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A GOVERNMENT BACK DOWN.

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passed, but also because it has been held during the year of His Majesty's diamond jubilee, in which the people of the Empire are united in celebrating the sixtieth anniversary of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria. The splendid demonstrations which have taken place throughout the Queen's dominions testify at once to the loyalty and devotion of the people towards their sovereign, and the unity of the British Empire. I know that you rejoice with me in the fact that the Queen has performed her part in these great events.

I am now taking leave of you, I desire to express my best wishes for your personal happiness, and my earnest hope is that the work of the year may prove a happy and successful one, and that the prosperity of the people whom you represent."

SESSIONAL NOTES.

On the face of their pledge of economy, the Government has increased the annual expenditure of the country from \$25,000,000 to over \$50,000,000.

The Louisiana Purchase bill, to-day for the first time, was read by the Senate.

Adolpho Caron has also left for Old Country.

The Governor-General will depart on a fishing tour to the Cascapedia on Wednesday.

According to custom, His Excellency, before formally proroguing Parliament, gave the royal assent to the Sessional Address, during the session, numbering 78.

FOR A GRAND EFFORT.

Weyler Making Great Preparations for a Decisive Battle.

New York, June 29.—A despatch to the Journal and Advertiser from Havana says:—Gen. Weyler will require about 60,000 more troops to conquer the eastern provinces and hold them.

Colonel Garamendi, a member of Gen. Weyler's general staff, and private secretary to the commander-in-chief, will go to Madrid, the bearer of confidential letters to President McKinley, and Spanish War Department, in a demand is made for 40,000 recruits.

All regular troops are concentrated at Sabana Grande, where Weyler has directed the organization of four regiments, at the head of which he will drive Gomez across the island.

At the same time, he will invade Puerto Rico, where Calixto Garcia is said to be massing his forces.

Gen. Weyler expects a great pitched battle in the plains of Camaguey, where Garcia, the result of which will be the turning point in the war.

Should Weyler's army meet Garcia's, the result will be a decisive battle. Spain will then be ready to accept of a peace.

Gen. Weyler, who has been in command of the Spanish army in Cuba, is said to be a man of great energy and full personal political guarantees under the Spanish flag.

Should these conditions be met, it is predicted that the war will be waged to the bitter end.

Commerce warns the Government agents of the American sugar plantations, and urges Gen. Weyler to prevent the Cuban sugar from being sold in the United States.

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On June 29 and 30, and July 1, 2, 3, the Wabash Railroad will sell tickets to California points at the lowest rates ever made to the Pacific Coast, with stop-over west of Colorado common points, also Cheyenne, Trinidad and El Paso. Passengers must reach San Francisco on or before July 9. The rate will be \$25.00 from Chicago to San Francisco or Los Angeles, equally low rates to intermediate points on direct lines.

Sleeping Cars.—The rate for double berth, Chicago to San Francisco, for tourist sleeper \$6.00; first-class sleeper, \$15.00. Only a limited number of sleeping cars can be had for this occasion. One tourist car has been set aside for the Toronto people. Diagram is now ready. Owing to the large number of conventions to be held about the above dates, sleeping cars will be at a premium. Now is your opportunity to visit the Golden Land of Sunshine and Flowers. Tickets on sale any direct route. Passengers leaving Toronto and west early morning trains will reach Chicago on June 29, 5, 5, in time to take the overland trains from same depot in Chicago.

Returning, the rate from San Francisco to Chicago will be \$25.00.

Tickets returning via Portland or Puget Sound points, \$7.50 more will be charged via the Shasta Route and \$5.00 more via steamer lines between San Francisco and Portland or Puget Sound points. Rates to intermediate points on direct lines, via North Pacific coast points, shall not in any case be higher than rates made on this basis to points beyond as established above, except that rates San Francisco to St. Paul and Minneapolis shall be \$32.50, and tickets must not be sold through St. Paul or Minneapolis at less than \$32.50.

Corresponding rates to be made to other points.

