

M.P.'S WILL REST A MONTH

THE COMMONS TAKES AN ADJOURNMENT UNTIL FEB. 12.

Questions asked in the House touching the Shipping Bill, the Finance Bill, the Education Bill, the Land Purchase Act, etc.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—In the House of Commons Sir Ellis Ashmole-Bartlett asked the Government if Russia had ordered the construction of three new battleships, their building to begin this year, etc.

Mr. H. Kaye-Shuttleworth, Parliamentary Secretary of the Admiralty, replied that the facts of Russia's naval development were necessarily being observed by the Admiralty, but he added, it is not desirable that an official statement be made at any rate until the British estimates for the coming year are completed.

Sir Ellis Ashmole-Bartlett then asked it was a fact that the Russian fleet in 1899, France and Russia would build 10 new battleships, while England would build only three this year, etc.

Atlantic Derivatives. In reply to a question asked by Mr. John Macdonald, Mr. Gladstone said that both the Foreign Office and the Board of Trade were attending to the matter of derivate in the Atlantic Ocean.

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CAN THREAD A NEEDLE AT 100.

A Remarkable Old Lady Who is Now Visiting Her Son-in-Law in This City.

As a general rule ladies who have passed their 100th birthday are not given to traveling about the country.

Although born a decade before the 19th century, she is still hale and hearty, and is now in the city on a visit to her son-in-law, George Evans, caretaker of the Traders' Bank building.

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CAN USE THE PREFIX "HON."

THE CONTROLLER AND SOLICITOR-GENERAL TO BEAR THE TITLE.

Their Rank in the Table of Precedence—Parliament Further Prorogued—Domestic Note Circulation Approaching the Limit—Tripartite Agreement Considered—Belgian Sea-General Notes.

OTTAWA, Jan. 12.—His Excellency the Governor-General has received a despatch dated the 29th of Dec., signed by Lord Ripon, Secretary of State for the Colonies, conveying the expression of Her Majesty's approval that the Solicitor-General, the Controller of Customs and the Controller of Inland Revenue shall bear the title of Honorable during the time they shall hold office, also that they shall take rank and precedence next after Privy Councilors who are not members of the Cabinet.

The Lieutenant-Governors of Manitoba, British Columbia, Prince Edward Island and the Northwest Territories are to have precedence next after the Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, the Judge of the Exchequer Court, and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. It will be observed that the amount of specie and the number of officers whose positions have been established since the table of precedence was first established in 1868 by royal warrant.

Parliament Further Prorogued. Those gentlemen of the Opposition who profess to be so anxious that Parliament should be dissolved, so that the Government might be immediately demolished, will have to contain their souls in patience yet a little longer, as to-morrow's Gazette will contain a proclamation further proroguing Parliament pro forma until Feb. 26.

Circulation of Domestic Notes. The circulation of Dominion notes increased \$281,733 in December, reaching \$19,749,940, which is the highest point ever touched except in October last. The amount outstanding now so far exceeds the limit \$20,000,000, fixed by law, that it may be expected that next session Mr. Foster will take the device contained in the last report of the Deputy Minister of Finance and introduce legislation increasing the limit. The amount of specie and guaranteed debentures on hand was \$9,800,000, or nearly \$5,000,000 more than the amount required by law.

The Belgian Sea-General Notes. To-morrow's Canada Gazette will contain a notice to sealers signed by the Secretary of State warning them that Her Britannic Majesty's Government has arranged with the Imperial Russian Government for renewal of the provisions of the provisional agreement of 1893, providing a protecting zone of 30 miles around the Komorodsky Islands in the North Pacific Ocean and Tulenev Island or Robber reef, in the Okhotsk Sea, also a protecting zone of 10 miles along the shores of the Russian mainland and that all sealers found within these limits are liable to seizure by Her Majesty's ships or those of the Imperial Russian Government. This confirms the statement made in this correspondence last Monday. As then stated the United States Government is also a party to the agreement. That American sealers as well as those of the United States are liable to seizure if they encroach on Russian waters.

