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A HOTEL FIRE AT BUFFALO

GREAT LOSS OF LIFE BELIEVED TO HAVE RESULTED.

Only Five Deaths Have Been Reported so far, but it is Thought That a Search of the Ruins will Reveal the Remains of Many Who Were Burned to Death.

BUFFALO, March 18.—The splendid new Richmond Hotel, at the corner of Main and Eagle streets, only a stone's throw from the Miller-Greiner Block, burned on Tuesday, was totally destroyed by fire early this morning, together with St. James' Hall adjoining on Eagle-street, and other adjacent property. But the most distressful part of the disaster is not the destruction of valuable property, great as that is, but the loss of several human lives. At present it is impossible to say how many persons are killed and injured, but the number is large. In this respect the fire is one of the most serious disasters that has ever visited Buffalo. The rapidity of the fire, cutting off the means of escape, led some persons to leap for life from the windows. Others got down the fire escapes, or the Hayes ladders raised by the fire department, and others must have met a horrible death in the flames. The shrieks and cries of the poor people in the upper stories of the burning structure were heartrending. One man leaped from a third-story window and was picked up on the stone sidewalk on Main-street a mangled and bleeding corpse. Several who succeeded in making their escape were badly injured and burned, and some of these will probably die. Others more fortunate escaped with slight injuries, and sought refuge in the neighboring hotels. Carney's saloon on the upper corner of Eagle and Washington streets was turned into a temporary hospital, and here many of the wounded were taken, afterwards being removed to the hospitals. Among these was F. H. Bryant, a New York traveling man. He was badly burned about the feet and hands. The Hon. M. W. Barse, one of Olean's most prominent citizens, was terribly burned about the hands and wrists. Mr. Robert Stafford, the senior proprietor of the hotel, with his wife, occupied rooms on the second floor, and had a narrow escape. He, however, with Mrs. Stafford, got out in safety. Mr. Stafford was crazed with grief, and could only moan, "My God, my God," and hold his hands to his ears, to shut out the awful sounds of shrieks and groans, and frantic cries for help by the people above. Terror overcame everybody, and even those who escaped in safety were, in many cases, prostrated by their awful experiences. To this, however, there was at least one noble exception. A man stood, scantily clothed, at one of the windows of the fourth story, alternately surveying the flames darting up behind him, and then coolly and collectedly watching the operations of the firemen raising the Hayes extension ladder to save him. He uttered not a word, but was apparently busy calculating his chances. Up went the ladder, slowly but surely, and finally reached him just as the fire was bursting out of the window where he stood. He reached the top rung of the ladder in safety, and descended deliberately, and without the slightest sign of uneasiness or fear.

Among the guests in the hotel during the fatal night, were about twenty insurance agents, who had come of to adjust the losses growing out of the Miller-Greiner, Commercial and Courier office fires of Tuesday.

One of the most remarkable and thrilling experiences of those who escaped, was that of Mr. H. P. Whitaker, a member of the firm of Stafford & Co., proprietors of the hotel. He occupied a room in the fifth story, and was awakened by the ringing of the electric bell, with which each room was connected from the office.

Instantly comprehending the situation, he put on a few articles of clothing, and getting out of the window, walked or groped along the ledge, about forty feet, till he reached the fire escape, on which he descended in safety.

The small balcony on the Main-street front of the Richmond, second story, afforded a place of refuge for many of the occupants of the house, and from this point they were easily rescued with ladders. Among the last to escape were some of the servants in the upper story.

The Discovery of the Fire.

Mr. Wm. H. Alport, the night clerk, states that he was sitting in the office about 3.40, when he saw a reflection on the tile floor. Turning round, he discovered a blaze in the coat and cloak room, directly under the stairway, on the main floor. What caused the fire he could not tell, and he did not stop to investigate, but immediately gave the alarm, and started the electric annunciators which communicated with every room in the house. The flames at once darted up the elevator-shaft with tremendous force, and in an incredibly short space of time, the interior of the hotel was filled with smoke and flame. Then the terrib'e scenes began. Patrolman Henry Clark of the first precinct, who was standing on Main-street opposite, turned in the first alarm at 3.43 a.m., and a detachment of the fire department arrived promptly. Second and third alarms brought the entire department to the scene, but it was impossible to save any portion of the blazing structure. The fire had reached the roof in less than five minutes from the time it was discovered. It soon reached and gutted old St. James' Hall, occupied as Bunnell's Museum, and Tivoli Hall, adjoining and fronting on Washington-street. At one time it was thought the whole block, down to North Division-street would go, but fortunately this was prevented, and the fire, which was under control by 5 o'clock, was confined to the Richmond, and the Museum property, together with the saloon of James Creighton and the cigar store of J. C. Palacio, on the Main-street side. Both of these were small buildings. The Main-street stores of the Richmond, three in number, were occupied by Ulbrich & Kingsley, booksellers and stationers, Peter Paul & Bros., in the same line of business, and Fuller & Townsend, proprietors of the Boston Clothing Store. The stock in these stores was totally destroyed, entailing heavy loss. There was no time to save anything.

