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THE COVENANTER'S DREAM.

In a dream of the night I was wafted away
To the moorlands of mist where the martyrs lay,
Where Cameron's sword and his Bible were seen
Engraved on the stone where the heather grows green.

'Twas a dream of those ages of darkness and blood,
When the minister's home was the mountain and wood;
When in Welwood's dark valley the standard of Zion,
All bloody and torn, 'mongst the heather was lying.

'Twas morning, and summer's young sun from the east
Lay in loving repose on the green mountain breast;
On Wardlaw and Cairntable the clear shining dew
Glistened sheen 'mong the heathbells and mountain flowers blue.

And far in the heaven, near the white sunny cloud,
The song of the lark was melodious and loud;
And in Glenmoor's wild solitudes, lengthened and deep
Were the whistling of plovers and bleating of sheep.

And Wellwood's sweet valley breathed music and gladness;
The fresh meadow blooms hung in beauty and redness;
Its daughters were happy to hail the returning,
And drink the delights of July's sweet morning.

But ah! there were hearts cherished far other feelings,
Illumed by the light of prophetic revealings;
Who drank from the scenery of beauty but sorrow,
For they knew that their blood would bedew it to-morrow.

'Twas the few faithful ones who with Cameron were lying
Concealed 'mong the mist where the heathfowl were crying;
For the horsemen of Earlshall around them were hovering;
And their bridle-reins rang through the thin misty covering.

Their faces grew pale, and their swords were unsheathed;
But the vengeance that darkened their brows was unbreathed;
With eyes raised to heaven in calm resignation,
They sang their last song to the God of salvation.

The hills with the deep mournful music were ringing,
The curlew and plover in concert were singing;
But the melody died midst derision and laughter,
As the host of ungodly marched on to the slaughter.

Though in mist, and in darkness, and in fire they were shrouded,
Yet the souls of the righteous were calm and unclouded;
Their dark eyes flashed lightning, as firm and unbending
They stood like the oak which the thunder was rending.

The musketa were flashing, the blue swords were gleaming,
The helmets were cleft, and the red blood was streaming;
The heavens grew dark and the thunder was rolling,
When in Wellwood's dark moorlands the mighty were falling.

When the righteous had fallen, and the combat had ended,
A chariot of fire through the dark cloud descended;
Its drivers were angels on horses of whiteness,
And its burning wheels turned on its axles of brightness.

A seraph unfolded its doors bright and shining.
All dazzling like gold of the seventh refining;
And the souls that came forth out of great tribulation
Have mounted the chariots and steeds of salvation.

On the arch of the rainbow the chariot is gliding,
Through the path of the thunder the horsemen are riding;
Glide swiftly, bright spirits, the prize is before ye,—
A crown never fading, a kingdom of glory.

["It was reported on the 22nd July, 1680, that a band of Covenanters were in concealment at Ayrsmoss, in Ayrshire; and accordingly Bruce of Earlshall, with a comppny of troopers, marched in that direction, with a view to surprise the party in the moss. A conflict speedily ensued, and in the keen onslaught twenty-nine of the soldiers and nine of the Covenanters fell, among which were the celebrated Richard Cameron and his brother Michael."

"The above beautiful and heart-stirring poem, in commemoration of the event, was written by one James Hislop, commonly called the Muirkirk Shepherd. He was born at Kirkconnell, in Nithsdale."—Dr Simpson's 'Voice from the Desert.']

LUMBERING ACCIDENTS.

Cuts and Bruises Received in the Woods.

STANLEY, Jan 16—Accidents in the lumber woods still continue to occur. On Tuesday last Mr Harry Gibbon, of Green Hill, received a very bad axe wound above the knee. Dr Sterling dressed the wound. On Saturday last Mr Archie Hanson and Mr Ellward Pond arrived in the village, the former having cut his foot and the latter having jammed his ankle very badly. Dr Moore rendered the necessary treatment.

An Old Resident.

FARMINGTON, Me, Jan 17—Mr Cathers Drummond, the oldest citizen in Franklin county, died at his home here this evening, aged 96. He was born in Ireland, came to this country when he was 7 years old, and spent his younger days at Anson, Newportland and Kingfield.

Fire at Eastport.

EASTPORT, Me, Jan 17—The store of Bradford & Co, clothiers, was partially demroyed by fire which ignited from an electric wire, today. The loss is $100, covered by insurance.

ANOTHER GREAT MEETING.

