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A Conversation

MRS. BROWN:

"Will you be kind enough to tell me please, why you always
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MRS. JONES

"Certainly my dear Mrs. Brown, I will tell you why I do it.
In the first place I am sure of the quality of the Shoes I
buy at Turrill's.

Then I am positively certain that I can get there more stylish
Shoes than I have ever been able to buy anywhere else.

Besides, it's a great comfort to get a Shoe that is stylish, and
that fits the foot nicely, without cramping the toes.

Then again, I can buy Shoes there in all kinds of leather, in
all sizes, and in all widths, and I know they are made as well as
Shoes can be made, and just think of it! I pay only from
two to three dollars per pair."

MRS. BROWN:

"Well, well, I'll go to Turrill's myself for my next pair of
Shoes."

THAT'S THE WAY THEY TALK IT.

TURRILL, the Shoe Man

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

The Pope received 5,000 pilgrims.

Conductor John Dore was killed at
Paris, Ont.

The Seaforth Sun office was destroyed
Saturday by fire.

Mr. S. C. Skinner, manufacturer of
Gananoque, is dead.

The British naval estimates to be issued
to-day will call for increases.

The strike in the Vancouver freight
sheds will probably end to-day.

It is reported that the C. P. R. and the
G. T. R. will soon open offices at Bristol.

Rev. R. J. Campbell was appointed to
the pastorate of the famous City Temple,
London.

The De Forest Wireless Telegraph Com-
pany of Canada has obtained an Ontario
charter.

A successful start has been made by
the expedition operating against the Mad
Mullah.

Judgment was given against the C. P. R.

at Winnipeg in the three cases regarding
taxation of lands.

Peter A. Ostrander, formerly of St.
Thomas, took a dose of rough on rats at
Mapleton and is dead.

The Dinorwic, Man., Hotel and post-
office were burned. The hotel occupants
escaped in their nightclothes.

A general strike of all workmen in
Holland is threatened as a protest against
the bill to prevent railway strikes.

Mr. F. C. Wade, K.C., Winnipeg, has
been appointed to assist in preparing the
case for the Alaska Boundary Commis-
sion.

The following Provincial appoint-
ments are announced:—T. A. Snider,
of Cayuga, to be Local Master of the
Supreme Court for the County of Hal-
dane during the absence on leave of
his Honor Judge McMillan; S. H. Mc-
Kay, of Walkerton, to be a notary pub-
lic; John McIntyre, of St. Thomas, to
be Clerk of the Second and Third Di-
vision Courts for Elgin County.

SPRING ASSIZES

The Spring Assizes open here on
March 10th, before his lordship Mr.
Justice Falconbridge. There are so
far only three civil cases entered for
trial. The jury cases are:—

Sutherland vs. Shaver, an action to
recover \$4,500 damages, by reason of
the loss of a quantity of staves by
fire. G. B. Douglas for plaintiff, J.
G. Kerr contra.

Tedford vs. Tedford, an action to re-
cover property. The father died with-
out a will. The sister lives in the
house he owned, which is valued at
\$300. The brother brings action to
obtain possession. The law costs will
in all probability amount to the value
of the house. R. L. Gosnell for plain-
tiff, and J. B. Rankin contra.

The one non-jury case is that of
Dickenson vs. Samel, an action over
lease. Kerr & Kerr, Coburg; and W.
F. Smith contra.

FAST ATLANTIC LINE.

GOVERNMENT REQUIREMENTS
FOR THE SERVICE.

At Least Four Vessels—An Interview
With Hon. Raymond Prefontaine

—The Dominion, the Allan and
the C.P.R. Lines Will Probably
Tender.

Montreal, March 9.—Hon. Raymond
Prefontaine, Minister of Marine and
Fisheries, corroborated the report that
the Government is about to call for
tenders for a fast Atlantic service. The
chief feature of the specifications, which
likely will be sent to the different
steamship companies to-morrow, is that
the tenderers are asked to state their
own terms; in other words, to say what
they can do and how much they would
want should they get the contract. But
few obligations are set down. There
must be four steamers; the speed must
be within 16 and 21 knots, inclusive;
the steamers must call at a port in Ireland
and a port in England, at Halifax and
St. John in winter, and in summer at
Quebec and Sydney or Rimouski. The
vessels must be ready to begin by May
1, 1905, and, although the Government's
first object is a fast mail service, pro-
vision must be made for passengers and
freight. The Government is not bound
in any way. One company may tender
for two 16-knot and two 18-knot steam-
ers, another company may tender for
two 16-knot and two 21-knot steamers,
while a third company may offer a 21-
knot service all round. The Govern-
ment will have to decide whether an
18-knot service for a stated sum is bet-
ter than a 16-knot and a 21-knot ser-
vice for a stated sum, or otherwise, as
the case may be.

