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THE TORONTO CONDUIT

Was a Subject of Controversy at Ottawa.

CITY AND FERRY COMPANY

Had a Tussle as to the Presence of the Earthwork.

Mr. Tarte Promises to Answer the Deputations Shortly—A Toronto Boy's Promotion in the Imperial Service—Methodists Want Concessions Regarding Indian Schools—Warrimoo Had to Leave Freight Behind at Vancouver—General News From Ottawa.

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—(Special.)—There was a lively tussle before the Minister of Public Works to-day between representatives of the city of Toronto and the Ferry Company, about protection to the water conduit across the bay. The city was represented by Mayor Fleming, Ald. Preston, City Engineer Keating and City Solicitor Fullerton, while for the Toronto Ferry Company there appeared Messrs. McCarthy and Creelman, counsel, and Messrs. Hammond and Esson.

It will be remembered that when the present conduit was put down a covering of earth-work was placed over it. Permission was not secured from the Government to put down this covering, and to-day's fight on one side was to impress Mr. Tarte with the importance of his sanctioning it, while the Ferry Company wanted him to order it removed on the ground that it was a hindrance to navigation. Mr. Tarte said he would give an answer at an early day.

TORONTO BOY PROMOTED.

Colonel Vincent Robert Biscoe, son of the late Captain Biscoe of Toronto, has been appointed Assistant Adjutant-General to Her Majesty's forces at Halifax, vice Colonel Dudley North, C.B., whose tenure of the post expires Feb. 25. Col. Biscoe is a native of Toronto and an Old Upper Canada College boy. He entered the army in 1864, and attained command of his regiment, the Loyal North Lancashire in 1890.

METHODIST DEPUTATION.

A deputation of representative Methodists, including Revs. Dr. Carman, general superintendent; Dr. Sutherland, missionary secretary; Dr. Saunders, of the Dominion Methodist Church, Ottawa, and Mr. John J. Maclaren, had an interview with Mr. Sifton to-day in regard to payments to Indian industrial schools in the Northwest, which are under charge of the Methodist Church. In some of the Methodist schools there are double the number of Indian pupils that the department is paying for, and it is contended that a re-adjustment of the financial relations between the Indian Department and the Methodist Church for maintenance of these pupils ought to be made. Arrangements are being made by the Methodist Church to take over the Indian school at Brandon. The deputation also strongly urged that measures be taken to suppress the liquor traffic in Cassiar District, B.C. At one point, where the population numbers ten whites and 40 Chinese, there are six grog shops in full blast, with demoralizing effects on the Indian population.

WARRIMOO'S BIG CARGO.

The Department of Trade and Commerce has been advised that the R.M.S. Warrimoo on her last trip from Vancouver, took out a very large cargo for Australia, 2200 tons, being all the vessel could carry, and 250 tons were left on the C.P.R. dock. The Warrimoo's cargo consisted of 1500 tons of flour for Sydney, 60 tons of Massey-Harris bicycles for Sydney, 150 tons of Massey-Harris machinery for various Australian points, and 50 tons of Seattle beer for Honolulu, besides a lot of general merchandise, typewriters, bicycles, boots and shoes, etc.

MR. RYDER'S REQUEST.

Mr. Ryder, ex-M.P. for Stanstead County, had an interview with Mr. Fisher, at which he asked that American horses sent over to Canadian farmers for feed during the winter, might be brought in in bond. At present a large number of horses owned in the New England States, where in winter there is neither sleighing nor wheeling, are sent over to Canadian farmers for livery during the winter, but they have to be subject to the full duty on being brought in, of which a rebate of 90 per cent. is made on their return. Mr. Ryder wants the 10 per cent. at present retained, done away with, and bond substituted for the payment of any duty. He contends that if this were done the present number of horses sent over for winter bait, would be greatly increased, and that it would immensely increase the value of the Eastern Townships farmers' hay, oats and fodder by using these articles at home, and doing away with all necessity of sending them to market. Mr. Fisher expressed himself as favorable to the scheme and promised to consult his colleagues.

THE TARIFF TINKERS.

Messrs. Fielding and Paterson have returned from their trip to Winnipeg and the work of the Tariff Commission is concluded. The Ministers engaged upon it have something less than a month to work out the details of the proposed reforms before Parliament meets. The volume of evidence taken is simply enormous. Stacks of papers have been sent in by interested parties to the Government.

