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TRANSATLANTIC TOPICS.

PROBABILITY OF A TREATY BETWEEN FRANCE AND CHINA.

The Croatian Troubles—A Base Accusation Against King Humbert—A Forced Manifesto—Other Old World News.

PARIS, Sept. 7—France and China are equally desirous of a peaceful solution of the Tonquin question with honor. The general sentiment favors the arbitration of England. Orders have been sent to have transports ready for embarkation the latter part of September of 10,000 men for China.

It is reported here that French troops have burned Loango, in West Africa.

Le Nationale announces that France has consented to negotiate with China for a treaty in settlement of the Tonquin question, which will be based upon that concluded with the Pe-te in 1868. That treaty provided that France should have a right to acquire property in the Ottoman empire, and in return should aid the porte against inroads from strangers.

Among China's proposals for settlement which the French minister of foreign affairs considered worthy of consideration in the Tonquin difficulty were the following: Firstly, settlement of the question of Chinese suzerainty in Annam. Secondly, the delimitation of the frontier; providing for a neutral zone between certain points.

Marquis Tseng declares that the movements of Chinese troops have been misrepresented. Only necessary precautions have been taken to secure the frontier. China was unable to renounce the suzerainty over Annam, but did not wish to make it more pronounced than hitherto. She will be satisfied with a status quo ante.

MANCHESTER, Sept. 7.—The critical relations between France and China are the source of discouragement in the cotton goods markets. Purchases are made sparingly. Prices are firm.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7.—Minister Young of Pekin in the August consular report, presents the following Chinese population statistics: "I have been informed indirectly, but from official sources, that the census of China, as taken last year for purposes of taxation, shows a total population of 255,000,000. Making due allowance for under statements due to the purpose for which the census was taken, and for Mongolian dependencies, not included in the census, but which are really an integral part of the empire, Minister Young thinks it probable the sum total of the population of China really exceeds three hundred millions.

The Croatian Troubles.

VIENNA, Sept. 7.—Moderate Croatians who form the majority in the landtag have resolved that the nomination of Baron Von Ramber as commander of Croatia is a breach of the constitution. Von Ramber has telegraphed for military aid. Four regiments have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness. Three battalions left for Croatia to-day. The rebel peasants are being paid for their services, and large quantities of arms are being purchased in many Croatian towns.

Accusation Against a King.

ROME, Sept. 7.—An article in the Paris Intransigant by Rochefort has aroused indignation throughout Italy. The article accused King Humbert of having pocketed money subscribed by the French for the Ischia sufferers while at the same time urging Germany to annihilate France. An Italian officer demanded satisfaction but Rochefort refused a hostile meeting.

A Forced Manifesto.

SOFHIA, Sept. 7.—The manifesto issued by Prince Alexander announcing the appointment of a commission to draft a new constitution, is reported to have been forced upon the prince by the Russian envoy and the Russian generals Soboleff and Ksuibars.

American Archbishops at the Vatican.

ROME, Sept. 7.—The archbishops of New York, Baltimore, Cincinnati, Philadelphia and several other prelates are expected at the vatican shortly to confer with the propaganda upon the extension of the church regulations to the clergy of America.

Famine After Fire.

BERLIN, Sept. 7.—A telegram from Batavia says famine is completing the havoc there.

THE OLD WORLD IN BRIEF.

A despatch received at London states that British troops have sent a reserve force from Capetown to protect Cetewayo.

The cattle plague continues unabated in Russia. A million cattle have been victims during the past four years in European Russia alone.

During August the British imports increased £3,100,000 compared with August last year, the exports decreased $174,000.

The steamship Jersey City from New York has arrived at Bristol; she lost 107 cattle and 110 sheep on the voyage.

The enlistment in the ranks of the rebels at Agram is progressing rapidly.

Vessels Ashore.

CHEBOYGAN, Mich., Sept. 7. — The schooner Lottie Wolf ran ashore this morning on the light house point. She is high on the rocks, and the sea is making a clear breach over her.

MARQUETTE, Mich., Sept. 7.—A heavy northeaster is blowing. The barge Sumatra is high and dry on the beach, having dragged her anchors. The tugs Morse and Maud S. lost over a million feet of logs outside.

Street Car Stables Burned.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 7.—The stable of the City Passenger railway company was burned to-night; loss $60,000. The fire caused a panicky feeling among the inmates of the almshouse near by. A female patient leaped from the window and was killed.

The Crops in Michigan.

LANSING, Sept. 7.—The yield of wheat in Michigan will probably be 23,600,000 bushels. The corn crop has been nearly ruined by excessive rains early in the season and drouth the past month.

The Hired Man.

From the Midland Free Press.