CARLETON HAD ENTHUSIASTIC ATTENDANCES TO HEAR THE EVANGELISTS.

Thursday afternoon the Baptist church at Carleton had three times as many at the evangelistic service as on the opening afternoon. Mr Martin conducted the services with spirit and enthusiasm, speaking on the subject of Prayer. Beside the other Carleton pastors, the Rev Mr Dykeman of Fairville, was present.

Another meeting will be held this afternoon in the Baptist church.

In the evening there was a largely increased attendance at the Carleton City Hall. Rev Dr Hartley made the announcements, and Rev Mr Penna and Rev Mr Higgins offered prayer.

Hope was Evangelist Gordon's theme last evening—Four Characteristics of the Christian's Hope. He said there were three kinds of hope mentioned in the Bible; first, the Hope of Israel; second, The Hope of the Church; third, The Hope of the Christian. The Hope of Israel was the coming of the Messiah. The hope of the church is the second coming of Christ. The Christian's hope is the hope of heaven—the hope of some day being like Christ—the hope of some day meeting dear ones who have gone on before. There are four characteristics of the Christian's hope distinctly set forth in the word of God. If you have a bright hope of heaven through faith in Jesus Christ you will possess these four characteristics. If you do not possess these four characteristics you ought to spend an hour or two in self examination. A little self examination will not hurt you anyhow. Have I a bright hope of Heaven? Am I really a Christian? The word of God will answer that question. So let us turn to the grand old book.

First, the Bible describes the Christians' hope as "a lively hope." 1 Peter i—3, these words: "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." The Christian's hope is a lively hope and the man who possesses it will be a lively man. Find the professor of religion who is "not working much" at his religion, and the chances are that he has not much religion to work at. When a patient has been cured of a disease he is usually disposed to talk about the physician whose treatment turned out so successfully. When a man has managed to get into the kingdom of God you can usually tell it by the fact that he is anxious to get somebody else in also. "A lively hope is, as a rule, found wrapped up on the inside of a lively man. You have no right to believe that you are a Christian unless you are concerned for your neighbors. Have you ever led a soul to Jesus Christ. How many persons have you spoken to on the subject of personal religion during the past twelve months. With the heart man believeth, but with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. What Christians need is a lively hope, and what the church needs is lively Christians.

Second, the Bible describes the Christian's hope as a purifying hope. John says in one of his epistles: "Every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself." I would like to put the emphasis on that last word. He purifieth himself. There are scores, if not hundreds of people who are engaged in the business of straightening out their neighbors. It does not occur to them that their own purification is being sadly neglected. It has never occurred to them that if they would only purify themselves the whole neighborhood would be improved by the process. But how quick they are to discern evil in others. If you have a weak spot, or a mean spot, or a sore spot, or a black spot, how they point the finger of scorn at it. How they deride. How they criticise. "He's a pretty sort of a Christian," they say. "If I couldn't be a better Christian than that man I wouldn't try." But the man who tries and fails is a thousand times better than the man who fails to try. When a man gets a good conception of the character of Jesus Christ he is so thoroughly occupied in purifying himself that he does not spend his time criticising other people. "He purifieth himself."

Third. The Bible describes the Christian's hope as a hope which is "both sure and steadfast." In Paul's letter to the Hebrews we read: "Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast." When an anchor is in use it is out of sight, hid down beneath the water, but it holds the vessel firm to the rock below. So the hope of the Christian is an anchor to the soul, both sure and steadfast. Some men enjoy their religion just as long as it is sweetened with the sugar of prosperity, but when disaster comes they fail to "take the cup of salvation," and they cease to "call upon the name of the Lord." I knew a school-teacher who always gave a ringing testimony for Christ every time the regular church prayer meeting was held, but one day he lost his position as school teacher and had no source of regular income, and after that he ceased to testify. He had a hope, but it was not bright and clear. The anchor of his hope failed to hold. It is easy to trust God when you are well fed. It is easy to trust God when your wardrobe is well stocked. It is easy to trust God when your bank account is in a healthy condition. But can you trust God when your hand is empty? Can you trust God when your bed is hard? Can you trust God when your friends forsake you? Can you trust God in the dark? Have you a hope "which is an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast?" God always tests a man before he trusts him.