MR. BOTTERELL'S FUNERAL.

The funeral of the late Mr. H. A. Botterell, of the Distribution Office of the House of Commons, took place this afternoon. There was a very large attendance of civil servants and leading citizens, including a strong representation from the Independent Foresters, of which organization deceased was a member. Among the mourners from a distance was Major McGillivray, ex-M.P., who represented the Supreme Executive of the I.O.F.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Sir Richard Cartwright and Hon. L. H. Davies saw the First Minister today, with whom they are understood to have had a lengthy conference regarding the results of their recent visit to Washington.

Dr. Montizambert, Superintendent of Dominion quarantine, has been commissioned by the Minister of Agriculture to proceed to British Columbia to inspect the quarantine station at Williams' Head and consult with Dr. Watt, Dominion quarantine officer, to see if anything more is necessary to insure efficiency.

Senate Reading Room
Hands off
SENATE P O

Lyment, M.P., and Mr. Frost, in town to-day.

Martin of Winnipeg is again in the city.

The [illegible] of Canadian wheat in Australia [illegible] to be quiet at present. Shipments have, however, been quite heavy up to recently, and will likely be resumed shortly. There is a limited call for Canadian grain in South Africa.

Rev. Mr. Maxwell, M.P., has leased Hon. Mr. Costigan's residence for the session.

The Department of Trade and Commerce has secured temporary accommodation in the Parliament Buildings. Sir Richard Cartwright will occupy his private room, 7 1-2, and will have his secretary with him. Deputy Minister Parmalee and his staff are given two rooms on the Senate side.

Mr. T. G. Shaughnessy, Vice-President of the C.P.R., was here this afternoon and had another conference with Ministers in Mr. Blair's office regarding British Columbia railway matters. Mr. Shaughnessy urged reasons to show why the Government should not pledge itself to the construction of an independent line from the coast to Lethbridge; that such a road if built would be powerless without the co-operation of the Canadian Pacific, and that there would not be business for two companies.

A Lindsay deputation saw Mr. Blair to-day on Trent Canal matters.

UNCLE SAM DIDN'T WANT HIM.

New "Little Bear" is Hunting to Provide a Spot for His People—The Cree Chief in Town.

To-day and to-morrow Torontonians who come down town may see an Indian in full native costume walking the streets. For the information of those who do, it may be said that the striking-looking aborigine is "Little Bear," the Northwest chief, who, with his band of Crees, crossed the border into the United States at the time of the rebellion of 1885. Last year he and his tribe were deported by the Washington Government, and he has just been down to Ottawa to make sure of the Government's permission for his people to occupy the Indian reservation.

"Little Bear" is a perfect type of the aboriginal Northwest Indian. Sturdy, thick-set and well built, he is an admirable specimen of a man physically, and his strong features remind one at times of those of the late Sir John A. Macdonald. He speaks no English, and though long associated with missionaries takes no stock in Christianity. Yet he is, after his own fashion, profoundly religious in his convictions, and he, moreover, leads an exemplary life, being a pattern to his people. Having made a solemn vow of temperance as a young man to the Great Spirit, he never touches intoxicating liquors and he endeavors to maintain a high standard of morality in his tribe.

During his trip east he has visited Ottawa and Montreal, and he expresses himself as greatly impressed with the white man's industry and inventive genius.

Accompanying Little Bear is Rev. John McDougall, the celebrated author-missionary, who has written "Forest, Lake and Prairie," and "Saddle, Sled and Snowshoe," and is at present engaged on his third volume of the history of the Northwest, which will bring the story up to the date of the Red River Rebellion of 1870. Later in the series, he told The World last night, he will give a new version of the rebellion of 1885.

To-morrow Little Bear and Mr. McDougall leave for the West by the Pacific express.

A BLAZE AT NIGHT.

The Toronto Storage Company's Premises at 86 York-Street Get a Scorching—Furniture Destroyed.

At 9.30 o'clock last night fire was discovered in the premises of the Toronto Storage Company, 86 York-street. The firemen, as they thought, soon had it under control, and left the place. Before leaving Chief Graham, some of the firemen and Mr. E. A. Walker, the proprietor, went through the building and examined it carefully and were satisfied that the fire had been extinguished. Twenty minutes later Private Watchman Bell saw that the place was again on fire. The second blaze caused the fire-fighters more trouble than the first. They could do nothing with it until the tower was brought into use.