Now, when farm labor is so urgently needed, and a few hours delay may involve a few hundreds of dollars of loss, farmers will be comforted in knowing that the law protects their rights. At the last sitting of the Colborne division court a hired man sued a farmer for arrears of wages. The hired man had agreed verbally to work for the farmer from March till November but in the interval he was offered higher wages; he threw up his place, engaged with another man, and sued for the balance of wages. His case was dismissed with costs—a warning to others that they cannot leave a farmer in the lurch with impunity, even on a verbal agreement.

AN INFORMING MAGISTRATE.

How a Stayner J.P. Squared a Case for $50 And Was Made to Disgorge.

COLLINGWOOD, Sept. 7.—A case tried in the division court yesterday revealed a mean and most discreditable piece of business on the part of a magistrate. Sometime ago Mr. Henry, J.P. of Stayner treated himself and friend to a glass of whiskey at Petrie's wholesale liquor store at Stayner, paying therefor ten cents. It is contrary to law for wholesalers to sell liquor in small quantities. Subsequently Henry met Messrs. Reynolds and Gray and told them he was going to put Petrie through and intended to fine him $60 on two cases for selling liquor to himself and others; and if they were friends of Petrie's it had better be settled. After some discussion the magnanimous justice lowered his price $10, and agreed to take $50 in settlement. The young men without advice and thinking they were benefiting Mr. Petrie, at once came to the J.P.'s terms, paid him $50, and received a receipt to the effect that they paid $50 in full for liquor sold to Wm. Henry and John Gray, and that Wm. Henry agreed to exonerate said Petrie from all harm. The action of yesterday was to recover this money, and after hearing the evidence of Gray and reading the receipt, Mr. McIntyre, for the defendant, wisely gave up the case and submitted to judgment.

The Vice Regal Party.

OTTAWA, Sept. 7.—His excellency the governor-general, H. R. H. the Princess Louise, Prince George and Earl Carnarvon, accompanied by the vice-regal staff and Capt. Burrant, arrived at 1 o'clock this afternoon by the Canada Atlantic train. The distinguished party were received by the mayor. Very few prominent citizens were present, it having been understood that the party desired to be received in an unostentatious way. The party were driven to the Rideau rifle range, accompanied by Col. Gzowski and Col. Bacon. At the luncheon given at the rifle range several cabinet ministers were present.

Child Desertion at Barrie.

BARRIE, Sept. 6.—A child was left in a basket yesterday morning on the door step of James Powell, a blacksmith in Butterfield's foundry. The child was allowed to remain there 7 hours, the inmates refusing to take it in. The case was placed in the hands of of Detective Rogers who succeeded in arresting the mother, a woman named Mary Jane Cherry. She was tried before John Laird, J. P., pleaded guilty and was committed for trial. She said Powell was the father of the child and had a right to look after it.

The Terrible Deep.

ST. JOHN, Nfld., Sept. 7.—The latest from Trepassey states that the Canima mails are all lost. Nothing was saved. The passengers were dragged ashore at Gull Island by ropes. The ship struck at 3 o'clock in the morning during a dense fog, heavy rain fall and high wind and sea. The forward part of the vessel wasmashed, and the cargo floated around. The Seraméney a Labrador fishing vessel capsized Aug. 20. Capt. Whelan and crew were drowned.

A Canadian Schooner Lost.

GODERICH, Sept. 7. — The schooner yacht Explorer, with all hands, was lost on Greenough Shoal during the gale of last Tuesday. She was loaded with salt, and bound from Goderich to Cove Island. She was owned by E. N. Lewis of Goderich No insurance. The names of those lost are: Capt. Chas Woods, John McDonald, Mr. Heale and Walter Crane (son of Albert Crane of Chicago), who was on a pleasure trip.

Meaford's Big Mill Burned.

MEAFORD, Sept. 7. — Kerr & Cook's steam flour and grist mill was destroyed by fire this morning, together with 250 barrels of flour, 2000 bushels of wheat and a large quantity of oats and bran. Loss $12,000; insurance $7000. The loss of the mill is regarded as a public calamity.

Jarrard to be Extradited.

WELLAND, Ont., Sept. 7.—Judge Baxter gave judgment in the Jarrard extradition case to-day. He went at length over the different charges and held that each alteration of figures in the journal was forgery and committed the prisoner for extradition.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

Floods are reported to be doing great damage in Mexico.

There are eight new cases of yellow fever at the Pensacola navy yards.

The brig Joseph Cook was abandoned off Bermuda. The crew were saved.

The first presbyterian church at Jacksonville, Ill., has been burned; loss $75,000.

A sawmill and seven million feet of lumber were burned at Marshall, Tex., last night.

A despatch says that the blockade has been raised at Jerimie and Jacemel, Hayti, by the insurgents.

Mrs. Julie P. Smith, the well-known novelist, was killed at Hartford yesterday by a runaway team.

