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CHINA BLOWS HER HORN.

LIST OF VICTORIES CLAIMED OVER THE FRENCH.

The Invaders Repulsed on All Sides—England's Overtures For Peace Rejected.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Tseng, Chinese ambassador, in an interview to day with Granville protested that it was a breach of neutrality on the part of England to permit French men-of-war to coal and victual at Hong Kong. The tentatives relative to mediation between France and China have ceased. The Tsung-Yi Lamen has rejected the overtures made by England in that direction.

A Tien Tsin despatch states the Chinese claim the following successes: Oct 2, captured forts and city of Lohg-nan Hsien in Tonquin; sunk French gunboat after engagement; elders of over twenty christian villages tendered submission to the Chinese commander.

Oct. 8—The French were defeated at Hoo-Wei, Tonquin; French commander shot himself; troops were demoralized and fled.

Nov. 13—Black flags repulsed three French attacks upon Seun Kuan; same day the French were defeated at Tamsui.

Nov. 19.—French, including Turcos, were forced to take refuge in the woods; at Formosa fighting continued for six hours; French losses were heavy, including two superior officers; they lost several guns, and were pursued to the water side, where four French launches were sunk.

Nov. 7.—Chinese defeated French, latter losing seven officers, their general being severely wounded; same day French made unsuccessful attack upon Chinese positions at Kwan Yin Kio.

Another Vote Against Bismarck.

BERLIN, Dec. 3.—In the reichstag to-day Bismarck declared that the reintroduction of Windthorst's motion to repeal the law empowering the government to expel or intern priests for illegally exercising their functions after its recent rejection by the bundesrath was disrespectful to the bundesrath. Moreover, he said, the last two Prussian ministers of public worship had not applied the law. Windthorst's motion passed by a vote of 217 to 93.

The adoption of Windthorst's motion implies the complete failure of the negotiations which have been progressing upon the subject between Prussia and the vatican.

Germany Takes What Britain Abandons.

EDINBURG, Dec. 3.—Stanley addressed the inaugural meeting of the Scottish geographical society to-night. Discussing the Congo territory, he said that England would likely lose a portion of her trade because the stout-hearted persistent Germans had planted their standard and proposed to found a colony upon the southern edge. The Berlin conference had signed, sealed and delivered what the British voluntarily abandoned.

England Stands Her Ground.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Granville has instructed Malet, English delegate to the Congo conference, to adhere to his declarations and decline to admit that either the powers or the conference can interfere in the portion of the Niger territory under English protection. Malet has the support of the delegates from Portugal and Italy against those from France and Germany.

China Becoming Cheeky.

HONG KONG, Dec. 3.—It is believed that China will insist on her suzerainty over Annam and on the right to maintain Chinese garrisons at strategic points in that country; also that the French legation to Annam shall be placed on the same footing as the legations of other countries.

Herbert Bismarck a Hotspur.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—Herbert Bismarck recently challenged Eugene Richter because he insulted the chancellor in a speech in the reichstag. Richter declared he would not fight a duel with Prince Bismarck even concerning a matter which has occurred in parliament, and if not with him, then much less with his son.

Lord Rosebery Lectures the Lords.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 3.—At the reform club banquet to-night Lord Rosebery said the three great questions of the day, the navy, Egypt and redistribution should not be made party questions. He counselled the house of lords to initiate their own reform and declared the belief that the hereditary principles was wrong.

Both on the Move.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Adams has appealed against Justice Manisty's ruling in the former's action for libel against Bernard Coleridge. Coleridge has also notified Adams that he intends to move for a reversal of the jury's verdict.

Want Another Chance.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—The cabinet council this morning decided to request the chamber of deputies to rescind its vote of urgency and allow a second debate on the senatorial bill, when it is hoped the amendments will be rejected.

The Mahdi Reported Dead.

DONGOLA, Dec. 3.—The mudir has received news that the mahdi is dead and his followers are dying very fast.

CABLE NOTES.

The steamship Persian Monarch has arrived at London.

Fresh agrarian crimes with instances of arson have occurred in Livonia.

Seventeen anarchists, including a woman, have been arrested at St. Petersburg.

A French transport embarked 1000 troops of the foreign legion at Algiers yesterday for Tonquin.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

The Western Union telegraph company is reducing expenses in the south.

Seventeen million dollars are required to pay pensions during the present quarter.

Irish-American protective union clubs are being organized throughout the States to resist English free trade.

Senator Mitchell will to-day propose granting a pension of $5000 to Gen. Grant in the United States senate.