The Dead and Injured.

There were about 100 or 125 people in the house, and, as the register was burned, it was difficult to get a list of the names. It seemed evident from accounts of guests and others that the death list would be large. Eight of the wounded were taken to William A. Carney's saloon at Eagle and Washington-streets, which was turned into an impromptu hospital. The ambulances of the Fitch and Emergency hospitals were quickly on hand and the doctors worked with a will, caring for the injured.

At the undertaking rooms of Brady & Drullard are the bodies of Wilson Purcell and an unknown woman. Purcell was for a number of years a reporter with R. G. Dun & Co., but lately has been engaged in the investment broker business. He was about 42 or 43 years of age and single. He was a man of some means. The body was horribly burned, the jaw being fractured and the whiskers and hair burned.

It is said by his friends here that his home is in Chatham, Ont., or Strathroy, where he has a sister. Coroner Kenny took charge of some of Purcell's personal effects and a certificate of deposit in the Buffalo Loan, Trust and Safe Deposit Company, where he has a box. Purcell's friends in Fort Arthur and Toronto have been notified. He was the man who lost his life by leaping from one of the upper windows.

The body of a woman horribly burned and clothed only in a wrapper was taken from Wahle's basement. The brains were oozing from a fracture in the skull. The only means of identification are that she had a large scar on the right side of the neck as if a surgical operation had been performed. She wore three gold rings on the third finger of the right hand. Two of the rings were plain: one wide and one narrow. The other was chased and had the name "Annie" engraved on top of it.

To the list of dead must undoubtedly be added the name of Mark Osborne, the day clerk.

Many of the injured are at the Sisters' and the Emergency Hospitals, where a large force of medical men and nurses is attending them. There are also many scattered around the hotels, whither they were hastened when rescued. Until a complete list has been made it will be impossible to say how many lives are lost. All the injured at the hospitals and hotels will recover.

A Girl's Terrible Death.

James McGuire, night engineer at the postoffice, got into the Richmond soon after the fire broke out, and at great risk saved the life of a man who was coming down stairs in his night clothes, and was prostrated by the flames and smoke. "I don't know who he is," said Mr. McGuire. "I didn't have time for an introduction. He was all used up when I found him. After getting him out I tried to rescue a young girl from a room on the third floor, but she was lost in the fire. It was terrible to hear her cries. For some reason she could not open the door. I had the postoffice keys in my pocket, but none that would start the door, and I wasn't able to break it in. Finally I was driven away by the fire and smoke, and had to leave her to her fate. I could only tell from the voice, but I suppose she was a young girl anywhere from 10 to 15 years or so. She was in a room on the third floor of the Main-street front.

None of the inmates of the hotel saved any of their effects and in many cases guests got out only in their night clothes.

Mr. Whitaker reports that a large amount of diamonds were in the hotel. B. E. Robinson of Lambert & Co. had a stock valued at $50,000, which were deposited in the safe. Mr. Addler had in his room $30,000 worth, and a Mr. Smith had another considerable stock but the amount was not known.

The Death List so Far.

BUFFALO, March 18.—The sidewalks and roadways in the vicinity of the destroyed hotel were literally packed with people up to the time when darkness made further search impossible. No more bodies have been recovered.

So far as known the list of dead and missing is Wilson Purcell, whose people live at Clifford; Martin Osborn, day clerk of the Richmond House; Minnie Kelly, Katie Kent and Mary Connel, servants of the house; and a railway man from Toronto named Johnson.

An unknown woman was found dead in the ruins of a cigar store on the ground floor.

Peter M. Daly, Passenger Agent of the Erie Railway at Toronto, was among the first to escape from the burning building. It was at first reported that Mr. Daly was among the missing, but happily the report was unfounded.

The Insurance.

Following is the full list of the insurance on the hotel:

Traders'	$1500	Imperial	$1500
Sun, Cal	1500	St. Paul	1500
Detroit	1500	Fire Ins. Ass'n	2000
Northern	1500	Fire Ins. Co., Phil.	1500
North British	1500	Mechanics, Phil.	1500
Sun	1500	Armenia	1000
London & Lanc'r.	1500	Faragut	1000
Franklin, Ohio	1500	Union, Buffalo	1000
Prov. Wash	1500	Prov., Wash	2000
Union, Cal	1000	Anglo, Nevada	1500
Western, Pittsb'g.	1000	Factors & Trade	1500
Boylston	1500	Springfield	3000
City, London	1500	Fire Ass., Phila.	3000
Erie Co. Mutual	1500	Meridan	2000
Mil. Mechanics'	1500	Royal	1500
			$46,000

"Pete" Daly Safe.

