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A BOOM FOR YOUR LIFE

Our Bicycle Manufacturers Are Turning Out Wheels by Thousands.

THEY BEAT THE WORLD.

Wheels for England, Wheels for Japan, Wheels for France, Wheels for Australia.

TORONTO TO HAVE 45,000 RIDERS.

The World Had an Interesting Talk With the Men Who Cater to This Great and Growing Trade Yesterday—High Grade Bicycles Will Come Within the Reach of Every Man's Pocket—Many of the Factories Are Doubling Their Output of Last Year, and the Prospects Warrant It—Special Chainless Wheels For Ladies Where the Daintiest Girl May Ride, Wearing a Full Length White Skirt and Not Get a Spot On It—Presentation Wheels From Toronto Factories for Great Men in the States—Riding Parties Will be the Rage This Summer.

The referee has waved his omnipotent hand and the great bicycle race, known as the "1899 handicap," is now on in full swing. There is no feverish excitement yet in the densely crowded amphitheatre, so just walk up with The World to the barriers and mark the work of the different rivals as they go circling around the asphalted track. There is no wobbly riding just now, nor dosing by trainers and the faces of the racers won't wear any strained look until long after those ladies have grown tired of screaming and waving their lace pocket handkerchiefs. The eight riders, being all natives, or having at least taken out their first papers of naturalization, the management considered it unnecessary to tack big unsightly numbers on their backs to aid the betting ring. "By gad!" you exclaim, "what a nipping beauty that black and green wheel is, with rims colored like rosewood!" "I believe I'll take a shot on that black wheel with blue spokes," your friend replies, but just then the rest of the bunch dash up, the "Yellow Fellow," the black wheel with the three-pieced, nickel-plated crown, the aluminum racer with the green spokes and three stunning black fellows, and your friend looks so bewildered that he can't make up his mind.

"Let's go up and see the managers," you suggest and the next thing you're shaking hands with a group of plug-hatted gentlemen in the grand stand.

Outlook Particularly Bright.

The Gendron manager said: "The outlook is particularly bright. Our output for the year will, at the lowest estimate, be 1500 wheels more than last year. From the present indications Toronto is going to see a great boom this year in bicycles for workingmen, and our agents announce that the other provinces are likely to go crazy over the bicycle question."

Wheels For England.

"What about the foreign shipments?"

"We are sending a 24-lb. wheel to England, which is knocking the bottom out of the Old Country trade. The English makers will persist in sticking to the old model of 20 years ago and are losing ground daily. Then, we are sending a big special consignment to Paris to-day, most of them wheels for your dainty French woman to spin on along the boulevards. Our wheels go to Australia, Cape Colony, the West Indies and New Zealand, and for stress of work we've had to refuse an order from British Guiana. To keep up with this rush we must considerably add to our force of men."

Cleveland Output Doubled.

The "Cleveland" manager said: "Our output for 1899 promises to be 50 per cent. greater than last. To prevent a breakdown in the work, we're building a new wing as large as the whole west side. In spite of the big number of bicycle riders in Toronto, I expect the number to be raised to 45,000 this season. We shall have a list of great features to introduce to the public and two of them will be increased cheapness and lightness."

Hyslop's Big Increase.

The Hyslop management expected a 30 per cent. larger trade than last year, and to meet it are about to go into enlarged quarters. The company has 2200 brand new wheels now stored in a bonded warehouse, ready to bring out to the public the moment the rush begins. A chainless wheel was declared to be the coming machine of the future, and one of their many specialties for the year.

"We have a special chainless for ladies," remarked the Hyslop man, who is himself a society favorite. "The daintiest girl could ride this wheel with a full-length white silk skirt, and not get a spot on it."

High Grade Wheels Within Reach.

The Massey-Harris manager believed the prospects exceedingly bright. The high-grade wheels were going to be set before the public at such a tempting price that everyone would bite. The whole British Empire was as hungry as a pike for wheels, and they were doing their best to drop the Massey-Harris bait in as many spots as possible.

Wheels For Japan.

