

## Perturbed Teutons.

Early Dissolution of the Reichstag Probable.

Lord Rosebery's Condition Reported as Much Improved.

Steamer Belfast Wrecked Off the Coast of Scotland.

Fire Gale Creating Havoc Throughout Great Britain.

Japanese Naval Forces Attack the Pescadore Forts.

## ROSEBERY BETTER.

LONDON, March 25.—Lord Rosebery is much better as the result of being able to get a normal amount of sleep.

## TRUE BILL AGAINST QUEENSBURY.

LONDON, March 25.—The grand jury today presented a true bill against the Marquis of Queensbury for libelling Oscar Wilde.

## THE BRITISH SPEAKERSHIP.

LONDON, March 25.—Leonard Courtney has withdrawn positively his candidacy for the Speakership, owing to the Unionist resolution not to oppose the Conservative nominee, Sir Matthew Ridley, Lord Tweedmouth's brother-in-law.

## THE JAPS WIN.

LONDON, March 25.—The Japanese forces succeeded in taking the Pescadore Islands on March 24. The troops were landed and attacked the forts in the rear, where they were undefended, carried them by assault.

## WHERE IS SHE?

MADRID, March 25.—The Government is officially informed that all reports that the warship Reina Regenta has been found submerged in the Straits are wholly without foundation, and also that neither wreckage nor bodies from the ship have been washed ashore.

## LI IS ALL RIGHT.

LONDON, March 25.—A Tokio telegram says Dr. Sato, the surgeon in attendance upon Li Hung Chang, has telegraphed to the Emperor that the representative's wound is in good condition, and that there is no cause for anxiety as to the ultimate result. Li Hung Chang's assailant is believed to be insane.

## EXAGGERATION.

LONDON, March 25.—In the House of Commons today Mr. Francis S. Stevenson called the attention of the Government to the statement that there were 3,000 Armenians confined in Turkish prisons. Sir Edward Grey, Under-Secretary of State, informed that he had no reason to suppose that the number was anywhere near so large.

## A BRITISH STEAMER WRECKED.

GREENOCK, March 25.—The steamer Durham City, from Newport News for Glasgow, arrived here today with four of the crew of the British steamer Belfast, Capt. O'Brien, from Darlen, March 2, for Belfast, which is ashore on Jona Island and will probably become a total wreck. Eighteen other members of the Belfast crew are missing.

## BOUNCED THEM BOTH.

LONDON, March 25.—A dispatch from Monte Carlo says that Oscar Wilde and Lord Alfred Douglas, the second son of the Marquis of Queensbury, arrived at that place recently. They went to a hotel, but after staying there a day the proprietor, at the request of the other English visitors, informed them that their rooms were engaged. Both Mr. Wilde and Lord Alfred are now in London.

## JAPAN WANTS TERRITORY.

SHANGHAI, March 25.—Twelve Japanese warships made a concerted attack Saturday upon the forts north of Makong, Pescadore. The firing began at 12 o'clock and lasted until 3 in the afternoon. Two warships then withdrew, but renewed the attack on Sunday, both by sea and land. Communication by telegraph with Formosa had not been restored this morning, and the land lines communicating with the Pescadores are still interrupted.

## GREAT BRITAIN'S GALE.

LONDON, March 25.—A severe storm is raging throughout Great Britain. It resulted in much damage and considerable loss of life.

In Birmingham the gale was felt with exceptional severity. A man and three children were killed there. The property damage to the town is estimated at thousands of pounds.

Two men and a girl in Leicester were struck by falling debris and almost instantly killed. Every house in the Avon district was damaged.

Eleven persons were killed and twelve injured.

## ELECTIONS IN GERMANY SOON.

March 25.—The Daily News in Berlin says: The Government has not yet decided how to deal with the first pretext to discontinue before Easter. The Government is forced by Saturday's more hostile attitude to the Ministers have lost of passing the bills now before the Reichstag. The National Union University students and the students of Leipzig, including the students of the University of Leipzig, have telegraphed the Government for denouncing the Government's action.

## FLOWERS OF CANADA.

It is believed by Canadians that the flowers of Canada are the best judges of the world over any land under the sun. The wild flowers are becoming scarce in Great Britain and the United States, and must in a very short time be sought for in the wilds of Canada like a water lily. A wonderful condition it is that the wild flowers of Canada are so well known.

