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IMPERIAL BANK IN PEKIN HAS BEEN LOOTED, CHAOS REIGNS

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How the Chinese Tsung Li Yamen Promised an Armistice to the Legations, But Still the Shells Continued to Fall Into the Compound.

Japanese Minister in London Says the Empress Will Be the Supreme Force in China Even If Her Authority Is Taken Away From Her—Powers Must Act Quickly to Prevent Anarchy and Bloodshed.

London, Aug. 23, 4 a.m.—"To-day 1500 Americans attacked the Imperial Palace," says a despatch to The Morning Post, from Pekin, dated Aug. 15, "and captured four of the courts. The American flag is flying over the Imperial granary, and the Imperial Bank has been looted."

Events Before the Relief.

Describing events prior to the relief, The Morning Post correspondent cables:

"On Aug. 12, the Tsung Li Yamen requested a conference with a view to peace. No armistice was granted, however, and that night we endured the longest fusilade of the whole siege. It lasted 12 hours.

Still Shells Were Fired.

"On Aug. 13 the Tsung li Yamen begged to be excused from any conference, saying that the members were too busy. Later they wrote that they had forbidden firing on us and would court martial any who disobeyed. During the evning many shells fell in the legation compound."

Empress the Greatest Force.

The Daily Chronicle publishes an interview with the Japanese Minister in London, Kato Takaaki, which represents him as having said:

"The Empress is the heart and soul of China. So long as she lives, so long as she remains in China, whether the supreme power is taken from her or not, she will always be the greatest force, the one above all others to be reckoned with. The difficulty will be to get any one who can speak for her. I fear that the influence of Li Hung Chang is now of extremely little weight.

Powers Must Act Quickly.

"The powers must come to a final understanding quickly. Riots, anarchy, bloodshed and misery thruout China will be the inevitable result of a policy that does not immediately disclose itself. The Government must be re-established.

A Conference Needed.

The Japanese envoy expressed his approval of the reported American suggestion regarding a conference of the powers and said he believed that satisfactory pecuniary compensation could be secured if the resources of China were properly developed, despite the fact that her present revenues are pledged.

The Field Marshal's View.

Field Marshal Count Von Waldersee, according to The Daily Mail's correspondent, expresses the opinion that his labors in China will be of long duration, "as pacification will be a difficult undertaking."

Russia's Great Army.

Three hundred and seventy-five thousand Russian troops are already in the far east or on the way there by land, sea or under orders to embark. This statement is made by the Moscow correspondent of The Daily Graphic, who adds that mobilization is in progress all over European Russia, and that there are now at Odessa 14 steamers chartered to take troops.

Li Leaves for Pekin.

According to a St. Petersburg special a telegram has been received at the Russian capital from Shanghai, announcing the departure of Li Hung Chang for Pekin.

PEKIN IN THE HANDS OF ALLIES.

Minister Conger Wires That the Chinese Army Fled—Conditions Are Chaotic.

Washington, Aug. 22.—The State Department authorizes the announcement of the receipt at an early hour this (Wednesday) morning, thru the consul at Che Foo, of a telegram from Mr. Conger, in the Department cipher, to the following effect:

"Pekin, Aug. 19.—Secretary of State, Washington: The entire city, with the exception of the Imperial Palace, is occupied by Japanese, Russian, British, American and French. It is being apportioned into districts for police supervision. The Chinese army fled. The imperial family and the court have gone westward, probably to Sian Fu, in the Province of Shensi. No representatives of the Chinese Government are in sight at Pekin, and the conditions are chaotic. The palace is expected to be taken immediately. Many missionaries have started for home, while others remain in charge of the Christian refugees, numbering about 1000. Conger."

MORE FIGHTING AT TIEN TSIN.

Rear Admiral Bruce Says Allies Were Fighting the Chinese Outside on Sunday.

London, Aug. 22.—Rear Admiral Bruce has cabled to the British Admiralty from Taku, under date of Monday, Aug. 20, that the allies were fighting the Chinese outside of Tien Tsin on Sunday, Aug. 19.

German Battalion Delayed.

Berlin, Aug. 22.—The German War Office has received a despatch from Taku, dated Aug. 19, saying the advance of the German battalion was delayed by violent rains. It reached Pekin, Aug. 17. Yang Tsun, it is added, was still threatened by the Chinese troops on the Imperial Canal.

DOWAGER EMPRESS ESCAPED.

Left Pekin With 3000 Troops on Aug 12—Destination Supposed to Be Sian Fu.

London, Aug. 22.—"The allies were fighting the Chinese outside Tien Tsin, Aug. 19," so Rear Admiral Bruce wires to the British Admiralty from Taku, under date of Aug. 20, adding that the engagement was reported to have occurred six miles south of Tien Tsin.