"What about the Orient?" was asked. "We have just shipped several thousand wheels to Japan. There's a bicycle boom out there which the Jap machine can't meet. The Jap is a first-rate worker in wood, but he's got nothing original in him, and when he has learned to copy our models we are long ahead of him again."

Erastus Wiman Knows What.

The Comet management pulled out a letter from an inside pocket, and handed it over. It was from that favorite of fortune, Erastus Wiman, and read: "Dear Mr. Comet: The wheel you sent me is a wonderful machine, full of speed, and so comfortable as to eliminate fatigue. I expect to see you face to face ere long."

"With a trade that promises to be 50 per cent. larger this year than in '98, we can afford to make a few New Year's gifts," said the Comet man. "We have

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DR. CHINIQUY IS VERY ILL

And the Archbishop of Montreal Has Shown Most Remarkable Consideration.

OFFERED TO CALL ON THE SICK MAN

A Polite Note From His Lordship, to Which the Secretary of Rev. Dr. Chiniquy Replied in Kind.

Montreal, Jan. 11.—(Special.)—It looks as if Dr. Chiniquy was fast nearing his end. Archbishop Bruchesi addressed the following letter to Rev. J. L. Morin, son-in-law of Rev. Dr. Chiniquy:

Montreal, Jan. 10, 1899.

Sir,—I hear that Mr. Chiniquy is very seriously ill, and that he may soon die. Although he separated from us a long time ago, I cannot forget what he always remains in the eyes of the church, and I consider it a duty of my pastoral charge to write you that should he desire to see me, I would feel happy to comply with his wish. Kindly make known to the patient that I have taken this step, and accept the expression of my devoted feelings.

(Sgd.) Paul, Archbishop of Montreal.

The following reply was sent to the Archbishop:

171 Hutchison-street,
Montreal, Jan. 10, 1899.

My Lord,—Mr. Morin, gripped and laid up in bed, requests me to write you, since he cannot do so himself. He, as well as his family, was deeply touched with the interest which you take in the spiritual welfare of Mr. Chiniquy. He highly appreciates the Christian courtesy of the step you have taken. I have the honor to convey to you as exactly as possible the reply of Mr. Chiniquy to the wish expressed by you, and which was communicated to him by the reading of your letter: "I am thankful to the Archbishop, but I have definitely retired from the Church of Rome. I am perfectly happy in the faith of Jesus Christ. God and Jesus suffice me. I long for the moment of leaving." I asked him whether he would not be happy to see you in the event of his being restored to health. "Certainly," said he, "most happy." Five persons, among whom were the nurse and myself, heard these words, distinctly repeated once or twice—besides, they are in conformity with the religious testament of the patient, and with all his previous declarations. In fulfilling the duty of your pastoral charge, My Lord, you have acquired one more title to our respect. By preserving the convictions which he adopted 40 years ago, Mr. Chiniquy attests the sincerity of his faith. He can now only invoke the mercy of the Sovereign Judge, before whom we must all appear some day. Please accept, My Lord, the assurance of my profound respect.

(Sgd.) D. Coussirat.

GALT LOSES A GOOD CITIZEN.

Mr. Thomas Todd Has Passed Away After Three Weeks' Illness—Regret in the Town.

Galt, Jan. 11.—(Special.)—Mr. Thomas Todd, one of Galt's most prominent citizens, died this forenoon after an illness of about three weeks' duration. The deceased gentleman was born in Scotland 67 years ago, and has been identified with the public and business interests of the town for 50 years. He was the senior member of the Todd Milling Company and of the produce commission firm of Thomas Todd & Son, both of which have carried on a most extensive business. In public life Mr. Todd was a thoroughly representative citizen. Besides many other public positions, he has been a member of the Town Council, President of the Board of Trade, member of the Collegiate Institute Board, and at the time of his death was President of the Galt, Preston and Hespeler Electric Railway. In politics Mr. Todd was a staunch Conservative, and was a prominent member of the Central Presbyterian Church of the town. He is survived by his widow, one son, Mr. Martin N. Todd of this town, and an adopted daughter, Mrs. G. Lowe, of Regina, N.W.T. Mr. Todd's death is universally regretted, and has cast a gloom over the entire community.