A Washington despatch says that the president's message is severely criticized by the republicans and received with satisfaction by the democrats.

A thousand workmen in the American iron works, Pittsburg, have resolved to accept 10 per cent. reduction. A look-out of 6000 men is threatened.

JUSTICE IN KENTUCKY.

Three Armed Bands Gather for the Trial of a Murderer.

WHITESBURG, Ky., Dec. 3.—Judge Finley of Williamsburg, the famous mountain jurist, for two years has not dared to come here to hold court because of a threat made by one of the most desperate men in the county to kill him if ever he entered it. Recently this man fell a victim to the plague, and the judge came to town to try a man for murder. He was out on bail, and his friends, all men of a desperate stripe, determined he should not be punished. The case was set for Wednesday last, and on that day the accused came into town, carrying a double-barrelled shot-gun and a belt full of revolvers, followed by a score of friends armed to the teeth.

Their arrival was followed by that of another band of the same size, all carrying shot-guns and pistols This gang was composed of friends of the victim. They went into camp on the bluff commanding the town. A third band, composed of citizens who thought the law should be allowed to take its way, was organized, and went on duty to stay until after the court adjourned. The party composed of the murderer and his friends have been very riotous and drunken. Several gory engagements have taken place between the members and outsiders.

THE ASHES OF AN ACTRESS.

Remains of Miss Laura Clancy Cremated at Her own Request.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 3.—It was growing dark when Laura G. Clancy's body was placed in the retort for cremation here yesterday. Laura Clancy was a young actress who had acquired fame as leading lady with Frank Mayo and as support to Mary Anderson. She was cut off in her prime by consumption, and her dying wish was to be cremated. She died at Mrs. H. Leimbach's house on South Broadway, Baltimore, Nov. 10, and her body was embalmed. Her wish was to have her ashes divided, half to be placed in her sister Venie's grave in Baltimore and half in her mother's grave in Burlington, Vt.

At 6 o'clock the retort was ready, and the body, which was in good condition, was wrapped in a cloth saturated in alum water to prevent burning, and placed in the white-heated retort. In less than two hours it was reduced to ashes. There were no services, and but few persons were present.

A National Protection Club.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 3.—The executive committee of the Eastern Pig Iron association this afternoon outlined a plan for the establishment of a national club with protective principles as opposed to the Cobden club of England. The club is to be entirely non partisan and membership will be solicited all over the country.

How Key West Would be Ruined.

KEY WEST, Dec. 3.—The Florida News says in reference to the tobacco clause in the Spanish treaty: It the treaty is ratified by the senate with this clause Key West is a doomed city. It would close up every cigar factory, force 7000 out of employment and entail a loss of $2,000,000 in property.

The Red Tape Style of Doing it.

BUFFALO, Dec. 3.—The electoral colleges of the various states met to-day, cast their votes according to the popular will and delegated a member from each college to convey the votes to the secretary of state at Washington.

The Plenary Council.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 3.—There were two sessions of the plenary council to day and the most important business of the session was considered. For the remainder of the session only archbishops, bishops and mitred abbots will participate.

Increased Freight Rates.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—At a meeting of railroad presidents to-day it was decided to fix the rates on live stock at 40c. per 100 pounds and on dressed beef 70c. from Chicago to New York. The present rates are 20c. and 32c.

Thrown Overboard to Avoid Duty.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 3.—The British steamship Cranbrook was seized to-night by customs officers, charged with throwing overboard in Chesapeake bay 400 tons of coal she brought as ballast to avoid duty.

Eloped With a Chief of Police.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Maria, the 19 year-old daughter of Major Paulding of White Plains eloped last night with Geo. W. Lee, chief of police of the village.

Murdered in Bed.

CAMILLA, Ga. Dec. 3.—Last night unknown parties entered Stephen Goodwin's house and killed Goodwin, Mrs. Gregory and his son in their beds with an axe.

DOMINION DASHES.

Nicholas Furlong took a fit in a bath tub at St. John, N B., and died.

About 1000 Hamilton ladies will be entitled to vote at the coming municipal elections.

The Canada Southern railway division of the Michigan Central have dispensed with the services of between 200 and 300 navvies.

Mr. Berthelot, sheriff of the district of Terrebonne, died Tuesday, and already there have been fifty applications for the situation.

Rival hunting parties, winding up at night in a grand supper at the expense of the party obtaining the least game, is a great feature in country life.

The services in Grace church, Brantford, suddenly came to a halt Sunday night, a broken-legged stove collapsing and dragging down a long stretch of pipe, filling the edifice with soot and smoke.