Fourth, and last, the Bible speaks of the Christian's hope as a hope which "maketh not ashamed," Rom. v-5. A young man who was about to leave home in order to take a three years course in a military academy was requested by his mother to make her just one promise before he left home. It was this—that when he reached the military academy, he would, every night, before retiring, read a passage of scripture and kneel in prayer. The young man being a Christian and supposing that when he reached the academy he would enjoy the privacy of his own room gladly made the promise which his mother requested of him. But when he reached the academy, instead of finding himself alone in his own room, he found that he had to occupy a cot in a room with 20 other young men, who were students like himself. The hour for sleep arrived. His fellow students were rolling into bed without even a suggestion of prayer or Bible reading. Should he read the Scripture and kneel in the presence of such young men as these. For a moment he hesitated, when at last there flashed across his mind these words: "Ashamed of Jesus, that dear friend on whom my hopes of heaven depend." In a moment his Bible was out and silently he read a passage of Scripture. After reading the passage he knelt and engaged in silent prayer. No sooner had his knees touched the floor than he was conscious of the fact that he was receiving special attention from his fellow-students. Everything movable in the room seemed to be hurled at him by his comrades—pillows, boots, bootjacks, gents' furnishing goods and such things in abundance, so that he was completely covered up. But the young man prayed on and when he arose from his knees he was the moral master of the situation. Night after night they snowed him under but the young man persevered and night after night the storm grew lighter until finally he was permitted to pray in peace. Three months after his arrival, one night when he arose from his knees he was surprised to find one of the young men, who had been impressed by his example, down on his knees engaged in prayer. Our friend could scarcely believe his own eyes. I am glad to state that young man remained in that military academy long enough to see every one of those twenty young men follow his example and down upon their knees every evening before retiring. "Hope maketh not ashamed," and the man who has a bright and clear hope of heaven through Jesus Christ will be willing to let the world know it.

SIX THOUSAND DOLLARS

Offered for the Stock of a New Carnation.

BOSTON, Jan 17—Through the efforts of Mr H N Higginbotham, of Chicago, to secure it, the fame of the Mrs Lawson carnation has gone from one end of the country to the other.

Mr Higginbotham has offered $6,000 for the stock of the flower, but it is said that no amount of money will get the plant away from Boston.

The Mrs Lawson carnation is the most magnificent flower of its kind in the world. No other carnation like it was ever raised before. It is the product of years of painstaking effort on the part of one of the most skilful horticulturists in this section.

Year after year he selected his plants and crossed them and employed all the devices known to the expert horticulturalists, and at last he was rewarded by finding a flower so beautiful as to be beyond the wildest dreams of himself or any other pink fancier.

The Mrs. Lawson carnation is about twice as large as the ordinary flower. It is 4½ to 5 inches in diameter and the shade is of the most beautiful pink. The plants are hardy and the stems unusually long and strong. The flower is remarkably vigorous, and has such enduring qualities that it has been known to keep for 15 days.

A BRAVE ACT.

How Patrolman John Quinn Stopped Four Runaway Horses.

BOSTON, Jan 17—Patrolman John Quinn stopped a runaway on Atlantic avenue, near Oliver street, Saturday evening about 5 o'clock in a most sensational manner, after several narrow escapes by persons on the avenue and the smashing of one light wagon.

There was a general scattering of all on the street when one of the four-horse drays belonging to the firm of Peters & Anderson was seen coming at full career down the avenue, swaying from side to side.

Quinn made a spurt as the wagon passed him and succeeded in crawling in over the tail board. He reached the seat, but found no reins, they having fallen into the street. Stepping out forward on to the tongue of the wagon and walked forward between the two rear horses and at their heads gathered in all the reins. With these he succeeded in controlling the horses and soon stopped them. He was complimented by many who saw the brave act."

CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

Arrest of Two Young Men While Robbing a Store.

BOSTON, Jan 17—Michael Riley, 18 years of age, of 49 Charter street, and Joseph R. McManus, one year his senior, of 17 Margaret street, were arrested yesterday morning, charged with breaking and entering the grocery and provision store of Salvatora Gallo, II Foster street early Sunday morning.

The arrest was made by officers of Station 1, who, seeing a light within the store, went in by the same means as the young burglars, namely, through the cellar, to a hallway, through which a side door opened into the store. The officers stepped into the store just as the young men were about to leave, with eighty cigars, valued at $2 50, and a little change. They were disposed to make a dash to pass the officers, when the sight of a revolver in one of the patrolmen's hands subdued them, and they went quietly to the station.

Will Advance on La Paz.

LIMA PERU, via Galveston, Tex, Jan 17 Well authenticated advises from Bolivia say that the president of the republic Gen Cevero Fernandez Alonzo, with his troops, is still at Viacha, awaiting reinforcements, before advancing upon the capital, La Paz, which is in the hands of the revolutionists.