HOW LOVE BEAT THE LAW

German Expulsion of Dairymaids From Schleswig Has Acted Like a Boomerang.

Berlin, Jan. 11.—The Prussian Government has met an unexpected counter-check in the recent expulsion of Danes from North Schleswig. Among those expelled were many dairy maids. It is learned that the German lovers of the girls followed them across the frontier and married them, and as a result most of them are back in Schleswig as German subjects.

Death of a Halifax Physician.

Halifax, N.S., Jan. 11.—Death occurred this afternoon of Dr. Fred. H. Marshall, at the age of 53 years. Deceased had been ill for eight years. He leaves a widow and eight grown-up children. Mrs. Marshall being a daughter of John B. Strong, printer, now of Toronto.

Mr. Strong lives, according to the city directory, at 215 Chestnut-street.

Holyrood cigar, equal to most ten-cent cigars, 5c straight. Jamieson's, at "The Busy Corner."

Young Ladies' Fur Jackets at Dineens'.

The fur specials which are attracting the most attention at Dineens' this week are the Alaska seal, Persian lamb and imperial electric seal jackets for young ladies. The styles and qualities are such as will delight the most critical tastes, and Dineens' cash prices, this week, are especially low.

When trouble's clouds arise—smoke a fragrant "Holyrood." Jamieson's, at "The Busy Corner."

$6 per week—fine room, well furnished; steam heat; electric light; bath, with good board. "Bodega," 36 Wellington-street east. 34

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To-Day's Program.

Annual meeting of the Lord's Day Alliance, 8.

Rev. C. A. Eaton lectures on Imperialism in Y.M.C.A., 8.

Concert in Crawford-street Methodist Church, 8.

Mrs. J. L. Hughes lectures in Guild Hall, 3 p.m.

The Grand, "The Telephone Girl," 8.

"Incog." at the Princess, 2 and 8.

"The Girl From Chili," at the Toronto, 2 and 8.

The Bijou, good show, 2 and 8.

Ladies' Sealskin Gauntlets and Muffs at Dineens'.

Diamond Reef Must Go.

Washington, Jan. 11.—Congress will vote $2,500,000 to remove the Diamond reef in New York harbor, which is dangerous to navigation.

MOTHER AND BABES BURNED

Fearful Fate of Mrs. George S. Fleming and Two Little Children of Pleasant Valley, N. S.

FOUR OTHER CHILDREN ESCAPED

With the Servant They Rushed Out in Their Night Clothes and Nearly Perished With Cold.

Halifax, N.S., Jan. 11.—An awful calamity occurred at Pleasant Valley, Upper Musquodobit, last night, when Mrs. George S. Fleming and two little children were burned to a crisp, as they were endeavoring to escape from their burning dwelling. With the thermometer near zero and the wind blowing a gale, the fire started, supposedly in a defective flue. The strong gale fanned the fire and the whole building was soon enveloped in flames. Mrs. Fleming and her six children and servant girl were sleeping in the house. Her husband was away from home at the time. Aroused about 10 o'clock by the crackling of flames, the inmates hurriedly sought to escape. The servant and four of the children rushed out of the building in their night clothes and made their way to a neighbor's house half a mile distant. The mother, however, could not escape, or at least she did not. Her body was found near the door way by neighbors, who hurriedly rushed to the scene. With her were found an infant two weeks old and a little girl about 2 years of age. To save the precious children, the brave mother gave up her own life.

The fire is supposed to have originated downstairs, where the mother and the two dead babies were sleeping. The girl and the other children were upstairs, and had a better chance to escape.

Mrs. Fleming was a young woman 35 years of age. Her house being somewhat isolated, the people of the neighborhood did not know anything of the terrible affair until the terrified and half-perished children reached them. They had suffered intensely in the cold, as they ran from their burning home, and were heart-broken with grief at the tragic fate of their mother.