So far as can be learned here, the
number of lines willing and capable of
undertaking the service is confined to
three—the Dominion, the Allan and
the C.P.R.'s Elder Dempster. The Do-
minion Line is controlled by the Mor-
gan combine; the other two presum-
ably are free. The Leyland Line may
possibly tender. The G.T.R. is silent.
All but the C.P.R. face the question of
freight supply in winter, because the C.
P. R. and the Intercolonial are the only
railways running into St. John. Mr.
Prefontaine says that the Government
should have no difficulty in making an
arrangement whereby the Intercolonial
could meet the requirements in this re-
spect.

Mr. John Torrance of the Dominion
and Leyland Lines says that the C. P.
R., in the circumstances, is master of
the situation. But should the G.T.R.
get control of the Allan Line, the Do-
minion Line, or even one of the Reford
Lines, the conditions would greatly
change. As the Dominion and Leyland
Lines are controlled by the trust, the
Allan and Reford Lines seem to be the
only ones in sight just now.

All assertions to the contrary not-
withstanding, there is no doubt that the
G.T.R. officials are seriously consider-
ing the acquisition of a fleet of steam-
ers, and the present move by the Gov-
ernment will serve as a stimulant. The
tenders are called for June 1st, which
allows almost three months for con-
sideration. Two years are provided in
which to build, if found necessary. With
the Grand Trunk Pacific in sight, the
feeling here is that the G.T.R. would
gladly undertake to feed a fleet with
freight over the Intercolonial in win-
ter, over their own eastern branch to
Quebec in summer, and at the same
time provide a fast Atlantic service.
Apart from the fast service altogether,
well-posted shipping men say they will
be at a distinct disadvantage lacking a
steamship line. They themselves, how-
ever, say that in any event they can
make satisfactory arrangements with
the different shipping companies. It is
said that one of the objects of Sir
Thomas Shaughnessy's trip to England
is to sound the British Government
upon the question of a subsidy from
that source for a fast service.

GEN. BOOTH AND DOWIE.

Aged Salvation Army Leader Con-
demned by Zionists.

New York, March 9.—General Wil-
liam Booth, founder and head of the
Salvation Army, sailed for England on
the Campania, Saturday. Owing to the
injury to his knee there was no demon-
stration by the local corps. In answer
to a question the General said:—"Yes,
I see that Dowie has condemned me,
both for this world and the next. I
have no answer to make to him. I long
ago made it a rule not to answer at-
tacks on myself and the Army. I do
not think Dowie is worth answering."

POSTMASTER ARRESTED.

STRANGE INCIDENT OF THE
POISON CANDY CASE.

Letters in Possession of Chifferton of
Rat Portage Throw Suspicion of
Robbery on J. A. Johnson of Dal-
housie, N.B.

Ottawa, March 9.—Sensational de-
velopments may spring from the poi-
soned chocolate case, which has of late
been exciting much speculation in Rat
Portage. The sweetmeats were re-
ceived by George Chifferton, a miner
from New Brunswick. Not caring
much for candy himself, he partook
very sparingly, and passed the box
around among his mates. All who
partook of the chocolates were taken
ill, and the symptoms were those of
poisoning. Chifferton fell under sus-
picion, and search of his effects led to
the discovery of letters from Dal-
housie, N.B. These letters threw
light on a robbery of \$500 which oc-
curred last August in the postoffice of
the little New Brunswick seaside re-
sort. On that occasion Lieut.-Col.
Sherwood, Commissioner of Dominion
Police, and Detective Chamberlain of
the secret service, investigated the ro-
bbery, but although they were con-
vinced that the thief must have been
some one thoroughly familiar with the
office they were unable to bring the
crime home. The correspondence
found on Chifferton, however, seemed
to point to the guilty party, and the
arrest of J. A. Johnson, the Postmas-
ter at Dalhousie, on suspicion of being
implicated, was resolved upon. Yester-
day Col. Sherwood was advised that
the arrest had been carried out. The
letters which led to this unexpected
turn of events were found by Inspector
Greer, who handed them to Mr. John
R. Cartwright, Deputy Attorney-Gen-
eral, by whom they were transferred
to the Commissioner of Dominion
Police.