Many rumors were current on the street yesterday that Mr. P. F. Daly, the well-known Erie Railway man, had been buried to death in the Richmond Hotel fire. Very considerable anxiety was felt for Mr. Daly's fate, and several telegraph messages passed between Toronto and Buffalo. At 10.30 last night Mr. Harry Nolan received the welcome news from Peter's brother that Mr. Daly was "all right." "Pete" left Toronto for Buffalo at 3.55 on Thursday. The message to Mr. Nolan said:

BUFFALO, March 18.—*H. J. Nolan, Rossin House, Toronto:* Peter safe; narrow escape; not hurt.
J. C. W. DALY.

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Hope for Consumptives.

PHILADELPHIA, March 18.—Dr. T. N. McLaughlin, chief physician of the Philadelphia hospital, has under treatment 30 patients supposed to be in the last stages of consumption. In each case the treatment recommended by a French professor in the University of Lyons has been adopted. The treatment consists of two rectal injections of carbonic acid gas daily, all medicines being abandoned. The treatment was begun a month ago and the patients have improved wonderfully. The night sweats have disappeared, the general health has improved and the patients have gained from three to twelve pounds in flesh.

Planned by a Famous Nihilist.

LONDON, March 18.—It is now supposed that last Sunday's plot to assassinate the Czar was planned by Degaieff, alias Jablenski, the famous Nihilist leader. It is believed he is in Switzerland. Every effort has been made to secure his arrest, but he has been able thus far to baffle the police.

If you have not read Little Lord Fauntleroy you have a treat in store. Only 25c. McAinsh & Ellis, opp. Post Office.

Cholera in South America.

NEW YORK, March 4.—A letter from Panama says cholera is playing havoc along the whole course of the Acoucaqua River, Chili. In Loocampo, Chili, a small town, from sixteen to twenty deaths were occurring daily and the people abandoned the place.

The Wild West Show Will go to England.

OMAHA, March 18.—Gov. Thayer has commissioned W. F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) as aide de camp on his staff with the rank of colonel, and also as Commissioner of the State of Nebraska to the American Exhibition in London.

More Decisive Than the Gerrymander.

PANAMA, March 18.—A Venezuelan paper says that in six districts there honorable men have been murdered to prevent them from voting with the Liberal party and making manifestations against the policy of Blanco and his party.

A Severe Shock of Earthquake.

CHARLESTON, S.C., March 18.—A despatch from Summerville says an earthquake shock at 6 o'clock this evening was the worst that has occurred in two months. It caused considerable excitement.

—Steel wire door mats will not wear out. They require no shaking as they clean themselves. They do not fill with dirt and dust; all dust falls through and can be readily swept up. 138

UNITED STATES NEWS.

Ex-Ald. Cleary of New York, another boodler, is on trial in that city.

Gen. Daniel Sickles' father died in New York on Thursday night.

It is positively asserted that the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad has been sold to a syndicate.

The Chicago Anarchists have relieved Moses Solomon of his brief as counsel for the defence.

The German steamer Rallata, which sailed from San Francisco for Tahiti, was burned at sea.

The Missouri River is bankfull, and the great volume of water will prevent the ice from gorging.

Wm. Dodge, a notorious horse thief, known as "One Ear Dodge," has been lynched in New Mexico.

Patrick H. Dolan while drunk, fell from a New York elevated train yesterday and was killed.

The first grand Scandinavian sangerfest in America will take place in Philadelphia in the latter part of July.

Wm. Hardy, a mulatto who murdered a white man, was taken from the jail at Troy, Tenn., yesterday and hanged.

The postoffice, hotel, the First National Bank, the Savings Bank, the stores of Roddy & Co., Johnson & Co., Frew Brothers, Steel Bros. & Co., Sewell & Watson, Reed & Co., Heath & Co. and ten small shops at Rockhill, S.C., were burned Thursday night; loss $140,000.

THE IRISH MUCH EXCITED.

THE ARREST OF A PRIEST DEEPENS THE DIFFICULTY.

Father Keller, in Custody For Acting As Trustee Under the Plan of Campaign, Meets With An Ovation On His Way To Dublin.

LONDON, March 18.—The Times asks why the Parnell party do not try to refute the charges made in its article on "Parnellism and Crime." "None of the party has taken legal action," says the Times, "although if the charges were proved to be untrue heavy damages might be asked. Can Mr. Gladstone and his friends persist in telling the English and Scotch Liberals that it is safe and honorable to surrender the government of Ireland to the allies and instruments of anti-British plotters in America?"