E. A. Walker did a storage business, and also advanced money on household goods. The four flats were pretty well filled with furniture, pianos, etc. It is estimated that the contents would amount to $15,000. Mr. Walker, when seen by The World, could not give any statement as to the value of the contents of the building. He carried a blanket insurance policy of $10,000 in the London and Lancashire for the protection of his clients. About 50 different parties had furniture stored with him. Some of them had their stuff insured on the side.

The Fire Department fix the loss on furniture at about $5000 and $1000 on the building. The building is practically owned by the Canada Permanent, who have a big mortgage on it. It is, of course, insured.

It is the general opinion that the fire was caused from the furnace. Mr. Walker has always kept a night watchman on the premises. His name is Charles Schmidt. He is allowed off one night in the week. Last night was his night off. Before he left he fixed up the furnace as usual, and left everything in proper shape. There is no doubt but that the fire started in the basement, and climbed up the greasy sides of the elevator shaft, which is near by. How the second fire started is a mystery, as the place was thoroughly examined after the first blaze, and had there been an ember of blaze going on it must surely have been discovered.

The stores on either side are occupied by Stewart & Wood, varnish and oils, and the Toronto Brass Company. Their losses caused by water will amount to a few hundred dollars.

Inspector Stephen, when the tower was brought into service, ordered the crowd of people to move on, reminding them at the same time that it had tumbled in the morning and might do so again.

Adams' Pepsin Tutti Frutti cures indigestion. See that the trade mark name Tutti Frutti is on each five-cent package

Serves the Old Rascal Right.

Woodstock, Ont., Feb. 16.—Malcolm McDonald, the old man charged with offences under the Charlton Act, was tried before Judge Finkle this morning. There were four charges of assaulting school girls against the prisoner. On the first he was found guilty and the evidence in the remaining three was allowed to apply to the first. When the evidence was all in the judge sentenced the prisoner to two years in Kingston Penitentiary with hard labor on each of the three charges, sentences to run concurrently.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 204 King W. Ladies 75c.

Buying Minnehaha.

The public continue to pick up stock in the Minnehaha gold mine of Camp McKinney, B.C., and already 80,000 shares have been disposed of in Toronto and at outside points.

The features that make the Minnehaha popular are the free-milling quality of her ore, and the proximity of the claim to a mine that has paid regular dividends for two years back, viz., the Cariboo.

Fetherstonhaugh & Co., patent solicitors and experts, Bank Commerce Building, Toronto.

Must Have Been Thirsty.

Harold King, who lives at 130 Mutual-street, is in the hands of the police. He is charged with having purchased a bottle of whisky, and another of wine, from E. W. Coles of 491 Queen-street west, and giving for payment a worthless cheque for the amount of the purchase.

Turkish baths open day and night, 129 Yonge.

Travel the city over—it will be impossible anywhere to find equal quality for the money you pay for dress shirts at Treble's, 53 King-street west.

RHODES ON THE STAND

The Transvaal Enquiry Begun in London.

GREAT INTEREST SHOWN.

Committee Room Crowded and the Prince of Wales Present.

The Ex-Premier of Cape Colony Tells of the Discontent Existing Over the Corruption and Unfairness of the Boer Government—Mr. Rhodes Says He Did Not Intend to Overthrow the Transvaal Government—He Disclaims Responsibility for the Jameson Raid.

London, Feb. 16.—The Parliamentary Committee recently appointed by the House of Commons to inquire into the causes and circumstances of the troubles in the Transvaal began its sittings to-day. The committee room was crowded with privileged persons, among whom was the Prince of Wales, who showed great interest in the proceedings.

