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TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 9, 1894.

Mongolian Guard

The Emperor of China Afraid to Trust His People.

Opposition to French Annexation of Madagascar from the Paris Press.

Americans Warned to Leave Peking.

LONDON, Oct. 8.—A dispatch from Shanghai to the Central News, says Hon. Chas. Denby, U. S. Minister at Peking, has warned the American residents in the Chinese capital that the city is certain to be attacked by the Japanese. Minister Denby advises that all the ladies and children shall be sent to one of the places of safety. Already many of the natives are departing, and others are making preparations to follow their example.

Madagascar Matters.

PARIS, Oct. 8.—The Matin publishes a letter from Deputy De Lencle in reference to affairs in Madagascar, in which he declares that Great Britain has loyally obeyed the conditions of the Madagascar convention of 1885. M. De Lencle expresses his conviction that England will not alter her policy in regard to Madagascar.

The Figaro opposes the French annexation of Madagascar on the grounds that the expenditure involved would be very heavy and the advantages extremely doubtful.

In Eulogy of the Dead Post.

LONDON, Oct. 8.—The Westminster Gazette, in an article on the death of Oliver Wendell Holmes, says: "Dr. Holmes was a warm-hearted and keen-witted American, who smilingly compelled his readers to enter into his own personality. A kindlier philosopher never made fun for himself and his fellows."

The Globe says: "The news of the death of Dr. Holmes will be received by English-speaking people all over the world with a feeling of personal bereavement. He endeared himself to his readers, winning their love, before obtaining their admiration."

Mongolians on Guard.

LONDON, Oct. 8.—The Vienna correspondent of the Daily News telegraphs: The palace in Peking is guarded by Mongolians, because the Chinese are no longer trusted. There are daily fights between Chinese and the Mongolians. The latter are greatly hated.

The Paris correspondent of the Standard says it is understood that the negotiations between England, France and China are still in progress.

A Dispatch from Che Foo to the Pall Mall Gazette.

A dispatch from Che Foo to the Pall Mall Gazette says that seven Japanese warships were sighted off Wei Hai Wei steaming westward.

Bicycles in War.

BERLIN, Oct. 9.—The military authorities are disatisfied with the work of the bicyclists' detachment in the recent East Prussian maneuvers. The bicyclists did good service in reconnoitering on the dry highroads, but in cross-country work and on wet roads they accomplished nothing.

Emperor William and Marriage.

BERLIN, Oct. 9.—The Volks-Zeitung publishes today Emperor William's order amending the powers of superior officers to control the marriage of their men. Hereafter an officer's consent may not be made dependent upon the location of the place where the ceremony is to be solemnized. The Emperor thus abolishes the practice of discriminating in favor of Protestants and against Catholics. He wishes to see the fewest possible obstacles in the way of the soldier's marriage. The report that the Emperor expects to visit the Paris Exhibition in 1900 is a fiction. He has not even considered such a trip.

BLAZING BARNS!

Firebugs at Work in the Vicinity of Chatham.

Over \$7,000 Worth of Property Destroyed Within a Radius of One Mile.

CHATHAM, Oct. 8.—Between 2 and 3 o'clock this morning the barns of Mr. Lucas, 3rd concession of Chatham, were completely destroyed, together with contents.

About 3:30 a haystack belonging to Mr. Tompkins was fired. After a hard struggle the barns were saved.

While this fire was in progress the barns of Mr. Kahue were found to be in flames, and in a few minutes were a complete loss. No insurance.

The next barn fired was that of Mr. Marshall, and it was also destroyed with its contents.

These fires all took place within a distance of one mile, and were undoubtedly the work of firebugs.

For some time past considerable ill-feeling has existed between white and colored men at Chatham as to dining at the same table.

The whole neighborhood is thoroughly aroused, and a vigilance committee is now having down the firebugs. Total loss, \$7,000.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

New York Tribune compositor have gone on strike.

