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A GRAND RADICAL RALLY.

MR. LABOUCHERE AS A DEMOCRAT OF THE DEMOCRATS.

The Meeting Unanimous in Favor of Mr. Gladstone's Home Rule Bill—The Men Who Speak for the People.

LONDON, April 22.—A great mass meeting of Liberals and Radicals was held at St. James' Hall this evening. Mr. Labouchere presided, supported by Messrs. Bradlaugh, Lawson, Howell and Pickersgill, members of Parliament, and others. Thousands were unable to gain admittance to the hall. Mr. Labouchere, alluding to the recent Conservative-Liberal anti-Home Rule meeting at the Opera House said that Lord Hartington was an honest man, Mr. Goschen an able man and Mr. Rylands a fluent man, but they had no more right to speak in the name of the people of England than had the three tailors of Tooley street. There were, he continued, no persons on the stage that night decorated with orders and no fashionable beauties in the boxes, but there were present laborers from the field and from the workshop who had met to raise their voices in support of Mr. Gladstone's efforts to pass the bill granting Home Rule to Ireland. If he fell, he would fall with the democracy of the three Kingdoms around him. Many who now refused to give back Ireland her Parliament were descendants of the Essus, who in their Parliament sold their birthright for a peerage.

Mr. Howell proposed a resolution congratulating Mr. Gladstone on his endeavors to secure the permanent union of England and Ireland, and expressing a hope that the Home Rule Bill would become law after being so modified as to harmonize with the desires of the Radicals.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Leicester, M. P., and supported by Mr. Lawson and was carried unanimously, as was also a resolution authorizing the Chairman to sign a petition to the House of Commons in favor of the Bill.

Belfast Speaks Out.

BELFAST, April 22.—At a crowded meeting of Liberals and Conservatives in the Chamber of Commerce here to-day, resolutions were passed violently condemning the measures proposed by Mr. Gladstone for the future government of Ireland.

Gladstone Resolutions Burked.

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 22.—In the house Mr. O'Neill of Missouri again attempted to secure the adoption of his resolution declaring that the House sympathize with Mr. Gladstone and his associates in their efforts to secure a free parliament for the people of Ireland, and congratulating the people of that country on the prospect of an early and successful termination of their long and patriotic struggle for local self-government; but Mr. Swope, of Pennsylvania, interposed the fatal objection, and though he subsequently withdrew it, a demand for the regular order prevented action on the resolutions.

Gladstone as Seen in the House.

London Letter to Boston Herald.

Even physically, Mr. Gladstone is the most striking personage in the House of Commons, and fixes at once the attention of the most careless observer. I need not describe a man whose physical features are so widely known, not only in England, but doubtless also in America. But I may briefly say that, with his deeply lined face, his still keen and piercing eyes and his habitual dress, which is now, in the House of Commons, not only quaint, but peculiar—black frock coat, a vest that opens low down and displays an ample expanse of shirt front, a high standing collar with a black cravat carelessly knotted—nonecould take him for an ordinary member of Parliament, even if he sat in the most obscure part of the chamber. Mr. Gladstone customarily sits in the centre of the Ministerial front bench, to which he betakes himself, generally speaking, after the other Ministers (who are all bound to be at hand at 4.30 p. m. to answer questions) have arrived, and when he does come on the scene of his many triumphs and numberless conflicts, it is no exaggeration to say that he concentrates on himself the eyes of the whole assembly, both on the floor and in the galleries. The old man looks at times as if he had not many months to live. Nay, sometimes he looks as if he were actually dead. When he lays his head on the back of his seat and closes his eyes, as he not seldom does, the color of his face is that of a corpse, and his eyelids seem fixed forever. But this appearance at such a moment is extremely deceptive. At such times there is not another man in the house, old or young, who is so absolutely wideawake as this old gentleman of 75 years of age. Let but the speaker, to whom he seems to pay no attention, but whose every word he in reality takes in, make a single statement which interests him, or which calls for audible or visible assent or contradiction, and at once the apparently dead person wakes up with a bound, leans forward and puts his hand to his ear, or nods or shakes his head, or starts to his feet with a correction, or a retort which overwhelms and crushes the assailant. Another curious thing about Mr. Gladstone is that within the last few days. If I have noticed within the last few days. If there is a serious man in the world it is he, and his face has not a trace of humor in it; yet he not only makes the house laugh at will—generally to confuse an opponent—but he himself laughs heartily, and almost like a child, when, for instance, after a victorious division he has put the enemy to rout.

Gladstone's Longest Sentence.

From the London Figaro.

Mr. Gladstone's longest reported sentence, if I mistake not, was found to contain 157 words. This was until lately thought to be the longest on record. But now it appears that Senator Edmunds has beaten it with a sentence 168 words long. The Grand Old Man, however, still possesses an average which has not been surpassed. A statistician, to whom time is clearly no object, has discovered a speech of the Premier's in which there are ten sentences which contain an average of 72 words apiece.