Particulars as to the Advance.

Admiral Bruce also sent a despatch, dated Pekin, Aug. 17, from the general officer commanding there, in which nothing is said as to the situation at Pekin. He gives a partial list of the British casualties during the siege of the legations, including Capt. Bernard Strouts, who died of wounds, and regrets that "owing to the heavy road and forced march the naval brigade was unable to participate in the entry," adding that the "way they brought their guns by boat and road from Tien Tsin is an achievement of which they may be proud."

Pekin in Great Confusion.

An official despatch from Tien Tsin, dated Aug. 20, received at Tokio, repeats that the Japanese occupied the Imperial Palace at Pekin, Aug. 16, and says that about Aug. 12 the Dowager Empress and Emperor and the Ministers left Pekin with three thousand troops, their destination, it is supposed, being Sian Fu. Pekin, it is added, being in great confusion, was divided into several districts.

How Order is Maintained.

Half the Tartar city was placed under the control of the Japanese, and committees of Japanese, American, British, Russian and French officers wer appointed to maintain order. A detachment of Japanese troops rescued the foreign missionaries and Chinese Christian converts who had been imprisoned in the palace. Two hundred Japanese were killed or wounded.

EMPEROR STILL IN PEKIN

According to the Story Which Comes Thru the Japanese Legation at Washington.

Washington, Aug. 22.—The Japanese legation has received a telegram, Aug. 21, from the Foreign Office at Tokio, giving the following despatch received yesterday from the Japanese acting consul-general at Shanghai:

"A despatch received here from a Chinese official at Pao Ting Fu says that, by the Empress Dowager's orders, Hsui Yung Yi, Li Shan and Lien Yuen, were executed on the 11th, and Yung Lu, who was to have shared the same fate, is now in a jail of the Judicial Department and that the Empress and the Emperor left Pekin on the 13th, escorted by Tun Fu Shiang troops, for Wu Taishan, via Chuchow and Tsching Kwan. Kangye, it is further stated, has been appointed commander-in-chief of the Wu Wei army, while Princes Taun and Chawng and Tsong Chi, Kang Yi and Hsui Tung have been ordered to remain at Pekin.

"Another telegram, dated the 16th, has been received here from Pao Ting, to the effect that tho the Empress Dowager has left Pekin, the Emperor has decided to remain behind."

MISSIONARIES SAFE IN PEKIN.

American Boards Received a Most Reassuring Cable Message From Che Foo.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 22.—The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions has received to-day a cablegram from Che Foo as follows:

"Psalms one, twenty-four, seven, Pekin and Tung Chow missionaries, also Chapin's, Smith's, Wickoff's, saved."

The Pekin missionaries are: Rev. W. S. Ament, Rev. C. E. Ewing, wife and two children; Miss Ada Haven, Miss Nellie Russell, Mrs. J. L. Mateer.

The Tung Chow missionaries who had taken refuge at Pekin are: Miss Mary E. Andrews, Miss Jane G. Evans, Miss Abbie G. Chapin, Rev. Chauncey Goodrich, D.D., wife and three children James H. Ingram, M.D., wife and two children; Miss Luella Miner, Rev. E. W. Tewksbury, wife and two children; Rev. Howard S. Galt and wife.

The Pung Chuang missionaries who were at the annual meeting and took refuge at Pekin are: Rev. Arthur H. Smith, D.D., and wife, the Misses E. Gerfrude and H. Grace Wyckoff.

Lin Ching missionaries under the same conditions are: Rev. F. M. Chapin, wife and two children.

The passage of Scripture alluded to above is: "Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers; the snare is broken and we are escaped."

Other Messages of Confirmation.

New York, Aug. 22.—The first cablegrams which have come to the mission boards in this city from Pekin since communication was cut off over two months ago arrived to-day. One of them was received by the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. It came from the Rev. Dr. Wherry of Pekin, and was dated Che Foo, where it is supposed to have been sent via Tien Tsin. It was as follows:

"Mackey, some converts, marvelously saved. Property mission, private, totally destroyed. Wire friends."

Robert E. Speer, one of the secretaries of the board, commented on this as follows: "There is much doubt as to the meaning of the message. The most hopeful interpretation is that it refers to Pao Ting Fu, and that 'some converts' maybe was a mistake for 'Simeon's.' At any rate, it is clear that all the regular missionaries of the Presbyterian Church at Pekin and Dr. Maud Mackey are safe, and that the property, either in Pekin or Pao Ting Fu, is destroyed."

The Rev. Dr. A. B. Leonard of the Methodist Missionary Society also received a cablegram from Pekin, as follows: "Pekin relieved. All members mission safe, well."

This was signed by the Rev. George Davis and the Rev. F. D. Wells. There were 16 members of the Methodist mission in Pekin during the siege.