A great chess tournament opens in New York Oct. 20. Ex-champion Steinitz will compete.

Joseph Humbel, his mother and two children, of Chicago, have died from eating toadstools for mushrooms.

An international congress of brewery workers will be held in London, England, next May. There is a movement on foot to boycott every brewery employing non-union men.

At Hartney Sunday night burglars entered Hartney & Dickson's general store and broke open the safe. The firm lost about \$1,000, the Ogilvie \$800 and the Lake of the Woods Milling Company an unknown amount.

Rich Chinamen Going Home.

New York, Oct. 9.—Two hundred and fifty Chinamen who have grown rich in the laundry business in New England and the Southern States left here last evening en route to China. The Chinamen claim they are going to visit their families and not to fight.

TWO HUNDRED PERISHED!

Terrible Catastrophe at Grenada, Nicaragua.

Barracks Blown Up—Quarter of the City Wrecked—Hundreds Killed or Injured.

PANAMA, Oct. 8.—A dispatch to the Star and Herald from Granada, Nicaragua, says: "A terrible catastrophe has occurred here. The military barracks have been blown up and a whole quarter of the city has been badly damaged. "The number of dead is estimated at 200. "The number of wounded is much greater, but no estimate is as yet obtainable."

Late Canadian News.

Montreal's Fire Brigade Chief Said To Be Dying—A Young Man Throws Himself Under a Moving Train.

HAMILTON, Y. M. C. A. is out of debt. The late T. M. Harris, Brantford, left \$200,000.

Typhoid fever is alarmingly prevalent just now in Winnipeg.

Rev. D. C. Lawson, an aged Baptist minister, died at St. John, N. B., Sunday night.

The public revenue for the first quarter of the fiscal year shows a decline of \$1,300,000.

It is understood that Mr. Avis, cordage manufacturer, of Toronto, has purchased a lot in Buffalo on which to build a factory.

William Simpson, a well-known gentleman of Lewis, was killed accidentally Monday morning by being crushed between two railroad cars.

Mr. John Lewis, hardware merchant, of Belleville, father of Mr. J. L. Lewis, city editor of the Hamilton Spectator, died on Saturday evening, aged 74.

Chief Benoit, of the Montreal fire brigade, is reported dying of cerebral meningitis. He is president of the Fire Association of America.

Toronto City Council on Monday evening passed a resolution expressing regret at losing the services of Mr. W. R. Meredith, the newly appointed Chief Justice.

Mrs. John Suckling, a well-known Winnipeg vocalist, died on Friday afternoon of typhoid fever. Charles Morgan, eldest son of Mr. J. G. Morgan, is also dead.

Frank Westwood, the victim of the mysterious shooting in Parkdale, Toronto, on Saturday night, is still living, but death may occur at any time. No clue to the assailant.

At Ottawa on Monday Justice Burbridge, in the Exchequer Court, refused to amend the judgment in the Larkin-Connolly case so as to include the terms of settlement made by counsel.

In a fit of despondency Wm. Rands, a young man of Shelburne, threw himself under a moving freight train early Monday morning and was fatally injured, both legs being cut off.

Mr. J. B. McEwan, of the Dominion dairy commissioner's staff, has been appointed expert in dairying to the New Zealand Government and leaves for the land of the Maories in a few days.

Street car traffic in Toronto was suspended for nearly two hours on Saturday afternoon owing to a break in a foot wear which could not be located. There were thousands of people on board going to the Hunt Club races, and many gave up the idea.

Mrs. John E. Irvine, of Carleton Place, with her two children, were driving into town Sunday night from Beckwith. One of the children slipped out, and Mrs. Irvine, while trying to rescue the child, tripped on the reins, fell out and broke her neck.

WORK AND WAGES.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Oct. 8.—The cotton spinners' strike was settled at a conference this afternoon between the mill owners and the operatives, the latter agreeing to accept a reduction of 5 per cent in wages, with the understanding that the final settlement reached at Fall River shall also apply here. The mills start up on Thursday.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Oct. 8.—The 42nd annual convention of the International Typographical Union met here today.