Gladstone's Great Speech.

From the Pall Mall Gazette.

The picturesque historians of the next generation—if any such survive the growth of Prof. Seeley and the philosophic school—will have a great chance in last night's debate. One thing only, as Mr. Gladstone said, is certain about the political situation—that we are at the parting of the ways, and no element was wanting yesterday to enable a writer to emphasize this signpost in our history. He will be able to tell that the scene in the Palace of Westminster was such as had never before been witnessed there; that members were so anxious to hear the great Minister that they took their seats 12 hours beforehand, and that strangers begged hard to be allowed to stand beneath the gratings, so to catch some echo of his voice. The Minister's speech itself was a marvel, he will go on to tell, of physical endurance and intellectual grasp. Members were not ashamed to confess that their faculties were benumbed by hearing it, and in after years fathers will tell their children of it as one of the great events of the brave days of old, when there were still giants in the land.

COMMENCEMENT OF HOSTILITIES.

The Greeks Are Victorious in a Brush on the Turkish Frontier.

ATHENS, April 22.—On Tuesday night Turkish advance posts attempted to surprise the Greeks who had been engaged on the previous day in erecting earthworks within what is alleged to be the neutral line. Their effort, however, was not successful, they being smartly repulsed by the Greeks, who pursued the Turks and captured two of their guns. The Greeks then occupied three positions within Turkish territory, which the Greek Government has ordered them to evacuate.

King George is preparing to go to Thessaly, where there are 100,000 troops in readiness for the beginning of hostilities.

The Greek and Turkish outposts exchanged shots for half an hour last evening. No harm was done on either side. The Turks retired, but were afterward invited to occupy their former position, it being in Turkish territory.

Greeks and Turks.

The circulation of Greek papers in Turkey has been prohibited.

THE OREGON ENQUIRY.

Nobody to Blame for the Disaster Except the First Officer, Who is not Culpable.

LIVERPOOL, April 22.—The judgment of the Court in the Oregon enquiry was declared to-day. The decision was in favor of the owners and officers of the steamer on all the questions submitted. The Court found, however, that the first officer was somewhat remiss in his duties, but not to a sufficient extent to warrant it in inflicting punishment upon him.

Monte Carlo on Sunday.

PARIS, April 22.—A disgraceful affray took place at Monte Carlo last Sunday. A Hungarian lady lost her temper at her bad luck, and suddenly struck the croupier a sharp blow in the face with her hand. He paid no attention. She grew still more angry, the bystanders laughed immoderately. The coupier's wife who was present began an indiscriminate attack upon the players. A free fight took place in which all the men were all more or less injured, and some of the women had their clothes nearly torn of their backs.

A Woman's Double Life.

From the St. Louis Republican.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—The application of Peter Eichebarne of San Jose for letters of administration on the estate of Charlotte Parkhurst, in Santa Cruz county, has made public a remarkable story of a woman's dual life. Early in the spring of 1848 the people of Sandusky, Ohio, were startled by the discovery that Miss Charlotte Parkhurst, only daughter of Frank Parkhurst, a prominent citizen, had eloped with the town postmaster during the night. The distracted father searched for his Lottie for months without success, and finally concluded she had come to an untimely death. A few years after this the California gold fever was at its height. Railroads were unknown. Stages were the only means at hand for transporting miners to different points in the gold fields, and experienced drivers were in demand. Their perilous exploits with mustang teams were told in cabin and by the camp fire. None of these bold pioneer stage drivers were oftener mentioned than way young Charley Parkhurst. To know Dare-yard Charley, as he was called from the fact of having lost an eye in a fight with highwaymen, was to respect and admire him for quiet, courageous character.

Tiring of stage driving, Parkhurst sought more congenial pursuits, and was made Time Station Agent for the Stage Company when coaches plied between this city and Watsonville. At one time he was put in possession of and held a disputed tract of land, now valued at $20,000, when the struggle over the property was so fierce that only a brave, determined man was believed equal to the task of holding it. After an eventful career in California, Parkhurst was found dead in bed at Watsonville on December 29, 1879. Then the startling fact was revealed that Charley Parkhurst was a woman. Subsequent investigations established beyond doubt the identity of the famous John with Charlotte Parkhurst, the eloping Belle of Sandusky. A singular circumstance is that until now, after the lapse of over six years, no relative has come to claim it either by public officers or friends of the woman, to settle up the estate. She left no deed, and the exact value or description of her property seems yet to be shrouded in mystery.

Poisoned at Pesth of Phosphorus.

Pesth Despatch to the London Standard.