Arrest of a Priest.

CORK, March 18.—Father Keller, of Youghal, was arrested to-day, charged with being concerned in the plan of campaign applied on the Ponsonby estates. When Father Keller reached this city in custody of the police he was met at the depot by the mayor, the municipal council and a large crowd that filled the streets. When the priest alighted from the train he was greeted with great cheers, followed by music from a band engaged for the occasion. The mayor and council then, on behalf of the people of Cork, presented Father Keller with an address.

Addresses were presented to Father Keller by the municipal authorities of all the towns through which he passed, and at every station there were crowds of people with bands of music to greet him.

Archbishop Croke, in his address to Father Keller at Thurles, said: "You represent two great principles—opposition to unjust action in regard to rent, and fidelity to the confidences of your flock. No government has ever grappled successfully with an Irish priesthood, and the present Government will rue the day they threw down a fresh gage of battle."

Father Keller replied that he had no reason to regret his action.

Several members of the House of Commons were in the crowd that awaited Father Keller at the Dublin station. The police were obliged to retire before the people who stormed the train and bore Father Keller to the Lord Mayor's carriage. Upon arriving at the Imperial Hotel Father Keller was presented with an address by the Lord Mayor. In his speech he said his journey had been more like that of a conqueror than an humble pastor. Standing in the midst of no'le leaders he was ashamed and humiliated to be made the recipient of such an address. The rack rented tenants, he said, had exhausted every means before they adopted the plan of campaign. They could be sure of his sympathy. They had confided to him their hopes and fears, which he held sacred. He would never become an informer against his flock, not if he had to suffer death.

Father Keller Taken to Dublin.

DUBLIN, March 18.—Father Keller, on his journey to Dublin, met with ovations at all the stations. He was received at Thurles by Archbishop Croke and twelve priests. The archbishop assured Father Keller of his sympathy and approval, and he warned the Government that any attempt to crush the priesthood would fail. On his arrival at Dublin Father Keller was enthusiastically received. He was not conveyed to jail. Entering the Lord Mayor's carriage he was driven through the city to the Imperial Hotel. The carriage was followed by thousands of people with banners, bands of music, etc.

The Lord Mayor, in a speech, said that thousands of priests were ready to follow Father Keller to jail.

Mr. Dillon's Protest.

LONDON, March 18.—Mr. John Dillon, in the House of Commons this evening, protested against the arrest of Father Keller at Youghal to-day.

Mr. Balfour, Chief Secretary for Ireland, denounced Mr. Dillon's violent language and his partizanship in accusing the Irish police of misleading the magistrate in the case and goading the people to resistance. Mr. Balfour declared that the Irish agitators were really responsible for goading the people of Ireland into rebellion.

Mr. Balfour, continuing, said the Bankruptcy Court had the power to summon anybody, whether priest or layman, as witness, and if such summons be disobeyed the only option of the court was to enforce the law and imprison the recalcitrant.

Mr. Labouchere reproached Mr. Balfour for having, as he said, shirked his duty in failing to consider the charge of inhumanity brought against the police. He hoped that whenever Mr. Balfour turned loose his myrmidons without consulting a magistrate the Irish people would resist as they were now resisting.

Mr. Parnell protested strongly against the absence of any attempt on the part of the Government to meet the strong case that had been brought against them. Mr. Balfour, he said, would not escape retribution and the judgment of history as one who had entered upon a task of bloodshed in Ireland with a light heart—[cries "withdraw," which the speaker did not notice, and Irish cheers]—or as one who during a short period in office, had shown more callousness and indifference than any previous secretary. It was unfortunate for him (Balfour) that his assumption of office had been signalized by two such events as the arrest of Father Keller and the murder of Hanlan.

On a call for a division the members on the front Opposition bench left the House in a body amid ironical cheers. A motion to adjourn was negatived, 226 to 88, and the debate on the cloture rules was resumed.

The Police Condemned.

LIMERICK, March 18.—The Municipal Council of Limerick to-day adopted a resolution condemning the police and Government of Ireland for fomenting disturbances among the people of the country for the purpose of securing justification for coercion.

Johanna to be Shelled.

ZANZIBAR, March 18.—The French have sent a man-of-war to bombard the walled town Johanna, capital of the island of the same name, in the channel between Mozambique and Madagascar. The reason given by the French is that the King of Johanna refused to receive French residents at his capital.

The Queen's Drawing Room.

LONDON, March 16.—The Queen held her second jubilee drawing room at Buckingham Palace to-day. The number of presentations made was smaller than at the first drawing room. The Queen will to-morrow attend a private performance at the Hippodrome Olympia.

China Improving Its Navy.

TIENTSIN, March 8.—The Government is taking active steps for the improvement of its navy. Cruisers have been ordered from English and German firms and are now in course of construction. The relations between Russia and China are cordial.