U. S. REPLY TO LI HUNG CHANG.

Nothing Can Be Done Until There is a Government in China to Prevent Hostilities.

Washington, Aug. 22.—The reply of the United States Government to Li Hung Chang says, in brief, that this Government cannot enter upon negotiations until there is a Government in China which can prevent the hostilities of Chinese troops and Chinese citizens against the forces of the powers. The text of the reply has been communicated to the other Governments.

TO PROTECT SHANGHAI.

American Asiatic Association Says That 15,000 Foreign Troops Are Needed.

New York, Aug. 22.—The Executive Committee of the American Asiatic Association have received the following cablegram from the American Association of China at Shanghai and have forwarded it to the Secretary of State:

"Situation Yanktse Valley increasingly critical, military estimate 15,000 troops needed effectively to protect Shanghai; urge Government immediately to send quota."

CONGRATULATIONS FOR CHAFFEE.

U. S. Secretary of War Cables Him in the Name of the President on His Success.

Washington, Aug. 22.—The War Department has made public the following:

"War Department, Aug. 22.—Major-Gen. Chaffee, Pekin, via Taku: The President joins me in congratulations to you and the officers and men of your command on the brilliant achievement, in which the courage, fortitude and skill of the American forces in China have played so honorable a part. With mourning for your fallen comrades, the whole country is proud and grateful for your great success. (Signed) Elihu Root, Secretary of War."

An Official Statement.

Washington, Aug. 22.—The State Department made public the following statement at 3 o'clock to-day: "The Acting-Secretary of State authorizes the statement that a reply has been made to-day to Minister Wu's communication of two telegrams from Earl Li Hung Chang, dated respectively the 19th and 21st instant, relative to the cessation of hostile demonstrations and the appointment of representatives to negotiate with China. The correspondence will not be made public until to-morrow (Thursday) morning."

Von Waldersee Leaves for China.

Rome, Aug. 22.—Field Marshal Count Von Waldersee, the German officer, who is going to the far east in order to take command of the allied forces in China, with the three officers accompanying him, breakfasted with King Victor Emmanuel this morning, after which the field marshal went to the Pantheon and deposited a wreath on the tomb of King Humbert. The field marshal left Rome at 2.30 p.m. for Naples, where he will embark for China.

Rebels Attack Song Ching.

Yokohama, Aug. 22.—An official despatch from Corea says that a thousand rebels have attacked Song Ching and burned the Government buildings located there.

MONTREAL FLYER DITCHED.

Boston and Maine Train Strikes a Working Train—Engineer Hughes Killed.

Fitchburg, Mass., Aug. 22.—The Montreal flyer on the Fitchburg division of the Boston and Maine Railroad, leaving Boston at 11 a.m., and Fitchburg at 12.35 p.m., ran into three cars of a working train between the state line and Fitzwilliams, N.H., this afternoon. The engine of the flyer was derailed, the engineer, Frank Hugher, of this city, was fatally injured, dying to-night at Jene, while the passengers were more or less shaken up and the track was blocked for five hours.

Fireman Lude of the flyer jumped and escaped with a few bruises.

CAPTURED AFTER A HARD CHASE.

Police Interrupt Two Men Who Were Robbing a Dovercourt-Road Residence—One Escaped.

Housebreakers entered the home of John Minto, at 457 Dovercourt-road, while the family were away yesterday afternoon, and carried off a large amount of clothing. Entrance was secured by forcing a rear window. The thieves were interrupted while robbing the place by Police Constable Burns. The officer saw one of the men in the yard, and as he approached a second man jumped out of a window. The thieves then ran off and ran thru the surrounding lanes, closely followed by the officer. Stewart Kennedy, police electrician, happened to be riding his bicycle along Dovercourt-road when the men passed him. He joined in the chase and succeeded in capturing one of the men. The prisoner, who gave the name of Daniel Robinson and said he lived on Armstrong-avenue, was handed over to P.C. Bloodworth, who locked him up at No. 6 station. A quantity of stolen property was found on the prisoner.

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PAUL KRUGER'S REPLY TO LORD ROBERTS' LAST PROCLAMATION

"It Will Help You Nothing to Lay Down Your Arms—Every Step Homeward Is a Step Nearer St. Helena," He Says.

London, Aug. 23.—President Kruger, according to a despatch from Lorenzo Marquez, to The Daily Express, has issued a proclamation counter to the latest proclamation issued by Lord Roberts. The Transvaal President says:

"It will help you nothing to lay down your arms or to leave the commandoes. Every step homeward means a step nearer St. Helena."

THAT PRETORIA PLOT

To Kidnap Lord Roberts—Cordua Found Guilty on All the Charges Laid Against Him.