On the 16th of last month the daughter of an official of the Austro-Hungarian Railway, named Irma Szereonyi, a handsome girl of 17, and well known in the best middle class society of Pesth, died there. Suspicions having been aroused, a post-mortem examination of the body was made, which made it clear that the unfortunate girl had been poisoned by phosphorus. The body remained in the Town Hospital during the Police investigation, which lasted about a week, and eventually a servant confessed that on March 15 Irma had had a quarrel with her stepmother, and poisoned herself in consequence. It appears that about 11 in the forenoon she took the poison in her room, where she was left unattended, screaming in the most heartrending manner all day and night until 4 the next morning, when she died. Neither father nor stepmother entered her room during all these 17 hours of fearful torture, the latter further forbidding the servants to enter until the screams had ceased, after which the doctor was sent for. The father was a former officer in the army, aged 50, and the stepmother was 29 years of age.

The people who have money to spend read The World. The wise advertiser, therefore, avails himself of its columns.

VARIE NOTES.

The woman known as "Fanny," who was mentioned in connection with the Crawford-Dilke scandal case, is in London and will testify at the new trial of the case.

Labouchere holds that the mass of the Liberal Party is with Mr. Gladstone on the Home Rule question.

Royal Grenadier Notes.

The Royal Grenadiers had their regular weekly parade last night, about 250 strong. They marched from the Drill Shed by way of Sherbourne street up to Queen, along Queen to York, and down York to King, thence along King to the Shed.

There will be a Church parade Sunday next to commemorate the battle of Fish Creek, which was fought April 24, 1885.

Badges, grenades, busbies, forage caps, chin straps, chaverons and other ornaments were distributed.

On account of the dramatic performance next week, the usual regular parade will be on Tuesday night.

It is likely that the Regiment will go to Barrie on May 22 and remain there until May 24.

Van in Town.

W. C. Van Horne, Vice-President of the C.P.R., and Duncan McIntyre were in town yesterday. They attended a meeting in Mr. Henry Beatty's office in connection with the C.P.R. line of steamers, and made some final arrangements in regard to recent land transactions.

Steamship Arrivals.

At Queenstown: America from New York.
At New York: City of Rome and City of Chicago from Liverpool, Sailer from Bremen.

PRES. CLEVELAND'S VIEWS

HE URGES THE APPOINTMENT OF THREE COMMISSIONERS.

How to Settle Labor Troubles—The Switchmen's Strike at Chicago—Progress of the Sugar Refineries Affair in Brooklyn.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 22.—The President to-day sent a Message to Congress on the subject of the labor troubles. In introducing his views the President says: "Under our form of government the value of labor as an element of national prosperity should be recognized, and the welfare of the laboring man should be regarded as especially entitled to legislative care. * * * The present condition of the relations between labor and capital are far from satisfactory. The discontent of the employed is due in a large degree to the grasping and heedless exactions of the employers, and alleged discrimination in favor of capital as the object of governmental attention. It must also be conceded that laboring men are not always careful to avoid causeless and unjustifiable disturbance. * * * I am satisfied that something may be done under Federal authority to prevent the disturbances which so often arise from disputes between employers and employed and which at times seriously threaten the business interests of the country, and in my opinion the proper theory upon which to proceed is that of voluntary arbitration as a measure of settling these difficulties. But I suggest that instead of arbitrators chosen in the heat of conflicting claims, and after each dispute shall arise, there be created a Commission of Labor consisting of three members, who shall be regular officers of the Government, charged among other duties with the consideration and settlement, when possible, of all controversies between labor and capital. A Commission thus organized would have the advantage of being a stable body, and its members, as they gained experience, would constantly improve in their ability to deal intelligently and usefully with the matters which might be submitted to them. If the arbitrators are chosen for temporary service as each case of dispute arises, experience and familiarity with much that is involved in the question will be lacking. Extreme partizanship and bias will be the qualifications sought on either side, and frequent complaints of unfairness and partiality will be inevitable. The importance upon a Federal court of a duty foreign to the judicial function as the selection of an arbitrator in such cases is at least of doubtful propriety."

The Chicago Switchmen.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 22.—By 2 o'clock a crowd of 2000 had gathered in the Lake Shore yards. The officers were unable to get them away. At 2.45 an engine loaded with police and special officers was run out of the roundhouse, but was quickly surrounded. One of the strikers addressed a few words to the engineer, who at once reversed the engine and started back to the roundhouse amid deafening cheers from the switchmen and their friends. Up to 4 o'clock the railroad officials were endeavoring unsuccessfully to get men to run an engine on the main track, and the strikers were laboring with the switchmen to try and make them give up. Up to 5 o'clock fifteen of the new men had joined the strikers, and the supposition is that all will join. Six strikers have been arrested on warrants sworn out by the Company. At 6 p.m. the Company officials thought it was not worth while to try to move trains to-night, and the Deputy Sheriffs returned to the city. The difficulty seems to be that the engineers refuse to take out their engines.

The Sugar Refiners' Strike.