Mr. Elliott, an official of the Grand Trunk at Montreal employed in a financial capacity, had the misfortune recently to lose a package containing $3000. The Grand Trunk authorities are making investigations, and in the meantime the official has been suspended.

Will not Resign.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—At the urgent request of Grevy, the members of the ministry, including Rousseau, minister of the interior, have abandoned their intention of resigning.

Wellington's Iron Nerve.

The late Duke of Wellington is the subject of many anecdotes. He was quite deaf, but he had iron nerve. When he went through the operation of having his eye taken out the moment it was condemned, he pointed it out coolly to a visitor in a glass where it had been deposited, with the question: "Would you like to see it?"

MR. MOODY'S MULTITUDES

TWELVE THOUSAND PEOPLE AT YESTERDAY'S MEETINGS.

Three Successful Gatherings—Good Singing and Good Attention on the Part of the Audience—To-Day's Program.

Mr. Moody could not have spoken to less than 12,000 people at his three services at the Metropolitan church yesterday. The jam around the four approaches to the large edifice before each service was unprecedented in the annals of Toronto evangelistic gatherings. Many who held tickets became alarmed at the greatness of the throng and went away without even trying to gain admission. The sight from the reporters' quarters at the afternoon and evening gatherings was striking. The faces of the audience were a study. In the forenoon and afternoon considerably over two-thirds present were ladies of all ages. At night the spectacle was relieved by a solid phalanx of male visages. There were grey-haired old men, middle aged men, youths and small boys, but only a few of the latter. The proportion of young men was quite large. So was the proportion of mechanics, salesmen, and men of similar occupations. Sandwiched in between these artizans and toilers were well known business men, lawyers, doctors, professional men of all kinds and men of leisure. The platform in front of the well-proportioned choir were filled with divines from all of the protestant denominations in Toronto and the surrounding country. Hon. Edward Blake occupied a seat just behind Mr. Moody's central position last night. So did Dr. Daniel Wilson of the Toronto university.

There was a great difference between the afternoon and evening meetings. For some reason or other the great evangelist was more impressive and apparently more in earnest at the men's meeting than at the women's. He seemed to be much more eloquent also. His voice was clearer, louder and more emphatic. His appeals to come to salvation were more fervent. He seemed to take a deeper interest in his task. This may be accounted for, perhaps, from the fact that women are easier reached than men. During one of his touching anecdotes in the afternoon, just at the close of his sermon, fully 2000 handkerchiefs suddenly flew up to double as many tear-filled feminine eyes. It was a sight long to be remembered. Young girls wept with women of matronly bearing. Mr. Moody had touched all their hearts.

A verbatim report of Mr. Moody's sermons would not look very well in print. The public would far rather prefer to read one of Dr. Wild's, Rev. Dr. Thomas', Rev. Hugh Johnson's, Rev. D. J. Macdonnell's, or dozens of others of our city preachers. That is not where the Northfield evangelist has his hold. It is the mode of his delivery, quick succession of ideas and the acquired knack of commanding attention from all kinds of congregations. Mr. Moody is full of "Yankeeisms," but they are of the interesting kind, and fall on the ear and leave an impression. The singing of Mr. and Mrs. McGranahan and the choir was a very acceptable portion of the services. Mr. Moody is a great stickler for having everyone join in. A portion of one hymn was sung over five times last night. On the fifth round every one in the large audience at least went through the motions with their lips, and certainly all those that could sing did so.

The conference opened at 10 a.m., and after the opening hymn had been sung Rev. Dr. Sutherland led in prayer. Mr. and Mrs. McGranahan then sang very sweetly a duet, "I Shall be Satisfied." Rev. Mr. Duff read the scriptures, the portions selected being Acts I, 7, and the the part of Acts II, which relates the "Gift of Tongues at the Pentecost." Prayer was offered, the Rev. N Jackson of Kingston leading. Hymn 129, "Saviour More than Life to Me," was then sung.

Discussing the subject how to conduct prayer meetings, Mr. Moody rendered a great mead of comfort to his hearers by insisting on short prayers as the most potent of all modes. Rev. A. F. McGregor led this discussion. The discussion on "How to Use the Bible" was led by Rev. T.C. DesBarres, who was followed by Mr. Moody in a characteristic talk on the scriptures generally and how they could be used to the best advantage. The noon prayer meeting was an important part of the day's program.