Pretoria, Aug. 21.—The trial of Lieut. Cordua, formerly of the Transvaal Artillery, on the charge of being concerned in the plot to kidnap Gen. Lord Roberts was concluded to-day. The prisoner was found guilty of all the counts in the indictment against him, but sentence was deferred until the findings of the court should be confirmed by Lord Roberts.

Col. Godfrey, the judge, in summing up, caused a sensation by declaring that a violation of parole was punishable with death.

A period of 43 minutes was occupied in considering the verdict.

8000 BOERS AT MACHADODORP.

They Have With Them All the Boer Artillery and the Heavy Pieces From Pretoria.

Twyfelaar, Monday, Aug. 20.—Thru secret intelligence agents, the British authorities learn that Gen. Louis Botha, the commander-in-chief of the Boer forces; Gen. Lucas Meyer, the commander of the Orange Free State forces, and Gen. Schalkburger, Vice-President of the Transvaal Republic, with 8000 Boers, have assembled at Machadodorp (generally understood to be the headquarters of President Kruger, on the Pretoria-Delagoa Bay Railroad), with the whole Boer artillery, including the heavy pieces formerly at Pretoria.

STILL THE FIGHTING GOES ON.

Lord Roberts Says Twenty-Four British Are Missing Near Ventnersburg—Other Casualties.

London, Aug. 22.—The War Office has received the following despatch from Lord Roberts, dated Aug. 21:

"Lieutenant-Colonel Sitwell, reconnoitering near Ventnersburg, engaged the Boers. Two British were wounded. Lieutenants Spedding, Davenport, Surtees and Watson and a medical officer and 24 men are missing.

"Hamilton has crossed the Crocodile River.

"Paget and Baden-Powell engaged the commandoes protecting Dewet, Aug. 20. Lieut. Flowers and one man were killed. Lieutenant Kirby and six men were wounded."

Was Tommy Atkins Jealous?

London, Aug. 22.—Sergt. Barnes of the New South Wales Mounted Rifles is in the city. In an interview with a representative of The Daily Chronicle, referring to Lord Roberts' colonial bodyguard, on his entering Bloemfontein, he says: "I am afraid that then, as on other occasions, Tommy Atkins was somewhat jealous. There were times when the Australian and Canadian men had to band themselves together for mutual protection from the Imperial troops."

TREASON BILL GETS SECOND READING WITHOUT A DIVISION

Mr. Rose-Innes Appealed to the Members of the Cape Colony Legislature to Vindicate Its Rights of Self-Government – Mr. Schreiner's Position.

Cape Town, Aug. 22.—In the House of Assembly to-day the treason bill was sent to a second reading, without a division.

On July 26 last the Ministry of Sir John Gordon Sprigg introduced in the Cape House the indemnity and special tribunals or treason bill. Its second reading was moved Aug. 1 by Mr. Rose-Innes, Attorney-General.

The debate on this motion was very bitter and occupied the attention of the House for five sittings.

What the Treason Bill Does.

Broadly described, the treason bill fixes the responsibility and future status of rebellious subjects of Queen Victoria in the colony of the Cape of Good Hope, altho the question of compensation is left to another session, and the crux of the debate was the question whether indemnity should include amnesty.

How the Bund Attacked.

The Afrikander Bund leaders availed themselves of the opportunity to attack Joseph Chamberlain's South African policy especially as it affects the Cape Dutch and to accuse Mr. Schreiner himself, a Dutchman, of "betraying the Dutch and of violating implied if not express pledges to the Bund."

Messrs. Schreiner and Solomon had voted with the Government majority on the first reading.

Mr. Rose-Innes' Argument.

Mr. Rose-Innes, in moving the second reading, appealed to the members of the House to exercise common sense and self-restraint in dealing with the bill, remarking that if the colony emerged from the ordeal it would amply vindicate its rights to self-government. He characterized the punishment which it was proposed by the bill to mete out to rebels as the "mildest imaginable," observing that the rank and file if tried by the ordinary courts would be liable to disfranchisement for life. He said that if the Afrikander party suffered, owing to the disfranchisement of rebels, no blame could be attached to the Imperialists.

Attack on Chamberlain.

Mr. Merrimen, speaking for the Opposition, declared that the bill was an expression of Mr. Chamberlain's desire to establish an artificial majority to do his bidding, and to grind the whole race. He predicted that it would perpetuate strife, render a settlement impossible and create new crises. He said he had not the slightest doubt that the object of the bill was to wreak political vengeance on the Afrikander party.

Schreiner Supports It.

Mr. Schreiner, accepting Mr. Merrimen's challenge as a veiled censure of himself and his Government, said he would support the treason bill, which showed wisdom and statesmanship, because it formed a rift in the clouds of the future. From his point of view, it was a lenient measure.

