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Against the Occupation of Corea by the Japs.

Election of a Unionist to the Seat Held by Ex-Speaker Peel.

Decided Success of the Revolutionists in Ecuador.

Lord Roberts, of Candahar, Accepts the Position Hold by Lord Wolseley.

BALFOUR SENT FOR TRIAL. London, May 23 .- Jabez Spencer Balfour, the Liberator Building Society swindle, was today formally commit-

ted for trial. REVOLUTION IN ECUADOR. The revolution in Ecuador has assumer so threatening an aspect that the United States Navy Department has cabled the commander of the United States steamer Ranger to proceed with his vessel to Guayaquii.

THE ARMENIAN TROUBLE. London, May 23.-The Duke of Westminster this afternoon introduced to Lord Rosebery a deputation favoring British interference in Armenia. The interview was private at the desire of

the Premier. RETURN OF MR. SMALLEY. London, May 23.-Mr. G. W. Smalley, for many years the London correspondent of the New York Tribune, sailed from Queenstown for New York on the Teutonic today. Mr. Isaac N. Ford has assumed the duties of Tribune corre-

spondent in succession to Mr. Smalley. LORD WOLSELEY'S SUCCESSOR. London, May 24.-Lord Roberts, of Klandahar, has accepted the succession of Lord Wolseley, in command of the forces in Ireland. This appointment was foreshadowed as being part of a plan involving the retirement of the Duke of Cambridge from the post of commander-in-chief, and the making of Lord Wolseley chief of staff at head-

UNIONIST ELECTED.

London, May 23.—The election in Warwick and Leamington to fill the wacancy caused by the retirement of Right Hon. Arthur Wellesley Peel, Speaker of the House of Commons, resulted in a victory for the Conservatives, their candidate, Alfred Lytleton, rceiving 2,816 votes, against 2,236 cast for his opponent. James Duckworth (Liberal). At the last election Mr. Peel, who is a Unionist, was returned without opposition.

THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT. London, May 23 .- The House of Commons was crowded today with members and visitors expecting to hear Sir William Harcourt make a statement as to the manner in which the Cabinet had decided to deal with the business of the remainder of the session. They were disappointed, however, as the Chancellor merely alluded to the Scotch Crofters' Bill, which he said the Government would do its best to pass in the present session

WILDE'S CASE.

London, May 23.-The trial of Oscar Wilde was resumed in the Old Bailey court this morning. Parker and several servants of the Savoy Hotel repeated their former statements. Nothing new was elicited. The case for the prosecution was closed.

The judge dismissed that part of the case which implicated Wilde in certain practices with Shelley, remarking that he believed Shelley to be mentally deranged. The court then adjourned. Wilde being released over night on bail.

RUSSIA KICKS. St. Petersburg, May 23.—It is stated here that the Russian Government has declined to agree to the military occupation of Corea by Japanese forces and demands that the Government at Tokio call the garrisons established there. A Berlin special to the New York Herald says: It is understood Russia will claim the fruits of Japan's victory by proclaiming a protectorate over

A dispatch from Shanghai says it is rumored that China will repudiate her obligation to pay additional indemnity to Japan in consideration of the latter's abandonment of Lao Tung.

A FIENDISH ACT.

Obstructions Placed on the G. T. R. Track Near Chatham.

Chatham, Ont., May 23 .- A dastardly attempt to wreck a train on the Grand Trunk was made last night at a point three-quarters of a mile west of the diamond, five miles from Chatham station, The westbound accommodation, which

arrives here from London at 11:30, encountered an obstacle on the track at the spot named, wnich shook the whole train, and came within an ace of derail-

Investigation showed that a rail had been taken from a pile near by, and placed crossways at right angles, being braced with several ties. The fender struck it squarely, and the bracing being imperfect, the rail yielded, and the engine passed over it with only a severe jar and jolt.

At the next station the conductor telegraphed back particulars, and men were sent out to remove the obstructions and watch the spot.

This morning the company's detectives are in the neighborhood trying to get a clue to the authors of the cruel act. At the point in question is the big Government drain in Raleigh, in which, If the train had been thrown, there would have been a sad loss of life.

WHEAT GOES KITING!