Mr. Cecil Rhodes, formerly Prime Minister of the Cape Colony, and the active director of the affairs of the British South Africa Company, was sworn and took the stand as the first witness examined. Mr. Rhodes read a long statement, detailing the occurrences in British South Africa and the Transvaal prior to the raid led by Dr. Jameson into the Boer territory, and dwelt at length upon the general feeling of discontent which had arisen as a consequence of the corrupt management of the Transvaal Government and its refusal to concede the rights of the Uitlanders. He was in sympathy with the Uitlanders in their grievances, and to assist a movement designed to obtain for them their constitutional rights, he had placed on the the Transvaal frontier under the orders of Dr. Jameson a force of troops with instructions to act should certain events arise. Mr. Rhodes admitted that he had not communicated to the directors of the chartered company notice of all his actions, which, however, were made in good faith and under the influence of his belief that it was the intention of the Transvaal Government to introduce into the Boer Republic the influence of a foreign power.

HON. CECIL RHODES.

AN INTERRUPTION.

At this point Sir William Harcourt interrupted Mr. Rhodes and asked: "Was your object to overthrow the Transvaal Government?"

Mr. Rhodes replied that the overthrow of the Government was not his object, but merely to bring about a change. He admitted the probability of his having done wrong in placing Dr. Jameson with his men on the frontier, but Jameson's invasion of the Transvaal he was not responsible for. Jameson had gone into the Boer territory without his (Rhodes') authority.

Witness was asked whether he had informed the British High Commissioner in South Africa, Sir Hercules Robinson (now Lord Rossmead) of his designs, and replied that he had not.

Sir William Harcourt asked why he had not informed the British High Commissioner, and Mr. Rhodes answered: "You had better get the answer to that question from Lord Rossmead."

Mr. Rhodes would not say that the measures he had taken had brought about the revolution in the Transvaal. He admitted, however, that he had supplied some of the funds used in preparing and carrying out Jameson's raid, but he could not say who supplied the rest. He denied that he had pressed the Johannesburgers into acts of insurrection. What pressure there may have been was not from the outside but from within. It was impossible, he said, that the present state of things in Johannesburg and other parts of the Transvaal could continue. The people would not cease their agitation until they obtained their civil rights.

The examination of Mr. Rhodes occupied the entire sitting and the committee adjourned until Friday.

Big Shirt Sale.

This week we put on sale 25 dozen Cambric Shirts, 2 collars, cuffs attached, regular 75c, sale price 50c; 20 dozen Cambric Shirts, 2 collars, cuffs detached, regular $1.25, sale price 75c. Fifty dozen latest designs and colorings in Dresden and fancy cambric shirts, just opened. Sword, 55 King-street east.

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Grand & Toy's Snaps.

It is a positive fact that the Eureka is the best of all makes of Typewriter Ribbons, absolutely non-type filling, sharp writing, strong, indelible copies. It will outlast any other. What more do you want? Try one. If it does not prove better, have your money refunded. If it is a good thing we have it. Grand & Toy, Stationers and Printers, Wellington and Jordan-streets, Toronto.

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WE ALL HOPE SO.

THE "TURKEY" (as Prince George prepares to drop the Greece in the pan): It looks as though there was going to be a "roast," and that I might possibly be "in it."

THE POPE HAS SPOKEN

And Soon the Quebec Bishops Will Follow.

MANDEMENT TO BE READ

In the Pulpits of the Catholic Churches on February 28.

The Big Gun Has Been Heard From and the Musketry Will Rattle Forth—A Papal Brief Will be Attached to the Mandement—What's the Matter With the St. Jean Baptiste Society?—General News From the Big City of Montreal.

Montreal, Feb. 16.—(Special.)—Roma locuta est. The other day your correspondent asked a high ecclesiastical dignity why the collective mandement was not shot off, since it had been signed for many weeks past. He replied as follows: "Don't you think it better for the little guns to await the discharge of the big cannon? Well, the big gun has been heard from, and the small calibre will now rattle forth a fierce discharge. In other words, Pope Leo XIII. has spoken, and conscious of being supported by the head of the Church the Roman Catholic prelates will now be heard from without much delay. On Sunday week the long-delayed collective mandement will be read from the Catholic pulpits, condemning the Laurier-Greenway school settlement, and attached to the mandement in question will be a papal brief or encyclical letter enjoining the faithful to listen to the voice of their natural and legitimate pastors, the bishops."

There is naturally not a little jubilation in ecclesiastical circles because of the fact that the document is to be read on the 28th of the month.

A RUDE AWAKENING.

