

OLD WORLD USAGES.

ENGLISH PARLIAMENTARY CUSTOMS PREVAIL AT OTTAWA.

Parliamentary Military Does Not Change in Style—The Bows of the Black Rod and Sergeant-at-Arms—The Governor General Cannot Enter the Lower House.

The British parliament has had an unbroken existence extending over six centuries. The dominion parliament has been in existence a little over thirty years. Even in its old form, it existed before confederation, the Canadian parliament is an institution of more recent date than that of Great Britain.

As compared with Ottawa, an old city, it is easy to understand that when the Canadian parliament was first organized, it was modeled after that of Westminster.

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LIQUOR, LICENSE, MURDER.

ARCHIBALD GOVER STABBED

WILLIAM McLEAN TO DEATH FRIDAY.

The Two Had Been Drinking With McLean's Wife—Waking From a Drunken Sleep McLean Found Gover and His Wife in a Compromising Position.

FRANCONIA, May 19.—William McLean was stabbed to death by Alfred Gover at Greenhill, near Stanley, about 5 o'clock this morning. As nearly as can be ascertained a murder was the result of a drunken carousal at the Gover home last night in which McLean, Gover and his wife were the participants.

The story goes that Gover fell asleep some time during the night and when he awoke about daylight this morning discovered McLean in a compromising position with Mrs. Gover. Arming himself with a butcher knife with a blade fully 10 inches long he attacked McLean, who was in the act of going to the window to defend himself. The men grappled with each other at first, and Gover plunged a knife into the victim's side penetrating the liver just below the heart. McLean's blood oozed the hour after the stabbing.

Further details of the tragedy show that night, and that on the former evening, Gover and McLean slept together in the same room. Gover's room was found by a search of the house on the morning of the tragedy for which he may have to answer with his life.

After stabbing McLean in the presence of Mrs. Gover the murderer sprang at his wife, but she fled into the room of the grand jury, sustaining quite serious injuries. Mrs. Gover's daughter, a few minutes later, was seen in the street, and called for assistance. She was taken to the hospital, and her condition is reported to be serious.

McLean's body was found in the kitchen, and the knife was found in the room. The police are making a search of the house for other evidence.

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THE PRACE CONFERENCE

Still Getting Ready for Business—Representatives of the Press Can Only Get Information Through a Bureau.

THE HAGUE, May 20.—The president proposed the adoption of arrangements for the conference, which was agreed to without dissent.

Baron DeStaal further proposed that, although the principle of secrecy should be maintained, communication might be made through the press bureau subject to the approval of the president.

The president adopted. At the conclusion of the conference today M. DeStaal, Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador at Washington, and the head of the British delegation, the United States ambassador at Berlin, Mr. Andrew D. White, head of the American delegation, and the several of the other chief delegates returned to The Hague for lunch.

Mr. Pauncefote, former president of the conference, and head of the French delegation, and almost all the second and technical delegates who form part of committees remained at the house in the woods to draw up certain lists. They were occupied also with the organization of the committee. The proceedings today passed off without any incident. Only the president spoke, the others manifesting their approval by slight discreet remarks.

Several of the chief delegates are leaving the league for a few days, pending the preliminary work of the committee. Baron DeStaal during the hours of the day, received the following despatches:

The emperor begs you to be the interpreter to the conference of his sincere thanks and warmest wishes. My agent master charges me to impress upon your excellency how much his majesty is touched by the telegram addressed to him. (Signed) MURAVIEFF.

LONDON, May 22.—The Daily News publishes a despatch from The Hague supposed to be inspired by Mr. Wm. T. Stead, editor of the Review, which is in part as follows:

"Regarding arbitration the present position of the delegates seems to be this:—Germany and the other two powers of the triple alliance are entirely against it, and they know it. Great Britain and the United States are entirely in favor of it. Prof. Von Stengel, of the German delegation, said today: 'Arbitration is impracticable when the nations are divided by a vital issue, in less important institutions it exists already.'

France is hesitating and will probably agree with Russia. Several delegates confessed that they came to the conference unprepared and have already learned much."

JUVENILE CRIMINAL.

Monoton Getting to be a Hotbed for Young Burglars—A Ten-Year-Old This Time.

MONKTON, N. B., May 21.—The police captured the most youthful burglar this morning ever taken into custody in this city. About 5 o'clock a 10-year-old boy named Albert Sandon, whose parents live here, was found in the city market rifling tills in various stalls. When taken to the police station Sandon made a most astounding confession, when the leader years of the burglar are considered. From his story it appears Sandon secreted himself in the market Saturday night and allowed himself to be locked in. When quietness settled about the place the lad opened the side door to admit some young pals, but as they did not appear to be doing any business, he carried out goods, rifled one till of five or three dollars in change and was at work on another when the officers found him. Sandon confessed to carrying off other tills, but he is almost dumbfounded the police, who have apparently unearthed a still younger gang of thieves than those committed for trial a few days ago for burgling the Baptist parsonage.

THE END AT HAND.