NEW YORK, April 22.—All the great sugar refineries at Williamsburgh and Greenpoint, with but two exceptions, locked up this morning, the workmen having struck for an advance of wages of 40 cents per day.

At 1.30 o'clock this afternoon the strikers at the Havemeyer sugar refinery at Greenpoint began rioting. The police were called out in full force, and with clubs attacked the rioters, but were overpowered. The strikers fought with sticks and stones. Three policemen were seriously injured and taken to the hospital. One striker was clubbed and seriously hurt. He was removed to the Hospital. At 2.36 the strikers attacked the loaded wagons of the Refining Company, and threw the barrels of sugar from them to the street.

Manufacturers Organize.

CHICAGO, April 22.—Seventy-five furniture manufacturers of Chicago, employing 4000 men, have organized to resist the demands of the workmen. A resolution has been passed that no skilled mechanic shall be employed by any member without a letter of recommendation from a firm for which he last worked. The Association will probably arrange a schedule of wages, which will be adopted by all its members. Employes will be treated with all fairness, but the manufacturers say they will not recognize any Union, or be dictated to about whom they will employ to do work. It is thought that all the manufacturers of this section will join the Association.

World of Labor.

The street car drivers at Baltimore all went to work yesterday, but the Companies decline to discharge the men who stood by them during the trouble.

Five hundred employes of the Missouri Car and Foundry Company of St. Louis have struck because the establishment is doing work for the Gould system. President McMillan says sooner than give in his Company will go out of business altogether.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

At San Francisco sugar advanced a quarter of a cent yesterday.

A. H. Andrews & Co.'s school furniture factory at Chicago was burned yesterday morning; loss $100 000.

Amusement Notes.

The Metropolitan Roller Rink will be open to-day, morning, afternoon and evening. Music by the Massey band.

Two performances of A Night Off at the Grand to-day; also two to-morrow, when the run of this successful comedy will close.

J. J. Sullivan continues to make crowds of people laugh at the Yonge Street Opera House. Performance every afternoon and evening.

Easterners will find plenty of amusement to-day at the Princess Roller Rink. Band afternoon and night.

The Silver Lake Male Quartet, who have been singing every evening this week to large and enthusiastic audiences, will to-night give a farewell concert in the Richmond Street Methodist Church. The program will consist mainly of "Songs of the Sunny South." Those who have not heard them should embrace this, the last opportunity.

Toronto Tramps in a Bonded Car.

The Hamilton Times tells how four tramps, claiming to hail from this city, were found in a bonded car there early yesterday morning. The occupant of a through freight from Detroit to Concord, Mass., by way of Toronto, at Harrisburg it was found that the seal of the car had been broken. The door was locked and the men were made prisoners. They gave their names as James Ruddy, John Anderson, James Parry and George Wilson. In court they acknowledged trespassing, but denied having broken the seal. Ruddy and Wilson said they got into the cars at Paris, and the others said they had taken the train at Woodstock. They were remanded till Saturday.

BIG FIRE AT ALMONTE.

Eight Establishments Very Nearly Burnt Out.

ALMONTE, April 22.—At 1 o'clock this morning a fire was discovered in the stables belonging to the Commercial Hotel, occupied by Messrs. Kelly & Willoughby. Being built of wood and filled with hay, the fire spread rapidly to the main building, which, being old and dry, burned fiercely. The heat was intense and the surrounding buildings were on fire a number of times, but owing to the efficient working of the fire department, which got six powerful streams on it quickly, the fire was confined to the block of wooden buildings in which it originated. The losses are as follows: F. K. Cole, on buildings, $5000, insured for $1500 in the Imperial, $400 on furniture; H. H. Cole, $1000 in stock, covered by insurance; Robinson & Shaw, storehouse and contents, $3000, no insurance; T. R. Weite, storehouse and contents, $500, no insurance; M. Patterson, no stock, $1200, covered by insurance in Lancashire; Thoburn & White, outbuildings, $300, no insurance; Kelly & Willoughby, on furniture and vehicles, $800 to $1000, no insurance; James McGill, stock of boots and shoes damaged by removal, $50, no insurance; John White, stoves and tinware, $200; Shipman Bros., $100, covered by insurance in the Lancashire.

Mangled to Death.

WALLACEBURG, Ont., April 22.—Just before 6 o'clock to-day Jas. Heyward, a miller in Patterson & Co.'s roller mill, climbed the bolt for the purpose, it is supposed, of clearing a choked convey box, when his clothing caught in the complicated gearing and shafts and he was drawn to a horrible death in an instant. Both arms were torn off near the elbows and the end of the bolt shaft pierced his breast, causing a terrible wound. His head was also lacerated and the shoe torn from one foot. When assistance reached him his mangled and lifeless body hung suspended in the machinery.

STREET RAILWAY IN PARKDALE.

The Question Discussed by the Council—Against an Exclusive Privilege.