EDMONTON, Oct. 8.—It is reported that 4,500 of the Scotch miners who were among the strikers, have resumed work, and that the strike is dying out.

POLITICAL NOTES.

Hon. J. C. Patterson is mentioned for leader of the Opposition in the Ontario Legislature.

Dr. H. R. Casgrain has consented to be a candidate for the Dominion House for the north riding of Essex.

Steamship Arrivals.

At	From
Oct. 8.	
Lake Winnipeg	Father Point, Liverpool
Vancouver	Liverpool
Lake Winnipeg	Father Point, Liverpool
Truro	New York
Buenos Ayres	Father Point, Glasgow
Pomeranian	Montreal
Trinidad	Montreal
Friesland	New York

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THE BIDDULPH TRAGEDY.

Edward Bowers on Trial for Man-slaughter.

How the Death of Wm. Cain Came About—James Cain and Michael Carroll Were Not on Good Terms with the Prisoner.

Monday Afternoon.

The Middlesex Fall Assizes were resumed this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock with a crowded court room. Judge Robertson will hear only one case and that is the charge against Edward Bowers, of Biddulph. Bowers is held for manslaughter, having, it is alleged, caused the death of William Cain in June last. The prisoner was brought up by two constables and wore the suit he had on at the time of his arrest, carrying a straw hat in his hand. He looked careworn and sad, and during the greater portion of the afternoon sat with his elbows resting on his knees, and leaning forward. Now and again only he would straighten up, but in general he remained in the same position. The full complement of witnesses, including the prisoner's wife and family and a score of others residing on the famous Roman line in Biddulph, were present, besides a large number of ladies belonging to the city. Robert Donnelly, whose father, mother, brothers and cousins were victims of the celebrated Donnelly tragedy in 1890, is to give evidence in the case.

The selection of a jury occupied considerable time, Mr. McEvoy challenging twelve men—all the law would allow. The following were finally sworn in: Donald Hay, Chas. M. Rolston, John C. Cowan, Peter McMillan, Wm. Vickery, Thomas Impitt, Amos Alderson, John Muir, Walker McKellar, Henry Sutherland, Jas. Brown and John Knight.

Mr. Colin MacDougall, Q. C., representing the crown, began his address to the jury at 2:20 p.m. The charge, he said, was one of manslaughter, and it did not require the showing of ill-will on the part of any person. All that was required was evidence that Wm. Cain was shot and that Edward Bowers committed the offense.

Murder was a deliberate act; manslaughter, on the other hand, was the taking of a life without premeditation. Wm. Cain, in company with several others, had been to Lucan on the day of the tragedy, and foolishly got a glass of too much. They passed Bowers' house on the way home, and had, it was said, some scuffling, and a friendly manner. The men were on the most sociable terms, and after stopping west of the prisoner's farm Bowers came on the scene and induced John Bennett to go home with him. The two Cains—William (deceased) and James—Mike Carroll and James Bowers, got together the quartet returned to get the brother.

They were on the Queen's highway, and it was while there that Wm. Cain received a bullet in his back, resulting fatally a few days afterwards. There was a question as to who fired the shot; but it would be shown that Bowers walked out of the house, leaving his family and that as he passed the door something glittering was in his hand. Following closely upon this incident a voice was heard from under a tree, a shot rang out on the air, and Wm. Cain fell to the ground, calling to his friends that he was shot, and asking for the priest. It would also be proved that when he returned to the house Bowers was asked by his daughter as to what made him fire the shot, and the answer came, "More to scare them away."

Mr. H. C. McBride, architect, described a map of the Bowers premises. The house stood six feet six inches higher than the road, and was 105 feet back from the front openboard fence, and behind an orchard. Several trees were growing among the fruit trees. A person standing among the trees had an unobstructed view of the road.