A FALSE MOVE MADE.

Buffalo Police Arrest Innocent Can-
adian Girl.

Buffalo, March 9.—In their eagerness
to pierce the mystery surrounding the
assassination of Edward L. Burdick,
the police have made a false move.
They immediately retraced their steps
when it was found that their case was
too flimsy to be considered for one
moment, and every effort was made
to undo the wrong that had been done.
From statements given out by the Su-
perintendent of Police and the District
Attorney after the denouement of the
fiasco, it is evident that the two de-
partments did not work in the mat-
ter. Marion W. Hutchinson, a young
woman formerly employed in Burdick's
office, was taken to police headquar-
ters by a detail of detectives at an early
hour. She was not under arrest, the
police say. After being detained for
five hours she was allowed to go free,
as the police could find nothing against
her. Miss Hutchinson came here about
a year ago, in company with her moth-
er and sister Florence, from London,
Ont. On arriving in this city they went
to live in a boarding house in Main
street, and on Feb. 17 last moved to
No. 19 West Tupper street. While liv-
ing in Main street Miss Hutchinson
secured a place on a monthly paper
printed by Burdick at his envelope
works. Last January she left his em-
ploy.

KEEPS FOUR WIVES.

The Ameer of Afghanistan Adopts
New Rule.

London, March 9.—Mail advices re-
ceived here from Cabul say the Ameer
of Afghanistan has divorced all ex-
cept four of his wives. The divorced
women are allowed to remarry at their
pleasure, and the Ameer has promised
lifelong support to those who do not
marry again. His Highness has also
decreed by beat of drum that none of
his subjects shall hereafter have more
than four wives, and that all in excess
of this number must be divorced.
The Ameer is also suppressing evil-
doers with an iron hand. In a recent
proclamation he ordered that anyone
convicted of taunting another on ac-
count of his religion should be blown
from a cannon's mouth. This punish-
ment has already been inflicted. Rob-
bers are placed in cages, which are
hung prominently in the thoroughfares
as a warning to others. Another pro-
clamation of the Ameer, evidently aimed
against those who attempt to cor-
ner grain, decrees that everyone pos-
sessing grain in excess of what is ab-
solutely necessary for the support of
his family for four months shall sell
it. If he fails to do so his whole sup-
ply will be taken by force.

DR. ALEXANDER'S DEATH.

An Inquest to be held at Sault Ste.
Marie.

Sault Ste. Marie, March 9.—Dr.
Alexander, L.D.S., a young man 23
years of age, died here very unexpect-
edly Saturday. He retired in apparent
good health on Friday evening, and
when his assistant went to call him on
Saturday morning he was unconscious.
Several medical men were summoned,
but despite their efforts he gradually
sank, and died without regaining con-
sciousness. Coroner McClure is in-
vestigating the cause. A jury will meet
on Monday at 3 p.m. after a post-mor-
tem examination has been made.

SPRING TRIALS

The terrible condition of the roads
kept many farmers out of the city on
Saturday, although the local trains
were crowded for standing room.

One man started from the other side
of Blenheim to drive into the city in
the morning. He got as far as Blen-
heim and put his horses in a stable,
taking the train for the remainder of
the distance into the city.

The roads were bad Saturday, but
the heavy rains during the early
morning yesterday have made them
worse. Some farmers, who drove in
a short distance, said the slush was
axe-deep almost all the way.

AN ABBESS SENTENCED.

She Attempted to Poison Her Ser-
vant Girl.

Berlin, March 9.—A despatch from
Munich announces that Elizabeth Von
Haeussler, lady abbess of the Old Wo-
man's Asylum, who was on trial for
attempting to poison a servant girl,
has been sentenced to six years' de-
tention in a penitentiary. According
to the testimony given at the trial the
servant girl, Emma Wagner, was for
eight years the intimate friend and con-
fidante of the abbess, who told her many
alleged slanders against members of the
Bavarian royal family. A few weeks
ago the abbess and the servant quarrel-
led, and then it was charged, the ab-
bess, fearing the girl would divulge the
stories and injure her in Court circles,
poured muriatic acid into the girl's
coffee, which made her violently ill.