Why He Resigned.

His colleagues had failed to recognize that amnesty was a constitutional prerogative of the Imperial Government. When Mr. Chamberlain's reply was received to the Ministerial minute, urging an amnesty—an act on the part of the Cape Government that implied no interference with the prerogative of the British Crown, and when it was found that this reply modified the first proposals, he (Mr. Schreiner) urged the summoning of a meeting of the Afrikander party. A majority of its members refused to accept the proposition for a five years' disfranchisement, whereupon he immediately resigned. He said he wished utterly to repudiate the charge that an Afrikander conspiracy had ever existed. If a conspiracy had existed, why was he not in it? Sympathy with the Boers was not disloyalty, provided that true allegiance was maintained.

SIR CHARLES IS DOWN EAST

Crowds Assembled Along the Line as the Old Conservative Leader Passed Along.

HE MADE A SPEECH AT MONCTON.

No Doubt the Elections Are on, He Told the Assembly—Meetings to Be Held.

Amherst, N. S., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—From the time the C.P.R. Halifax express, with Sir Charles Tupper aboard, crossed the New Brunswick line this afternoon, he was besieged by political friends and crowds assembled at the stations all along the line.

Hon. George E. Foster joined him at Apohaqui and accompanied him to Salisbury, making arrangements for meetings at Moncton, St. John and Fredericton.

At Moncton a big crowd assembled, and demanded a speech, and Sir Charles briefly addressed them: "There is no doubt," he said, "we are on the eve of a general election. The time has rolled around quickly, on more so for us in the cool shades of Opposition than for those in the Treasury benches. I fear, however, we shall soon have to leave our retirement to assume the responsibilities of government."

This was loudly cheered.

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When It's Time for a Change.

Most gentlemen change from a straw hat to a felt first of next month. In fact it is considered by people who follow fashions closely that it's the proper thing to do. Fairweathers (84 Yonge) are showing a splendid range of Fine English and American Fedoras and Alpines, in the lighter shades, such as pearls and fawns, that are exclusive in style, guaranteed quality, and just the proper 'tween-seasons weights, $1.25 to $4.

POPE LIKES CANADIANS.

"Seventy-Two Canadians Are Worth More Than 100,000 Neapolitans," He Says.

Ottawa, Aug. 22.—Four priests of the Ottawa Diocese were among the Canadian pilgrims who were recently granted an audience by Pope Leo in Rome.

Rev. Father La Belle of Arimer, who was one of them, in conversation, stated that the audience which the Pope granted the Canadians, was certainly a most special favor.

"On our arrival in Rome in the morning," said Father La Belle, "our desire to have an audience was in due course laid before Cardinal Satolli. The Cardinal spoke to the Pope about the matter. The Holy Father asked who were the pilgrims and how many in number.

"Seventy-two Canadians, he was told.

"Seventy-two Canadians are worth more than one hundred thousand Neapolitans," said His Holiness. Let them come.

"The audience was accordingly granted us."

WILLIAM MACDONALD, Q.C., ILL.

Suffered a Hemorrhage of the Brain on the Street Last Night—Now in the Hospital.

Mr. William Macdonald, Q.C., of the law firm of Kerr, Macdonald, Davidson & Paterson, who resides at 53 Wellesley-street, while passing the corner of Richmond and Bay-streets last night, suffered a hemorrhage of the brain and fell to the pavement. He was picked up in an unconscious condition by Police Constable Dan Robinson and hurriedly removed in the ambulance to St. Michael's Hospital. About midnight he regained his senses and is now on a fair road to recovery.

Coming—The Great Trilby.

Many people have something which they do not want; other people want that very article. Send your goods to C. J. Townsend & Co., the auctioneer,

To-day's Program.

Ontario Rifle Association third day's shooting at Long Branch.
Trades and Labor Council 8.
St. Andrew's Brotherhood, St. Alban's Cathedral, 8.
Copland Brewery Company games, Woodbine, 2.30.
Reception to Mrs. Rutherford, W.C.T.U., Elm-street, 8.
Hanlan's Point, free vaudeville, afternoon and evening.
Munro Park, free vaudeville, afternoon and evening.

HE SUICIDED BY POISON.

Thomas Stewart Ended His Life at His Home, 80 Agnes-Street, by Drinking Laudanum.

SAID HE WAS TIRED OF HIS LIFE.

Was Writing a Letter to His Mother When He Swallowed the Fatal Dose.

Because his aged mother, who lives in Peterboro, would not allow him to pay her a visit, Thomas Stewart ended his life yesterday afternoon at his home in the rear of 80 Agnes-street by swallowing an ounce of laudanum. Stewart, who was about 50 years of age, was up and around his home, apparently in good spirits, during the early part of the day. He was last seen alive about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, when he spoke to John Patterson, his landlord, who lives at 98 Agnes-street. Stewart was then cheerful, and asked Patterson to be sure and see him before 5 o'clock, as he claimed to be going some place. Patterson paid little attention to what Stewart had to say, and in a few minutes the men separated.