The Anniversary of the Commune.

PARIS, March 18.—To-day being the sixteenth anniversary of the declaration of the Commune, it is being celebrated by the Communists in Paris and the provinces by more than fifty banquets.

CABLE NOTES.

The health of the Emperor William, who is in his 90th year, is said to be wonderfully good.

The St. Petersburg police are alarmed because of reports of a widespread Nihilist conspiracy for a general rising.

The Roumanian Chamber yesterday approved of the commercial convention with Germany submitted by the Government.

It is rumored in Vienna that a rising was attempted in Moscow on Sunday, but was suppressed.

The King of the Tonga Islands has closed the Wesleyan College at Tonga, and in consequence of his hostility the Wesleyans are leaving his dominions and going to the Fiji Islands.

A MONTREAL JEWELER ARRESTED.

Charged With Appropriating Goods That Did Not Belong to Him.

MONTREAL, March 18.—W. B. Allan, formerly of the jewelry firm of J. Patterson & Allan of Bleury-street, has been arrested on a charge of having appropriated $2000 worth of jewelry or more belonging to the late Wm. Deardon, the old jewelry dealer, whose goods were seized in part by the Customs authorities. Mr. Allan had been confidential clerk of Mr. Deardon and had charge of the Montreal branch of Mr. Deardon's business. At the death of Mr. Deardon it is alleged that the accused retained for himself a quantity of jewelery and watches to an unknown amount, but certainly over $2000 worth, which it is said he stored away in his house. Some time ago he associated himself with J. Patterson and commenced business with him on Bleury-street under the promise that he would furnish $2000 to the concern. The money was not forthcoming and an amount of jewelry was brought to the store by Mr. Allan in lieu of the cash, but Mr. Patterson would not accept of it for the purpose. Finally Mr. Patterson applied for a dissolution of partnership, which was granted by the courts. It is said that the late Mr. Deardon owed the Customs authorities about $24,000 in payment of the fine inflicted for smuggling, and it is alleged that Mr. Allan knew of that debt and immediately on the dissolution of the partnership notified the Customs officials that Mr. Patterson had in his possession some goods belonging to Mr. Deardon. W. B. Allan was admitted to $1000 bail this afternoon.

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COLLISION ON THE C. P. R.

The Toronto Express Runs Into a Freight —No Lives Lost.

OTTAWA, March 18.—Near 1 o'clock this morning the C. P. R. express for Toronto ran into the rear portion of a train of freight cars stationary on the main line, near Stittsville, fifteen miles from this city. The conductor of the freight had found the grade too heavy and had divided his train in two parts, sending half ahead with the engine. A brakeman was sent back along the line with a lantern to warn the express, which was then almost due. The engineer of the express did not notice the warning signals of the messenger and kept right ahead. It was only when a very short distance off that he noticed a light from the train in front of him. The engine was reversed, but too late. In a moment a terrific crash came. The engine crushed into the rear car, breaking it to pieces and igniting its cargo of vitriol, the fire speedily spreading in all directions. Ten cars of the freight train were with their contents consumed. The engine of the express was totally wrecked, and the consumable portion was burned, the fire spreading to the tender and to the first car of the passenger train before a relief engine could be got to draw off the rest. Fortunately there was no loss of life. The fireman of the express was the only one injured. His hurt was in the spine. The track was not cleared until 7 o'clock this evening and trains for the east and west were detained all day.

IN HONOR OF MR. CHAPLEAU.

His Admirers Will Banquet Him at the Windsor, Montreal, on Easter Monday.

OTTAWA, March 18.—The admirers of the Hon. Mr. Chapleau have tendered him a banquet, which he has accepted, to take place on Easter Monday at the Windsor at Montreal, but only on the condition that about 150 seats would be placed at the disposal of his English-speaking friends, the seating capacity of the dining-room being only about 400. Ottawa tried to grab 100 of these, but the committee kicked, and Toronto will have its share.

The Conservatives of Ottawa gave a reception to C. H. Mackintosh to-night on his return from his successful trip to Algoma and the Northwest Territories. Messrs. O'Connor, Osmond, Howe and others said all the good things for him that they knew of. The meeting dubbed him Ottawa's monarch in the affections of the people of the Capital.

MURDER BY A BOY.

During a Dispute One Lad Kills Another With a Hammer.

HALIFAX, March 18.—A shocking affair is reported from Mull River, near Mabou, C. B. Yesterday two young boys named McMullen and Worth got into a dispute, during which the latter became enraged, picked up a hammer and struck the other a terrific blow in the right temple. McMullen dropped dead with a ghastly wound in his forehead. No particulars of the tragedy have been received.