Light frosts are reported from Lacon, Freeport, Rockford and Watsetka, Ill.; Fonduiac, Wis.; and Argo, Ind.

Representatives of the trunk lines have amicably settled the difficulty which arose over the cutting of freight rates.

The verdict in the James case is a genuine surprise to the community of Gallatin, Mo., and much indignation is expressed.

The new breakwater building at Duluth was broken to pieces by Thursday night's storm. The boats were all kept there a day by the storm.

At Buffalo Thomas Ryan stooped to pick up a pin and fell across a railway track, the cars passing over his chest and killing him instantly.

There are a dozen extensive forest, meadow and bush fires in Worcester, Norfolk and Middlesex counties, Mass. Great damage has been done.

Noah Blough of Mount Carroll, Ind., a harness dealer, who failed recently with liabilities of $30,000, is discovered to be a forger to the extent of $10,000

Henry Chadwick, a Pittsburg policeman, has been notified that he has fallen heir to a large fortune in England, left by Sir Andrew Chadwick, a distant relative.

A deficit of $39,000 has been found in the accounts of John C. Newiggins, the retiring county treasurer of Crawfordsville, Ind. He has been speculating in grain.

Wm. P. Morris of Brooklyn, aged 15, died on Sunday. The doctors yesterday decided that excessive smoking of cigarettes and chewing of tobacco caused his death.

British manufacturers of linen threads manage to evade the United States tax of forty per cent. on these goods by means of large discounts, and substitution of consignments for actual sales.

Wm. Judson Garrison, a young farmer, was married at Wilkesbarre, Pa., Wednesday to Lizzie Bogert. He became a maniac immediately after the ceremony and wrecked the furniture in the justice's office.

THE SPORTING WORLD.

OPENING OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN YACHT CLUB REGATTA.

Racing at Brighton Beach, Lexington and Hartford—That Fight—Baseball Match on Monday.

The opening day of the regatta of the Royal Canadian yacht club yesterday was gloomy without but very festive within the club house at the Island, dancing being the principal attraction. The event of the day was the race for the Prince of Wales and Marquis of Lorne cups. Of six entries only the schooner Oriole and the cutter Aileen started After a fair race, considering the rainy weather, the winning line was crossed in the following order:

	HRS.	MIN.	SEC.
1. Oriole	6	45	55
2. Aileen	6	46	58

The first boat, however, was not the winner, as the Aileen had an allowance of 13 minutes, thus giving her the race by 12 minutes. The winning yacht was sailed by Mr. John Leys, vice-commodore R.C.Y.C., and the Oriole by Mr. George Gooderham.

The regatta will be continued to-day, when handsome prizes are offered for yachts of all classes.

Maple Leafs of Guelph v. Torontos.

On Monday next the Torontos meet the Maple Leafs of Guelph, champions of Canada, on the Toronto lacrosse grounds for the second time this season and it is to be hoped that they will render a better account of themselves than they did Thursday last. The club had hard luck on Thursday as nearly every error seemed to affect the score of the game. They are particularly unfortunate in this respect as their errors all seem to come in bad places. The team that will play on Monday will be a strong one and with the luck evenly divided there is no reason why they should not defeat Guelph, good club as it undoubtedly is. The Torontos have the material in them to play good ball and they can do it, and it is about time that the luck came their way.

Trotting at Hartford.

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 7.—2.25 class, purse $2000.

Steepy Joe	4	1	1	6	1
Louise N.	1	2	2	2	2
Don	2	5	4	1	4
Stephen G.	3	3	2	4	3
Stranger	5	6	6	5	5
Stonewall	6	4	5	3	6
Boss H.	7	7	dist.		

Time 2.22, 2.22½, 2.22½, 2.22½, 2.22½

2.25 class, purse $1000:

Joe B.	1	1	1
Pearl	4	3	2
Kitty Patchen	3	4	3
Bessie	2	2	dist

Time 2.22½, 2.22½, 2.23½:

2.30 class, purse $1000.

Westmont	3	1	1	1
Billy S.	1	2	2	2
Eddie B.	2	3	2	3
Lone Jack	dist			

Time 2.16½, 2.17½, 2.18½, 2.22½.

2.21 class, purse $2000

Wilson	1	1	1
Phyllis	2	2	2
Amelia C.	3	dist	

Time 2.19, 2.19, 2.18½.

Racing at Brighton Beach.

BRIGHTON BEACH, Sept. 7.—First race, three-quarter mile, Jessie D. 1st, Boulotte, 2d; time 1.17½. Second race, mile, Lord Edward won, Major Hughes 2d; time 1.45½. Third race, seven-eighths of a mile, Laura Glass won, Ida B. 2d; time 1.13½. Fourth race, mile and a quarter, Barney Aaron won, Hartford 2d; time 2.10½. Fifth race, mile and one-eighth, Mattie Rapture won, Irish King 2d; time 1.56⅔. Sixth race, mile and one-eighth, Little Fred won, Swift 2d; time 1.51½.