His Dead Body Found.

Stewart's dead body was found a little after 6 o'clock by Patterson, who had become alarmed on approaching the door, and finding it locked, and the blinds on the windows drawn. Patterson climbed a ladder and entered the house by one of the upstairs windows. He called Stewart, but got no answer. On going downstairs, he saw the body lying in the dining-room, on the floor. At the same moment he noticed on the table a bottle labeled "Poison," and ran, horror-stricken, from the house.

Notified the Police.

He hurried to the Agnes-street Police Station, and notified Sergt. Cross of what he had found. An officer was then placed in charge of the house until Coroner Greig arrived and made an investigation into the death.

A Case of Suicide.

On learning the circumstances, the Coroner decided that an inquest was unnecessary, as everything pointed to a case of suicide.

In making an examination of the man's effects after the body had been found, the police came across a letter which explained the reason for Stewart taking his own life. It was apparent that he had been corresponding with his mother about visiting her, and that she was opposed to him leaving Toronto on any such errand. Stewart received a letter from his mother yesterday morning, and he at once sat down and wrote a reply, stating that he would commit suicide if she did not reconsider her decision.

While writing the letter, Stewart, apparently, was seized with an uncontrollable desire to end his life without giving his mother another opportunity to think over the matter. The letter, which was addressed to "Mrs. Stewart, Box 226, Peterboro," was as follows:

"Dear Mother: I received your letter to-day. I asked to come to see you, and you send 'no.' Well, I have two ounces of laudanum. I want to hear from you. If not, I will be gone, and good riddance to me. I am tired of life. This is the last letter. Good-bye, old mother. I am sorry to disgrace you, but I can't help it. Good-bye, mother, I am sorry I can't meet you there. T. S."

Where Poison Was Got.

The poison with which Stewart committed suicide was purchased at H.W. Burgess' drug store, corner of Alice and Yonge-streets, early yesterday morning by Stewart. The deceased had been a resident of Toronto for about 15 years, having come here from Peterboro, where his relatives are well connected. Of late years he had not been engaged in any kind of work, being content to remain at home, while his wife went to her employment as cook at the Arlington Hotel. Besides a widow, he leaves one son, William Stewart, who lives with his grandfather, Richard Hughes, Township of Bentinck, Grey County.

MR. MACKENZIE IN WINNIPEG.

Returned With D. D. Mann, After an Inspection of the Canadian Northern Lines.

Winnipeg, Aug. 22.—Mr. William Mackenzie, Mr. D. D. Mann, Mr. D. B. Hanna and Mr. R. J. Mackenzie returned to Winnipeg this morning after a tour of inspection over the Canadian Northern lines.

The Cafe of Canada.

For the next three weeks, during the Exhibition, all strangers coming to the city wanting first-class meals, at all hours, on the shortest possible notice, should call at the Temple Cafe, where all the latest delicacies, with first-class service, at moderate prices, will be at your command.

The Temple Cafe, with its luxurious fittings, is the only place in town where a meal can be enjoyed without that crowding which is found in inferior restaurants.

Do not fail to see the Blue Room, which is a marvel of beauty, with its dainty decorations, fitted especially for the convenience of private parties. The lunch counter in the Annex, on the ground floor, will be supplied with everything to suit the tastes of the most fastidious. You can get a dainty lunch from 20 cents up.

After which you are invited to visit our luxurious smoking parlors, where you can get all the choicest brands of cigars, with the latest magazines, local and foreign papers. The Temple Cafe, corner Bay and Richmond-streets, T. G. Davey, manager. ed

Pember's Turkish Baths reopened after thorough renovation, 127-129 Yonge.

A Wonderful Thing.

The new cure for dandruff and to save the hair—you can't buy it at the druggists—you can only buy it at the agents for the great N. Y. hatter, Dunlap, at Dineen's, corner Yonge and Temperance-streets. It's a simple little pad about the size of a button. It can be attached easily to the inside of your hat, and in a month the cure is effected. Ask for it.—"Eldred's Antiseptic Hat Pad."—50 cents.

The Chocolate of the future. Try it Watson's fresh made Cream Chocolate. Invigorating, sustaining, delicious, in 5c bars. 246

Jumped Thru a Glass Door.

George L. Matthews of 318 East Front-street, in a fight which is said to have occurred last night in a down-town hotel, judged thru a glass door and had his arms and hands badly lacerated. He was attended to at the Emergency Hospital.