Everything Indicates That the Backbone of the Filipino Resistance Has Been Broken—It is Believed Aguinaldo Will Surrender.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—War department officials are firmly convinced that the end of the insurrection in the Philippines is at hand. That the representatives of the insurgent cabinet and of Aguinaldo, who are to meet General O'Donoghue tomorrow will succumb to the inevitable and surrender. Their forces, it is said, at the department, evidently are so demoralized by the persistent advance of the Americans that they are ready to accept peace on the best terms they can obtain. Drives northward to the foothold of the mountains as they have been, their divisions and scattered no longer can be made to face our victorious advance. Less than a week ago Gen. Luna was reported just north of San Fernando, where Gen. MacArthur's troops are concentrated, and in the neighborhood of Bacolor, with about 3,000 rebels. Today Gen. O'Donoghue reports that the remainder of this force, about 2,500 men, has withdrawn to Talisay, over 20 miles north of San Fernando, and that the remainder of the force moved east and joined the main body of the insurgents, which abandoned San Pedro yesterday and fled northward to the point from which Aguinaldo is now sending his communications to sue for peace. If this is a reliable report, the end of the rebellion is at hand. The war department believes it will avail them nothing, as the Americans will utilize the period during the negotiations to reorganize the country ahead preparatory to the resumption of operations. The minute the negotiations fail, the dispatch of two battalions of the 23rd Infantry yesterday to Jolo, the principal town in the Sulu archipelago, is the fourth military expedition detached from the main body of our troops at Manila. The Sulu archipelago is a group

KILLED BY NEGLIGENCE.

THE VERDICT OF THE CROW'S NEST PASS COMMISSION.

Two Nova Scotians Suffering With Diphtheria Were Carried for Miles in an Open Sleigh in Midwinter—Medical Assistance Could Have Been Brought to Them.

OTTAWA, May 19.—The report of R. C. Clute, commissioner appointed to inquire into the Crow's Nest Pass railway in connection with the death of Charles E. McDonald and E. McD. Fraser, of New Glasgow, N. S., was presented to parliament today. Both men worked for Mann and Kennedy, at Masson's camp, about 86 miles west of Seventh Siding, which was at that time the end of the track. The men only worked about a fortnight. They got \$175 per day. Fraser had \$635 coming to him and McDonald \$525, the remainder being eaten up with board and other expenses. Both were taken ill with diphtheria. Although a doctor could have been gotten without much trouble, and men believed and cared for in the spot in which they were, they were not so on an open sleigh. They lay on their backs with their mouths open. This was on January 20th. It took two days to reach Seventh Siding. At a place called Red Head it was intended to stop and send for a doctor, but the company's agent would not let them stay. When they reached the siding, they were put in a box car and left from there in the afternoon until eight at night, without anything but their blankets and a bucket of water. They were looked after by some workmen from eight in the evening and finally Dr. Mead arrived from Fencher Creek. Mead could not get to the siding until the next morning. He went to Steeles, the company's agent and told him they had died. He took them to Fencher Creek and the latter told him to spare no expense, but to send to Fencher Creek and get whatever the doctor told him. This was done, but before the necessary arrived both men were dead. McDonald died between ten and eleven, and Fraser between eleven and twelve in the morning. Commissioner Clute says that while medical attention could have been gotten in the first instance, it was not done, and that the men, when standing in a line, that they should have been properly cared for. This should have been done, but the company's agent would not let them stay. The company's agent would not let them stay. The company's agent would not let them stay.

GALLIA STILL PAST.

THE WATER IS RECEDING AND NOTHING IS BEING DONE, WHILE THE ALLIANS, THE OWNERS, AND THE UNDERWRITERS DISPUTE.

MONTECAL, May 18.—Steamship Gallia still remains stuck in the mud below Sorel, and while the water is receding and leaving the boat stranded high and dry there is a dispute between McEvoy, Liverpool, owners and underwriters. The latter claim the owners have not made any effort to float the steamer, which is customary before a underwriters take hold. The Allies claim the charter was made to be used in the event of a drought, and while the steamer ceased to perform her functions, but their marine superintendent has been paid a salary of two in the event of a drought. The Gallia will have to be pononed and dredged from her present position. That the water will be raised to the level of the water in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, but owing to the dispute nothing has been done.

WHEELS BACK INTO LINE.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 18.—Ex-U. S. Senator Puffer, one of the founders of the Populist party, and who was for years considered the chief exponent of Populism, has returned to the Republican party.

Mr. Puffer said today: "I have always been a Republican except on one main question, the money question. I have been a Populist since the money question was introduced. I have been a Populist since the money question was introduced. I have been a Populist since the money question was introduced."

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Earl of Malmesbury Dead.

LONDON, May 19.—The Earl of Malmesbury, who was recently stricken with paralysis, is dead. Edward James Harris, fourth Earl of Malmesbury, was born in 1827. He was a Conservative in politics and a retired lieutenant colonel of the Royal Irish Rifles. He was the author of several philological works and was employed as a diplomat. He was killed in the Crimea in 1855 and later he was aide-de-camp to the governor of Mauritius.

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