James Cain, the cousin of Wm. Cain, and who laid the information against Bowers, was first examined. He lived on con. 6, Biddulph, at the time of the shooting, and for two months has been in the city. He had known Bowers for six or seven years. Wm. Cain was in Lucan on June 22, and while there met the deceased and John Bennett. It was necessary for the trio to pass Bowers' house on the way to their homes, and the first time witness saw the prisoner that evening was when witness was 150 feet north of the house. The rig had stopped and John Bennett and Wm. Cain were having a scuffle.

Mr. McEvoy objected to Cain's partners being allowed to remain in the court room, and every witness in the case was ordered to withdraw.

Witness, continuing, stated that he had jumped from the rig, when Bowers came up and ordered them to go home. Prisoner took Bowers back to his house. Prisoner took Bowers into his house and hid him.

Bowers came in sight and told witness that he should be ashamed of himself for drinking. Witness could navigate all right, and as Bowers was leaving called on him to come back and have a drink out of a bottle.

Bowers wanted to fight instead of drink, and then Carroll and Bennett went into the house while witness returned in the direction of the house and Wm. Cain went into the front yard. Deceased wanted Bowers to let Bennett come home, but he refused.

The two Cains went home, but William soon returned, accompanied by Mike Carroll and James Bennett. The witness joined them and the quartet started for Bowers' place with the avowed intention to secure John Bennett. It was about 10 o'clock when they arrived. They shortly afterwards heard Bowers speak from inside the fence, warning them to "Get out of there."

Wm. Cain and James Bennett, who were close to Bowers' fence, ran away. Cain to the center of the road, and Bennett along the fence. Wm. Cain had just got into the road when a shot was heard, and deceased fell, shouting that he was shot.

Witness saw the flash of the revolver, and was positive it came from the same direction as the voice which warned them to get away. The wounded man rolled into the ditch and James Cain started up the road for home.

Q.—Was there a light in the house at the time? A.—Yes; the door was open.

Q.—What happened after the shooting? A.—William Cain shouted, "I'm shot, Bowers. Go for the priest."

Q.—What else? A.—I went north, and met James Bennett.

"Do you mean to tell me," asked Judge Robertson, "that you went off and left your cousin weltering in his blood?"

"Yes," said the witness, "I did not think he was shot." Witness said BOWEN, Anthony and Tom Bennett carried the

wounded man into the house.

Cain was cross-examined by Mr. McEvoy, and said that all he had in Lucan was about half a dozen drinks of whisky, but a little bottle was frequently opened on the return trip. The little bottle arose near Bowers' and when time was called Wm. Cain's coat was minus the two tails and John Bennett's jacket was in need of a sleeve. When Bowers came to the rescue the three men were piled in a fence corner.

Q.—What did Mrs. Bowers say to you? A.—That I should be ashamed of myself.

Q.—Nothing else? A.—No.

Q.—Did she tell you that you should be ashamed of yourself for conducting yourself in such a manner just after burying your mother? A.—Yes.

Q.—And that you had broken your mother's heart? A.—Yes.

Q.—And did you intend to give Bowers a drink when you called him back? A.—No.

Q.—You went just wanting to tantalize him? A.—That was all.

Q.—You had been in the habit of doing this? A.—Yes.

Mr. McEvoy then wanted to show that Bowers had been terrorized, but the judge said he would have to prove that it was by the witness or William Cain.

Q.—Do you remember being at Bowers' house a year ago? A.—Yes, I do.

Q.—And you told him that you would have him on the road before the morning? A.—No, sir, I didn't.

Q.—You went there to see him about the way he got his land, didn't you? A.—No.

Mr. MacDougall raised objections to evidence of an occurrence a year old, which, he claimed, had no bearing on the case whatever. Judge Robertson agreed.

Witness claimed that he ran away for fear of being shot by the prisoner.