Kitchener and Bobs

Just to hand. Fine French coloring clay pipe with push vulcanite mouthpieces, Kitchener and Roberts heads, the very latest novelty. Ten cents each at A. Clubb & Sons, 49 and 97 King West.

Cook's Turkish Baths have reopened 202 and 204 King West.

Suite of offices to be let at northeast corner Yonge and King-streets. Also offices in Victoria Arcade and store on King-street west. S. H. Janes, 22 Victoria-street. 246

Cook's Turkish Baths have reopened.

Mosquitoes and Black Flies are harmless if you use Bingham's Mosquito Oil, pleasant and effectual. Bingham's Pharmacy, 100 Yonge-street, or dealers in campers' supplies.

THE CENTRAL ONTARIO HIGH COURT ADJOURNS

Independent Foresters Got Down to Work Yesterday and Elected Their Officers for the Ensuing Year.

Remarkable Growth of the Fraternity Is Noted by All—Actuary Rea Delivers an Address on Insurance—Next Session in Orillia.

Owen Sound, Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The visiting delegates of the Independent Order of Foresters to the meeting of the High Court of Central Ontario put all pleasures aside to-day, and got down to business in real earnest. If the townsfolk had had their way, tho, their visit here would have been taken up entirely with merry-making, for they are a generous, hospitable people, proud of their pretty town and anxious to show their visitors all there is to be seen. But however much the delegates desired it, everything had to give way before business, because that is what they came up here for.

In connection with yesterday's demonstration it was a matter of surprise to the visitors at the wonderful hold the order has taken in this part of the country. Nearly everyone seemed to be a member, and every second person met wore his badge of membership.

Some Interesting Facts.

A few facts about the progress of this great international fraternal society will not be inappropriate on this occasion. During the year 1899 it has paid to its members and to the beneficiaries of deceased members $7,710,193.17. To fully realize what this vast amount means one has only to consider that this amounts to $4569 for each week day in the year. Then again, besides this, a large sum of money has also been expended for sick and funeral benefits by courts outside of Canada. As to the strength and standing of the order, very little need be said on that score. Figures speak conclusively, and the surplus on Dec. 31 of last year aggregated the handsome sum of $3,778,543.58.

Old-Established Institution.

One thing particularly that should be taken into consideration regarding the order is the fact that it is an old-established and highly successful institution. It is past its experimental stage, and consequently no risks whatever are run. Furthermore, the I.O.F. is growing. The heads are not satisfied to rest upon their oars and enjoy the laurels already attained, but the success they have met with has on the contrary spurred them on to still greater efforts, if that would be possible. The principal cause, perhaps, to which may be attributed the prosperity of the I.O.F. is the fact that it has been established on a tried and perfectly secure financial basis, and also to the fact that the management, all of whom are men who thoroly understand their business, have thrown their whole heart and soul into the work, determined to make it a success—and that they have most certainly done.

Men at the Head.

It is worthy of note also that the men who are at the head are distinguished citizens, who have risen to the top notch in their various callings. The Supreme Chief Ranger, Dr. Oronhyatekha, of course, is almost universally known.

Hon. E. G. Stevenson, a member of the Supreme Council, is an eminent and well-known lawyer of Detroit, Mich., and on every occasion takes the opportunity of advocating and emphasizing the great necessity of a closer and stronger feeling of brotherhood between the people of Canada and the United States.

Hon. Dr. Montague is another prominent member of the order. He is called jokingly the "baby Forester," and, as he humorously puts it, he is "a growing baby."

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MANITOBA'S WHEAT CROP.

Wheat Cutting Will Be All Over in 10 Days—Better Than Six Bushels to the Acre.

Winnipeg, Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Heavy rains fell last night thruout the Mennonite Reserve, where wheat-cutting is now over.

Rain also fell in the Souris section, north of the central section, and from Rothwell to Methune, in southwestern portion of the C. P. R.

Barring last night's weather, in all sections it was reported fine and warm to cloudy and calm.

Reports of wheat-cutting received at C. P. R. and N.P.R. indicate that rapid progress is being made, and that it will be over in about 10 days.

Thruout Southern Manitoba, on the Emerson branch, cutting is reported as completed. It is estimated now that 75 per cent. of the wheat has been cut in Manitoba, and the outlook for the yield is probably better than six bushels per acre.

BLAZE SOUTH OF ROSSLAND.

Fire Destroyed Miller's Sawmill and Half a Million Feet of Lumber.

Rossland, B. C., Aug. 22.—Fire this afternoon destroyed the sawmill of R. B. Miller, six miles below Rossland, on Red Mountain Railroad. Cause of the fire is unknown. The fire started in the mill building at 3 p.m. The mill was a total loss by 4 o'clock. The blaze caught a pile of lumber on and near the skidway, and all of it was destroyed. Half a million feet of lumber has gone up in smoke. A car loaded with dressed lumber was also consumed. The capacity of the mill was about 25,000 feet. No insurance. Estimated loss $22,000. The fire is still threatening the mill houses and those of the Philadelphia Mining Company near by.