Flyers at Lexington.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Sept. 7.—First race, mile and a quarter, Manitou won, Silvio 2d; time 1.22½. Second race, three quarter mile, heats, Kilmeny won; Raymond 2d; time 1.18¾ and 1.18¾. Third race, three-quarter mile, Admiral won, Werdance Colt 2d; time 1.18¾.

That Fight.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 7.—The El Paso committee has gone to Chicago to meet Slade and endeavor to arrange the fight at or near El Paso. Mitchell favors the scheme, and believes Slade can be induced to accept it.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7—Slade, Mace and Madden arrived to-night. Mitchell will arrive to-morrow night. A meeting will be held between the stakeholder and the backers of the pugilists, and arrangements it is said will then be made for the fight.

Fire at a Summer Hotel.

HUNTER'S POINT, N. Y., Sept. 7.—Early this morning the laundry of the Long Branch hotel, used as sleeping apartments for musicians, was burned. Several were almost suffocated and had to be carried out to prevent the blocking of the stairway. Adolph Fredrich was burned to a crisp. The bathing pavilion and laundry were destroyed. Loss $100,000. There was great excitement in the hotel. The women rushed from their rooms and made for the stairways, leaving behind their clothing and valuables. The men threw their trunks down stairs, knocking holes in the walls and ruining the carpets. The Marquis of Montabell ran out of the hotel in his night dress, followed by the members of his family in scant attire. They left in their rooms diamonds and jewelry valued at $75,000.

The Vicious Truck System.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—Before the Senate labor committee this morning Jarrett said the truck system should be remedied by legislation. Under this system workmen were obliged to take out their wages in produce at a particular store. The only hope of the laboring man was to educate him to improve his morals. The condition of the 90,000 coal miners of Pennsylvania was pitiable. Wages were too low. They were subject to the truck system, and in consequence of utter demoralization spent at least half their earnings in drink. In England the coal miners were in a much better condition.

A Spirit Clock Strikes.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 7.—The monks in the Passionist monastery, which was burned on Wednesday night, say they were awakened at 10 o'clock by the mysterious sounding of the alarm clock, which had been set to go off at 2 a. m. This providential alarm came just in time to permit the inmates to escape from the burning building.

The Niagara of the West.

BULLE MONT, Sept. 7.—A syndicate yesterday purchased a large tract of land at the great great Shoshene falls of Snake river, Idaho, surrounded by the grandest scenery in the world, and will build a mammoth hotel and put a steamer on the river, making it the Niagara of the west.

An Indian Dude.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—Little Chief, a Cheyenne Indian, appeals to the government for a new suit of clothes, saying, "I don't care much for grub, but I do like to dress in proper style. I want the best white hat you can purchase."

LOCAL NEWS PARAGRAPHED.

The Elora museum mill make a display at the Toronto exhibition.

Persons in want of winter clothing can find a magnificent stock at Petleys.

Matinee at the Grand this afternoon. To-night will be the last performance of Enchantment.

Richard Kent, who put two bullets into his head with suicidal intent the other day, is not expected to recover.

A camp of the sons of Scotland was organized at Hamilton on Thursday night by brethren from Toronto.

Prince George, now at Ottawa, has cabled Mr. Hill, secretary of the Exhibition association, that he will visit Toronto about Sept. 19.

For the first half of 1880 $73,717 worth of postage stamps were sold in this city. For the first half of this year the amount was $105,001.

The dog-grabbers employed by the city were bounced yesterday. They asked for more pay than $2 a day, and the city commissioner fired them out of his employ.

Next Thursday afternoon has been appointed by the city council as a holiday, that all may be present at the reading of the farewell address to the governor-general and princess.

The Zoo has just received the largest sea lion ever in Canada direct from the Pacific coast. It is in splendid condition and is one of the greatest attractions that has been received for some time.

A woman named Jessie Brownlee has of late been sneaking into the Waverley house and stealing different articles, which she pawned. Last night Detective Burrows took her into custody on different charges.

As will be seen by the advertisement of Ronald Burgess & Co, they have received a very large consignment of goods which will be sold by auction every night from Sept. 11 to Sept. 22. If you want bargains, go.

Hon. T. W. Anglin, Mrs. Anglin, the two Miss Anglins and three Master Anglins arrived at the Rossin house from St. John, N.B., last night. Mr. Anglin and family will now take up their permanent residence in Toronto.

When Chief Justice Wilson took his seat in single court yesterday, the first time since the long vacation, Mr. D. B. Read, Q.C., congratulated his lordship on looking so well after his holidays, and said the bar would undoubtedly feel as he did.