"You were afraid Bowers would shoot you?" asked the judge.

"Yes, sir," said Cain.

"Oh, well," replied the court, "I will withdraw my previous statement that you were a coward for doing so. I never knew that any bad blood existed between you and Bowers. You did perfectly right."

Michael Carroll related the doings of himself and his companions in front of the Bowers house. He heard the voice from under the tree, and thought the speaker was about two rods from the fence. The shot followed about two or three seconds later, and when Cain was struck he had reached the opposite side of the road.

Witness got into Casey's field, directly opposite Bowers', before hearing Cain say that he was shot. Witness was also afraid of being shot, and lay down behind the fence. He did not go back to see if Cain was hurt or not.

Mr. McEvoy began his cross-examination by asking Carroll if he had threatened or had ever heard Bowers' life threatened, but Judge Robertson ruled that evidence of that description could not be entered into. The court allowed counsel for defense to ask Carroll whether he had any reason to believe a mob would attack Bowers, or whether or not the prisoner's life had been threatened by a mob.

Carroll answered in the negative.

Mr. McEvoy desired to show that Bowers was in fear of an attack being made upon himself or his household. An anonymous letter had been received by the parish priest, Father Connolly, in which it was stated that trouble was brewing in the district, and Robert Donnelly was the chief cause of it. The epistle stated that in case the disturbance of years ago were renewed Edward Bowers would be the first to fall.

The letter was read from the pulpit by Father Connolly three times, and he had severely denounced such work.

Judge Robertson—Well, the priest has got a way of settling that. I am not going to make it right here.

Carroll admitted he was not on very good terms with Bowers.

Q.—Did you hear Bill Cain ask Bowers' forgiveness? A.—Yes.

Judge Robertson misunderstood the question, thinking that it was vice versa. "It would be no wonder," said he.

"Cain asked Bowers' forgiveness," said Mr. McEvoy.

"Yes; and Bowers asked Cain's forgiveness," said Carroll.

The court adjourned at 6 o'clock.

NOTES.

Judge Robertson threatens to close the doors to the public if perfect order cannot be maintained during the trial.

Judge Robertson notified the members of the bar that work had been mapped out in Toronto for him, which would prevent his coming to London on Oct. 29 and completing the docket. The remaining cases will lie over till the January sittings.

The jury on the Bowers case were not allowed to disperse, but were looked up for the night. Every comfort possible had been provided for them. Judge Robertson refused to allow newspapers in the room.

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His Final Fast.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 9.—Priest William Sloan died at his home today after a fast of 59 days. He had frequently lived three or four weeks without nourishment.

Boodling Aldermen.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 9.—Councilman John Turner Callahan, who was convicted of bribery last August, has been sentenced to five years at hard labor and \$50 fine.

The grand jury has just indicted Councilmen Caulfield and Kane and ex-Councilman Thrilly for attempting to blackmail S. V. Bernaris & Co. out of \$1,000 for a shell privilege.

—Last Sabbath was rally Sunday at the South Street Methodist Mission, the object being as much to remind the people in the vicinity that a flourishing school existed in their midst as to make a strong pull altogether for a fresh start after the summer holidays. Excellent addresses were delivered by Rev. W. J. Clark, D. McDermaid and Wm. Bowers.

The school, also, solo by Mr. Wickes and a trio by Misses Skinner and Wright and Mr. Stevenson added to the enjoyment of the proceedings. The attendance was very large, the building being packed. This is one of the most promising mission schools in the city, and it is the intention of the management to erect a commodious and suitable building at an early date, in all probability before the new year.

The general public have thus far shown their appreciation of the effort of Greenway, the florist, to please, and it plainly shows to us that only the very choicest of flowers and plants at reasonable prices is what the people want. We have every facility for supplying our store with the very best of everything in our line, as a visit to our greenhouses in London West will show. The electric railway will take you within a block of our houses, and we deduct return fare from any purchase made.

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