Those who supposed the St. Jean Baptiste Society was a great and important institution in Montreal had a rude awakening at the annual meeting held at the Monument National. It came out that one thousand letters had been sent out inviting membership. Only 60 replied, and $25 covered the yearly contribution of this once all-powerful society. Hon. Judge Ouimet of the Court of Appeals, who was the last Conservative Minister of Public Works, arose, when he heard this humiliating report, and said: "I am no longer in politics, and I can now speak my mind. Such a state of things is a disgrace to the French-Canadian people, and they deserve to have it heralded all over the country. It is in fact simply outrageous."

Mr. L. O. David said he had been talking this way for years, but his appeals had met with a very weak response.

OTHER MONTREAL NEWS.

The Lake of the Woods Milling Company have closed a number of their elevators, as they usually do at this season of the year, on account of the deliveries from farmers being so slight—practically stopped, it being unprofitable to keep the elevators open any longer. The President, Mr. R. W. Meighen, states that the farmers appear to be holding their wheat for higher prices, but as soon as the delivery begins again the elevators will be reopened.

Mr. William George Murray, a director of the Canada Shipping Company and the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company, died to-day, after a short illness, aged 52 years.

Premier Flynn promised aid to-day to the proposed railway bridge between Montreal and Longueuil.

OUR ROSSLAND SPECIAL.

Americans Kick About Not Being Able to Run the Town—Ned Hewitt on Deck—Strike on Silver Bell.

Rossland, B.C., Feb. 16.—(Special to The World, via Spokane, Wash.)—Some Americans in camp protest against the law preventing them from voting. Anonymous hand-bills calling a meeting of American citizens were distributed yesterday. Several hundred Canadians and Americans gathered, but no one could be found to speak for the kickers. The meeting caused much amusement.

Charlie Mackintosh retires from the mayoralty contest and it now looks as if Robert Scott, ex-Mayor of Galt, would have a walkover, notwithstanding his previous disclaimer.

Ned Hewitt will run for alderman. The Board of Trade has completed organization. J. F. McLaughlin is president and D. P. Bogle vice-president. The council has not yet been elected. Several Toronto men have been nominated.

The squatters' case will be carried to the higher courts.

The blizzard causes blockades in Dakota, and there have been no Eastern mails.

Stocks are advancing.

Shipments of ore so far this year from nine mines are 7000 tons.

Three feet of fine galena ore has been struck in the Silver Bell.

Machinery for the R. E. Lee is now ready for operation.

Pay ore has been found near the surface in the new shaft on Evening Star.

Victoria tunnel, now in 130 feet. Concentrates assay $55 to the ton, mixed ore $19, solid ore $34. Development work has been resumed on the Silent Friend.

The Le Roi deal still hangs fire.

A.R.M.

Wanted—Suitable offices for a Development Company; ground floor; central locality. Address J. N. Lee, Equity Chambers.

Kingston Elevator Company.

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 16.—The Kingston Elevator and Transit Company (Limited), has issued its prospectus. The capital is $150,000, in 1500 shares of $100 each. It will handle, ship and store grain and products between Canadian and American ports on the St. Lawrence River, both by boat and rail.

U. S. Minister to Japan.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—A special to The Inter-Ocean from Fond du Lac, Wis., says: Edwin T. Mason of New York, the senior member of the importing house of E. T. Mason & Co., and a son of William Mason of this city, has assurances of his selection by President McKinley as United States Minister to Japan.

Gibbons' Toothache Gum has afforded relief to thousands in the past 8 years.

Murderers Hanged.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 16.—Peter Schmidt and Samuel Foster, a negro, were hanged at Clayton, a suburb of this city, this morning for the murder of Bertram A. Atwater, an artist of Chicago, Jan. 23, 1896.

TAKING TIME BY THE FORELOCK

With a View to the Early Advent of Welcome Spring.

Acting on the principle of "taking time by the forelock," Messrs. Dineen, Toronto's famous hatters and furriers, are already making preparations for the spring trade. It is their intention to inaugurate the month of March by a display of early imported English goods. These are arriving daily, and will soon be on view. Dineens' American novelties in gentlemen's silk and felt hats are being made in factories in New York, and will be on sale as early at King and Yonge-streets as at any place in the States. In the meantime Dineens are closing out all their manufactured furs, for both ladies and gentlemen, at very low prices. It would well repay purchasers to invest now at the very liberal discount from recent prices. Such bargains can only be had at Dineens'.