Sullivan, ex-champion pugilist to be out again.

## Late Canadian News.

Two Young Men Drowned While Hunting—Smuggling at Windsor.

Alberta is asking for Provincial autonomy. Mr. Adam Dymally, of Wheatley, died very suddenly on Sunday.

The Niagara Central asks power to extend its line from Hamilton to Brantford and thence to Woodstock. Mr. T. S. Cole, traveling secretary of the Y. M. C. A., addressed several meetings in Paris on Sunday.

At Thurston River a woman named Dugan and her 3-year-old child were burned to death by the explosion of a lamp.

About the end of April Windsor will put on the market debentures amounting to some \$54,000 for sewer and paving work.

George E. Potter, aged 63 years, died at his home on the Hamilton road, Brantford, on Monday of dropsy and heart failure.

About five weeks ago George, son of Mr. Ben Martin, of the M. C. R. R. S. Thomas, broke his arm. In coming downstairs on Saturday he fell and broke it again.

Monday being the 33rd anniversary of the consecration of Archbishop Lewis as bishop, he was presented at Kingston with an address signed by the clergy of the Diocese of Ontario.

News has been received from the north shore to the effect that several persons have died at Longue Pointe and Mingan of an unknown epidemic. There are no physicians along the whole north shore.

At Mr. J. B. Turner's, Yarmouth, his nephew from Michigan, aged 16 years, got his arm caught in the gearing of a feed cutting machine. It was so badly crushed that it had to be amputated just above the elbow.

At Quebec a joiner named Edward Cote, while placing an awning in position Monday, fell from a stepladder to the stone pavement and fractured his skull. He died shortly after.

Wm. Birkett, a resident of Hamilton for over 30 years, and for a great part of this time one of the most prominent business men in the city, died suddenly at his residence after an illness of less than 24 hours.

An order in council has been passed for a Government loan of \$2,500,000 to the Hudson Bay Railway Company, the Government to take as security the first mortgage bonds of the company, and to retain the land subsidy.

Messrs. Crossley and Hunter commenced their evangelistic meetings at Dunn Avenue Methodist Church, Toronto, on Sunday, with crowded congregations, which promises fair for successful services during the week.

Saturday afternoon at Windsor Customs Officers McLaughlin and Dr. H. H. made a special lay for South Essex people who shop in Detroit and smuggle their purchases across, and they made a number of seizures. The lady searcher was kept busy, and there was considerable crying.

Wm. C. Hiles, insurance and general agent, who has been undergoing treatment at Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton, for the past few weeks, disappeared from that institution Sunday. He was in business troubles previous to his illness, and it is probable his affairs would have been ventilated in the courts upon his recovery.

A double drowning accident occurred at Pleasant Harbor a day or two ago, by which Louis Hinchley and Wm. Borge, aged 18 and 20 years, two promising young men, lost their lives. They went on a shooting excursion, and, not returning at night, search was made ashore in breakers, smashed to pieces.

Mr. G. W. H. Graham, pastor of the Methodist Church, Kemptonville, died Friday afternoon, aged 63 years. He had been a very prominent figure in Methodism, being one of the leading men in the Methodist Episcopal Church in the Montreal Conference in 1893. He leaves a widow and three children—Mrs. Bruce, of Hot Springs, Dak., Mr. Konklm, of Montreal, and Mr. Geo. P. Graham, of the Brockville Recorder. Rev. Dr. Ryckman, president of the Montreal Conference, conducted the funeral services.

Dr. Price's Baking Powder is perfect in every requisite as a housekeeper's friend.

## LONDON GIRL DROWNED.

Little Ada Graham Meets Death in Kettle Creek.

With a St. Thomas Child Named Murphy—Ada Was a Daughter of Tait Graham, City.

"Ada Graham drowned. Come at once."

This was the startling and distressing intelligence received in this city about 7 o'clock last evening by Mr. Tait Graham, 171 Adelaide street. The Ada mentioned in the dispatch was the only remaining daughter of Mr. Graham, and the last of Mr. Graham's family, his wife and other child both being dead.