Wild Scenes of Confusion in the New

York and Chicago Grain Pits. New York, May 23.-The excitement at the opening of the wheat market today exceeded anything seen on the present advance. It was a wild tumult of buying, with almost a total disregard in price, so that July opened from 83 to 83 1-2 cents at the same moment. This represented a rise of 3 to 3 1-2 cents from the official close of yesterday, and 1 to 1 1-2 cents over the curb price. After jumping up to 83 7-8 cents prices lost 1 cent, and then swung back again, advancing to 84 1-4 cents. The transactions went far ahead of any day yet, amounting to 18.000,000 bushels Li

before 12 o'clock, which is almost an

Chicago, May 23.-The wheat market indulged in more pyrotechnics today. July closed last night at 77 1-4 cents, and this morning there was trading at 81 1-4 cents. The cause of the sharp rise was the rumor that a prominent oper-ator, who is "short," was believed to be hard pushed, and had not responded to several margin calls. This resulted in the buying in of a quantity of wheat, for his account and sent the market up. The trader referred to this morning denied the stories of his financial difficulties, but the gain made in price was maintained, and a further advance was made. The scene in the pit at the opening this morning was one of great confusion. During the first half-hour prices fluctuated violently. There were a number of crop damage stories in circulation, and the country buyers were again present in great strength. At 11 o'clock it was learned that C. F. Schwarz, the operator referred to above, had failed to make good his margins, although he settled his clearing house balances. Commission houses having opened trade with him ac-cordingly closed them out.

Winnipeg, May 23 .- There is great excitement in local grain circles over a sale of wheat made at the Grain Exchange yesterday at \$1 per bushel, afloat at Fort William. This is 51 cents in excess of the price paid for the

EVIDENCE DISSECTED.

Closing Hours of the Hyams' Trial for Murder.

Powerful Pleas Put Forward by the Able Counsel in the Case.

Toronto, May 23 .-- In his address to the jury on behalf of the prisoners, Mr. Lount laid special stress on the fact that the prisoners were not good business men, that they were in fact weak-lings mentally and physically. As to the elevator, he urged that the evidence showed conclusively that so far from having schemed to accomplish the death of Wells by means of it, the prisoners had frequently warned him of the danger attending it, and the elevator had been constantly repaired before and after the fatality. Coming to the point of the alleged motive of the prisoners, the securing of the insurance on Wells' life, Mr. Lount heavily scored Aylesworth, the brother-in-law of the deceased, on whose evidence, he said, the crown's cast rested entirely. Aylesworth's character, he declared, was most unenvi-Mr. Lount also mentioned that Wells had voluntarily and without the knowledge of the prisoners insured his life for \$1,000, and had at the time announced his intention of subsequently insuring for a heavier amount in favor of his sister. Mr. Lount spoke for nearly Mr. Osler then began his address on

behalf of the crown, which occupied the rest of the afternoon. The judge's charge will be given tomorrow morning, and a verdict likely returned early in the day. Mr. Osler in the course of his address said: The nefarious enterprise of murder for insurance was a thing which the community had at all hazards to guard against. It was something that must be stamped out at any cost. Those who embarked in this crime must provide themselves with two things-a victim who is near to them in blood, and one who is in their confidence. In the present case the supposed victim had supplied these conditions. Mr. Osler then reviewed the evidence at length. The theory of accident was an extreme one, he urged, and there could be no midway theory. Either this extreme accident theory must be accepted or the affair was obviously a most deliberately planned and carefully executed murder. As to the medical evidence of the defense. Mr. Osler said it agreed so much in all essential points with the medical evidence for the crown that the doctors called for the defense might almost have been crown witnesses. The theory of the defense that the head reached the ground after being struck by the weight in time to be struck a second time by it was a desperate one, in view of the momentum with which the weight of 200 pounds was descending. The whole business in which the Hyams pretended to have been engaged was a bogus one, and every detail in connection with it, from the time they engaged the warehouse centered round the plot to kill Wells and get possession of the insurance on his life. spoke for two and a half hours this afternoon and will continue and conclude his remarks on the opening of the court tomorrow.

CAPITAL NOTES A Retired Consul Who Refuses to Retire.

(Specially telegraphed by our own representative.)

Ottawa, May 23.—The State Department at Washington recently transferred the United States consular agency at Port Arthur to Fort William and appointed Thos. A. Bell as consular agent. Arthur M. Wylie, who held the office at Port Arthur, declined to surrender the archives and still assumes to act as consular agent.

mes'ed by Consul-General Riley to withraw its recognition of Wylie. Premier Bowell has promised to take such actions in the matter on deposing Wylie as will meet the wishes of the United States authorities. Both Bell and Wylie are

The Dominion authorities have been re-

British subjects. METHODIST GENERAL CONFERENCE Will Meet in the Metropolitan Church,

Toronto, in September, 1898. Toronto, May 23.-The executive committee of the General Conference of the Methodist Church met this morning and decided that the next General Conference of the Methodist Church shall be held in the Metropolitan Church, Toronto, in Septem-

Rev. A. C. Crews, of Toronto, was ap-pointed general secretary of Sunday schools and Epworth League.

\$20,000 BLAZE IN TORONTO.