At 3 p. m. the doors were all closed and the afternoon service began. After singing, Mr. Moody rapidly answered a large number of questions. His hearers, as stated/above, being over two-thirds women, he frequently alluded in his answers to the great good they could accomplish for the cause of religion. His advice about welcoming the poor man to the church was sterling. He insisted that the stranger should be made at home when he came to the church door. Then there was a great work before churchmen and churchwomen in looking after our boys and young men. This was one of the most important works that the evangelist could think of. The boys must be saved to Christ and they would make good men. The best man, or better still the best woman in the congregation should be entrusted with this work. In his early years Mr. Moody said he had taken an especial delight in looking after the spiritual welfare of boys. He once superintended a mission school in Chicago that had a membership at times of over 1000, and he told of a man in London who had rescued 8000 waifs from a life of crime and vice. After answering all the questions Mr. Moody opened the bible at Daniel 12th chap. 3d ver., where occur these words:

And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament: and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

Based on this testimony the evangelist said the only persons who did shine for ever and ever were those who had embraced Christ. "We knew nothing of the leading men of the time of Babylon. Empires and nations rose, went to decay and were lost sight of, but the light of Jesus Christ was without end." He spoke of the present day, when there were boys at school, men in politics, men in professions, men in business, who all strove to be leaders in their calling, but their glory was short and soon extinguished. The sermon was interspersed with many special references to women's work.

When the clock pointed to 7.30 last evening Mr. Moody promptly jumped to his feet and faced his great audience of men, and told them to open their books at Hymn 397:

Are ye coming home, ye wanderers,
Whom Jesus died to win?
All footsore, lame and weary,
Your garments stained with sin.

The congregation joined in this hymn with great zest, and evidently the chairman was pleased with the result. Rev. E. D. McLaren of Brampton then led in prayer, and Mr. and Mrs. McGranahan sang Hymn 363:

Our Lord is now rejected,
And by the world disowned.

Then Dr. Daniel Wilson led in prayer, and Mr. and Mrs. McGranahan sang once more, this time Hymn 391: "Behold what love, what boundless love." Another hymn was sung by the congregation, and Mr. Moody announced that he would preach from three texts:

What seek ye—John 1-38.
Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near—Isaiah 55 6.
Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you—Sermon on the Mount.

The first was a question, the second an exaction and the third a command.

Mr. Moody intertwined these three passages of scripture into an interesting explanation of their meaning. He laid a special importance on the words of Isaiah, and exerted himself to the utmost to make his hearers believe that at the very moment he was talking to them was the time to seek the Lord. He was near to them now and they would have no difficulty in finding Him. By turns he looked at the different sides of his congregation, and asked of them to seek Him now, supplementing the question with "Will you do it?" Here and there men stood up and answered "I will." For half an hour Mr. Moody held out to his hearers the great promises of reward that these three texts offered, and at times the congregation was deeply moved, and he wound up with prayer. The 323 hymn, followed in prayer. Mr. Moody spoke for a few minutes more, and the service closed with "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" and prayer. The meeting was out at 9.20.

To day is the last one of the convention and the program is as follows: 10 to 11 a m.—"How to Make the Service of Song More Hopeful," opened by Rev. P. McF. McLeod and H. J. Clark. 11 to 12—"What more can be done for young men," opened by Rev. Dyson Hague and Hon. S. H. Blake. Noon prayer meeting, conducted by Mr. Moody. Addresses by Mr. Moody at 3 p. m. and 7.45 p. m. (for men only.

LOCAL NEWS PARAGRAPHED.

Last week the city carriers delivered 50,074 letters and 39,684 newspapers.

The police court will open at 9 45 this morning. The calendar is a lengthy one.

A large number of his friends want Ald. Crocker to remain in the city council next year.

Mr. Dill, the manager, says Mrs. Going did not die from a fall while skating on the roller rink, but from internal hemorrhage.

The express for Montreal left the city an hour and a half late last night owing to an accident on the Chicago and Grand Trunk railway.

Up to the present time over 700 people have, according to the Guardian, been awakened by the revival at the Elm street methodist church.

S. P. Normac, ahead of Miss Mather, is in town arranging for her appearance at the Grand on Monday. She will play Lady Macbeth on Wednesday night.

Thomas Burns of Abbey lane was arrested by Policeman Reburn last night on a charge lodged against him by a neighbor named George Ernest of having stolen his clock.

Conductor McIntosh, who has been running on the main line of the Great Western division, has been transferred to the Toronto branch, and will hereafter run between Toronto and Hamilton.

Nine hundred and twelve petit and grand jurors for the superior and inferior courts for 1885 were drawn yesterday by Sheriff Jarvis, Judge Boyd, Clerk of the Peace Ball, Mayor Boswell and Warden Davis.