Health and vigor are imparted to the system by the use of Adams' Tutti Frutti. Some dealers try to palm off imitations, on which they make more profit.

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How many wives realize the extent that they can assist their husbands towards a successful business career! We observe that the number is fast increasing. A good wife appreciates that a cheerful man is half towards success, both at home and during business hours. Prompt breakfasts and good cooking are the essentials, and you are never sure of either unless you patronize the People's Coal Company.

"Salada" Ceylon Tea is delightful.

Water Color Exhibition.

An event of more than ordinary interest is the exhibition of Mr. L. R. O'Brien's famous collection of water colors at Messrs. C. J. Townsend's & Co.'s auction rooms on King-street, which were crowded all day with art lovers, and many were loud in their praises and declared that it was by far the most beautiful that has taken place in Toronto.

The exhibition will continue until Thursday next, when the pictures will be sold to the highest bidder.

Public Men Short in Their Accounts.

Butler, Ind., Feb. 16.—Expert Ernest has filed a report of his examination of the books of De Kalb County, and finds several officials short $30,000. Of this sum ex-Treasurer Fair is charged with nearly $12,000; ex-Auditor Coffinbury, $5400; ex-Clerk Moody, $2700. The names of the others who are short have not yet been made public.

New York State Railroad Commissioners.

Albany, Feb. 16.—The Senate has unanimously confirmed the nominations of George W. Dunn and Ashley Cole to be State Railroad Commissioners. The nomination of Frank M. Baker was confirmed by a strict party vote of 20 to 13.

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Special Tours for Europe.

Parties intending to visit foreign countries this summer should send at once for one of our special tour guides, and also bicycle trip through Europe. S. J. Sharp, 78 Yonge-street.

At Treble's—53 King west—boys' shirts—best French cambric—two collars—our own make—sale price 75 cents.

THE NORTH ONTARIO RECOUNT.

Judge Dartnell Held Ballots Marked Outside the Disc Good Where Intent of Voter Was Apparent.

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—(Special.)—In view of the North Ontario election recount yesterday there was considerable curiosity here as to the decision of Judge Dartnell respecting those ballots which were marked outside the disc. According to Mr. McCarthy, M.P., who is here, the judge held all such ballots good, where the intent of the voter was apparent.

TWO EMINENT COLONIALS.

Hon. Edward Blake is steadily forging ahead in England. His income from briefs before the Privy Council is running up to $30,000 a year, with prospect or a growing and more lucrative practice in this direction. He is a member of the Parliamentary Committee about to investigate affairs in South Africa, and, no doubt, will take a prominent part in the examination of witnesses that come before it. Mr. Blake is a pronounced Home Ruler; so is Cecil Rhodes, and The World would not be surprised if the great Canadian colonial would be a good deal of a friend of the other eminent colonial who hails from South Africa.

A Toronto Woman's Scheme.

A woman in Toronto has struck a novel scheme. Her husband takes a glass of liquor once in a while when down town. It is not the cost of his own drink she objects to so much, she says, but the amount he has to buy to treat the other fellows. She figured the thing out and has now made an arrangement with her good man whereby she will herself get the saloon-keepers' profits. Her scheme is this: She buys a gallon of the best whiskey and retails it to the pater at ten cents a drink. At the same time a part of the agreement is that her husband won't do any more down-town drinking, but will always do his drinking at home.

"And you will see," said she, after describing her novel scheme to The World, "that there will always be a drink on tap when Henry wants it."

Many cranks in Toronto would say this woman was not working in the cause of temperance.

Give it to Them.

At least two gentlemen in the councils of the Government will be subjected to a raking broadside from the Opposition benches during the present session. They are Ald. W. T. R. Preston and Mr. James Conmee. Both these gentlemen, it will be remembered, were supposed to have resigned their respective offices of librarian and member of the Legislature in order to contest seats for the House of Commons last June. Mr. Whitney and his followers will want to know how it came about that they were both reinstated immediately after being defeated.

Don Valley Gold.

Taylor Bros. have resumed their prospecting for gold in the Don Valley. Their second shaft, which is sunk near the Don Valley Pressed Brick Works, is down 500 feet, and a member of the firm told The World yesterday that they had already again struck the precious metal.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Items Culled From the Despatches and Rolled Down to Paragraphs to Save Space.