This circumstance accounted for little Ada's presence in St. Thomas. She was only 3 years old and much in need of motherly care, and so the father placed her with some friends named Murphy, who live in the Railroad City. This was several months ago. The telegram itself contained no particulars, but Mr. Graham went at once to St. Thomas, and later in the evening telephoned to Mrs. Joseph Graham, Wellington street, his sister-in-law, and gave a little more information regarding the sad occurrence.

He also disclosed the fact that another little girl, a daughter of the people with whom Ada Graham was staying, was also missing, and was in all probability drowned. Neither body had been found when Mr. Graham telephoned last night. From the meager intelligence received it would appear that Ada and her little companion had wandered from the house of the Murphys to Kettle Creek, near by. The stream had overflowed its banks and was turbulent from the late rains. How the accident really happened is not known, as the children were not missed for some time. Parties were dragging the creek for the bodies last night. Mr. Graham is most unfortunate. He lost his wife and both children within two years. He is in the rag business with his brother, Mr. Joseph Graham, who is at present absent in England.

T. C. THORNHILL, optician, jeweler, watchmaker and engraver, general repairing. A call solicited. 402 Talbot street.

## Plenty to Do.

Heavy Programme of Work Out for Parliament.

Both the Lambtons Safe for the Liberals.

The Seat for Haldimand Has Now Become Vacant.

Four Conservative Conventions in Guysboro Without Getting a Candidate.

## FOUR FAILURES.

In the county of Guysboro there have been no less than four Conservative conventions called without anyone being induced to sacrifice himself as an opponent of D. C. Fraser, M.P.

## HALDIMAND OPEN.

By the acceptance by Dr. Montague of the portfolio of Secretary of State, the seat for Haldimand becomes vacant, and the writ for a new election will probably be issued next week.

## MR. LAURIER'S HEALTH.

MONTREAL, March 25.—Hon. Mr. Laurier came into town last evening and spent the morning quietly at St. Lawrence Hall receiving some of his friends. Mr. Laurier is far from being recovered from his last illness, but he is to remain quiet to recuperate his strength for the coming session. He is still under medical treatment and is to return home tomorrow.

## WORK FOR PARLIAMENT.

Principal Grant, of Kingston, being asked what other subjects than the Manitoba school order could come before the ensuing session of the Dominion Parliament, said: "The tariff, of course, in the first place, and the question of Newfoundland joining our Confederation, and other important matters. It will be a most exciting session, even if nothing should be said about the Curran bridge, the Tay canal, the Galops channel, and other works for which we are paying the price in the diminution of the purchasing power, and in the consequent enormous deficit with which the year is likely to end. As long as we borrowed money, or extracted it ingeniously from the pockets of the people to make a few millionaires in Montreal and Toronto, or to corrupt constituencies, there seemed to be abundance; but that sort of thing cannot last. We shall have to pay for it with many years of sacrifice. I do not envy the N. T. Government of Canada, whether it be Conservative, Reform or coalition."

## RED TAPE.

OTTAWA, March 25.—Speaker White, of the Commons, says that no warrant has yet been issued by him for the election in Antigonish. He made out his warrant for Vercheres Thursday last, under the statute of the death of Mr. Thompson. Although he attended the funeral of Mr. Thompson, he considers that he is not officially cognizant of his death so as to initiate him to make out a warrant for the issuance of the writ.

## MANITOBA AND THE SCHOOLS.

WINNIPEG, March 25.—The order of the Dominion Government commanding the Manitoba Legislature to pass a law granting Manitoba Catholics separate schools was received yesterday from Ottawa, and will be taken up in the Legislature tomorrow. In all the city Methodist churches sermons were preached yesterday in protest against Dominion interference with Manitoba the matter of schools. The Legislature will undoubtedly reject the Dominion Government's order.

## THE LAMBTONS SAFE.

According to the Sarnia Post, an independent paper, the two candidates are safe for the Liberals. In West Lambton Messrs. Lister, M.P. (Liberal) and Dewar (P. P. A.) are in the field. The Conservatives have taken no steps to bring out a man, but Mayor E. P. Watson, of Sarnia, says there will be a Conservative candidate if he can find himself.

"You don't think for a moment that you can carry this county, do you?" he was asked.

