottawa district, presented an address of welcome to the Grand Lodge, which was indorsed by the worshipful masters of the seven city lodges. Thereafter the grand master proceeded to deliver his annual address, of which the following are the more salient points:

The grand master begins by expressing his heartfelt appreciation of the high honor which the brethren conferred upon him when they selected him to the highest post in the gift of the craft. Peace and harmony, he said, have prevailed within the jurisdiction, and as will be seen from the reports of the D. D. G. M's, steady progress has been made in forwarding the interests of the craft. The grand master comments on the importance of lodges selecting only eminently qualified brethren for the offices of worshipful master and secretary.

During the year no less than ten special communications of Grand Lodge have been called for the purpose of consecrating and dedicating new lodge halls and buildings to Freemasonry, virtue and universal benevolence. The privilege and pleasure were afforded me of presiding at communications for dedications on the following occasions:

DEDICATIONS.

St. Mark's Lodge, No. 94, Port Stanley, Oct. 10, 1892.

St. David's Lodge, No. 302, St. Thomas, Oct. 10, 1892.

Corinthian Lodge, No. 96, Barrie, Nov. 1, and Kerr Lodge, No. 230, Nov. 1, 1892.

Stanley Lodge, No. 426, West Toronto Junction, Nov. 15, 1892. On this occasion W. M. Bro. J. Ross Robertson took part in constituting and consecrating the lodge.

Brant Lodge, No. 5, and Doric Lodge, No. 121, Brantford, June 1, 1893.

Craig Lodge, No. 491, Deseronto, July 4, 1893.

Consecration and dedication ceremonies also took place by my direction in Nickel Lodge, No. 427, and its hall at Sudbury, Oct. 2, 1892, R. W. Bro. Isaac Huber, D. D. G. M., officiating; in the new hall of Huron Lodge, No. 392, Camlachie, Nov. 30, 1892, R. W. Bro. A. E. Harvey, D. D. G. M., officiating; in the new hall of Corinthian Lodge, No. 330, at London East, Feb. 28, R. W. Bro. Alex. Hess, D. D. G. M., officiating, and in the new hall of Middlesex Lodge, No. 397, at Bryanston, March 2, 1893, R. W. Bro. Alex. Hess, D. D. G. M., officiating. All these lodge rooms the grand master expresses himself highly pleased with. They appear to be strikingly well-planned and completed.

CORNER STONES.

An especial communication was held at the town of Cornwall on July 5 for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd (Anglican) with Masonic ceremonies, on which occasion I personally took part in the proceedings; and on the following day another special communication took place at New Dublin, near Brockville, when, at my request, M. W. Bro. Walkem laid, with Masonic ceremonies, the corner stone of St. John's Church (Anglican).

The grand master referred in suitable terms to the celebration of the centennial of Freemasonry in Toronto on Dec 27, especially praising the address of M. Wor. Bro. J. Ross Robertson. He also chronicled the chief features of the ceremony attending the unveiling of the handsome monument erected in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Toronto, to the memory of the fraternal dead.

REVISION OF CEREMONIES.

By my request revised forms of the ceremonies of organizing, constituting and consecrating a new lodge, dedication of a Masonic hall and the funeral service have been prepared, as well as forms in connection with the opening and closing of Grand Lodge and the installation and investiture of grand lodge officers. This duty was assigned by me to the committee on the work, the results of whose labors have given so much satisfaction, and the proposed forms as settled by this committee will be submitted to you for your approval and confirmation. On the several occasions of dedication of new Masonic halls, at which I personally officiated, the proposed form of ceremony was used, and was found to be a great improvement on the very incomplete and unsatisfactory form at present appended to the constitution.

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

During the year a dispensation issued for a new lodge at Eden Grove in the township of Brant, to be known as "Moravian Lodge." The petition for this dispensation was indorsed by Aldworth Lodge, No. 235, of Paisley, and recommended by the D. D. G. M., and after careful inquiry and full consideration it seemed to me that the best interests of the craft would be served by acceding to the prayer of the petition. The petitions for warrants presented on behalf of Acacia Lodge, of East Toronto, in district No. 11, Port Elgin Lodge, of Port Elgin, district No. 5, and Fidelity Lodge, Port Perry, district No. 12, under dispensations of 16th June, 7th May and 30th April, 1892, respectively, were laid over by the board of last year to be dealt with at this meeting of Grand Lodge, the dispensations being continued in the meantime. These several applications for warrants I commend to your careful consideration. Judging from the work they have been doing, some of these lodges, if not all, should receive their warrants.

POINTS FOR RULERS IN THE CRAFT.