Dates of Sale and Limits.—Tickets will be sold for return passage July 12 to 17, inclusive, also Mondays and Thursdays, as follows:—July 12, 22, 28, August 2, 5, 12, 19, 26, 31. Final return limit will in no case exceed August 15th. The return trip shall begin only on date of sale, and all tickets must be continuous. Train passage to destination, except that stop-overs will be allowed in California on deposit of cash, and in exchange for a return understanding that the agent at the California point from which passenger departs for his home journey can return ticket to destination, and baggage will be checked accordingly.

Stop-overs will be allowed on the return trip, via Portland or Puget Sound points, as follows:—At points north of Redding on Shasta Route; all points on the N. P. R. R. to Reno, west on Canadian Pacific; at Livingston and west on Northern Pacific; at Havre and west on Great Northern; at Shoshone Falls and west on Oregon Short Line; with the proviso that such tickets shall be deposited with the local agent at last point of stop-over, and then, after the endorsement on back of contract by agent, shall be good for continuous train passage to destination within the final limit, August 15, 1897.

Your particular attention is called to the fact that passengers taking the Wabash Railroad reach their destination in advance of any other line. This line will be first class in every respect, and its standard of excellence and completeness will not be excelled by any other sleeping car line in the world. Be sure and ask for tickets via this route.

Time tables, maps and all information cheerfully furnished on application to Wabash Railroad Office, corner King and Yonge streets, Toronto.

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 Canadian Passenger Agent.

MONTREAL

The Pilots' Strike—The Papal Delegate—G. F. Earnings—An Allied Swindle.

Montreal, Q., June 29.—The past 24 hours has seen little change in the position of the pilots and the shipping men. The attitude of the latter towards the striking pilots is not as yet clearly defined; in fact there seems to be a deadlock. The ship owners and managers show little or no disposition to take back the selected pilots who were requested to work and are determined to wait.

Mgr. Mery Del Val, the Papal delegate, left for Ottawa this morning, and it is probable his departure for Europe will be postponed in consequence of new negotiations at the Capitol.

The Canadian Pacific Railway has issued its statement of earnings and expenses for May, and also the net profit of \$2,484,933.02. The gain in net profits over the same period last year is therefore, for May, \$188,080.08, and from Jan. 1st to May 31st, \$296,133.18.

Montreal has during the past two months had a visitor in the person of Geo. Sibley, one of the cleverest, but most dangerous, rascals that ever drew breath. On the eve of a decision by his victims to have him arrested he quietly got out, and this morning he was well across the border in the States, however, he is not safe, if the United States authorities get hold of him. Some few years ago he was working on the Bank on Montreal, but by some means escaped punishment. At the time he was working on an evening paper as reporter. When matters grew too warm he left the city, and little was known of him. About two months ago he returned to Montreal, and registered as James G. Bennett, New York, the Windsor Hotel. Sibley shortly afterwards went into business here. He dealt in small wares and jewelry, and it may be said that a customer cannot be found who did not suffer through dealing with him. In recent weeks he had some dealings with the Great Western Co., and the Montreal and St. Lawrence Co., both of which suffered.

He worked under the name of Bennett, but when called before Chief Detective Carpenter last week he appeared as Sibley. Mr. Carpenter wished an explanation about one of his deals. It was given, but not believed. However, the merchant who made the charge declined to go to the trouble of prosecuting, and lucky Sibley once more escaped. The news that he had before the detectives spread, and his victims commenced to clamor. It was too late, however, for last night the young man got on a train, and is now a score of Montrealers are regretting they did not take action sooner. Sibley is wanted in Montreal, and they would not take any chances on his slipping through the courts.

DELAWARE NOTES.

Delaware, Strawberry Moon, 28th day.—On Monday Day, next Thursday, July 1st, the ladies of the Memorial Methodist Church will hold their seventh annual garden party at the magnificent grounds surrounding the residence of the late Mr. J. B. Post, on the hill east of the village valley, presenting a view unsurpassed in this section of the State. The party will be held on the hill east of the village valley, presenting a view unsurpassed in this section of the State. The party will be held on the hill east of the village valley, presenting a view unsurpassed in this section of the State.