HE WAS GROUND TO PIECES

Young Man Threw Himself in Front of a Train a Few Miles East of Clyde, New York.

GEORGE F. CHAPMAN, BRANTFORD,

Was the Address of Letters Found on Him—Photographs Also Marked Brantford.

Clyde, N.Y., Jan. 11.—About 12 o'clock to-day as a west-bound freight on the Central Railroad was passing near Pettey's crossing, about three miles east of Clyde, a young, well-dressed man, about 23 years old, threw himself in front of the train, and was ground to pieces. In the man's overcoat pockets were found six photographs and three letters. The letters were addressed to George S. Chapman, Brantford. Out. Some of the photographs were taken in Brantford, some in London, Ont., and some in Malta. One of the letters was written by his sister-in-law, Emily, 16 Brockham-street, New North Road, Boston, and was dated Sept. 14, 1898; another letter from a brother, W. H. Chapman, Caledonia, Ont., dated May 9, '98. But 40 cents in money was found on the body.

KILLED BY A LION IN THE JUNGLE.

How An English Engineer Met His Death While on a Hunting Expedition in Africa.

London, Jan. 11.—Despite the great dangers connected with the building of the Uganda Railway by the British in the jungles of Africa, only one fatality has thus far occurred on the line now completed as far as Mombasa. News has reached here of the severe loss sustained by the enterprise through the death of W. H. Harrison, one of the engineers, from the effects of an encounter with a lion.

Harrison went out shooting, accompanied by a friend and a native servant. Near Kikiyu the party came across a lion and a lioness. Harrison wounded the lion, and the enraged beast turned upon him, clutching him by the left arm and dragging him some distance. Then, seeing the servant, the lion let go of his victim and sprang at the native.

Harrison by this time regained possession of his rifle, and fired a second shot. This, unfortunately, did not kill the animal, and it again sprang at the engineer, seizing him by the already injured arm, lacerating it in a shocking manner. Help then arrived, and the lion was killed, but Harrison died from shock and loss of blood.

An Heir for the Czar.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 11.—There is considerable bustle in the inner circle of the Imperial household just now in anticipation of a probable heir to the throne, who is expected to make his appearance some time in May.

After lunch try a "Holyrood" five cent straight. Jamieson's, at "The Busy Corner."

Sealskin Specials at Dineens'.

Preparatory to their annual January clearing sale of other furs, Dineens' are offering some exceptionally choice qualities in Alaska sealskin jackets for ladies this week, at exceptionally low cash prices. Every garment was made on the premises at Dineens', and is fully guaranteed by Dineens'.

La grippe cured in a few hours. Dr. Evans' Laxative Grip Capsules, 25c. ed

Dunlop's Cheaper Roses.

Fresh cut roses, from 75 cents upwards. Dunlop's roses are graded according to size and strength of stem. Absolutely fresh roses, at 75c per dozen. 5 King west, and 445 Yonge-street.

Fetherstonhaugh & Co., Patent Solicitors and experts, Bank Commerce Building, Toronto.

A Million Envelopes.

We keep up the quality and the demand for our "Merchant" envelope steadily increases, 60c per thousand. Blight Bros., 81 Yonge-street. Write for sample.

Cook's Turkish and Russian Baths. Bath and Bed $1.00, 204 King St. W.

THAT AWKWARD SENATE HILL.

MONS. TARTE (stuck with a load of "deals"): I cannot get over ze hill—I cannot get "round" ze hill. By gar, I shall have ze hill cut down—what you call abolish.

HIS WALK CONDEMNED HIM

Bad Negro at Ottawa Sent to Penitentiary for Two Years for Assault on a Woman

WHO COULD NOT IDENTIFY HIM

However, She Described His Gait and Was Supported by Another Witness.