The Parkdale Council held a special meeting last night to consider the terms of the Street Railway Company for the extension of their line through the town. Mayor Lynd was in the chair, and there were present, Reeve MacMath, Deputy-Reeves Terry and Thompson, Councillors Atkinson, Burns, Edwards, Coxhead, Gowanlock, Hill, Stevens, Stewart and Wright.

The town has a twenty-five years' lease of Queen street from the County, nineteen years of which has yet to run. The Company wants the exclusive privilege for this time. They also ask the town to build the roadbed, while they undertake to keep it in repair. The Council went into Committee of the Whole to discuss the proposition, with Deputy-Reeve Terry in the chair. The Councillors had a say, turn about, and they all opposed entering into such a bargain. The nineteen years was the objection. It was feared that it would prove an obstacle in the way of annexation. The Mayor stated that while he was not in favor of entering into such an agreement with the Street Railway Company, he thought the question should be submitted to the people for their decision. The meeting was so long-winded that The World had to leave before it was concluded, but the feeling was to submit the question to the people.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

The Wycliffe College library fund amounts to $2153.

Ten people were baptized at the Parliament Street Baptist Church last Sunday.

The hounds will meet at the Dutch Farm, Don and Danforth Road, to-day (Good Friday) at 2.15 sharp.

A building permit has been issued to R. N. Lauder for two brick stores at 215 Queen street east, to cost $6000.

The Rev. Elmore Harris will address the cottage meeting in Temperance Hall, Temperance street, this evening.

The carters have organized themselves into a Knights of Labor Assembly with a membership of nearly three hundred.

The Bolton Avenue fire flat grounds will be beautified by trees and flowers, the gifts of Leslie & Son and James Pape, respectively.

Rev. B. Langley, M. A. of Ottawa, and prospective pastor of Queen Street Methodist Church is announced to deliver an address in the latter place this evening.

Police Court yesterday: Pat Morren, larceny, 60 days; Peter Tracey, ill-treating his wife, $5 and costs and bound to the peace; J. Holderness, selling liquor on Sunday, $20 and costs.

The Cobourg, Peterboro, Marmora Railway and Mining Company was yesterday sold to T. H. Pierce of Belleville at Osgoode Hall, under a decree at suit of Bank of Toronto, for $30,200.

Fire did $100 worth of damage to the interior of the Consumers' Gas Company's building, Toronto street, early yesterday morning. It is supposed the fire was caused by a smouldering match dropped accidentally between the ornamental balustrade and the wainscoting on the second story.

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of General Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

The Winnipeg News has suspended publication.

The Norquay Commission has concluded hearing evidence.

Hoskins, the Welland bigamist, has been sentenced to three years in the penitentiary.

Fred Evans was fatally crushed by a log falling on him at Black Creek, Ont., Wednesday.

Joseph Whiteman, the alleged bigamist of Peterboro, has been committed for trial at the Fall Assizes.

An old man of the name of Angus McDonald was found dead in a hay-mow in St. Thomas Wednesday morning.

The store room of the steamer "United Workmen" was broken into at Dresden, Ont., and $100 worth of silverware stolen.

Robert Robertson of Black River, Ont., has been committed to Aylmer jail on a charge of shooting at his son with intent to kill.

The inquest in the Gilmore murder case is proceeding at Selkirk, Man. A verdict of wilful murder against Thomas is expected.

Miss Pamela Thomson was standing by a bonfire of leaves at Philipsburg, Que., when her dress caught fire and she was burnt to death.

A little daughter of John Carr, residing near Lindsay, Ont., was caught by the tumbling rod of a threshing machine and so severely injured that her life is despaired of.

A scoundrel of the name of Francis Bozey, who had been sheltered out of pure charity by a gentleman in Guelph, decamped Wednesday with $20 stolen from his benefactor.

Steven Clarke, of Kingston, became insane at Dresden, brandishing a knife and throwing money around promiscuously. He was locked up and cared for, but died before his friends reached him.

At Kamloops, B.C., Hugh Armstrong and John Phillips had a tussle about a rifle. While wrestling around, the rifle was discharged into Armstrong's heart. Phillips claims the shooting was accidental.

Numerous horses in Kingston, Ont., a local paper says, are suffering with a new disease, which affects the legs. A worm bores a hole in the heel of the animal and eats its way into the leg, and the result is that the leg swells and the skin falls off.

At Hamilton yesterday C. M. Gripton, alias Wm. Wilson, was fined $10 and $2 costs for attempting to steal a ride on the Hamilton & Northwestern Railway from Milton. He claimed to be an insurance agent in Brantford and had $55 on his person when arrested.

Last Monday night James Cushen, the turnkey in Sarnia Jail, while locking up was attacked by Thomas Tabbo, a prisoner, who struck him several murderous blows with a brick tied up in a towel. Cushen managed to bring the jailor to his assistance, when the assailant was put in irons.