Strawberry season is now in full blast, and finances are getting easier, the output being enormous. The anglers season opened very favorable, and good catches of pike, green bass and pickerel. Green bass seems to be supplanted the black variety. Rock bass are plentiful and some of the ones being caught with live bait. The channel cut has not shown up yet, but no doubt will make an appearance later on. One of our local anglers had quite a surprise while fishing for bait to land a pound and a quarter speckled trout, a good sport may be had here.

The Rev. T. G. George, who has occupied the pulpit of the Memorial Methodist Church for the past five years, preached his farewell sermon last night to one of the largest audiences known in the history of the church, members not being able to gain entrance to the edifice. The popular value is ascribed to the departure for his new field of labor, Mr. George, a native of New York, is recognized the Rev. T. G. George as a friend and a scholar and companion, at the same time a man of great energy and ability in many, many national athletics. The new church, the result of his management and exertion since the first edifice to be found outside of the cities. Wherever the reverend gentleman goes, the Delaware people will always be glad to hear of his success and prosperity, and should he ever visit Delaware Valley, the people will give him a hearty welcome.

Presentation.—Mr. H. F. Whiting, Dear Teacher.—It is with regret at your departure from among us that we embrace this short story of the extensive and great interest you have taken in our welfare during the time you have been with us. The kindness and sympathy towards us, and the untiring zeal which has marked your efforts in the advancement of our welfare, have won for you our warmest feelings of love and regard.

We hope you will forgive us the many errors we have caused you by our thoughtlessness. We wish you every success and happiness in the future, and trust you will accept this little and want you as small tokens of our sincere love and affection. Signed on behalf of your scholars, Esther Acres, Nettie Lockwood, Delaware, June 25th, 1897.

After the presentation, Mrs. Acres, wife of one of the trustees, treated the school children to candy and cake. Visitors:—Mr. Fox and daughters have been spending a few days at Mr. F. Hay's.

Mr. and Mrs. Boles, of New York, spent last week in the village.

H. Sell, of Walkerton, at the American.

DYNAMITE AT SCRANTON.

Scranton, Pa., June 29.—A dynamite explosion this morning in South Scranton blew up the business block of Leon Olchefski, a double dwelling block owned by him, and a single house owned by Michael O'Hara. The business block, a two-story building, was torn to pieces. Twenty other houses had all the windows blown out and plaster torn from the walls. Michael O'Hara was seriously injured in saving his wife, and his recovery is doubtful. In some of the houses the sleeping people were killed by the falling plaster. The infant child of Michael Joyce was dangerously injured and a little son of John Klein almost suffocated. The ruins are being cleared this morning to ascertain if there are any victims buried in them. Following the explosion the crooked buildings took fire, but the firemen kept the flames from spreading.

SAM LINDSAY ON TRIAL.

Hamilton, June 29.—Sam Lindsay, the noted cracksmen and thief, who was arrested in Montreal a few days ago, and brought to Hamilton for trial, was again before Judge Jelfs this morning on the charge that he did in March, 1892, when committed to Kingston Penitentiary, escape from the custody of Deputy Sheriff Fred John Gibson. Lindsay's conviction on the charge of burglarizing the post office at West Plamboro and the fact that he did not serve the sentence imposed on him, was proven. Lindsay's lawyer pleaded in his client's behalf that he had been leading an honest life in the city of Montreal, and remand of one week was allowed him by the Judge to produce evidence to this effect on his behalf.

THE FIRST OF THE SEASON.

Father Point, Que., June 29.—The steamship Ganges, Thomson Line, from Leith, passed inward at 11.30 last night. Captain Drake has the honor of being the first to bring a vessel via the Straits of Belle Isle this season. He reports a fringe of a field of ice near the entrance of the Straits, and several icebergs throughout the Straits, as far west as Cape Norman, but all on the Labrador coast, the Newfoundland side being quite clear.