Ottawa, Jan. 11.—Samuel Curry, a colored man, charged with indecently assaulting Hattie Goltz, a young lady from Ottawa East, was found guilty, after the jury had been out about three hours. This is a case in which Curry, who is generally looked upon by the police as being a bad character, and who was in the habit of sleeping in stables or wherever night came upon him, was found to have been in the locality where Miss Goltz was assaulted. The girl could not positively identify the prisoner, but her description of his manner of walking as he approached her was identical with that of a witness who saw the prisoner after the assault had occurred. This was the point in the evidence which convicted Curry, who was sentenced to two years in penitentiary.

THE INSURANCE OUTLOOK

Life Companies Bright, But Too Much Rate Cutting Among the Fire Companies.

New York, Jan. 11.—"The prospect in 1899 for the life insurance companies of America is bright," said Charles A. Jenny, of The Weekly Underwriter, to a reporter yesterday; "but for the fire insurance companies it is exceedingly gloomy, unless the prevailing demoralization in rates can be speedily adjusted. The rate war now going on, it is estimated by some, caused fire insurance companies to take in $12,000,000 less in premiums in 1898 than they did in 1897. This is probably too large an estimate, but undoubtedly the underwriting balance of the year just closed is largely on the wrong side."

Fill that Aching Tooth with Gibbons' Toothsome Gum—price 10c.

All From England.

Special shipment of English Flannel Shirts, $1.50 and $2; English Flannelette Night Shirts, extra large, $1; English Ribbed Half-Hose, 3 pairs $1, regular 50c a pair; English Natural Wool Underwear, $3 a suit, regular $4.50; English Knitted Body Belts, from 75c upwards. Sword, 55 King-street east only.

Holyrood cigar, pure Havana filler. Jamieson's, at "The Busy Corner."

Pember's Turkish and Vapor Baths, 127 and 129 Yonge. Bath and bed $1.00.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents. ed

Armeda Tea has the Flavor.

Did you ever try the Top Barrel?

Pember's Turkish Baths, 129 Yonge-street

Frederick D. Underwood has been appointed general manager of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

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A Custom House Comparison.

Perhaps the cold, clear figures at the Custom House give the best demonstration of the speed with which buyers appreciate the saving of middlemen's profits. Direct importing for retail selling saves both profits and expenses of the middlemen. Last month duty was paid to the amount of $4983 on imported cigars, and of this amount G. W. Muller paid $3506.40. The $1477 was divided amongst many. While much of Mr. Muller's importations was damaged by fire he had, fortunately, a large amount of goods in the bonded warehouse.

Cook's Turkish and Russian Baths. Open all night, 202 and 204 King St. W.

Where Was Shaw?

The local poultry fanciers and breeders are sore on Mayor Shaw and the aldermen. There is an international poultry show on, and visitors are here from the States. The show is a boom for Toronto, but not one of the civic representatives turned up to give the visitors a greeting. And the local bird, rabbit and cat men and women are kicking.

Ladies' Sealskin Caps, at Dineens'.

Here's a Trust Brought to Terms.

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Emile Zola has been sentenced to pay a fine of 100 francs and 500 francs damages for accusing M. Judet, a writer of The Petit Journal, of using forged documents in attacking M. Zola's father.

MR. BLAIR'S TRIBULATIONS.

A Regular Hubbub Over the Appointment of a Successor to the Vacant Senatorial Chair.

MR. GILLMOR, EX-M.P., WAS NAMED

But He Is Not Persona Grata to the English-Speaking Catholic Liberals of Northumberland.

Montreal, Jan. 11.—(Special.)—Hon. Mr. Blair has stepped into a hornet's nest over the appointment of a senatorial successor to the late Hon. Michael Adams. The friends of the Minister of Railways and Canals had selected Mr. A. H. Gillmor, ex-M.P. for Charlotte, as the probable man for the New Brunswick vacancy, and it seemed to be as good as settled that the man who said his constituents were protectionists in day time and free traders at night was to be appointed at once. Delay, however, may prove fatal, as the English-speaking Catholic Liberals of the province are up in arms against Mr. Gillmor's appointment, and their delegates, who visited Mr. Blair in this city on Sunday last, threaten all kinds of things if a gentleman of their faith is not gazetted. These people say they have no one in particular to put forward, except they want Senator Adams' seat filled by a man of the same race and creed. It is hinted that Mr. Thomas Adams, who is a brother of the late Senator, would not object to be called Honorable Thomas Adams.