You can get a pad of ruled linen note paper containing 100 sheets for 15c. Suitable for private or business correspondence. McAinsh & Ellis, opp. Post Office.

A Rosseau Hotel-keeper Wants a Divorce.

OTTAWA, March 18.—Mr. John Monteith, proprietor of the Monteith House, at Rosseau Lake, in the District of Algoma, has given notice that he will apply at the next session of Parliament for a divorce from his wife, Mary Ann Monteith, on the ground of adultery and desertion.

Fire at Ingersoll.

INGERSOLL, March 18.—About 5 o'clock this morning the skating rink, a large frame building, was destroyed by fire; also two or three buildings adjoining; loss about $4000, insured in the Royal and Phœnix for $2000.

The Merchants' Bank Calls in Loans.

MONTREAL, March 18.—Quite a flurry was caused in the Stock Exchange to-day owing to the Merchants' Bank calling in loans. No apparent damage resulted, though it will have a tendency to make money tighter.

Phenomenal Precocity.

From the Boston Transcript.

Not long ago the first prize at the Paris Conservatory of Music was won by a girl named Reine, who is 10 years old, and was so small that the pedals of the piano had to be raised in order that she might be able to reach them. Juliette Bone is the name of an 8-year-old artist, who has won the first piano prize in a competition at Namur, Belgium. In several German cities Joseph Hoffmann of Warsaw has given a very successful series of concerts; he is 9 years old, and has performed several strong compositions of his own in his concerts; Henry Varteau of Rheims, not yet 11 years old, has been making a brilliant concert tour along the Rhine. The Hagel sisters have given concerts in the German cities of Bamberg, Erfurth and Nordhausen. The youngest of these sisters, 6 years old, plays the violin; the second, 7 years old, is a performer of talent on the 'cello; and the oldest, 8 years old, plays the piano.

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

Timothy Fogarty of Centralia is missing, and it is feared he has been drowned in the Sauble River.

The Young Women's Christian Temperance Union of St. Thomas will open a reading room for young men in that city.

Mrs. Louisa Johnson of Chatham is 102 years of age. She was born in slavery in Maryland and came to Canada in 1828.

Peter McLaren's limits, saw mills and improvements on the Mississippi River have been sold to W. C. Edwards, M.P., for $900,000.

The mother of Maria Dee, who some months ago deserted her child on a St. Thomas doorstep, has sued John Black of that city for $2000 for the loss of her daughter's services. The young man denies the paternity of the child.

Michael Elford of Elmville attempted the other day to free a chaff cutter from frozen straw, and his mitten got catught in the feed rollers. Before he could extricate him-if his whole hand and forearm were cut to pieces.

—There is no doubt about it, C. H. Tonkin 718 Yonge-street, sells the best hats in North Toronto or anywhere else. His establishment, opposite the Old Red Lion inn is one of old Yorkville's main attractions. Spring hats and caps, all styles, all prices. x

THE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL FACULTY

A Definite Scheme for the Amalgamation of the Two Schools.

At the University Senate meeting last night, the Committee to whom the proposals for placing medical education in its connection with the university on a more efficient basis, were referred, submitted the following report:

It is desirable to establish a medical college to be known as "The University of Toronto Medical College," which shall be the medical faculty of the university.

The college shall have a governing board which shall consist of the members of the college council (as hereafter specified), two members nominated by the Government; six members elected by the senate of the university, and the chairman and one other member of the hospital trust.

There shall be a college council which shall consist of the professors of the medical college, including such professors in the School of Practical Science as are giving instruction in the subjects in the medical curriculum.

The governing board shall hold in trust, for the purposes of the college, all properties belonging to the institution, have general charge of finances, determine all fees, and make all appointments in the teaching staff.

The College Council shall have control of all purely educational matters including the conduct and discipline of the students in the college in accordance with the curriculum of the university.

If the faculty or faculties of the Toronto School of Medicine or Trinity Medical School, Toronto, decide to suspend their charter or charters and accept the proposed scheme, the members of such faculty or faculties shall hold as far as possible the same positions in the new college as they hold as professors or lecturers in their present schools.

The present salaries of professors shall be maintained pro rata and for the purpose of defining what is understood by salaries the scale at present existing in Trinity Medical School shall be taken as the basis, and a practicable scheme for retiring allowances for the professors shall be arranged.

The governing board shall seek from the Ontario Government power to raise the sum of $——for the purpose of purchasing or erecting buildings in or near the hospital grounds.

All medical examinations shall be conducted by the examiners in the Faculty of medicine, and such other examiners as may from time to time be associated with them by appointment of the Senate.

It was decided that the report should be printed with a view to its being submitted to the members of the faculties of the medical schools in Toronto and to the trustees of the Toronto General Hospital. Vice-Chancellor Mulock, Mr. Falconbridge and Dr. Wilson were appointed a committee to confer with those interested.