Truth has attained a large circulation, nearly 30,000, and the proprietor, S. F. Wilson, has just enlarged it and put it in a handsome cover. It is full of good selections and original matter, all well printed.

Yesterday forenoon the Yorkville avenue and other northern sections of the brigade answered a fire alarm from box 124, corner of Parliament and Amelia streets. The fire was found to be at No 346 Winchester street, and was promptly extinguished Damage about $25.

Three youths named Edward Thomson, Robert Neil and Albert Furman attempted to tap the till of Mrs. Duncan C. Coster's store, No. 245 King street east. They secured $1, but were caught in attempting to make their escape. P. C. McKee (126) lodged the three at police headquarters.

London Free Press: At the military concert to be given by the London field battery, Dec. 17, the principal attraction will be encounters between Professors Reid and Meyerfey of the Toronto fencing club, with broad swords, with sword and bayonet and with bayonet.

Mrs. Florence Johnston of Lombard street was arrested by Detective Burrows yesterday afternoon on the charge of having robbed a stranger from Detroit named Myers of $52 in cash and valuables. It is stated that Myers fell in with the woman on Lombard street and was enticed by her into a house where she robbed him.

The manner in which Levy always holds his audiences is shown by the following taken from a Baltimore paper: So soon as his face was seen and the first notes of his cornet were heard, there was an instant hush. Cheers broke forth at each pause he made, but as soon as he began again there was silence. It was simply wonderful.

A Wily Candy Butcher.

Numerous complaints are being made by passengers on the Toronto, Grey and Bruce division of the Canadian Pacific railway of sharp practices on the part of a certain news agent on that road. His tricks are stated to be confined to giving false change and beating unwary travelers out of small amounts in this way. Several persons have been victimized lately by this party in small sums. Their complaints have caused a detective to be placed on the track of the agent, and it is likely that his little devices will soon be brought to an unpleasant halt.

Booming His Brother-in-Law.

Ald. Jones worked a nice little boom in the interest of David Hunter, his brother-in-law, recently. Having caused Mr. Hunter's name to be inserted in the list of deputy returning officers for St. Matthew's ward, his next move was to make him senior deputy for the ward, in place of Wm. Elliott, who officiated in this capacity at the last election. Some of the aldermen who voted for the change would probably not have done so had they been aware of Ald. Jones' motive in proposing it.

A BARBECUE OF BEEVES.

THIRTY-SEVEN DURHAM CATTLE BURNED AT GUELPH.

Other Canadian News—Lady Somnambulist—Scott Act Unconstitutional—Theft of Watches—The Brockville Bank Clerks.

GUELPH, Dec. 3.—Before dawn this morning the outbuildings of Alfred Pipe, on the Elora road, just outside the city limits were burned to the ground. These were valued at $3000. A heavier item of loss than this is that of thirty-seven head of Durham cattle, which perished in the flames. They were valued at between $7000 and $8000. Mr. Pipe also lost three horses valued at $425, grain to the value of $1200, and implements worth $500 making his total loss foot up to about $13,000. Against this there is only an insurance of $3000 in the Royal of England. Whitelaw & McIntosh, who were threshing at Pipe's the previous day, each lost a fine team of horses which would not be worth much less than $700. They also lost their horse power threshing machine which cost them $400. They have no insurance.

A Young Lady Somnambulist.

BRANTFORD, Dec. 3.—A couple of young men going along Brant avenue shortly after midnight encountered a figure enveloped in a white garment that reached to the earth. Their belief that it was some one "playing ghost" inspired them with the idea of catching "it," and proceeded to do so, when at first touch a young lady's screams rang out, and she flew rather than ran down the street and into her home. A costume of night dress and slippers is somewhat scanty for this weather, and so the young lady undoubtedly thought, when she found herself, shivering, in the house after her complete success in the "sleep walking scene."

Ambitious City Items.

HAMILTON, Dec. 3.—William Mitchell, burglar, had nothing to say when he was brought up for sentence at the police court this morning. The magistrate gave him three years in the penitentiary.

Benjamin F. Carpenter of Bowmanville reported at the city hall police station about 1 o'clock this morning that he had been beaten and robbed of $2 by three men on York street.

Last night J. T. Cooper swallowed a small quantity of chloroform at Goering's saloon, York street. He was rendered insensible and taken to the city hospital, where he was soon brought around.

The Scott Act Unconstitutional.

OTTAWA, Dec. 3.—John Haggart, M P., is here opposing the Scott act petition for Lanark. He says there is no doubt the Scott act is unconstitutional, and therefore there is no use passing it.