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DYNAMITE IN HIS POCKET

Foreman D. Donovan Had a Remarkable and Most Thrilling Experience at Cantley.

HIS HOUSE WAS BLOWN TO RUINS.

Threw Off His Coat to Save Himself—His Wife and Child Also Escaped Miraculously.

Ottawa, Jan. 11.—Nelles' mica mine at Cantley was the scene of a dynamite explosion yesterday. Foreman D. Donovan had occasion to use some of the explosive, and thawed out five sticks of it in an outshed. He placed the explosive in his pocket and entering the house went to the stove to fix the fire. A spark unfortunately alighted on a stick of the dynamite and the latter began to burn. Donovan rushed to the front door to throw the stuff out, but could not get it out of his pocket.

He next threw off the coat and rushed for the other door. Just as he reached the door the dynamite exploded with disastrous results, the greater part of the house being razed to the ground. Strange to say none of the inmates, Mr. and Mrs. Donovan and an infant, were hurt in the slightest degree.

Has It All the Time.

"Have you had the grip?" asked The World, addressing Mr. Howell of The Grip Printing Company yesterday.

"I have it all the time!" was the apt reply.

The Ottawa branch of the Lord's Day Alliance proposed to fight Sunday street cars, and will likely send a committee to Toronto to urge the Ontario Government to take action to stop them.

After lunch try a "Holyrood" five-cent straight. Jamieson's, at "The Busy Corner."

The Canadian Freight Association met in Montreal yesterday, and will continue today. Mr. John Earls of the Grand Trunk, Toronto, is one of those present.

Monuments.

Call and inspect our stock and get our prices before purchasing elsewhere. The McIntosh Granite & Marble Company, Limited, 524 Yonge-street. Phone 4249.

MARRIAGES.

BURGESS—FERGUSON—At 72 Prince Arthur-avenue, the residence of her brother, Mr. John A. Ferguson, barrister, on Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1899, by the Rev. Stuart Acheson, M.A., of St. Paul's Church, Wiarton, brother-in-law of the bride, Herbert W. Burgess to Amy Bell, youngest daughter of the late Col. T. R. Ferguson, M.P., and granddaughter of the late Col. Ogle R. Gowan, M.P.

DEATHS.

STEWART—At 11½ Richmond-street west, on Wednesday, Jan. 11, Charles Benjamin Stewart, aged 43 years.

Funeral under the management of Central Lodge, I.O.O.F., No. 322, on Saturday at 2.30 p.m.

WILSON—On Tuesday, Jan. 10, Edward Heber Wilson, son of the late Robert Wilson, Inland Revenue Department, in his 32rd year.

Funeral from his late residence, 154 West Lodge-avenue, at 2.30 p.m. Thursday, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

THE LUMBER QUESTION

Bids Fair to Furnish a Battle Royal at Washington.

THE FORCES ARE GATHERING

And Some Yankees are Likely to be Found on the Canadian Side.

Many United States Capitalists Have Large Interests on This Side, Own Mills in Michigan and Want Lower Duties on Pine—Secretary of War Alger Is One of Them—Report From a Government Source.

Montreal, Jan. 11.—(Special.)—The following is sent to The Herald from its resident correspondent in Washington:

Washington, Jan. 11.—The meeting of lumbermen interested in the lumber schedule of the proposed Canadian treaty held at the Arlington Hotel this morning, did not accomplish much. The more important meeting will probably be held to-morrow, when more of the Canadian representatives shall have arrived at the Capital.

The gathering this morning reminded one strongly of the great fight on the lumber tariff that took place nearly two years ago, when the Dingley tariff bill was under consideration, and there is every prospect that the present gathering of lumber interests here will be even more important than the meeting in 1897.