The following statute received its first reading:

That first-class teachers' certificates be accepted pro tanto in lieu of senior matriculation on first year's examination, and that teachers holding grades A and B be allowed the options granted to honor men in the subjects or courses in which these certificates are granted, provided always that all candidates for scholarships or relative standing shall take the full senior matriculation or first year's examination.

ZOBEHR PASHA.

The Egyptian Government Meditating His Release.

CAIRO, March 18.—It is reported that the Egyptian Government is meditating the release of Zobehr Pasha. He is a prisoner of state at Gibraltar, where he has been in captivity since March 30, 1885. He was arrested on March 14 at Alexandria by order of the Khedive for alleged treason, it having been charged against him that he was a secret ally of El Madhi and had been largely instrumental in securing for the false prophet the fall of Khartoum. Zobehr Pasha succeeded Gen. Gordon as Governor of the Soudan. Gordon admired him even after his removal from the governorship and insisted that he should be restored to power as the only man capable of maintaining order in the Soudan. The arrest and transportation of Zobehr were attributed by a large and influential party in Egypt to intrigue. This party has always insisted that he was a true patriot and that charges against him which effected his downfall were pure inventions.

A Quiet Little Room for the Sultan.

From the Cosmopolitan.

In one room, called the cabinet de travail, in which the Sultan shuts himself for the purpose of doing nothing, and getting a little more disgusted with life than somewhere else, I was asked to admire the tassels of the curtains, each of which cost 6000 francs (one thousand two hundred dollars), enough to enable a family of honest people to live a year in ease and comfort. In the same room I was obliged however to go into ecstacies over an enormous clock of silver, representing, if my memory serves me aright, a tiger hunt. My guide did not call my attention to the talent that the artist had exhibited in his work; he told me simply that this big clock weighed a hundred pounds, and that there entered into its construction 30,000 francs worth of silver (six thousand dollars), without including the workmanship, the ornaments, the face ornamented with precious stones, and the gold hands, which altogether were worth at least three times as much more.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Mr. John Yorston of this city has removed to Oakville, and assumed control of the Star and Independent newspaper.

Price of milk. Chapman Symons & Co. are selling, have been, and will sell at 5 cents per quart all the year round. See card in World.

Mr. Charles Janes will deliver an address to men on "Personal Purity" in Shaftesbury Hall parlor to-night and Sunday evening.

J. Hunter Brown, tailor, at Wilton-avenue and Yonge-street, has assigned. E. R. C. Clarkson, liabilities placed at $4000, assets $3000.

Messrs. Hall, Dewart & Co., barristers, have removed to their new offices at Jordan and Melinda-streets, over E. & A. Gunther's store. The entrance is at 21 Melinda-street.

Wm. Leonard, a carpenter living in Birch-avenue, was painfully and seriously injured by falling from the roof of Cowan's two-and-a-half story building near Gerrard and Jarvis streets yesterday morning.

Police Court yesterday: John Mann, larceny, seven days in jail; Fred McClosky, larceny, ten days; Albert Smith, a juvenile coal thief, four hours in the cells; Albert Smith, larceny, sent for trial.

The lady managers of the Hospital for Sick Children beg to acknowledge the receipt of $62.82 for the hospital, and $62.83 for the Lakeside Home, the proceeds of the entertainment given by ex-Ald. Moore.

Mr. Webster, Cunard Line agent, reports the following Torontonians sailing to-day per steamship Umbria: Messrs. A. W. Grassett, J. Dudgeon, J. Leslie, E. H. Bunton, Clarkson Jones, A. F. McTavish, J. McDougalls and Miss E. Fraupton.

At the Canadian Institute to-night papers will be read by Rev. Father Labourean on "Reminiscences of the Huron Missions," and by Dr. P. H. Bryce on "Diphtheria and Scarlatina in Their Various Aspects."

Mr. S. J. Sharp, formerly of the C.P.R. and latterly manager for Sam Osborne & Co., has been appointed Canadian passenger agent of the New York, Lake Erie and Western, with headquarters at Toronto. He ought to be a good man.

At the regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council last night the action of the District Assembly, K. of L., in calling out the men in Heintzman's was approved of. In the absence of President Harris, Mr. Charles Miller occupied the chair. Mr. D. J. O'Donoghue presented the usual report on assisted immigration.

At the last regular communication of Wilson Lodge No. 36, A.F. & A.M., in the Masonic Hall, the immediate Past Master, Bro. Dr. John S. King, was made the recipient from the lodge of a valuable gold Past Master's jewel as a token of their respect. The presentation was made at the request of Worshipful Master Brown by Very Worshipful Bro. Alex. Patterson and appropriately acknowledged by the recipient.