When the case of Thompson v. Strong, in which a demurrer was to have been argued before Chief Justice Wilson yesterday morning, was called, it was found that no counsel were present on behalf of either plaintiff or defendant, and the demurrer was accordingly struck out.

A woman named Lottie Evans was arrested by Detective Reburn last night for trespass on the premises of F. Martin, tailor, Adelaide street east. She gained admittance through the fanlight of a rear door. The woman is said to be acquainted with the premises from former visits.

Mr. Robert Villiers, with Bruce the photographer, managed to secure a splendid photograph of the brilliant masonic group surrounding the ceremony of laying the corner stone of the new masonic hall at Parkdale on Thursday. The grand lodge was also grouped by the same artist.

Iolanthe, which has been so well put on the boards by the Holmans, will be given at the Zoo for the last time this evening. This should fill the house, but in addition the Massey band are to have a benefit, and Jewell & Clow's dog Jessie, winner of the late contest dog v. man, will be brought on the stage to receive the medals.

Little Tim McCarthy, 7 years of age, is a conundrum which the police cannot solve. His parents are in jail. The magistrate has sent him to different charitable institutions, but he runs away from all of them. Last Tuesday he was sent to the house of providence. At 10.30 last night he was found sitting in a door step in Adelaide street and taken to police headquarters.

Buffalo Catholic Union: The priests of the diocese owe a lasting debt of gratitude to Right Rev. Bishop O'Mahony for the very able manner in which he conducted the exercises of their recent retreat. Naturally eloquent and with a vigorous mind adorned with all the embellishments of a thorough education, his sojournments in many lands have afforded him a varied experience that makes Dr. O'Mahony an acquisition indeed to the Canadian church.

An excursion party of prominent Philadelphians composed of Mrs. M. R. Lesley, Miss Ella Lesley, Miss Florence E. Lesley, Miss Edith S. Lesley, W. B. Hoover and wife, Dr. G. R. Starkey and wife, E. L. Lauman and wife, the Misses Ella and Bessie Lauman, Mrs. S. L. Simpson, the Misses L B, B. E. and A G. Simpson, Wm. M. Simpson, Dr. J. R. Everhart, Benjamin Kenworth and wife and John Harrar arrived at the Queen's yesterday from the Falls. They go east to Montreal this morning.

Police Court Record.

Before Mr. Denison yesterday Margaret Strickland was charged with being insane, and her daughter, who gave evidence against her, was thought to be in the same condition. They were both remanded to jail to await medical examination. Daniel Martin, charged with stealing a pair of boots from Arch. Taylor, was sent to jail for 15 days. Mary C. Sullivan, charged with the larceny of $15 from Mary Gallagher, was discharged. It was evidently a trumped-up affair. Thos. J. Blakeley, charged with having assaulted his father, was discharged. The case of Patrick Wilson, charged with having assaulted his wife, Eliza Wilson, was adjourned till Monday for further evidence. The case of William H. Mulligan, charged with a breach of the livery bylaw, was adjourned till Monday. Mary Kehoe, charged with having sold liquor without a license, was dismissed. Sylvester Rafferty, charged with a similar offence, was fined $20 and costs or 30 days.

Opening of the Holman Opera House.

Manager Conner announces a special attraction at the Holman opera house (late Adelaide street rink) for fair week. The Holman English opera company will produce the best operas in their repertoire. The rink has been nicely fitted up, and the stage and scenery is all first-class. Each evening the entire premises will be illuminated with the electric light. On Monday and Tuesday next and at Wednesday's matinee Olivette will be produced, Miss Sallie Holman appearing as Olivette. The prices of admission for the entire engagement are low enough for all: reserved seats 35 cents, general admission 25 cents.

The Yonge and Queen Streets Cars.

King street from Yonge to St. Lawrence market is now paved with cedar blocks and in good order, and people are wondering all along why the Yonge street cars do not run through to the market as formerly. There is no excuse now why they should not. It is said the company will not recommence this service until after the fair, although it is understood their charter calls for it.

By Boat to the Fair.

Messrs. Boyle & Smith will put five steamers on the ferry service between the city and the fair grounds, commencing on Tuesday. They purpose giving a cheap and reliable service.

LABOR AND LEGISLATION.

THE TRADES COUNCIL PROTEST AGAINST ASSISTED IMMIGRATION.

New Arrivals Figuring in the Police Court—A Bad Element—The Chinese in British Columbia—The Factory act and Other Matters

The regular meeting took place last evening, the president, Mr. March, in the chair. The credentials of M. Maloney, from the Turners', and Messrs. McFarlane and Morris from the Tailors' unions, were received, and the delegates introduced. After the reading and adoption of the minutes of last meeting, the legislative committee presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your legislative committee in this their report for the first meeting in September, beg leave to submit that

They have given attention to the matter of alleged bonuses being paid to immigrants to British Columbia by the dominion government, as stated in an extract from the London Labor Standard of a date just prior to your last meeting, and to which your secretary drew attention. Letters have been sent to reliable parties in British Columbia requesting such information as may be attainable with regard to the matter, as well as requesting a statement of the state of labor market generally in that country, and the result will be laid before your body at the earliest practicable moment.