The Crop Outlook.

The general rains of Monday night and Tuesday morning have flushed vegetation and there has been a decided improvement in the general crop prospects. In this London district fall wheat will score something like 90 points—that is taking the average yield of Ontario in wheat at 13.7 bushels to the acre. Fall wheat is going to be an excellent yield, and farmers are jubilant over the promised prospects of a good crop.

The present price of wheat is at the minimum, and unless some unexpected yield is reported from all parts of the wheat-growing areas, Ontario farmers will have a good showing in prices. There is a considerable quantity of wheat held by prominent farmers in this district. But, of course, these men have held on for two and three years and could have made more money by selling at current prices. It is a good maxim for a farmer to always sell at ruling prices; because from shrinkage, rattle and other causes there is a great risk in keeping over grain.

In nine cases out of ten the farmer who sells his grain at current prices is the gainer. He has the money and the interest on the money and a sure investment. Where crops are marketed once, not only is the farmer benefited, but also the grain buyer and the community at large.

Of course, a farmer who holds over his wheat is simply in the position of speculators, and if he loses on holding over they, themselves, are to blame.

The opposition of the United States Senate to the Dingley Bill has caused for the present a firm tone in our Ontario wool. The farmers now have completed their shearing; and strange as it may seem, the wool is not so good as it was last year. The same argument applies to wool as to wheat, there is no doubt that after July 1st there will be a closure on the Canadian lustre of wool, of which Philadelphia took a large amount. At the present time Canadian wool is worth 23 cents in Philadelphia, and here in London 15 1/2 cents is a fair price. An act of 11 cents a pound is put on, and on the supposition that the consumer pays the duty after the first of July, the price of wool will recede.

In the spring crops are poor and weak so far, owing to the cold weather and the lateness of seeding. There is a large acreage sown, and unless the present timely rains help, the growth of the crop will be retarded.

The pea crop is short and has been injured by the frosts and the late sowing. The acreage is not large, but the late sown crops may be normal in yield.

Very little barley has been sown, as prices for the last few years have not been sufficient for a continuance of this crop.

There is a great hay crop, and hay is now going on; and some farmers have already put in their clover on high dry soil.

The pastures are good and on this account these has receded to 8 cents a pound on dry ground, and butter has a slow sale at 11 to 12 cents a pound.

The cold storage egg business is doing fairly well, but is to be considered that grass fed eggs, cold storage or not, are no good—have no flavor, and will not keep.

The hog business is flourishing, and the buyers are paying 5 cents a pound live weight, and very small hogs sell for \$3 a pair. The hog cholera has declined a large number of herds in this Western Peninsula and in the United States anthrax has dealt a death blow to Western State hog raising, and the risk in price. Beef cattle are doing well, and prime steers have been selling at \$3.75 to \$4 per cwt. Of course, the price of hogs is rising, and the price of beef is rising.

The demand for stock is in good demand owing to the increased demand for stock, not only in this country, but also in the ranches in the United States and our own North-west.

The apple crop is going to be fair all around; and plums and cherries are immense. The grape crop will be full, and already the price of strawberries shows they have been a full crop.

GONE TO MEXICO.

Chicago, June 29.—Ramon Torre, Chancellor of the Spanish Consulate in Chicago, and Professor of Spanish in the Berard School of Law, has mysteriously disappeared from his home, 19 Congress street, taking with him \$5,000, and leaving his wife and two children year destitute. The deserted wife last evening received a letter from her husband, in which he said he was going to Mexico.

A NEGRO LYNCHED.

Aberdeen, Miss., June 29.—Parry Gilliam, a negro, was taken from the Monroe county jail late last night by a mob of masked men, carried five miles from the town, and hung to a tree in the middle of the road, where his body was found early this morning. He was charged with having robbed a white lady at Okolona, and also attempting a criminal assault upon her.

A VERY SUDDEN DEATH.