"No; that could scarcely be expected. But for all that, for one can generally sometimes tell till the ballots are counted."

In East Lambton John Wilson, the P. P. A. candidate, has withdrawn because the Ottawa Government refused to accept his resignation as postmaster of Wiltoncroft. The Post says: "As far as the probable outcome of a three-cornered fight east to most people it looks as if the Reform candidate would win. The P. P. A. movement has its chief hold in the Conservative townships of Brooke and Warwick and the town of Petrolia, and as a natural result Mr. Moncrieff stands to lose most."

As a matter of fact there are hundreds of electors in the riding who declare that unless there is a P. P. A. candidate in the field they will stay at home polling day and refrain from voting."

## NOTES.

Hon. O. J. Leblanc was nominated by the Liberals of Kent county, N. B.

The Conservative convention for South Grey, held Monday at Durham, was, owing to bad roads, very poorly attended, and in consequence they decided not to bring out a candidate until some future date.

Mr. John F. Stairs, M.P., has arranged to take up his residence at Montreal permanently, and will not be a candidate at the coming election in this constituency. It is not yet known who will run in his place, but the name of Dr. D. A. Campbell is freely mentioned as a probable candidate instead of Mr. Stairs.

Dr. Price's Baking Powder has remained the standard of purity and strength for 40 years.

## Live News in a Line.

A cablegram announces the death at Naples, Italy, of R. E. Fenton, only son of the late Gov. Reuben E. Fenton, of New York.

Engineer Farquhar, of the steamship Bevil, who was terribly scalded on board the ship previous to her sailing for New York from Southampton on Saturday, has died from his injuries.

John Costar, of Costar & Bial's music hall, New York, is dead.

The old drygoods house of E. S. Jaffrey & Co., 350 Broadway, is in the hands of receivers, the son taking this way of winding up the estate of his father.

## Hugh John Talks.

The Son of the Chieftain on the Manitoba School Question.

His Opinion Has Changed Since He Spoke in the Dominion Parliament.

WINNIPEG, March 25.—In reference to the remedial order, the Nor'Wester (Conservative) publishes an interview with Hugh John Macdonald, ex-M.P. for Winnipeg, and son of the late Sir John Macdonald. Mr. Macdonald, it will be remembered, strongly denounced separate schools in the last Provincial campaign and in the House of Commons. Mr. Macdonald, when interviewed, said: "Well, I need scarcely tell you that I have always been strongly in favor of national as opposed to separate schools. I may add, too, that in this respect my opinion remains unchanged."

"When you were in the House you expressed yourself very strongly on the school question, did you not?"

"I most certainly did; in fact I even went so far as to state that if any remedial legislation were attempted, I would carry my opposition to the extent of voting want of confidence in the Government I was elected to support, and whose general policy I approved, and in this speech I expressed my honest sentiments."

"POSITION CHANGED. "Has the decision of the judicial committee of the Privy Council changed your opinion in any respect?"

"No; not in so far as the religious merits of national and separate schools are concerned, but I must confess that it has totally altered my position. When I read the telegraphic report of the judicial committee of the Privy Council I considered that there was nothing in it to alter my position, but when I read the full report of the judgment I was compelled, most unwillingly, to admit that the ground had sunk from under me, leaving me no foothold. It is only fair to myself to say that when I was in the House of Commons, and in fact up to the time that I read the verbatim account of what took place before the Privy Council, I was under the impression that the bill passed on Mr. Blake's resolution giving the Government of the day power to refer educational questions to the court for decision referred only to questions of law, and I thought that no matter what the judgment of the Privy Council might be on the question of law, the Governor-General in Council had to determine the question of fact. On reading the judgment of the judicial committee, however, and on referring to the Hansard, I found that the act went much farther than I believed, and gave the Government power to refer questions not only of law but also of facts to the courts; that in pursuance of this power they had actually referred the whole matter to the courts for decision, and that the judicial committee, in their judgment, had found not only that the Roman Catholic minority had a right, under the terms of the British North America Act, to apply to the Governor-General in Council for remedial legislation, but also that they, the Roman Catholic minority, had sustained a serious injury by the passage of the Manitoba School Act of 1890. Such being the case, I do not see what course was open to the Government of Canada, composed as it is of honorable men, other than to carry out the judgment of the court, unless, indeed, they were willing to violate the constitution, and to take the position of saying to the Roman Catholics: 'It is very true that the highest court of appeal to which a British colonist can go has decided that you have sustained an injury of a grave nature, and that you have a right to redress, but, notwithstanding this, we intend to go on the principle that might is right, and to refuse to make any move in the matter at all.' As I have stated before, I have arrived at this conclusion most unwillingly and with great hesitation, but, as a loyal British subject, I see no course open to me but to bow to the constitution, and to take my medicine like a man, no matter how unpalatable it may be."