Representative Tawney of Minnesota, who was so prominent in the lumber debate at that time, has taken a step which he hopes will checkmate the efforts of the Canadians to secure a reduction in duties on the product of Canadian forests. The results of this step were obvious in the lobbies of the Arlington this morning, and in the meeting that followed there was a delegation of the greatest lumber-producers of the Northwest, including B. F. Nelson, C. A. Smith of Minneapolis, Walter T. Evans of Saginaw, Mich., W. C. McClure of Duluth, S. T. McKnight of Wisconsin and J. W. Cochran of the same State. The latter appeared as an attorney. Several other States were represented.

These men had a brief meeting last night, but no definite action or course of procedure was decided on.

Canadian Representatives.

The Canadian interests will be represented to-night. Among those on the way to Washington are W. C. Edwards, M.P., Russell County, and J. R. Booth of Ottawa. The Canadians will be reinforced somewhat singularly by several American lumbermen, who own great sawmills in Michigan, who desire lower duties on pine. Secretary of War Alger is one of these. It is well known that Representative Dingley, who is now very ill, has steadfastly opposed any reduction in the tariff. He is not supported by all his colleagues on the commission, however. Many Congressmen hold the same opinion as Representative Hill of Connecticut, who is largely interested in lumber, and who declares that no more lumber would be brought into the United States from Canada under a $1 rate on white pine than under a $2 rate. It is, on the whole, very probable that the contest now on will be a battle royal, with the chances by no means unfavorable to the Canadian side.

MUCH VALUED COURTESY.

Low water in the river has caused a scarcity of water for domestic use at Niagara Falls, Ont., and the town would be helpless in case of fire. The Niagara Falls Park and River electric road is tied up. Mayor Slater of the Canadian town and Mayor Hastings of the New York side, got together, and it was arranged by the courtesy of the latter that a line of fire hose should be laid across the steel arch bridge, by which the Canadians are now supplied from the American side for domestic purposes. The courtesy is highly appreciated.

PEGLEG BROWN'S CASE.

The motion for the postponement of the trial of Pegleg Brown, who is charged with the murder of Constable Tooby, came before the Assizes at London yesterday. Mr. McPhillips, for the defence, made the motion, and Mr. Lount, Q.C., opposed it on behalf of the Crown. Justice Meredith heard the arguments and finally decided to give the prisoner every chance, therefore, the case was laid over till the Spring Assizes.

Fair and Milder.

Meteorological Office, Jan. 11.—(8 p.m.)—The high area is now centred over the Ottawa Valley, whence it is likely to pass southeast, with diminishing energy, to the Atlantic. The pressure is low, and the weather mild, throughout the western portion of the continent. At present there is no indication of another cold wave in the Northwest.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Kamloops, 30—34; Calgary, 14—32; Qu'Appelle, 6—30; Port Arthur, 8—26; Parry Sound, 30 below—10; Toronto, 8 below—18; Ottawa, 20 below—2 below; Montreal, 14 below—2 below; Quebec, 14 below—8; Halifax, 4 below—14.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Easterly winds; generally fair and milder.

Ottawa Valley—Fine weather; rising temperature.

Upper St. Lawrence—Fine weather; rising temperature.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Decreasing westerly winds; fair, with slowly rising temperature.

Maritime—Decreasing westerly winds; fair, with slowly rising temperature.

Lake Superior—Easterly and southeasterly winds; cloudy and milder, with light local snow.

Manitoba—Cloudy and comparatively mild, with local snowfalls.

A big warm ulster is the most comfortable garment a man can wear these cold days. Oak Hall Clothiers have reduced the price of ten dollar ulsters to seven fifty this week. Every coat has a big generous collar and deep comfortable pockets. The colors are grey, brown, blue and fawn, in sizes 34 to 44.

Steamship Movements.

Jan. 11.	At	From
Ems	New York	Naples
Paris	Southampton	New York
Cymric	New York	Liverpool
Anchoria	Glasgow	New York
Manitou	London	New York
Waesland	Philadelphia	Liverpool
New England	Queenstown	Boston
Halifax City	London	St. John