A 13-year-old son of Mr. Tarte, of the Quebec Canadien, met with a serious accident on Wednesday, which may necessitate the amputation of his right hand. While laying a train of gunpowder from a flask the powder by some means became ignited, and the flask exploded, mangling his hand and arm terribly.

Read This.

—Cadmus gave Greece her letters. No doubt Cadmus was a smart man, but it is doubtful if he could have designed anything so neat and tasteful as the 50-cent cornice pole and other house furnishings to be seen at Strathern's, 179 Yonge street. ed

THE IRISH LAND BILL.

FULL TEXT OF THE MEASURE PUBLISHED IN ENGLAND.

Some More Extraordinary Provisions—How the Peasant is to Become Owner of the Soil and How he is to Pay Therefor.

LONDON, April 22.—The Irish Land Purchase Bill, which the House of Commons last Friday night gave Mr. Gladstone permission to introduce, was issued to-day. It covers 26 pages. The Bill is divided into five parts. There are 53 clauses and four schedules.

The Bill provides that a landlord who is desirous to sell his property shall apply to the State authority. The latter shall refer the application to the Land Commission, which after making an inquiry shall fix the price at which the property shall be sold, unless the landlord and State authority have previously come to an agreement. If the landlord objects to the price fixed by the commission he may withdraw his application on paying the costs.

When a sale of property has been effected the Commission shall pay the creditors before making any other distribution of the purchase money. Certain rent charges may be bought outright by the State authority, or payment may be continued from tenants' payments.

In cases of property whereon there is reasonable cause to suppose that valuable minerals exist, the Commission shall add to the purchase money a fair sum therefor, and the minerals realized from said property shall be vested in State authority or such local body as the Irish Legislature may provide.

The Irish Receiver-general and deputies who are to execute the financial part of the Act, shall be appointed to hold office as permanent civil servants subject to the authority of the Treasury. They shall be paid from the Imperial exchequer, but the Irish Government shall appoint the actual collectors.

If the Receiver-general or any of his deputies shall be guilty of malfeasance the culprit shall forfeit the sums so lost and also shall be subjected to a fine of £500.

The measure empowers the Treasury to create three classes of permanent annuities bearing interest respectively at 3, 2½ and 2½ per cent., and which shall be charged to the Imperial Consolidated Fund.

Strict rules are provided by the Bill which prevents the letting or sub-letting of a holding so long as it is subject to any State charge; but the State authority is empowered to relax these rules where it may be thought advisable.

The other points of the Bill were fully covered by Mr. Gladstone's speech of Friday evening last.

SENSATIONAL SERVICES.

A Church Paper Takes Rev. Hugh Johnston and Other Preachers to Task.

From the Presbyterian Review.

With the Saturday paper in our hand, giving in its advertising columns a list of the attractions provided for the church-going public in this city on the Lord's Day, we ask the question, Whither are we Drifting? At the Pavilion we observe a series of sermons is being delivered on Doubtful Things; and while the preacher is busy straining out gnats for the benefit of his hearers, they are drawn in crowds to witness his feats in swallowing camels. While he is busy rebuking card-playing, dancing and theatre-going, and thinks, doubtless, he is doing good, he is not only tolerating, but seriously encouraging, the turning of the worship of God into an opportunity for the display of the musical gifts of operatic singers, and is pleased to find hearers willing to endure the sermon for the sake of hearing Madame So-and-so sing her solo. Special soloists are certainly a great attraction; but they cost money. They must be well advertised, and the sermon thrown in must be of a kind to draw the people of musical tastes.

But it is not at the Pavilion only that this sort of thing is going on. At another church, on a recent Sabbath, the minister was preaching on Home, doubtless by arrangement with the soloist, and, stopping in the midst of his sermon, he drew out that he was tired, and asked, by way of refreshment, if any of the choir could sing them something about home. A young lady came forward and sang the old secular song, Home Sweet Home. At still another church, the papers announced that the Silver Quartet will sing plantation melodies on the Sabbath evening!

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The question, Whither are we Drifting? must be asked not merely in reference to the accessories of public worship, but with regard also to a decree at suit of Bank of Toronto, for $30,200 the doctrine preached. Again, let us look at the Saturday paper and read the announcements of the subjects to be treated on the Sabbath. In many pulpits we find they are grotesque and sensational. The old, old story of the love of Jesus seems to have lost its charm; and so there must be something more "spicy" for a religious public that seems to have of late acquired a depraved taste. There are some poor weaklings in our midst who strive to imitate Talmage, but, having nothing of his genius, succeed in imitating only what is within their reach—his foilies—and so make but a sorry figure, but none the less dishonoring to the gospel. There are others who pose as preachers to the times, and others, again, who seem to care little what they say or do in the pulpit so long as they can draw a crowd, who will not leave before a "silver collection" is taken up. Doubtless the Apostle of the Anglo-Israel theory deserves, in the opinion of these people, the credit of bringing about this state of things in Toronto, but even "the prophet" is really becoming tame beside some of his competitors. The ministers who thus degrade the pulpit are evidently not aware of the crimes against pure and undefiled religion and the simple gospel of Christ they are committing, but we venture to predict that their eyes will be opened one day to the mischief they are working. They are creating an appetite that grows by what it feeds upon. Soon their invention will tire and their themes will wear out, and then some new orator will appear, who, going further than they are ready to go, will draw the crowd and leave them desolate.