N. F. Davin had an interview with the minister of the interior the other day in regard to representation in the Northwest territories. Sir David would not give any pledge, but from the interview an impression was formed that the government favorably viewed the matter and that a bill will be brought into the commons next session.

The Brockville Bank Clerks Discharged.

BROCKVILLE, Dec. 3.—Another episode in the case of J. F. Wood, the defaulting teller in the Molsons bank, occurred Monday when Messrs. Clouston, Turner and Gibson were arraigned before the police magistrate on a charge of having assisted the former to escape. The accused are the men who rowed Wood across the river on the day his guilt was made apparent. No evidence was offered by the prosecution and the prisoners were discharged.

Big Thefts of Watches at London.

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 3.—Last night burglars effected an entrance into the jewelry store of John Brodie, Richmond street, and succeeded in blowing open his safe and carrying off its contents, to the value of $500. Eighteen gold and silver watches belonging to customers were secured, together with $63 in cash and a lot of gold jewelry.

The Last of the Season.

OWEN SOUND, Dec. 3.—The Canadian Pacific railway steamer Alberta arrived from Port Arthur this morning with passengers and freight. This is the last boat of the season. She brought down the balance of the crew and captain of the steamer City of Owen Sound. The wrecking tug that was sent from the Sault to release her did not succeed in reaching that vessel.

Fire in an Assurance Office.

MONTREAL, Dec. 3.—At a late hour last night a fire broke out in the offices of the North American life assurance company. The offices were completely gutted before the flames were extinguished. The store of Saunders, optician, sustained slight damage by smoke and water.

Fire at Thornbury.

THORNBURY, Dec. 3.—Carroll's planing mill, together with a large stock of lumber, was entirely destroyed by fire to day; also the carriage and blacksmith shops of S. Friend. Carroll's loss is about $2500.

Conservative Candidate in Simcoe.

ORILLIA, Dec. 3.—At the conservative convention held here to day, H. H. Thompson of Penetanguishene announced his intention to again contest East Simcoe.

The County Court.

Before Judge Boyd yesterday the following non-jury cases were disposed of: Union fire insurance company v. Hay, verdict for $200 by consent of defendant; Magurn v. Magurn was made a remanet; Howden v. Wilmott was withdrawn, the amount for which the action was taken having been paid by the defendant.

Before Judge McDougall, Denison v. Ward, an interpleader issue, was heard. Some time ago the plaintiff, C. L. Denison, obtained judgment against W. J. Ward, husband of the defendant, Anna M. Ward. In execution of that judgment a horse was seized. Mrs. Ward claimed that the horse was hers and not her husband's. Denison therefore brought action to prove that the horse was Ward's. Judgment for defendant. Carrie v. Bryant was an action to recover $200. H. N. W Bryant was a bookkeeper for the late firm of Carrie & Dobbie and Carrie & Co. He was entrusted with the duties of assignee in general estates that plaintiff was a creditor or interested in. Plaintiff claimed that he paid defendant a good salary and any fees collected as assignee should go to plaintiff. Defendant denied the claim. Case not finished. More non jury cases will be heard until Dec. 9. The jury list commences to-day.

AMATEURS ON A STAGE.

Successful Social and Performance at All Saints' School House.

The phrase "church social" lost last night some of its terrors. The one held in the school house of All Saints' filled that building to the doors. The attraction was that The Area Belle was to compose part of the program. Part I. of the program consisted of the usual songs, recitations and musical selections. Some of the numbers received hearty applause. The Area Belle was enjoyed by the spectators, and no doubt by the actors, for the reception given them was hearty, and deservedly so. Miss G. Parsons made an excellent Penelope—the Belle; Miss Holland took the part of Mrs. Croker. Geo. Dunstan as Pitcher and Mr. Kirkland as Tosser acted the cupboard-loving rivals for Penelope well, and H. Davis made a splendid Walker Chalks, the milkman.

Church socials stand on a basis of their own and should be judged accordingly. All Saints may congratulate itself upon its being able to get up so good a specimen as that of last night.

Railway Thieves Caught at Hamilton.

Tuesday night Detective McKenzie and P. C. Hunter arrested two men at Arrol's second-hand store in Hamilton. They had been offering for sale some silver-plated cruet stands, and Mr. Arrol suspected that they were thieves. They were registered on the police books as John Mack, Toronto, laborer, 35 years old, and James Walker, St. Catharines, sailor, 25 years. The names are probably assumed. They were not brought up for trial yesterday, but were remanded until further inquiries have been made about them. The silverware was identified by Detective Flynn of the Grand Trunk as being stolen from a car in Toronto. The goods belong to the Toronto Silverplating company.