Printing Bureau Patronage. Six of the employees of the Dominion Type Foundry of Montreal came up to the printing bureau in the morning and had an interview with Hon. John Costigan, Secretary of State, with reference to the distribution of the patronage of the printing bureau in the city.

Impaled on a Fork Handle. Accident to a Fisherman Farmer That Was Reported.

FRESHFORTH, Jan. 12.—Charles Wise, at a threshing at Mr. James Lewis, threw his pitchfork into the snow and slid down a hill, impaling himself on the point of the handle, which penetrated his hip to the depth of 11 inches upward along the spine.

Fractured His Skull. SHELBURNE, Jan. 11.—Allan Carlaw, 14, Pleasant Valley, was riding on a sled in the bush, when a large limb fell and struck him on the right temple, cutting his head and fracturing the skull. His injuries are serious.

Accuracy in Teaching. Toronto Principals Meet and Elect Officers for the Year.

The Toronto Principals' Association met in the Y.M.C.A. parlors last evening and elected their officers for 1894: President, Mr. Bennett, McCaul-street school; vice-president, Mr. Perry, Huron-street school; secretary, Mr. Harrison, Bathurst-street; and treasurer, Mr. Henry of Parkdale.

Wholesale Arrests in Alaska. Orders to Jail Every White Man Married to a Native Woman.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Jan. 12.—U.S. Marshal Porter of Alaska has issued orders to his deputies to arrest every white man known to have formed illegal marriage relations with native women. As a result of this order nearly every man on board the U.S. steamer "Hunt" is still at Sitka. Hundreds of other arrests are expected, and the jail will not hold the leading citizens who are amenable under the orders.

Sanitized by Footsteps. NIAGARA FALLS, Jan. 12.—Last night while Samuel Heckerman of Niagara Falls, Ont., was returning home from a party he was waylaid by unknown parties near the Cifton House and sandbagged into insensibility. The robbers then went through his clothing and relieved him of about \$25. His injuries are very severe and he may not recover.

Arrived in Five Weeks. All are invited to-day and next Monday to the first session of Hays' course at 11 a.m., 5 and 8 p.m., Confederation building, Yonge and Richmond. The course now beginning are very large, therefore a limited number more can register for this course, the first in Toronto.

Cough-cure is pleasant, Children like it, Where to Inquire. The Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company offers unparalleled advantages to all seeking the security of life insurance. Its rates are within the reach of all. Its security is its motto. Its success is its boast. Its experience of twenty-four years has enabled the company to give better results to policy holders than any similar corporation operating in Canada. Office 32 Church-street.

Important Notice. Eight Bros. stationers, have removed from the Globe Building, corner Yonge and Melinda-streets, to 55 Yonge-st. 246

PRETTY TOPSY IS MISSING.

And Boyer is Hoping and Lonesome in Consequence—Old Mad Eyes That Her?

Toppy, half grown and grey, is astray in the big city, swallowed up in the great ocean of life that seethed harmlessly about her from day to day while she was secure in familiarity and comfort.

She is only a Maltese toby to be sure, but that does not mitigate the anxiety felt concerning her, as an advertisement in an evening paper shows.

When The World was at the height of its popularity, a fancy party of 1800 Palmerston-avenue yesterday disappeared every one of the family, as well as the residents at 187 and the pug dog Rover. The ladies of the two houses had lost all ambition and the children of the neighborhood were crying for their pet.

"Have you lost a cat?" enquired the reporter of the lady who answered the bell. "Oh, you know something about Topsy," said the lady, and she was much disappointed to learn that The World knew nothing of the whereabouts of her cat. Then she filled the reporter's ears with praise of the absent cat. Topsy is a female cat, or rather a female dog, and she is now grown. Two months ago she strayed into the family residence, which was then in Seaton-street. The family dog, which is a pug named Rover, and the two became fast friends. When Topsy disappeared on New Year's Day, Rover was greatly affected, and ever since has been lonesome and moped continuously. Mrs. Thomas Ellis of No. 187, next door, was very much attached to Topsy, and she is who put the advertisement.