The Merchants' National Bank of Jacksonville, Fla., closed its doors yesterday. Capital $100,000.

It is said the Standard Oil Company will hereafter pay dividends of 5 per cent. quarterly.

The Great Northern Railway is again blockaded on account of snow and storms in the Cascades.

The salt baths at Warsaw, N.Y., were burned yesterday. Loss $100,000. The guests got out their belongings.

The Tobacco Bill passed its second reading in the British House of Commons last evening by a vote of 355 to 150.

J. H. Rothrock of Washington Court House, Ohio, is purchasing Canadian cattle at Buffalo to ship to his farm for fattening.

Senator Sherman will bring up the Arbitration Treaty again this afternoon at Washington, and hopes to get final action on it.

Rev. J. H. Sowerby of Guelph said in his pulpit some one told him that four Sunday School superintendents of that city went to Hamilton to attend a convention, and three out of the four got drunk. It is said the matter is not ended.

The conference to decide upon measures to prevent the introduction of the bubonic plague into Europe, and to take other action in regard to the disease, opened at Venice, Italy, yesterday. Count Bonin Longare, Under Foreign Secretary, presided, and welcomed the delegates in the name of King Humbert.

Mr. Chandler spoke for three hours in the Senate at Washington yesterday, arguing that the United States should not permanently adopt the gold standard. He claimed that the steps taken towards the demonetization of silver had caused a shrinkage in values of $15,000,000,000, and predicted bankruptcy for the nation unless a change was made.

Tobacconists Meet.

The first meeting of the proposed Tobacconist Association was held last night in Richmond Hall, and Messrs. Bray, Wilbur, Paul Hopkins and Cowley were appointed a committee to report in a week on the advisability of forming an association. There was a long debate, in which such prominent dealers as Mr. Wilson of Scales & Wilson, Mr. Gibbard, Mr. F. J. Cowly, Mr. Clubb, Mr. A. Bollard and others took part. Mr. A. Clubb acted as chairman.

He Deserved It.

P.C. Dempsey, one of the most popular constables in No. 1 Division, has been ill for some time. He came down to visit his comrades yesterday for the first time since his illness. He was agreeably surprised when Inspector Stephen, on behalf of a number of the force, handed him a purse containing $130. Mr. Dempsey will go south for a few weeks to recuperate.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 204 King W., day, 75c.

BIRTHS.

STERET—At San Francisco, Feb. 12, the wife of C. J. Steret, formerly of Toronto, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

ASHLEY—At her father's residence, 621 Yonge-street, Alma A. Ashley, dearly beloved daughter of J. T. Montgomery, in the 22nd year of her age.

Funeral on Wednesday at 3 p.m., from above address.

Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.

BUTLER—At Grace Hospital, Toronto, on the 15th inst., Louisa A., relict of the late Fred Butler of Walkerton, in her 68th year.

Burial at Walkerton.

RICE—On Monday, Feb. 15, at 161 Franklin-avenue, John Rice, in his 44th year.

Funeral notice later.

WORDEN—At 17 Adelaide-street west, on Tuesday, 16th inst., Jethro Worden, in his 54th year.

Funeral Thursday, Feb. 18, at 3 p.m. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

HIS FACE VERY WHITE.

Young Hammond on Trial for His Life.

THE COURT ROOM CROWDED

Bracebridge and Vicinity Very Much Interested in the Case.

Twelve Good Men and True Chosen to Decide the Prisoner's Fate—Mr. Osler Outlines the Crown's Case and Tells What He Will Seek to Prove—A Number of Witnesses Examined, Including Members of the Dead Wife's Family—A Conclusion Expected on Thursday.

Bracebridge, Ont., Feb. 16.—(Special.)—The Court of Assize for the Provisional and United Counties of Parry Sound and Muskoka resumed its sitting promptly at 9.30 this morning. As was expected the Hammond murder case was immediately taken up. The Town Hall, where the court is held, was crowded with people, all anxious to hear this now famous case.

The prisoner, William James Hammond, was brought in by Constable Armstrong and given a chair (there is no prisoners' or witnesses' box in the room), just behind the lawyers' table and facing His Lordship.

PRISONER'S APPEARANCE.