VIEWS OF LABOR LEADERS.

Scarcity of Skilled Labor Due to the
Employers.

Toronto, March 9.—Prominent
officials of labor organizations are
not at all inclined to sym-
pathize with manufacturers in their ap-
peal to the Ontario Government for
aid in importing skilled mechanics. Mr.
John Acheson, former President of the
metal trades section of the Trades and
Labor Council, in an interview on Sat-
urday gave the opinion that if employ-
ers were not so opposed to trades
unions there would be abundance of ap-
plications for every vacant position.
Skilled workmen, he said, were offered
better terms in the United States,
where men in his own trade are paid
\$4.40 for a nine-hour day, while in To-
ronto they receive but \$2.50 for a ten-
hour day.

W. C. Brake, Vice-President of the
Sheet Metal Workers' Union, said that
as a rule all skilled workmen were
members of unions, and he considered
that if Canadian employers treated
labor unions and the men who com-
posed them as fairly as they were
treated in the United States there
would be no scarcity of skilled labor.

WANTS HIS MOTHER.

Little Prince Found in the Cathedral
Praying.

Dresden, Saxony, March 7.—Little
Prince George, eldest son of Crown
Prince Frederick, was missing from the
palace yesterday, and for several hours
his tutors and the household officials
were in consternation. The favorite
rumor was that the Prince had been
abducted by agents of his mother, the
former Crown Princess Louise, but the
boy was found praying in the cathed-
ral that his mother might return. He
was in an agony of tears and supplica-
tions.

The Socialists are using the Crown
Princess episode for political agitation,
and the unpopularity of the Saxon
Monarchy appears to have been con-
siderably heightened. The carriage of
Princess Mathilde, sister of the Crown
Prince, was surrounded by a crowd in
one of the principal shopping streets
of Dresden one day last week, and
cries of "Give us our Louise!" were
raised. Princess Mathilde was so
frightened that when the police reached
the scene she was escorted into a shop,
and eventually went out by the rear
door and took another carriage home.
Several similar incidents showing the
unpopularity of the royal house have
occurred since the abdication caused by
the elopement of the Princess Louise,
but none of them has been mentioned
in the newspapers of Dresden.

SHAMBLEAU IS A FREE MAN

Crown Offered No Evidence in
the Three Charges Prefer-
red Against Him.

Crown Attorney Declines to Dis-
cuss the Course Pursued—
Shambléau Still far
from Well.

A. L. Shambléau, Kent's unfortun-
ate ex-treasurer, is a free man.

This is the result of the hearing
before Police Magistrate Houston at
the police court Saturday afternoon.
There was no trial—no evidence was
offered by the Crown.

Sharp at four o'clock Mr. Sham-
bléau was arraigned. The only other
people in the room were the officers,
Mr. Lewis, who appeared for Mr.
Shambléau, H. D. Smith, who appear-
ed for the Crown, and the press re-
presentatives. Mr. Shambléau was
led into the room by S. Somers,
County Commissioner. His long ill-
ness has told greatly on him. He is
far from being well, and he still
wears a bandage on his head.

When called upon by the magis-
trate Mr. Smith announced that he
had no evidence to offer in any of the
three cases, forgery and two of theft.
Mr. Lewis moved for Mr. Shambléau's
immediate dismissal, which was, of
course, granted.

This concluded the hearing and Mr.
Shambléau left the court room a free
man.

Crown Attorney Smith, when inter-
viewed as to the Crown's action in
offering no evidence declined to make
any statement.

"No, I have nothing whatever to
say," said Mr. Smith, and all efforts
to secure an expression from him were
courteously but firmly refused.

ENGLISH M.P. DEAD.

Leigh Bennett, Member for the Chert-
sey Division of Surrey.

London, March 9.—Henry Currie
Leigh Bennett, M.P., died Saturday at
Windlesham, Surrey, following an op-
eration for appendicitis. He was born
in 1852.

Deceased, who was a Conservative,
was first elected for the Chertsey di-
vision of Surrey in the bye-election of
1897, and was re-elected in the general
elections of 1900 by about 2,000 major-
ity.

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