Toronto, Ont., May 23 .- Fire tonight did \$20,000 damage to the old Primitive Methodist Church on Alice street, now used as a woodworking factory, owned by R. B. Elgie, and occupied by several firms. Ctoomobin Amirola

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WARD EXPENDITURES.

Fault Found With the Engineer's Statement.

Repairing Old Jumbo, the City's "Elephant"-Paving Tenders to be Called For.

The Board of Works met in the City Hall last night, with Ald. Wm. Heaman presiding, and Ald. John Heaman, S. O'Meara, A. Callahan, E. Parnell, J. Nutkins, Mayor Little, Street Commissioner Owens, Engineer Graydon and Secretary James Bell present. A report from the city engineer on the way in which the appropriation would probably be expended, was submitted, as follows: Ward No. 1..... \$2,460

Ward No. 2..... 2,800 Ward No. 4..... 3,850 Ward No. 5..... Ward No. 6 Taken for steam roller from 2.000 from streets

General repairs to sidewalks, etc.,

Estimated cost of running steam

roller Estimated cost of running stone

say \$425 per ward.....

Ald. O'Meara took objection to the report. He did not think it was fair. It seemed to him that the two chief wards especially No. 2-were dealt with very lightly. Nos. 1 and 2 wards paid heavy taxes, and in proportion to their size they were not dealt with fairly.

Ald. John Heaman was quite content with No. 1 ward's share. He had gone over the ground with the engineer, whom he thought thoroughly competent to apportion the money.

To Ald. O'Meara's mention of the sizes of the wards, Engineer Graydon stated that No. 1 ward contained 245 acres; No. 2, 624 acres; No. 3, 453 acres; No. 4, 795 acres; No. 5, 977 acres, and No. 6, 995 acres. In the latter three wards a great many streets (on some of which people had lived 45 years) no no improvements had been made. He considered the proportion very fair. In every ward the expenditure had been cut as low as possible.

After some further discussion the statement was filed for reference. "Has the engineer considered any nethod of supplying crusher?" asked Ald. John Heaman. "Yes, he proposes to utilize Jumbo," replied the chairman.

"Well," replied the first ward alderman, "I would like to see Jumbo kill-

However, power for working the crusher has to be secured, and tenders for repairing the "elephant on the city's hands" will be called. In the meantime an engine is to be secured for running the crusher. In reference to the applications for

the Duchess avenue and Dean street drains. City Solicitor Meredith expressed the opinion that as the bylaws for the construction of the drains had not been passed, it was not compulsory upon the council to do so.

At the suggestion of Mayor Little tenders for the Dundas and Richmond street pavements will be called. Figures for both brick and asphalt are to be asked, and when the cost of each is ascertained it will be submitted to the ratepayers, and they can choose. The idea of the mayor was considered a capital one.

Vice-Admiral R. K. Cowan applied for the use of the agricultural hall in the fair grounds until July 1 for Young Liberal Fleet drill purposes. Granted. W. J. Element, York street, called attention to the fact that he had a contract to furnish glazed sewer pipe for city requirements this year. He found that 8-inch concrete tile was being used in the southern part of the city instead of supplies being obtained from him. He asked for justice. Filed.

Live News in a Line.

Nuns have been forbidden to teach in the public schools of Texas. Michigan's Senate on Wednesday voted 19 to 12 in favor of re-enacting the law to punish murder by hanging.

The Spanish newspapers attach the greatest importance to the death of the Cuban rebel leader, Jose Marti.

The formula for Dr. Paul Palquin's blood serum cure for consumption is to be given to the world within a short

A St. Louis, Mo., dispatch says the Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum decided to meet next year in Savan-

nah, Ga. The French Government has decided to ask Parliament for a special credit in order to erect a monument to the soldiers who fell during the war between

France and Germany. A dispatch from Paris announces the death of Count Kessler, the head of one of the largest importing houses in the world, and one of the founders of the Eden Musee in New York.

The United States revenue cutter Corwin seized the British sealing schooner Selby and took her into Sitka. She was turned over to the British cruiser Pheasant, which sent her to Victoria, B. C.

Hon. A. S. Hardy has been appointed acting Premier during the absence in England of Sir Oliver Mowat. Sir Oliver sails today (Saturday) from Montreal for Liverpool by the Dominion liner Vancouver.

UNCLE SAM'S CROPS. Cincinnati, O., May 23.-The Price Current summarizes the crop conditions for the past week as follows: Winter wheat has not been greatly injured by the frosts, but the average condition

has been further lowered by insufficient moisture and pests on large areas of central and western regions. Corn has been cut down by frosts to a considerable extent, and low temperature is retarding growth, which drawbacks may be mostly overcome. The cats crop generally is not shap-

ing favorably. The spring wheat crop promises well. A Dundee, Scotland, man is working on a flying machine that is built on the bicycle plan,

Louisville Had No Supply

New Balls,

Results of Thursday's Fall Games-

So the Bridegrooms Were Given the

Game, Nine to Nil.