Songs of the Sunny South. Richmond street Church To-night.

A Good Friday Jaunt.

The case of Todd v. Dun, Wiman & Co. and Michael Chapman begins to-day at Whitby. It is an action against a Commercial Agency for publishing plaintiff as "enquire at office." Among those subpoenaed are W. N. Anderson (Commerce), D. R. Wilkie (Imperial), T. C. Irving (Bradstreet's), C. Brough (Bk. Montreal), W. Grindley (B. B. N. A.), E. M. Chadwick, Hugh Blain, Paul Campbell (J. McD. & Co.), Steven Clarke, of Kingston, became insane at Dresden, brandishing a knife and throwing money around promiscuously. He was locked up and cared for, but died before his friends reached him.

At Kamloops, B.C., Hugh Armstrong and John Phillips had a tussle about a rifle. While wrestling around, the rifle was discharged into Armstrong's heart. Phillips claims the shooting was accidental.

Numerous horses in Kingston, Ont., a local paper says, are suffering with a new disease, which affects the legs. A worm bores a hole in the heel of the animal and eats its way into the leg, and the result is that the leg swells and the skin falls off.

At Hamilton yesterday C. M. Gripton, alias Wm. Wilson, was fined $10 and $2 costs for attempting to steal a ride on the Hamilton & Northwestern Railway from Milton. He claimed to be an insurance agent in Brantford and had $55 on his person when arrested.

Last Monday night James Cushen, the turnkey in Sarnia Jail, while locking up was attacked by Thomas Tabbo, a prisoner, who struck him several murderous blows with a brick tied up in a towel. Cushen managed to bring the jailor to his assistance, when the assailant was put in irons.

A 13-year-old son of Mr. Tarte, of the Quebec Canadien, met with a serious accident on Wednesday, which may necessitate the amputation of his right hand. While laying a train of gunpowder from a flask the powder by some means became ignited, and the flask exploded, mangling his hand and arm terribly.

Read This.

—Cadmus gave Greece her letters. No doubt Cadmus was a smart man, but it is doubtful if he could have designed anything so neat and tasteful as the 50-cent cornice pole and other house furnishings to be seen at Strathern's, 179 Yonge street. ed

EXECUTIVE AFFAIRS.

Verdict Against the City—Street Railway Taxes—The Everlasting Cattle Market.

Chairman Defoe, Ald. Steiner, Pepler, Lamb, Saunders, Carlyle (St. Thomas), Walker, M. J. Woods and Elliott attended the meeting of the Executive Committee yesterday afternoon.

The City Solicitor advised that a motion be made to set aside the judgment in Ardagh & Leonard v. Toronto, in which plaintiffs were awarded $1046 for work done on the King street pavement. Ald. Carlyle, as Chairman of the Works Committee, was perfectly satisfied the City Solicitor took the right ground; the principle should be fought to the bitter end. Ald. Pepler also thought they should follow Mr. McWilliams' advice. "But will it pay?" queried the Chairman. He suggested that counsel in the person of Christopher Robinson be consulted, which was agreed to. If Mr. Robinson is of the same opinion as Mr. McWilliams, the Committee will recommend the latter's suggestion to the Council.

Assessment Commissioner Maughan asked for permission to employ assistance to help with local improvement bylaws. Granted.

Liabilities amounting to $400 remain outstanding in connection with the Semi-Centennial Celebration. W. B. McMurrich asked that these be paid. The Committee will consider the proposition when the estimates come up.

The City Solicitor sent in a letter respecting the assessment and taxes of the Toronto Street Railway Company for 1880. The assessment was: Real property, $7725; personalty, $3050; tracks and franchise, $80,000; total, $90,775. "The $80,000 on the tracks and franchise," said Mr. McWilliams, "was clearly an illegal assessment, and had the city distrained for the taxes thereon an action of replevin would have followed, and I have no doubt would have been successful." He advised that the amount tendered on the balance be accepted. The City Treasurer and Assessment Commissioner stated that the assessment on tracks and franchise had been struck off by the County Judge in 1881. The matter was referred to a sub-committee.