Your committee, although with a regret that a cause therefor exists, have no hesitation in recommending for endorsation by your body a resolution passed at the convention of the Knights of St. George's union, held in this city on August 29, and which is as follows: "That the Canadian societies of St. George and other benevolent Canadian associations be requested to petition the Canadian parliament to so amend the immigration acts as to prevent the landing of young immigrant children without suitable protectors."

Your attention is also drawn to the fact that quite a number of alleged immigrants figured this season in the annals of the city police court charged with petty larcenies and other crimes and misdemeanors. This would indicate that an element not at all desirable is being encouraged to immigrate into this country, and steps should be taken to bring the subject under the notice of both the provincial and dominion governments at an early date.

Again evidence, were such required, of the justice of the position of your body as expressed in the adoption of more than one report of your committee during the past season, with regard to "assisted" immigrants and the uselessness for permanent good to the country of the present dominion system of immigration, your attention is respectfully directed to the appeal of charitable societies in our midst, even at this early period of the season, asking assistance in kind from the charitably inclined for "destitute immigrants, of whom there are now a large number located in the west end." Your committee recommend that the council do not relax its efforts in impressing upon the government the necessity which exists for a much more careful operation of the present immigration laws and regulations than has been accorded in the past—that if the laws, framed for these laws and regulations, other than sanitary, has not ceased to exist altogether.

In view of the fact that in a comparatively short period of years the Canada Pacific railway will have been completed, coupled with the other fact that even now, as statistics show, there are many thousands of Chinese—aliens, and objectionable for all time and in every sense—in British Columbia and whom in course of time must of necessity swarm into the other provinces of our dominion, that to enter into unequal competition with white free labor, your committee urge that the subject, with its injustice, be kept energetically before the government with the view of obtaining "practical" remedial legislation on the subject.

In conclusion your committee would recommend that the necessary power be granted it to enter into the preparation of such recommendations to the government of the day, as will be for the purpose of being laid before the members of the different parliaments, regarding factory employers' liabilities, insolvency, Chinese, pauper and other legislation bearing directly on the interests of wage-earners as a whole, and effecting the general welfare of the whole country at large.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN ALDRIDGE, chairman.

In reply to a communication from the council addressed to the minister of marine and fisheries, relative to the employment of government civil servants as operators by the Great Northwestern telegraph company during the late strike the secretary read the following:

OTTAWA, Aug. 23, 1883.

DEAR SIR: Yours of August 6 has been handed me on my return to Ottawa. Warren Tucker was only employed temporarily at one of our hatcheries, and entirely free from our control at the time to which you refer, or indeed at any time. In the case of William Alexander, I find that he applied for the usual three weeks' holiday, to which under the statute he was entitled, and obtained it, and spent it in a telegraph office. All civil servants claim that they are at liberty to dispose of their holidays as they choose. A. W. MCLEAN.

A resolution respecting the holding of a labor congress in Toronto in December next was referred to the legislative committee for consideration and report.

In secret session the report of the demonstration committee was presented, and after some slight discussion referred to an audit committee.

After the transaction of some routine business the council adjourned.

Shabby Treatment of Excursionists.

After two annoying postponements the excursion of the letter carriers in the Toronto postoffice came off last night to Lorne park. The weather was gloomy enough, but in spite of this about 250 people boarded the steamer Hastings at 8.30 to take part in the trip. When the excursionists returned at 1 o'clock this morning there was a general outcry about the shabby treatment which they had received at the hands of Mr. Van Every, the agent of the Hastings. The boat reached the park at 10.05. The agreement was that she should blow her whistle at 11 45 and leave at 12. Instead of this she was started back at 11 sharp and some of the excursionists were left behind. The party was only allowed about three quarters of an hour at the park and they are exceedingly wrathy at their treatment.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Ben Cronyn has returned to town still suffering from having his feet frozen on the Alps some weeks ago. It will be necessary to remove two of the toes from each foot.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Yesterday being the fiftieth anniversary of the ordination to the christian ministry of the Bishop of Niagara and Rev. Archdeacon McMurray of Niagara, a special service in commemoration of the occasion was held at Christ church cathedral, Hamilton. A large number were present.

A number of the prominent drivers, such as Hickok, Turner, Spian and Goldsmith, are thinking seriously of going to California with their stables after the Providence meeting. It is proposed to stop at Chicago on the way out.

Northwest Indian item: Blackfoot Old Woman and Bull Shield were camped in the Seven Persons' Coulee, and while scouting around came on a war party of Crees. Getting the drop on their noble enemies, they stripped them of their blankets and told them (the Crees) to go home.