The grand master recommends lodges sending revised bylaws for approval to point out the changes and thus save trouble. He does not publish his rulings, because they were nearly all on questions settled by his predecessors or clearly defined in the constitution. He discussed at some length a moot point as to what constitutes a candidate eligible by physical qualifications, and he expressed his decided belief that a liberal interpretation of clause 220 of the constitution should be made by W. M.s. That enactment provides that "a candidate who can comply literally with the ceremonies of the work of Grand Lodge and who is mentally and morally worthy of admission is a fit subject to become a Mason." On the question of residence the grand master gives it as his decided opinion that a candidate must reside continuously—that is, have his domicile—in one place for a year. To remove for a time to another jurisdiction breaks the period of residence.

LEGISLATION.

It is a matter of congratulation, continued the grand master, that but very few suggestions of change of the constitution will this year engage your attention. Regarding some of the motions, of which notices have been given, there will probably be little difference of opinion, while as to others, it cannot be said in any sense that they deal with subjects of pressing importance. Once more the question of prohibiting the use of intoxicating liquors at all refreshment tables in connection with Masonic lodges will be presented to you for such action as you may deem called for. It may assist in the deliberation of how far there is an evil in the customs or habits of the craft at their meetings requiring a remedy, when I state that in two-thirds of the lodges visited by me during the year, tea or coffee appeared to be the strongest beverage used, and I believe some of the district masters can furnish even stronger testimony of the temperance tendencies of the times as exemplified in connection with Masonic meetings or assemblies.

ELECTION AND INSPECTION OF OFFICERS.

My attention has been called to the difficulties presented in connection with the custom of electing officers of lodges in the festival month of December, so far as the inspectoral work of district deputy grand masters is concerned. Out of 347 lodges, 75 hold their elections in June, and install on the festival of St. John the Baptist, and 272 hold their elections in December and install on the festival of St. John the Evangelist. The D. D. G. M. for each district is elected at the annual communication of Grand Lodge in July, so that in the case of lodges in which elections are held in December he has either to make two visits to inspect two sets of officers, or he must be content with one visit to inspect officers elected in either his predecessor's term, or after December, in his own. It might be a difficult matter to make a change, especially as so many of our lodges adhere to the winter festival for installation, and yet it seems to me that the subject is worthy of consideration. As a matter of custom in the early days of the craft, the summer festival of St. John had precedence, and the mother Grand Lodge of England, from which all English-speaking lodges hail, was revived at the June festival.

PREVENTION OF FRAUD.

The grand master expressed his belief that the recent inquiry into the manner in which the benevolent funds were distributed has been productive of good results, and suggests further inquiry in the line of revising the schedule of benefactions. He bore high testimony to the work of the Masonic Relief Association. Through its instrumentality during the year 1892 the names of no less than 1,140 fraudulent seekers for help from Masons were discovered and made known. Information from every available source is secured and published each month, and at an expense of one half cent per member each lodge receives the monthly lists of names and descriptions. "While it is a sad commentary on the lack of caution which characterizes the admission to many of the lodges in the countries of the old land, it is, nevertheless, a fact that seven out of every ten cases are found to be unworthy of relief. It is computed that the warning circulars of this association have on this continent saved the craft generally, on an average, from $20,000 to $25,000 a year. In Canada it is estimated that the saving to boards of relief may be counted by thousands. In the United States the results have been proportionately beneficial.

THE RIGHT OF BURIAL.

This subject was discussed by the grand master in an interesting manner. He pointed out that it is one of the unwritten maxims of the craft that every Master Mason has the right and may demand, either by himself, or by his friends, Masonic burial. But the grand master points out that this does not imply that the lodge is responsible for the funeral expenses. In cases where it is necessary for the lodge to defray the expenses, the grand master cautions the brethren against extravagance. He also made the following sensible suggestion:

"It has been suggested, and I think with much reason, that the form of summoning and holding emergent lodge meetings an hour or two before funerals, for the purpose of marching in procession from the lodge room to the residence of the deceased brother, might, at the discretion of the W. M., be dispensed with, the brethren being notified to assemble at the house, and there, at the call of the W. M., assuming their Masonic clothing and forming into procession. At the grave, after the service, they might be called aside by the W. M. and the members dismissed. The regalia of the lodge officers could very well be entrusted to an officer of the lodge. In these busy days many brethren could devote an hour or two to attendance at a funeral who cannot afford to lose a whole afternoon."

THE SURPLUS.

The grand master pointed out that the Grand Lodge now possesses $75,000, all bearing interest, which is devoted to the work of benevolence. To whatever object this fund is devoted, the grand master considers that the present method is simple, safe and sound, and is not burdensome to the lodges.