Some men are truthful at all times—except when their wives ask for money.

ST. JOHN PRESBYTERY.

REV. MR. MULLIN'S CASE UP AGAIN—OTHER MATTERS.

The St John Presbytery was in session Tuesday.

A report was read from the commission of the Maritime Synod in the matter of the appeal of Rev J S Mullin against the decision of the presbytery. The commission dismissed the appeal.

A motion by Mr Fotheringham to divide the presbytery into two parts was not seconded.

A communication from the synod disapproving the action of St John Presbytery in appointing a lay moderator was read and ordered acknowledged.

Rev Mr Mullin intimated that his next recourse would be to a civil court.

The first business taken up in the afternoon was the augumentation report, which was presented by Mr Sutherland, of Sussex, and it was agreed to receive the same and adopt recommendations.

The amounts asked for by different congregations are as follows:—

Nashwaak and Stanley, $39; Glassville, $37; St John's church, St John, $55; St Andrew's church, St John, $180; St David's church, St John, $224; Prince William, $53; Harvey, $69; St Stephen's church, St Stephen, $53; Moncton, $197; Greenfield, $33; Chipman, $43; Fredericton, $178; Carleton, $33; Sussex, 43; St James, $33; Bouctouche, $37; Greenock, St Andrews, 31; Woodstock, 39; Richmond, $28; Springfield, $38; Kincardine, $37; St George, $38; Pisarinco, $33; St Stephen's church, St John, $197; Milltown, $20; Hampton, $33; South Richmond, $33; Shediac, $39; Waterford, $33.

The presbytery appointed a committee to visit augmented congregations before the end of March.

The Rev. Kenneth J. Grant, D. D., of the mission in Trinidad, was nominated for the moderatorship of the next general assembly.

Rev. J. A. McLean tendered his resignation as minister of Springfield congregation. It was agreed to receive the same and cite the congregation to appear for their interests at a meeting of presbytery to be held in Sussex, at 10 a. m., January 31.

It was also agreed to hold a special meeting at Mackenzie Corner, Carleton county, Jan. 23, at 2 p. m., to deal with the resignation of the Rev. Thomas Miller.

The presbytery agreed to ask each mission field to contribute a stated amount for services during the summer, and a committee was appointed to arrange the amounts.

The committee on church and home presented a financial report which was received, and the question of arrears referred back for further action.

The committee on young people's societies propose to call a convention to consider the formation of an association to include all within the presbytery.

It was agreed to include the Sunday schools in the new union, and a committee was appointed to consider the details.

Some changes were proposed in the schedules for statistics and finance. A committee was appointed to deal with the matter.

A certificate of standing as a minister was presented by the Rev J Campbell and the Presbytery agreed to add his name to the roll.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting Was Well Attended.

The annual meeting of the Natural History Society was held Tuesday, President Hay in the chair.

After reading the minutes of the last annual meeting, the secretary read the report of the council for the present year. It showed that a substantial increase in membership had taken place; that the financial condition of the society was good; that good work had been done in the library and museums and that the courses of lectures had been more extensive than in former years. The success of the plan whereby the society was enabled to open its doors to the public more frequently was voted, and it was stated that eleven hundred persons had registered during the year, as against an average of 150 in four years, showing that the public had taken advantage of their opportunity. Reference was made to the conversazione held in honor of the members of the Teachers' Institute and to the active part taken by the associate members on that occasion, and to the generosity of a well-known citizen by which the society was enabled to offer prizes for collections of insects, weeds and fungi. The report acknowledged the indebtedness of the society to the press of St John for the free insertion of notices and report of meeting.

The report of the officers of the associate members was then read. It contained much in common with the council's report and spoke of the general activity of the associates during the year.

After the reading of a list of benefactors, the meeting proceeded to the election of officers, with the following result:—

President, Geo U Hay, M A.
Vice-presidents, H Geo Addy, M D; Wm Murdoch, C E.
Treasurer, A Gordon Leavitt.
Secretary, Chas F B Rowe.
Librarian, S W Kain.
Curators, Dr G F Matthew, Wm McIntosh, P G Hall.
Additional members of council, J Roy Campbell, W Frank Hatheway, William H Mowatt.

President then read a most entertaining paper on a canoe trip which he enjoyed last summer in company of Prof W F Ganong. Enthusiastic references were made to the beauty of the Nepisiquit and Tobique rivers, and to the many features interesting to the naturalist.