At a meeting of cotton manufacturers at Montreal Thursday an arrangement was agreed upon and a constitution and bylaws drafted by which all mills were to shut down for the space of three or four months, to prevent the country from being flooded with any one class of goods. When next they commence work it will be upon different lines from those already being manufactured in the country. Resolutions were passed to advance prices on certain lines of goods as they had been selling at prices which did not pay.

LOOK OUT FOR FOG.

TORONTO, Sept. 8, 1 a. m.—Lakes: northerly winds. Cooler cloudy weather with occasional rain during the morning followed by clearing weather. Fog probable in some localities on Sunday.

AN ENOCH ARDEN ROMANCE.

A Husband Supposed to Have Been Killed Suddenly Appears to Find his Wife in Mourning.

HAMILTON, Sept. 7—Last winter, about Christmas time, an unknown man was killed on the Grand Trunk at Toronto by being run over by a train. For some reason the remains were supposed to be those of a man named John Martin, a laborer of this city, who suddenly left home about five months previous. Mrs. Martin was taken to Toronto by the chief of police, and on viewing the mangled body identified it as that of her husband. She returned to Hamilton, put on mourning, and lived as a widow. A couple of weeks ago she was startled by what she thought an apparition suddenly appearing in the doorway. It was the face and figure of her husband. He looked quite natural and life-like, but it was some time before she could persuade herself that it was really he and not his ghost. At last she was obliged to believe the evidence of her own senses. It was veritably her husband, come back to her as from the grave.

"Where has he been all this time?" asked a reporter of the surprised woman, shortly afterwards

"Indeed, I don't know," returned Mrs. Martin, "I think he's been working on some canals away east of Toronto."

"Hasn't he given you any reason for his long silence?"

"No, he doesn't give reasons. He's a strange, peculiar man He's so silent. He will sit in the house for hours and not say ten words. He's a good husband to me when he's at home, I've no reason to complain of him. He's a great reader—a great scholar, I think, though he's only a laboring man."

The Cow Byre By-Law at Osgoode Hall.

At Osgoode hall yesterday before Chief Justice Wilson a motion was made to quash bylaw No. 1231 of the city of Toronto, which was passed in August, 1882, and is known as the cow byre bylaw. Mr. D. B. Read, Q.C., appeared for the applicant, Daniel McKnight, and City Solicitor McWilliams for the corporation. The bylaw is intituled one for the better prevention and abatement of nuisances, and prohibits keeping cows and pigs, except under restrictions. Clause 2 enacts that no person shall keep a pig, swine or piggery within the city of Toronto limits. Clause 3, sub.-sec. 2, enacts that no cow shall be kept in any stable, byre or other enclosure unless at least 40 feet from the nearest dwelling house, nor shall two cows be kept unless at least 80 feet from the nearest dwelling house. Mr. Read based his motion chiefly on the ground that the bylaw does not deal with nuisances at all. It arbitrarily declares that no cow shall be kept except at 40 feet from the nearest dwelling. A cow byre at 40 feet may not be a nuisance, while one at 41 feet may be a nuisance. The legislature gives power to regulate the keeping of cows, etc, but this is not the way to regulate it. The city has power only to regulate nuisances. He also contended that the bylaw is a restraint upon trade and commerce. The learned chief justice reserved his decision, which will be awaited with interest, as there is a score of adjourned cases before the police court awaiting the decision of a high court.

Photography.

Among the many modes of inducing the public to appreciate the merit of a competitor, there is probably none more practical than that of the issue of

A CHALLENGE.

Mr. Dufresne, the photographer of King street west, Toronto, therefore offers a reward of

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to any individual who can produce, as the result of his own work, photographs conveying an equally artistic pose, the same brilliancy of tone, and a finish of equal excellence to those produced by Mr. D. at 31 King street west. Arrangements satisfactory to both parties will be concluded if anyone ventures to accept the above challenge

Now is Your Time

To purchase watches and jewelry at the most reasonable rates. We would refer our readers to the advertisement of Crumpton's noted watch and jewelry house, situated at 83 King street east. The bargains that this house offer to the public are well worth seeing, and we can assure our readers that if they only will see them they will be astonished at the elegant patterns and low prices. Mr. Crumpton sells nothing that he cannot guarantee, and parties either in the city or living at a distance can rely on getting everything exactly as it is represented to be. An elegant stock of diamonds, watches, jewelery, silver and platedware awaits your inspection. Call and see them. Open Saturday evenings.

John Shields and the Muskoka Election.

Yesterday afternoon in the court of appeal Chancellor Spragge stated informally—pending the preparation of a written judgement—that the court were unanimously of opinion that they had no jurisdiction to issue summonses in re John Shields and others, alleged to have been guilty of corrupt practices in the Muskoka election. There might be some question as to the court to which the summonses were returnable, but that was a point with which they had nothing to do at present. The application will therefore be made to-day to the judges who tried the petition.