The grand master does not believe that the past masters should be deprived of voting power in the Grand Lodge, but he concedes that in the past the use of proxies has been abused by some P. Ms., and he suggests that it might be beneficial to restrict the right to hold proxies to past masters to the lodge granting them. This might prove an incentive to lodges to strive to be more directly represented than in the past. He recommends that the printed proceedings of Grand Lodge be printed in larger type. The establishment of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma Territory last year is noted. The grand master also announced that the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania had withdrawn all its representatives near other grand masters, on the ground that such an office is unnecessary. Grand Master Gibson said he did not hold this view, though it seemed to be shared by other grand lodges in the United States. As to the notice of motion that in this Grand Lodge that no brother should represent more than one grand lodge, one grand master pointed out that all cases of plurality of appointments are due to the action of foreign grand lodges in nominating brethren.

The grand master reported that the $500 voted at last meeting of Grand Lodge for the relief of the St. John, Nfld., Masonic sufferers, 177 in number, not including widows and orphans, who were also relieved. The warmest feelings of gratefulness were expressed by the Newfoundland brethren. Two of the lodges there are under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of England, and the other under Scottish jurisdiction. In brief but kindly terms the grand master referred to the death of W. M. Bro. Edwin R. Johnson, M. W. Bro. James F. Walker, both past grand masters of the Province of Quebec. The last named was initiated in Victoria Lodge, Sarnia, and had many friends in the west. He also spoke feelingly of the death of R. W. Bro. Bull, P.S.W., who had celebrated his jubilee as a member of the order.

FRATERNAL CONGRESS AT CHICAGO.

The grand master expressed his approval of the proposed fraternal congress of members of the different Grand Lodges at Chicago on Monday, Aug. 14 next, and recommended the Grand Lodge to accept the fraternal invitation and appoint not more than five delegates to represent it.

The grand master expressed the pleasure which he had in visiting a number of the lodges within the jurisdiction, and his regret that owing to sickness he had been unable to accept many invitations. In conclusion he thanked his predecessors and the D. D. G. Ms. for their invaluable aid in performing his duties, and he specially praised the grand secretary, who is now entering on the twentieth year of his service, for his ever-active labors in the promotion of the interests of the order.

Wednesday Afternoon.

OTTAWA, July 19.—When the Grand Masonic Lodge of Ontario reconvened this afternoon the reports of the officers and committees were proceeded with. The committee on audit and finance reported receipts during the year $21,522, and expenditure $17,482, leaving a surplus of $4,040. The surplus last year was $6,014, but there were special receipts. The invested Grand Lodge surplus of $75,000 now was bearing interest at 4½ and 5 per cent., payable half-yearly. Besides this there was a cash surplus of $6,589 in bank, making a total surplus of $81,589.

The committee on the fraternal dead reported feelingly of losses by death during the year. Special mention was made of Brethren R. Bull, of Hamilton; N. G. Bigelow, J. A. Wills and J. Stove, of Toronto; J. B. Trayes, of Port Hope; Nichol, of Listowel, and Wilkinson, of Kingston.

The report of the board of benevolence stated that during the year there were 259 applications for relief granted to private lodges or boards, totaling $7,880. The applications granted the previous year numbered 258, totaling $7,600, so that the expense showed little change, but whereas the board refused only 19 applications this year from local lodges, it refused 76 the year before. In several instances, the report said, excessive sums had been paid by local lodges for funerals, reducing the amounts applicable to the living. The board deplored such misapplication of the benevolent funds of lodges. One of the most important reports was that on the condition of the order. It showed in the eighteen districts of Ontario a total of 348 lodges with 22,000 Masons in good standing, and stated that there was a steady and healthy growth of the order in all directions of the Province. It then went extensively into details of the year's working.

The afternoon session adjourned at 6:30, after which a large number of members marched to Parliament Hill to be photographed in a body.

There was no evening session, as business was well advanced.

Lost an Eye.

STRATFORD, July 17.—Wm. Pugh, son of Timekeeper Pugh of the G. T. R. shops, met with an accident this afternoon whereby he lost his left eye. He was employed in the boiler making department and was performing some work known as "chipping" when a piece broke off the chisel and struck the unfortunate young man in the eye putting it out. The injured boy is about seventeen years of age.

Steamship Arrivals.