"Something about the cat" was the exclamation of the lady who opened the door at 187, when the reporter rang the bell, and asked, "Has the cat come back?"

A young woman hastened to the door, hoping springing into a face which evidently had been the mirror of grief for some time. She looked eagerly for the cat, and was much disappointed to find that she did not see it. She sounded the praises of the missing pet, and while she admitted that Topsy was a very valuable cat, she also complimented her on the fact that she was a very amiable cat and a very knowing cat. Her disposition was really angelic, but her education had not been such as to make her a very good cat.

The supposition is that Topsy was stolen by bad boys in the neighborhood.

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A GAME THAT DIDN'T WORK.

A RASCALLY PIECE OF BUSINESS FRUSTRATED.

An Attempt to Secure a Valuable Franchise Defeated by the Breaking Up of the Quorum at the City Council Last Evening—Where Eight Fighting Aldermen Showed their Hands.

Never in the history of the City Hall has there been such an ending to the life of a council, which the citizens claim has been one of misrule and mismanagement; never in the history of the Hall was such a barefaced attempt made by a council in its dying moments to grab a valuable franchise from the city. To the Mayor, Ald. Saunders, Shaw, Hallam, Stewart, Bailey, Crawford, Lamb, Davies and Burns belong the credit of saving the city's interests and credit. What makes this attempt more contemptible than it would otherwise be is that eight of the men who voted in favor of the city Mayor Fleming, Ald. Stewart and Davies jumped into the breach and the band of philanthropists who were going to give the city a valuable franchise, all of which were defeated because there was no quorum.

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WE SELL MORE THAN WE BUY

THEY WANTED THEIR ALLOWANCE.

AMERICAN FARMERS MUST BE PROTECTED AGAINST CANADA.

So Says Dr. Herman in Congress—The Wilson Bill Especially Antagonized by Agriculture—The Debate to Close Two Weeks From To-Day—A Full Day in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The Tariff bill was debated in the House to-day, a number of speakers taking either side of the question.

Mr. Read (Rep., Maine) will close the tariff debate for the Republicans on the afternoon of Saturday, Jan. 27.

Mr. Wilson (Dem., W. Va.), the chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, will perform a similar service for the Democrats Monday.

The vote on the bill will be taken Monday, the 29th inst.

Canada tells more than she imports. Discussing the Wilson bill in the evening session of the House, Representative Herman (Rep.) said:

The farmer is especially antagonized by this bill. The Wilson bill is entitled "A bill to reduce taxation, to provide revenue and for other purposes." It should be revised "A bill to reduce the revenue and to increase the tariff on raw wool."

Mr. Brookshire asked of Mr. Herman from what countries the importations of raw wool are likely to come?

Mr. Brookshire said the statistics of the Agricultural Department showed that in 1891 the American farmers sold to Canada more raw wool than the Canadian farmers sold to America.

Dr. Herman said he had later statistics that showed that the American farmers sold to Canada more raw wool than the Canadian farmers sold to America.

At 9:10 o'clock Mr. Herman's time expired and Mr. English (Dem., N.J.) was recognized.

Hawthorn Correspondence Held Back. The Cabinet meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m. A statement was afterwards made, however, by direct authority of any of the Cabinet officers, that the resolution which was passed in regard to the Hawaiian correspondence was not sent to Congress and would not be introduced.

North American Life Assurance Company. The year 1893 was the most successful one in the history of this thriving Home Company, as will be seen from the following figures: During the year \$1,000,000 was added to the net surplus, which now aggregates \$300,000. Over 50 per cent of the business was done in the United States and Canada.