"What course do you think will be adopted by the Provincial Government?"

"I really am not in confidence with Mr. Greenway or his colleagues, but I trust that in this matter they will be actuated by the spirit of patriotism, and will go as far as they conscientiously can to meet the judgment of the judicial committee. I have no doubt that they may secure a party triumph by appealing to the religious bigotry and to the very strong feeling in favor of national schools which undoubtedly prevails in this province, but I am not without hope that they will on this occasion rise superior to the temptation to adopt this course, and will take steps which will not render it necessary for the Parliament of Canada to enact remedial legislation, and by so doing take the control of educational matters, to a certain extent at least, out of the hands of the Provincial Assembly."

"What changes in the School Act will satisfy the Dominion Government?"

"I have had no communication on the subject with the Premier or any member of the Dominion Cabinet, but my own opinion is that all they would require would be that the mandate of the judicial committee of the Privy Council should be carried out, and the Roman Catholics of Manitoba placed in the position which they occupied before the School Act of 1890 was passed."

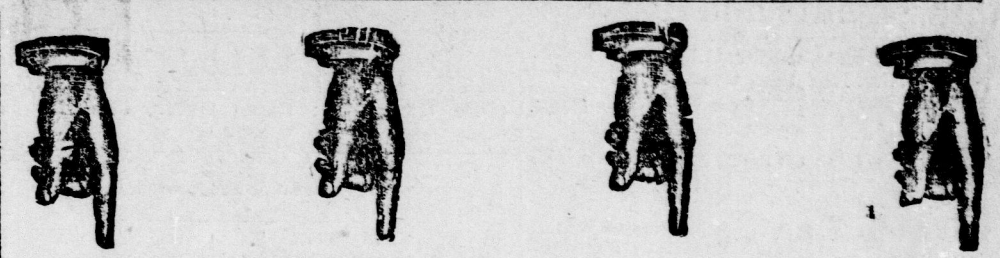
"Do you think the action of the Government will be popular or unpopular in this Province?"

"It will be decidedly unpopular at first. No one who knows anything of Manitoba can doubt that for a moment, but I believe that this opinion will be changed by sober second thought to which our people are inclined, for I feel sure that as soon as they realize that the action of the Dominion Government amounts to nothing more than carrying out the mandate of the highest court in the realm, and restoring to the Roman Catholics of this Province what that court, which is certainly impartial, has decided to be their constitutional right, they will cease their hostility and accept the inevitable."

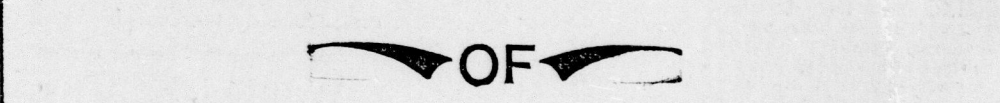
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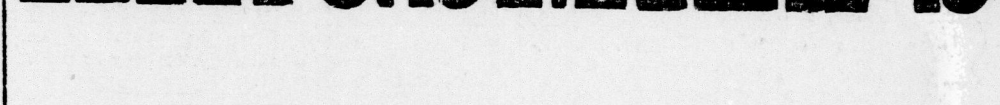
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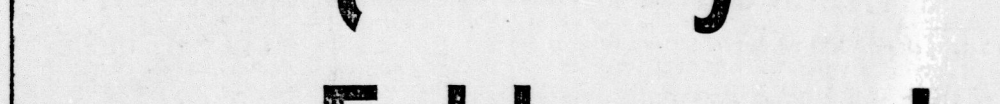
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## Wednesday



## Thursday



## Friday and



## Saturday



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