Prescott, June 29.—Capt. John S. Miller, an old and much respected resident of this place, died very suddenly this morning. He had been about 6.30 o'clock and walked to his place of business, and about 7 o'clock he was dead. Heart disease was the cause. Capt. Miller was well known among the marine men along the St. Lawrence River. He leaves a family of four children, all grown-up.

A FIREWORKS EXPLOSION.

Revere, Mass., June 29.—By an explosion of fireworks in the package room of H. Tilton & Co., at Beach street, two young men were so terribly burned that one died almost immediately, while the other only survived a few hours. They were engaged in packing fireworks in one of the buildings when the explosion from some unknown cause occurred.

A gang of skylight robbers are operating at Ottawa. Among the stores which they have burglarized are Messrs. Orme & Son and Graves Bros.

A SEALER WRECKED.

Victoria, B. C., June 29.—The well-known sealing schooner Agnes McDonald (Capt. Cutler), the greyhound of the Victoria fleet, was wrecked off the coast of Japan yesterday. All the crew and 489 skins were saved.

JEWISH LINGUIST DEAD.

New York, June 29.—Henry Gerson, a well-known Jewish scholar, rabbi and writer, is dead, at his home in this city, aged 54 years. He was an accomplished linguist, and wrote many articles on the Jews in Russia. He formerly was at the head of congregations in Atlanta and Chicago.

ROSSLAND ORE OUTPUT.

Rossland, B. C., June 29.—The shipment of ore from Rossland mines to the smelter last week amounted to 1,625 tons, the largest output of any week in the history of the camp. Centre Star appeared on the list for the first time. The Lerol management states the output of that mine will be increased to an average of 500 tons a day inside of two months. The ore receipts at Kaslo for the week ended June 29th against 518 for the preceding week.

A STRIKE IN FIVE STATES.

Pittsburgh, Pa., June 29.—Withstanding the denials of the local officials of the Miners' Association, an afternoon paper publishes a long article in effect that the national Bank of the union will issue orders tomorrow for a strike in five States. The article says the miners will go forth from Columbus that the men are to lay down their tools on Saturday. Nearly 125,000 men, it is said, will be engaged in this great conflict, and the battlefield will cover the bituminous coal centres of Indiana, Illinois, West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania. The mining rate asked for is 69 cents, based on the thin vein district of Pennsylvania.

FIRE AT GLENCOE.

Glencoe, Ont., June 29.—At 3.30 this (Tuesday) morning a fire was discovered in the premises of the Bank Block, Glencoe, under a stairway leading up to the upstairs hall entrance. The flames entered the building and worked their way to the roof over the premises occupied by the bank. Mr. Robertson, land surveyor, and Mr. McLaughlin, hardware merchant, were the first to enter the fire. The fire was kept under, and did not spread further. Damage to the building and stock estimated at \$500. Fully insured. It is perfectly certain that this fire was the work of an incendiary. The premises belong to Mr. C. J. Mills, C. London.

A VENEZUELAN CRISIS.

Caracas, Venezuela, June 29.—The resignation of the Cabinet created a crisis, not only on the administration of the Government, but also among the people. Excitement is running high, and the sensational action of the Ministry, which was, however, not wholly unexpected, being the paramount topic of discussion in the Caracas cafes and clubs. President Crespo was unable to harmonize the differences in his official family over the Guiana boundary arbitration treaty. The element that contended that the provisions of that agreement ignored the sovereignty of Venezuela in stipulating that Great Britain and the United States only, and not Venezuela alone, name the members of the tribunal of arbitration, having continued implacable.

It has been decided that William Hammond, the young man charged at Gravenhurst with the murder of his wife, Katie Tough-Hammond, will have to stand his trial again. It will be remembered that at the last trial jury stood several times for acquittal, although the case against the prisoner was very strong. As Hammond is said to be dying of consumption, it was thought for a time that he would not appear in court again, but would die in his cell. The date for the new trial was fixed Monday for November 30th.

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Close buying and close selling is the great secret of our success, and we're never afraid to buy, no matter how large the lot, so