President Hay dwelt at length on the need of investigation in almost every branch of the natural history of our province, and pointed out what admirable opportunities were offered the amateur naturalist in a country so little explored. A vote of thanks was then tendered President Hay for his admirable address. The meeting then adjourned.

BOOMING.

Regimental School Already Meeting With Much Success.

The Regimental School now being held in the upper rooms of the Custom House under the auspices of Col McLean and the officers of the Fusiliers is meeting with a very large degree of success. There is a large attendance each evening, and the men are displaying marvellous enthusiasm in the work. Beside Sergeant Charlton, whose work in the military tournament was much praised by the citizens, two more instructors from the school in Fredericton have been secured to assist in the work of the school. Sergeant Brewer, who has in the past done good work for the Fusiliers, is again with them, and has with him another good instructor, Corp. Hagan. The school has been originated by Colonel McLean with various objects in view, but the principal object is that as many men of the battalion as possible may attend and become well drilled soldiers, so that when the corps appears before General Hutton this year he may find it take its place among the best drilled corps in Canada. Three classes are kept going each evening, in which any man of the battalion may fit himself to become a corporal or a sergeant, and any sergeant to become a competent instructor. An officer's class under Sergeant Brewer gives the opportunity to young officers obtaining the necessary instruction to pass their qualifying examination in Fredericton and also preparing older officers to take a first-class certificate. During the course lectures will be delivered by Col Vidal and Major Heminway from the Fredericton school upon the more advanced stages of battalion work. All certificates granted will be signed by Col Vidal and will be of great benefit to the recipients.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

An Interesting Gathering at Upper Gagetown.

No fairer day could be desired than Friday, January 13, when the Queens county Baptist Sunday school convention held its quarterly session at Upper Gagetown. Although organized for only two years the interest is deepening, and it is fast becoming a potent factor in the Sunday school work of the county.

At 2 30 p. m. those interested in Sunday school work gathered for the first meeting. Elder G W Springer, one of the pioneers in the work, asked for divine guidance and blessing. After the preliminary exercises, the Model Lesson was taught by Pastor F W Patterson, from John ii, 1-2.

The second meeting occurred at 7.15 p m. The interesting programme was received with apparent pleasure by the large and intelligent audience.

Our Aims and Purposes was the subject of an address by Pastor F W Patterson. He sketched the vigor, nature, growth and work of the convention and asked for a hearty sympathy and support.

Rev J Coombs delivered a most interesting address upon the Religious Training of the Child. Examples were drawn from both secular and sacred history showing that the direction of the child's training was the direction of the man's life.

Most interesting addresses were given by Elder G W Springer and Joshua Colwell.

Thus closed one of the most interesting and beneficial sessions of the convention yet held.

SUCCEEDS F. D. UNDERWOOD.

Change Made in the C P R. Officials

MONTREAL, Jan 17—It was announced by the Canadian Pacific Railway authorities today that Edmund Pennington, general superintendent of St Paul, Minneapolis and Sault Ste Marie Railway, was appointed general manager of the line in succession to F D Underwood, who has accepted a similar position on the Baltimore & Ohio Railway.

Glen Head Reaches Dublin.

DUBLIN, Jan 17—The British steamer Glen Head, from Ardrossan, on January 1, for St John, N B, before reported spoken on January 12, in lat 50 and lon 18, steering east with propeller damaged, anchored in Dublin bay today. Three blades of her screw are reported broken. She will probably be towed to Belfast tomorrow.

Egan to be Court-Martialled.

WASHINGTON, Jan 17—Secretary Alger tonight confirmed the announcement made today by members of the cabinet, that a court-martial for the trial of General Egan would be ordered. He made this statement as he was leaving the White House in company with Adjt-General Corbin, after a conference of half an hour with the president.

Steamer Glendower Listed.

LIVERPOOL, Jan 17—The British steamer Georgian, which arrived here yesterday from Portland, reports on Jan 12, in latitude 49 north, longitude 31 west, she passed the British steamer Glendower, from Philadelphia Dec 28 for Sligo, having a heavy list to starboard. There was a steamer standing by her.

Marco Garcia Enters College.

SCHENECTADY, N Y, Jan 17—Marco Garcia, a son of the late Gen Calixto Garcia, entered Union College today. He is the first Cuban to take advantage of the opportunity offered by the Cuban educational society, which was organized for the purpose of giving free education to Cubans in American colleges.