The prisoner is about 5 feet 10 inches in height, slim, clean shaven, and has a very boyish appearance. In fact, he looks much younger than he really is (22 years). His face was very white when he entered the court room, showing clearly the effects of his 11-months' close confinement, but during the day color came back to his cheeks. He was neatly dressed in a black morning coat with brown trousers, and his linen was spotless. He is fairly good looking and bright in appearance, although at times he looks a little surly. He seems to realize his position keenly and seldom looks up, except once in a while, when he takes a side glance at the reporters. Even when his father stepped over and shook hands with him, he scarcely glanced up, and only said a few words to his devoted parent, who is now spending every cent he owns in his defence. The mother died about two weeks ago.

THE JURY CHOSEN.

The impaneling of a jury lasted about 30 minutes, there being 17 challenges by the prisoner's counsel, while the Crown asked four to stand aside. Finally the following good and true men were selected:

John Johnston, yeoman, of Morrison Township; W. H. Bray, yeoman, of the Township of Brunel; Alex. Corbett, mechanic, of Huntsville; August Breese, lumberman, of the Township of Watt; Frank Forge, yeoman, of Windermere; William Tackeberry, yeoman of the Township of McLean; Ralph W. Lee, mechanic, Bracebridge; Charles Oldham, yeoman, of Medora; Charles Whyte, yeoman, of Medora; James Weir, yeoman, of the Township of Stephenson; Duncan McKenzie, yeoman, of the Township of Chaffey; Moses Dickie, contractor, Bracebridge.

MR. OSLER'S ADDRESS.

Mr. Osler, Crown prosecutor, then commenced his address to the jury. He spoke for about 40 minutes, briefly outlining the case as it would be presented by the Crown. He said on March 6 last, Katie Hammond, or Tough, wife of the accused, was found dying on Brown-street, in the village of Gravenhurst. The Crown alleges murder, and charges the prisoner Hammond with the crime, and it was the sworn duty of the jurors, after hearing the evidence, to say whether it is true or not. The parents of both the prisoner and the deceased live close together in Gravenhurst, and the dead girl and prisoner were intimately acquainted. The prisoner and the deceased were secretly married in Buffalo, N.Y., in November, 1895, under an assumed name, that of James.

THE LIFE INSURANCE.

Her life was insured in favor of the prisoner for about $15,000, all told, having been applied for on her life. Some of these policies had failed. All the insurance was effected after the marriage. The two lived in Buffalo for a while, then went to New York city, where they lived as man and wife under the name of James, and attending to the placing of the insurance on the deceased's life. They returned to

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WHO KILLED THIS BABY?

The Coroner at Dunnville Trying to Find Out Who Stuck a Skewer Through Its Heart.

Dunnville, Ont., Feb. 16.—On Monday morning, Feb. 8, the body of a male infant was found on one of the side streets of our village. The coroner opened an inquest, but nothing of importance was elicited and the inquest was adjourned. Drs. McCallum and Pringle held a post-mortem on the body, which showed that it was a case of infanticide. The child had been born alive and murdered with a skewer or some similar instrument, with which the child's heart had been pierced. The body was evidently in a place where it was kept frozen and exposed to rats, as parts of the body had been eaten away, but the thaw of Saturday and Sunday made it necessary to make a change for fear of exposure. Provincial Detective Murray has been here for some days, working on the case. The inquest was re-opened last night, when a number of witnesses were examined, but no clue to the guilty parties was forthcoming. Tonight no witnesses were called and the case stands adjourned till to-morrow at 1 o'clock.

Good News.

Rockville, Conn., Feb. 16.—Reports from manufacturing centres in Eastern Connecticut show increasing activity among manufacturing industries.

Windy and Wet.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Esquimalt, 34—46; Calgary, 18—28; Qu'Appelle, zero—14; Winnipeg, 6 below—10; Port Arthur, 6 below—20; Toronto, 20—36; Ottawa, 14—34; Montreal, 20—32; Quebec, 16—32; Halifax, 26—34.

PROBS: Fresh to strong winds; mild weather, with light snow or rain at night.

Steamship Movements.

Feb. 16.	At.	From.
Fulda	Gibraltar	New York
Rotterdam	Rotterdam	New York
Kaiser Wilhelm II.	New York	Genoa
Aller	Southamp'n	New York