Nearly an hour was occupied on the Market and Health's recommendation to appropriate $15,000 for enlarging and improving the cattle market. Ald. Frankland, who headed a small deputation of butchers favorable to the present site, attacked the Provincial Board of Health for its interference at the eleventh hour, and hinted that interested parties had prompted its action. "These doctors," said he, "have done a great wrong to the city." The Chairman and other members were, however, not inclined to agree with the massive St. Lawrence Ward Alderman in his denunciation of the Provincial Health authorities, and realizing the powers of the Board felt that immediate action must be taken to put the market in a good sanitary condition. Ald. M. J. Woods twitted Ald. Frankland and his exp rts about their plans to improve the place and said they could well afford to do the work at the figure mentioned, seeing that they enjoyed a monopoly of the market and were petted by the Grand Trunk. The Committee adopted the clause with a recommendation that the $15,000 be raised by debentures.

Farewell Concert—Silver Lake Quartette—To-Nigl

A Field Day of Jines.

J W Wingfield, Parkdale's Justice of the Peace, is evidently determined to make the law a terror to evil-doers. He held a field day in the Town Hall yesterday for the trial of liquor cases, and, judged from a dollars and cents standpoint, it was a success. Three cases were disposed of: David Clark, Parkdale, April 19, two convictions, $20 and costs each. Thomas Scholes, Parkdale, Sunday, April 11, $20 and costs. James Thompson, township of York, Sunday, April 4, two convictions, $20 and costs each. John Steele, Vaughan, Sunday, April 4, two convictions, $20 and costs each. Andrew J. Collins, Vaughan, Sunday, April 4, two convictions, $20 and costs each. John Onicott, township of York, Sunday, April 4, two convictions, $20 and costs each. John Duck, Humber, Sunday, April 4, $20 and costs. John Stirling, township of York, Sunday, April 4, adjourned until Tuesday, April 27, at 5 p.m. Archibald Harris was fined $2 for driving a grocery wagon over the sidewalk and boulevard. Magistrate Wingfield will resume the $20 business on Saturday.

The Wingham Branch.

Mr. H. W. C. Meyer of Wingham has been at Ottawa in reference to the Wingham branch of the C. P. R. The Government have promised a grant of $3200 a mile for the first four and a half miles, and other satisfactory arrangements have been made with the Company. The prospects of the road being built are now good. The boring for salt at Wingham is being prosecuted, a second well having been sunk in order to strike stronger brine. This is being done at the request of the C. P. R., who have no salt on their lines. The discovery of salt on their line would therefore promote a competition in salt rates and in the salt trade.

Mrs. McInerney Acquitted.

At the Criminal Assize Court yesterday, Henry Travers, charged with the larceny of a can of oysters from Cleghorn's, was discharged. Ellen McInerney, alias O'Neill was acquitted on the charge of throwing carbolic acid in the face of Mrs. E. Jackson. The Grand Jury returned true bills against George Thomas Smith, perjury; Richard Macdonald, obstructing highway (which case was sent to the General Sessions of the Peace); John Anderson, Henry Peers, John Sullivan and James Sullivan, larceny and receiving.

New Books Received at the Public Library.

Abbot, F E, Scientific Theism; Baldwin, J, The Book Lover; Grant, U S, Personal Memoirs, 2 vols; Manners, R R, Pasco, A Cuban Tale and Other Poems; Martineau, J, Types of Ethical Theory, 2 vols; Matthews, B, The Last Meeting; Pater, W, Marius the Epicurean; Ramsey, J R, Winc-a-ah, or the Forest Light; Thomas, J J, American Fruit Culturist; Thoreau, H D, Walden, or Life in the Woods; Upton, G P, Standard Operas, their Plots, their Music and their Composers.

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A Hawkeyed Reporter.

Harry Baylis, who escaped from the Police Court Monday was recognized by Reporter Ewan, the hawkeyed municipal man of the Mail, while endeavoring to secure a railway pass from the Mayor at the City Hall. Mr. Ewan drew a sharp-pointed pencil on the young fugitive and held him in terrified silence until a policeman arrived and took him in charge.

Chapel Service at Wycliffe College.

The Bishop of Toronto has licensed the new library of Wycliffe College as a college chapel, and a service is held every Sunday evening. Principal Sheraton thanks the following gentlemen for the gifts named: Col. Growski, A.D.C., for reading desk and lectern; R. N. Gooch, for a large Bible handsomely bound, and J. K. Kerr, Q.C., for fifty copies of The Hymnal Companion and fifty Prayer Books.

Fire at St. Paul's Fire Hall.

About noon yesterday a shed in rear of St. Paul's Fire Hall took fire from some unexplained cause. The blaze was promptly extinguished by the men. A hose sleigh and a tarpaulin were badly burned.

Harbor News.

The Annie Mulvey, which was sunk near the Glucose Factory at the time of the last Esplanade fire, will be raised. Five stonehookers arrived yesterday with stone from the Lake Shore: Maud S., P. E. Young, Coral, Ana Brown and Hope.

Good Friday Eve Drunks.

There were enough drunks on the streets last night to fill a Manitoba barn.

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