July 18.	At	From
Oregon	Liverpool	Montreal
Dominion	Avonmouth	Montreal
July 19.	**At**	**From**
Majestic	Queenstown	New York
Chester	New York	Southampton
Waesland	New York	Antwerp
Lahn	Bremen	New York
Obdam	Southampton	New York

What Is All This Hue and Cry

about hard times, when you can get a pound of tea or coffee for 30c, 35c or 40c, and regular 25c articles given free with each pound? We have a specially attractive assortment of beautiful presents, given absolutely free with any price tea, coffee, baking powder, cocoa, chocolate, cocoanut, etc. Six and a-half pounds of granulated sugar for 25c upon profit-sharing system. EMPIRE TEA COMPANY, three doors from Kingsmill's. bd&w

CAIRNCROSS & LAWRENCE,

Dispensing Chemists,

216 Dundas street, London. Branch—Corner Richmond and Piccadilly streets.

We are headquarters for....

Pure Soaps,
Sachet Powders,
Fragrant Perfumes,
Hair Brushes and
Tooth Brushes.

PRICES MODERATE

Scandal in New York

Millionaire Sage Defendant in a Suit For $10,000 Damages.

Charged With Betrayal Under Promise of Marriage.

The Matter Kept Quiet for 25 Years—An Alleged Case of Blackmail.

NEW YORK, July 19.—The story that Russell Sage, the millionaire, is defendant in a suit to recover $10,000 for betrayal under promise of marriage was revealed yesterday by proceedings in the Court of Common Pleas, when the court denied the motion that an order extending the defendant's time to answer be vacated.

The complaint was served April 29 last, and a partial answer filed June 26.

Several conflicting statements have been made in the case, apparently to conceal the nature of the action from the public.

The plaintiff is Miss Della Kegan, of No. 425 West Thirty-ninth street. She alleges that she came to this country from Ireland in 1868. Her sister was then employed as a cook in Russell Sage's home, and Miss Della went there to stop temporarily with her while she was looking for a situation. She alleges that Mr. Sage, who at the time was a widower, there betrayed her under promise of marriage, and then was cognizant of a criminal operation that was afterwards performed.

No reason is given why the plaintiff allowed 25 years to elapse before bringing the action.

Russel Sage's lawyer said last night that Mr. Sage made an absolute denial of all the allegations, and, in the lawyer's opinion, it was an attempt at blackmail. He said also that Mr. Sage had not seen the woman for 25 years and that he had no recollection of her personal appearance, as she was only a visitor of a servant's in his house.

BURNED OUT.

Planing Mills at Levis a Prey to the Flames—Other Fires.

QUEBEC, July 19.—Early this morning a fire broke out at Levis in D. Roy & Sons' planing mills. Loss $15,000, with very little insurance.

BETHANY, Ont., July 19.—A building owned by the Farmers' Loan and Savings Company, the main portion occupied by Jas. Dawkins, of Port Hope, and the western portion occupied by Dr. P. C. Leslie, V.S., as an office, was burned this morning. The adjoining sheds and stables of the Hamilton Hotel, owned by Frank Hamilton, were partially destroyed. Loss fully covered by insurance.

STRATFORD, July 19.—Early yesterday morning a fire broke out in the stables in the rear of the old Wilson House, just across the stone bridge. The flames spread with great rapidity, and in less than an hour the hotel was in ashes and the adjoining buildings in ruins. The hotel belonging to Mr. Joseph Wilson was totally destroyed, as was also Mr. Swinborne's store adjoining. Mr. Humphrey's grocery and Mr. Dinwoodie's residence were left with their framework standing. Following is a summary of the losses: Wilson's Hotel, loss $3,000, insured for $1,500; Mr. Swinborne's loss $2,000, insured for $900; Mr. Humphrey's loss on stock $200; Mr. Dinwoodie's loss on dwelling $500, insured for $400.

The fact is again recalled that the nineteenth century will not end until midnight of Dec. 31, 1900, instead of midnight on Dec. 31, 1899, as many people suppose.

Efforts are making to acquire, as a public trust, the cottage at Nether Stowey, Somersetshire, England, which was the home of the poet Coleridge a hundred years ago, where he wrote his most famous poems, including "The Ancient Mariner."

Contrary to the opinion of very eminent geologists, Prof. Bonney contends that glaciers exert no excavating action, and this conclusion he bases on facts observed by him in the Swiss Alps. He had followed up many of the valleys in Switzerland, and the work of the glaciers in every instance should, he believes, be classed rather as abrasive then erosive. In the absence, however, of the erosive theory, it will be difficult to account for the present character of many of the lochs on the west coast and in the interior of Scotland.

A Bad Investment!

Good Advice

Save your money and buy a good Parrot or Mockingbird and make your home cheerful and your family happy. We have splendid Birds in just now which we are selling cheap. Call and see them.

BART COTTAM

Over Agricultural Bank, Talbot and Dundas Streets.