Lighted by the Excelsior System.

The whole of the city was lighted last night by the Toronto Electric Light company for the first time since the corporation adopted the system. Up to last evening the streets were divided between the Toronto and Canada companies, but the former having secured the entire contract the latter dropped out last night. There was a marked improvement in the lights in King and Queen streets east of Yonge. In the Metropolitan church grounds three brilliant electric lights put up by the Toronto company guided the great throngs who went to hear Mr. Moody safely through the darkness.

Delay in the Lennox Election Case.

In reference to a complaint made that the certificate of the judge who tried the Lennox dominion election petition has not yet been sent to the speaker of the house of commons, it has been ascertained that the delay is owing to the notes of evidence not being ready for transmission to the speaker along with the judge's certificate, as required by sec. 29 of the dominion controverted election act. The trial was a long one, lasting the greater part of the five days and the notes of evidence are consequently voluminous. It is understood that the notes will be ready this week.

The Express War.

Mr. Creelman (McC., H. & C.) obtained a temporary injunction from Justice Proudfoot yesterday compelling the Canadian Pacific railway to grant Vickers' equal privileges on the Toronto, Grey and Bruce division as they give to any other company (the Dominion express company) The railway had refused to carry the Vickers company's goods the other day, and put them off the train. The case will be argued next week. In the meantime the Vickers company advertise that they continue in the business.

Pickpockets at the Moody Meetings.

Among those who are flocking to Moody's meetings are a number of "light fingered gentry," who managed yesterday to make their presence felt. A youth named John White was, at the afternoon meeting, caught in the act of picking the pocket of a young lady named Bella Houston. Detective Reburn, who was present, took White into custody. W. B Tolstle, while pushing his way through the crowd into the body of the church, had a watch stolen from his pocket.

Off for the Smallpox District.

Yesterday morning Messrs. Hawley and Logan, students of Trinity medical school, were despatched to Stoco, in the county of Hastings, where smallpox is raging. Mr. Logan is to be a sort of health officer; Mr. Hawley is to tend to the patients. They have full supplies of medicines, are to get $150 a month and expenses, and were both vaccinated in half a dozen places Tuesday night. Many of the other "meds" envy their good fortune.

A Free Organ Recital.

Dr. Davies will give another of his popular recitals at St. James' cathedral on Friday evening next at 8 p.m. The program will include Gounod's quaint "Marche Funebre d'une Marionette," Lemmen's "Laughing Fugue," and the bridal march from Thomas' cantata, "Llewellyn." On this occasion the seats will be free. A collection will be made for church purposes.

Attempted Murder at Gravenhurst

Antonio Natt, Italian laborer, was paid off at Gravenhurst on Monday by young Mr. Hendrie of Hendrie, Symes & Co., contractors on the Ontario and Pacific Junction. He drew a revolver for some unknown reason, and the clerk, named McKay, rushed in. The pistol went off twice. The Italian has been committed to Barrie jail. No one was wounded.

Two Years for Highway Robbery.

William Price and George Warren were brought into the police court yesterday to receive sentence for highway robbery in St. John's ward Monday night. The magistrate said he would acquit Warren, but sent Price to the penitentiary for two years.

An Open Investigation.

The police commissioners held a meeting yesterday and decided to open an investigation at 11 30 this morning in the police court room into the charges of the man Garner against the police force. The press will be admitted.

Public Library Returns for November.

Books issued at Northern branch, 3302; western branch, 4862; central office, 13 493; total, 21,597 Increase over last month, 2203. New tickets issued during month, 550. Total tickets now issued, 7052.

"I CAN NEVER LOVE YOU."

A WASHINGTON BELLE'S CONFESSION TO HER BETROTHED.

Which She Follows Up by Floping With a Lawyer—Preparations for a Grand Wedding Knocked on the Head.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3. Fashionable society has been thrown into a whirlwind of excitement over the announcement today of the elopement of Miss Mary Willard, daughter of C. D. Willard, one of Washington's wealthiest citizens, with Wm. Paxton, patent office attorney. Miss Willard was engaged to Frank Simpson of New York, a wealthy banker's son, and elaborate preparations had been made for the nuptials, which were announced for Dec 11. Two thousand invitations had been sent out and hundreds of costly presents already received. The bride's father is now on his way from Europe to attend the ceremony. The father sent his daughter dresses by Worth of Paris, which were marvels of the famous man milliner's art.