A short meeting of the Property Committee was held yesterday afternoon, Ald. Irwin presiding. On behalf of Mr. V. Fuller, Mr. A. R. Boswell asked the committee for a lease of the land on the edge of the lagoon just southwest of Hanlan's Point, for the purpose of erecting thereon a Geyser ark for the sale of milk. The matter was referred to a sub-committee. A number of accounts were passed.

The best thing in the way of choice building lots in the West End put on the market for some time is undoubtedly that set out on the plan advertised on the last page of this issue. The grounds of Foxley Grove, which are among the most beautiful in the city, will always be an open view commanded by the range of lots in question. Besides, the lots themselves are studded with groves of fine full-grown trees, and the seclusion of Mackenzie-crescent will add to its desirability for the better class of gentlemen's residences.

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A GREAT ATHLETIC NIGHT

THE TORONTO LACROSSE CLUB'S ASSAULT-AT-ARMS.

The Pavilion Music Hall Packed With the Muscular Youth of the City—A Program That Would Dazzle the Olympians of Old —Enforced Absentees.

The talk of the town for the past few days was the Toronto Lacrosse Club's assault-at-arms, which came off in the Pavilion Music Hall last night. The place was jammed full, every seat on the floor and in the galleries being occupied, while many people were obliged to stand; the best people and all the athletic flower of the city were there. The boys were justly excited over the success of the affair financially and otherwise. There was one fault: the program was too long. But what was given was good in every particular, and the greater part of the audience patiently waited until 11.20, when the curtain went down on the final tableau.

Handsome decorations, consisting of bunting, flags, lacrosses, snowshoes, footballs, masks and foils had been arranged by a committee under Mr. Harry Davies, who also acted as stage manager. Arrayed in broadcloth and fine linen were these gentlemen who acted as ushers: H. E. Sewell, Fred. G. Garvin, James Garvin, W. Logan, J. R. McCaffery, C. A. C. McHenry.

The musical part of the entertainment consisted of a couple of choruses, "Hark the Merry Drum" and "The Three Chafers," well sung by the T.L.C. Glee Club, led by Mr. H. M. Blight; a ridiculously funny character song, "Johnnie, I Hardly Knew Ye," by Mr. Davies, the possessor of much histrionic ability, and a banjo olio by Mr. Pete Wood, of the Hamilton Baseball Club, and Prof. Watson.

Military exercises formed a large part of the program. Sergt.-Major Morgans, Royal Military College, Kingston, gave some wonderful exhibitions of swordsmanship, notably the severing with one blow of two carcasses of sheep hung together.

A squad of men of "C" Company, Infantry School, under Sergt. Borland, gave a perfect exhibition of bayonet exercise, while Sergt.-Major Morgans and Lieut. Moverley, late 9th Austrian Hussars (Police Court Clerk), engaged in sword and bayonet combats in almost realistic manner and displaying great skill.

The manly art of boxing was third on the program but only two events came off. Mr. Harry Gilmore of Montreal was to have engaged in a glove contest with Mr. R. MacPherson, but through an accident his train did not reach here till hours after the entertainment was over. This also prevented the attendance of that veteran lacrossist, Mr. Ross Mackenzie, who was to have appeared in the final tableau. However, there were two good bouts, Mr. J. W. Dryman and Mr. D. Coulson proved themselves agile and scientific amateurs, while Mr. John F. Scholes, the well-known professional, was tackled by Mr. R. McKay. Both were clever exhibitions. The boxers wore white trousers and dark blue guernseys.

Exciting to an extent that made the audience rise to its feet and shout were the tug-of-war contests between these teams, five-minute pulls:

FIRST TUG.

Queen's Own Rifles	*v.*	*Royal Grenadiers.*
Pioneer Sergt. R. Coulter,		Pte. T. Coulter,
" " Brash,		" J. Coulter,
" " Doctor,		Sergt. Medcalf,
Capt. McGee (anchor),		Pte. Richardson (anchor),
Col. Sergt. Cooper, capt.		Adjutant Manley, capt.

SECOND TUG.

Toronto Rowing Club.	*v.*	*I.C.B.A*
D. Fletcher,		Thomas Walsh,
Bush Thompson,		M. McCurdy,
Joseph Wright,		P. Spillman,
J. T. Thompson (anchor),		W. Naddy (anchor),
Geo. Creighton, captain.		J. W. Kennedy, captain.

The Q.O.R. got a fine drop on the Grenadiers at the crack of the pistol, but the lost gradually, though gaining now and th n Near the close of the five minutes the Q.O. seemed sure of winning but they lost by their last bout and the Grens won. In the second tug the Toronto Rowing Club lads got the drop on the stalwart I.C.B.U's. The time was nearly up when an I.C.B.U.