Opening at Dineen's Fur Show Rooms.

During the exhibition this firm will have all their winter styles displayed. They open up with several new styles of seal garments. The Dolman they show with a variety of trimming. Seal hats and bonnets in various shapes. Fur trimmings, fur linings, etc. One of the attractions during the fair will be a visit to those large show rooms at the corner of King and Yonge streets.

The Parkdale Rubber Factory.

West Lodge avenue, Parkdale, is the thoroughfare on which the Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing company will erect its $125,000 rubber factory. The property on which the factory is to be built was purchased for cash from Major Gray. This is another indication of the inherent enterprise of the citizens of Toronto and surburbs. To Mr. T. McIlroy, jr., the manager of the Toronto branch of this great company, the building of this factory is mainly due.

Horticultural Gardens.

In drawing the attention of our readers to a concert to be given in the pavilion of the Horticultural gardens on Sept. 13, it will interest them to know that Sig. P. Poggi has never yet sung in America, and was brought here under contract by Manager Abbey, also that the band of the Royal Grenadiers are actively engaged rehearsing the march Avanti le Camba, dedicated by Sig. P Brignoli to his excellency the Marquis of Lorne, and to be tendered by them on that occasion.

CITY SOLONS IN SESSION.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL YESTERDAY.

Appointment of a City Engineer—Royalty at the Exhibition—Unsanitary Condition of the Police Headquarters—Other Business.

A special meeting of the city council was held yesterday afternoon, Mayor Boswell presiding. There were present Ald. Evans, Allan, Hall, Steiner, Love, Carlyle, Maughan, Moore, Hastings, Murray, Downey, Leslie, Pape, Millichamp, Sheppard, Baxter, Bivins, Walker, Saunders, Adamson, Crocker, Farley, Turner, Clarke and Denison

Petitions were read from several property owners on Yonge street in the vicinity of the Ontario & Quebec railroad crossing against the crossing of a subway and asking that gates be erected; from R. Fry and others in favor of a blacksmith forge on Lumley street; from W. P. Wells for the construction of a cedar roadway on Dundas street between the bend easterly to the bridge; from the London and Canada Loan and agency company asking for the construction of a block pavement on Saurin street between Lisgar street and Northcote avenue; from Chas. Parker against the construction of a wooden sidewalk on Boswell avenue.

A long communication was received from Chief of Police Draper calling attention to the unsanitary condition of the police court and the whole building known as police headquarters. The place, so he writes, has of late been so pervaded with foul smells that Mr. Fenton, the county crown attorney, and other gentlemen attending the police court on duty suggest the necessity of indicting the corporation for allowing a nuisance to exist on their premises, with the view of compelling them to put the place in a proper sanitary condition. The chief cause of the unsanitary state of the building lies in the insufficiency of the water closets and from bad drainage. The position of the water closets on the first floor precludes the possibility of allowing a free current of air to pass through the building from front to rear.

Communications were also received from Thomas Crawford, 96 Givens street, claiming $100 damages sustained by him on the night of Sept. 3, when he had eight sheep killed and fourteen worried by dogs; from Manager Hill of the Industrial exhibition association, inviting the council to be present at the formal opening of the exhibition on Sept. 12; from T. Trundell, secretary of the railway committee of the privy council, informing the council that the question of crossing certain highways near Toronto by the line of the Ontario and Quebec railway may be considered at the meeting of the committee to be held on Sept. 11.

The council then went into committee of the whole to consider the reports of the executive and other committees, Ald. Allen in the chair. Ald. Turner moved in amendment to the clause in the executive committee's report, which recommended the appointment of Mr. Chas. Sproat to the position of city engineer, that the clause be struck out, with a view of referring the matter back to the committee on works.

This caused a very lively discussion, which lasted over an hour. Ald. Turner at first included in his amendment that the salary of the new engineer should be $3500, but finding that it met with a determined opposition from nearly all the members of the council, withdrew the clause.

Here Ald. Allen left the chair to move in amendment that the name of Mr. W. H. Ellis be substituted for that of Mr. Sproat's. This was lost.

Ald. Baxter then took up the weapons of war, and in a very pronounced manner denounced the stand taken by the chairman of the board of works as wholly prompted by personal motives.

Ald Hall loudly denounced the manner in which the public works of the city were completed in a hurry, and the material put into them was rotten. He declared that nothing that was done by the engineering department during the time Mr. Sproat was connected with it would warrant the appointment of that gentleman to the office of city engineer.

Ald. Moore agreed with Ald. Turner that the city engineer should have a larger salary. He said it was quite certain that Toronto had arrived at that stage when a first-class man should hold the position of engineer, if it would be able to cope with