The bride's father and mother were both heartily in favor of the alliance, but Miss Willard was averse to the match. She frankly went to Simpson and told him "I can never love you and desire to be released from my engagement." Owing to pressure of family influence she did not insist that her decision was final and allowed it to be announced that the wedding would take place on Dec. 11.

This morning, however, she met Paxton. The couple procured a license and were quietly married in presence of the groom's brother and a few of his friends. After the ceremony the couple left on a train bound for the south. The bride is a very handsome brunette, with large, dark, lustrous eyes and a plump figure, 22 years of age.

The union of Miss Willard and Paxton is said to be the culmination of a genuine love match.

True Bills From the Grand Jury.

The grand jury yesterday handed into Judge Boyd in the court of general sessions true bills against A. W. Harrison, larceny and receiving; Thomas Pritchard and J. W. Morgan, conspiracy and obtaining money under false pretences; Frank Bulmer larceny and receiving. Father Egan's case has been sent to the assizes. Pritchard and Morgan, who are out on their own bail, did not turn up, and bench warrants were issued for their arrest.

A Toronto Lady's Suit for Alimony.

London Free Press: Mrs. Annie M. Leslie is suing her husband, George M. Leslie, for alimony at Detroit on account of desertion. She alleges that her husband appropriated her $8000 dowry to his own use and neglects to provide a suitable maintenance for her, although he has an income of $2500 a year. Mrs Leslie is the daughter of a wealthy resident of Toronto, where she moves in the best society.

Ald. Irwin in the Field.

The chairman of the property committee received an influential deputation of his friends yesterday and at their request he has again consented to stand for St. John's ward, though it had been his intention to retire from the council.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Watson of the Barrie Advance is in town.

Geo. Petley of Bradford, Eng., is at the Queen's.

H. P. O'Connor, M.P.P. South Bruce, is at the Queen's.

Nicholas Fish, U. S. minister to Belgium has resigned.

Blaine is the guest of Elkins at his New York mansion.

Fred. K. F. Farmer has been appointed U.S. consul at Three Rivers, Quebec.

John White, M. P. North Hastings was in town yesterday, and called on Governor Robinson.

Hon. Geo. A. Kirkpatrick is in good health, not having had pain or ache since he reached New York.

Edward Rawlings, general manager of the Guarantee company of North America, is at the Queen's.

Cleveland will attend a charitable entertainment at New York this afternoon for the benefit of the actors' fund.

Mr. Froude, who is 62 years of age is at present in very poor health, his nervous system being deranged by recent overwork.

Toy O'Neill, treasurer of the Grand opera house, leaves for Buffalo to-day He will manage Dion Boucicault's tour through a portion of York state.

The many friends of A. D. Perry, barrister of this city, will learn with pleasure of his appointment to the chief agency in Canada of the Star Life assurance company of England. Mr Perry sailed yesterday for Canada.

Princess Dolgorouski is coming marriage to an Italian diplomatist is privately explained as an expedient by which she can visit Russia when she likes under her protection. Her eldest boy is a perfect image of the late czar, and the mother is said to cherish faith in his destiny as the future constitutional ruler of a reformed Russia.

It Should Take the Pledge.

From the Manitoba Free Press.

The Globe is becoming more maudlin daily.

The Stand Advance Agent.

From the Forest Free Press.

The gigantic cheek was exhibited when the agent (of an Uncle Tom's Cabin company) tendered the office an order on his treasurer for four tickets in full payment for a $3 advertisement.

Good Eating for Christmas.

From the Chatham Planet.

Geese have acquired a reputation for living old, principally, we presume from the toughness with which some of them masticate. Rev. Wm. King has had one in his possession for forty years, and thinks it must be at least 50 years old. It transpires that a still older goose lives near St. Thomas, its age giving it a right class among the oldest inhabitants. It is 60.

MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY

To Sir Richard John Cartwright, M. P., South Huron, born at Kingston Dec 4, 1835.

MARY'S LAMB.

(New version.)

Canada had J. A. M.
With hands approaching snow,
And everywhere her welfare led
Her J. A. M. would go.

He went to England one fine day
And got a G. C. B.,
And what a yellow some folks turned
'Twas laughable to see.

And when they couldn't turn him out
They gently left him in,
And waited patiently about
Till time should scoop him in.

"Why loves she J. A. M. so well?"
The girls impatient cry.
"Oh, J. A. M. loves her you know,"
Was all the prompt reply. —*Bab.*

As You Like It.

Likely: Moderate south and southwest winds; fair to cloudy weather; higher temperature.