Dixon Wins.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18—George Dixon proved his cleverness and hard hitting ability tonight at the Lenox A. C, where he met and defeated young Pluto, of South Africa, in the tenth round of what was to have been a 20-round bout.

IRISH ELECTIONS

Show the Waning Power of Parnellism.

DUBLIN, Jan 17—Judging from the results already known at midnight, the Irish elections today have been remarkable for the success of the Laborites and the waning power of Parnellism. The new feature is that women were allowed to vote for the first time.

In Dublin the representation of labor has been quadrupled, while the Parnellites have secured little more than half their former strength, although, owing to internal dissensions in Mr John Redmond's party, it is rather difficult to give an accurate estimate. Mr Redmond himself has been elected for one ward, but he did not head the poll and therefore misses the aldermanship.

Mr Timothy Harrington (member of Parliament at Harbor division of Dublin) is in the same boat, having been topped by a new Laborite.

In Cork the Parnellites have done better, but they have failed to retain their former ascendency, having now only a majority of one over the Dillonites, while the Laborites have secured nine seats.

SIR WM. V. HARCOURT'S

Resignation of the Liberal Party Leadership Discussed.

LONDON, Jan 17—The Right Hon John Morley, Liberal member of parliament for Montrose Barghs, addressing his constituents this evening at Brechin, said he entirely concurred with the reasons which led Sir William Vernon Harcourt to resign the leadership of the Liberal party in the house of commons.

It was his own intention, he declared, to retire from active and responsible participation in the formal counsels of the heads of the Liberal party, although his zealous and eager cooperation could always be counted upon for the advancement of every Liberal cause.

Mr. Morley criticised the prevailing spirit of jingoism and imperialism. He denounced it as "entirely opposed to all the lessons of Mr Gladstone." "I think," he exclaimed, "we are nearer the beginning of them than the end." It was his firm conviction that "The prevailing spirit of imperialism must inevitably bring militarism, a gigantic daily growing expenditure, increased power to aristocrats and privileged classes, and war."

RHEUMATIC STING.

South American Rheumatic Cure Sways the Wand and Suffering Ceases in a Trice.

Mr. A. S. Kennedy, 44 Sussex Ave., Toronto, says: "I had been attacked very frequently with acute muscular rheumatism, affecting my shoulders and arms. I used South American Rheumatic Cure and found immediate relief after a dose or two. My family have used this remedy with the most satisfactory results. I think it truly a very efficacious remedy for this very prevalent ailment."

Sold by H J Dick, Geo W Hoben, and all druggists.

SPAIN COMPLAINS

Of the Rigorous Censorship Conducted by the Americans.

MADRID, Jan. 17—A semi-official note just issued says the government here has not yet received replies to telegrams sent to General Rios, the Spanish commander at Manila. The note adds: "Such rigorous censorship of official despatches as is exercised by the Americans is unprecedented."

Will Sell the Carolines.

LONDON, Jan. 18—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says he is able to confirm the report that the government intends to ask the cortes to sanction the sale of the Caroline, Marianne and Pellow Island on the ground that Spain is unable to provide the necessary naval and military forces to protect them.

Nicaragua Canal Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan 17—Almost the entire session of the senate today was devoted to the consideration of the pending Nicaragua canal bill. Speeches were made in support of the measure by Mr. Chilton (Texas) and Mr. Turner (Wash.) and in opposition to it by Mr. Spooner (Wis.)

Election Riot at Hungary.

BUDA PEST, Jan 17—A fierce election riot took place today in the county of Arad, Hungary, and it is reported that four persons were killed and 16 injured. Troops have been despatched to the scene of disturbance.

Schmidt Was the Author.

BERLIN, Jan 17.—Herr Schmidt, a Socialist member of the Reichstag, has voluntarily informed the public prosecutor at Madgeburg that he was solely responsible for the publication in the Socialist Volks.

Lost Considerable Stock.

SUSSEX, Jan 16—By a fire which occurred at Petitcodiac this morning Messrs McLean & Ryan, merchant tailors, lost considerable of their stock and store fittings. The building was quite badly gutted.

Watches for Boys.

BOYS can earn a Stem-Wind Watch and Chain during the *Summer Holidays*, by selling $2.00 worth of our 50c. and 25c. goods. No trouble. Boys who send to the States for goods have to pay 50c. duty. *Goods not sold exchanged. No money required.* Write at once, stating your father's occupation, and we will mail the goods.

Manufacturers' Agency Co., Toronto, Ont.