Coming—The Great Trilby.

Tourists Turning South.

August is on the wane, and the summer tourists—many of them, at least—are beginning to think "homeward," and this fact becomes more apparent daily at Fairweathers, (84 Yonge), for their fur showrooms are thronged daily by inquirers and prospective purchasers of Fine Fur Garments. The firm keeps open house to all visitors, and extends the heartiest kind of a welcome to visit the store and view the splendid collection of Fine Fur Garments they are displaying for the new season's trade.

Gibbons' Toothache Gum, the great pain reliever. Ask for it. Price 10c.

Good—to Be Prized.

When you give a present, you like it to be a useful article, and you like it to be so good that it will be prized highly. If it is for a gentleman and he is a smoker, choose a Loewe pipe—the best briar root pipe in the world. G. W. Muller says he was fortunate when he secured the exclusive sale of these silver-mounted briar pipes in Canada. Every pipe is guaranteed perfect and flawless. You can get a Loewe pipe as good as $10—more or less.

High-grade leather library furniture—specially inviting line. The Office Specialty Mfg. Co., 77 Bay St.

The Heintzman & Company pianos are receiving more favorable comment to-day from an artistic standpoint than all other makes combined. We understand that their exhibit for the coming Industrial Exhibition will be something quite superb.

Edwards and Hart-Smith, Chartered Accountants, offices Canadian Bank of Commerce Building, Toronto.

Monuments.

Finest work and best designs at lowest prices. The McIntosh Granite and Marble Company, 1119 and 1121 Yonge-street, Toronto (terminal Yonge-street car route). 246

BIRTHS.

THOMPSON—On the 22nd Aug., at 48a Euclid-avenue, the wife of Walter S. Thompson, of a son.

DEATHS.

McKENZIE—At Cobourg, on Aug. 19th, 1900, at Mr. J. W. Bickle's, Gertrude Lawes, dearly beloved and only daughter of Bertha and John McKenzie of 95 Major-street, Toronto, aged 1 year and 5 months.

McQUILLEN—Aug. 22nd, Basil Owen, infant son of Owen and Annie McQuillen, aged 3 months 23 days.

Funeral from 204 Berkeley-street, Thursday, 9 a.m.

SCOTT—At Mr. Wm. Hoods' of Amber, on Tuesday, Aug. 21st, 1900, Walter William, infant son of Rev. and Mrs. T. R. Scott of Oxbow.

Funeral on Thursday, the 23rd inst., at 2 o'clock p.m., to St. John's Cemetery.

JOE STICKS UP FOR RULES.

He Will Hold the B. C. Legislature Down to the Straight Procedure No Matter What Happens.

Victoria, B.C., Aug. 22.—(Special.)—Joseph Martin, leading the Opposition, proved himself to be a prize obstructionist in the Legislature this afternoon. Private bills were being staged along, the members being desirous of ending the session this week, when he pointed out that certain formalities in the early stage had not been complied with and stood immovable on the point of order. The Government was reduced to perplexity, and many bills may have to be re-introduced and several days wasted over formal motions to cure the oversight.

STRIKE SITUATION THE SAME.

Neither the C. P. R. Officials Nor Their Employes at Winnipeg Are Talking Now.

Winnipeg, Aug. 22.—(Special.)—The C.P.R. strike situation remains unchanged today, and neither officials nor men had anything to give out for publication. The conductors and brakemen were to have met the company's officials this week, regarding the renewal of their schedule, but owing to the strike of the shop hands, the meeting has been indefinitely postponed.

DAVIN TO MEET SIFTON.

Story at Regina is That It is Simply a Card to Draw Audiences for Sifton.

Winnipeg, Aug. 22.—(Special.)—A Regina despatch says: "Mr. Davin has received a challenge to meet Hon. Clifford Sifton on the platform at Regina, Maple Creek and Moose Jaw, and he has accepted. The supposed reason why he accepted is to get an audience for Mr. Sifton, and probably to secure for him a better reception than he otherwise might receive. Everybody is talking politics, and meetings are advertised at a number of points."

Up-to-Date.

We all like to feel and to look up-to-date, especially where our hat is concerned. It doesn't cost any more to get the latest in shapes and styles than it does for an antiquated style—if you know where to go. The Dineen Company have received their first fall shipment of stiff felt Derby hats. They are from the Youman, Knox and Young blocks, and exactly the same as are now being worn on Fifth-avenue. A better description will appear on the back page of this paper to-morrow; but a personal visit from you will be appreciated.

Coming—The Great Trilby.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

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