Other Sporting Events, BASEBALL. ALERTS VS, PROVIDENCE. The following teams will play at 10:45 and 3:30 at Tecumseh Park: Alerts. HiscottLovett PitchersMcCauley Catchers Dixon Burton First base Rogers
Tierney Second base Stricker
Pleyer Third base Bassett
F. Wood Shortstop Cooney
Farnworth Left field Knight
Hynd Center field Lyons
Sheere Right field Murray
Carney and Thorpe will be the battery for
afternoon. EASTERN LEAGUE SCORES-THURS-DAY.

At Toronto-Batteries-Gray, McGarry and Lake; Rudderham and Dixon. Umpire-Doescher. At Rochester— Wilkesbarre......300043726—25 25 10 Rochester......231920100—18 18 4

At Buffalo-

Batteries—Campfield and Diggins; Duryea and White. Umpire—Hurst. At Syracuse-NATIONAL LEAGUE SCORES-THURS-

DAY. At Pittsburg-Boston 4 Pittsburg 5 Batteries-Dolan and Ryan; Hawley and Sugden. Umpire-Keefe. At Cincinnati-

Batteries_Rhines and Spies Carsey Clements. Umpire-McDonald. At Louisville-Brooklyn. 9 9 0
Batteries—Kennedy and Grim; McDermott and Welsh.. Umpire—Betts. Game given to Brooklyn 9 to 0 at end of 2nd innings, Louisville having no supply of new balls.

At Chicago—
Chicago 8 13 8
Baltimore 6 12 1
Batteries—Griffith and Kittredge; Gleason and Robinson. Umpire-Murray. At St. Louis-Washington no game; open

FLYS. A game of baseball was played on Granny's Hill vesterday afternoon, between the Half Moons and the Beavers of Granny's Hill. Score 34 to 8 in favor of the Beavers. Batteries-for Beavers, McMahen and Morgan, Half Moons, Ayers and Wadd.

OVER THE LONDON LINKS. The London Golf Club have arranged for match to be played over their links today between the following sides, play to comnence at 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.:

Andras vs. Anderson. Brown vs. Betts. Cronyn vs. Blackburn. Inglis vs. Cook. Pope vs. Leonard. Widder vs. Harris. Cleghorn vs. Gates. Somerville vs. Andras, jun. The silver button for the April handicap was won by Major Denison.

LIGHT SENTENCES.

Trilby, you've done very well for your

You've given your readers pleasure, You've given the printers and actors work.

You've given your author a treasure. Now Trilby, there is one more gift that we want-

The people will prize it the best-So Trilby, please grant it and take our deep thanks-

Dear Trilby, do give us a rest.

There are some farmers in the adjoining county whose artistic tastes are so perverted that they prefer the lay of a hen to the divinest song of Patti's.

Livery dog has his day-Daytime may be all right, But when the tom-cat's turn comes

He takes his fun at night. She (after he had stolen a kiss)-Sir,

you forget yourself : He-I confess it, dearest; but how can I think of myself when you are present? They've taxed me hat, they'ye taxed

me coat. Me shirt and me collar, too; They've taxed me socks, they've taxed

They've taxed me from the crown of me head To the bottom of me soles. And now they're kickin' 'cause they

Right down to me cowhide shoe.

can't Put a tax on me button-holes.

-Ed F. Davis' colossal spectacular Uncle Tom's Cabin Company will appear at the Grand Saturday matinee and night. The Davis company give a powerful and intelligent intrpretation of this touching masterpiece of dramatic fiction. The scenery used by this company is grand, and the use of the calcium light lends an enchanting wierdness to its beauty.

Blouse Silks.

At 25c-I6 different colorings, 22

inch China Silks. At 35c-38 different colorings, 22 inch Bengalines.

At 45c-12 different effects in Pin i difficulty in choice can possibly occur. Check Surahs.

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Cincinnati 8 13 3 Philadelphia 13 16 5 Dress Cottons.

worth 50c.

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10c, 12½c, 15c to 40c. Irish Point, cream and white, 121/2c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c to 60c.

Cream Silk, 20c, 30c, 40c to 75c. Real Torchon Lace, 3c, 5c, 7c, 9c, 10c to 40c.

Black Maltese Lace, 25c, 38c, 50c, 60c 75c to \$1 10. Black Chantilly Lace, 10c, 15c, 18c, 20c to \$1 40.

Black Spanish Lace, 10c, 15c, 18c, 20c to \$1 75. Black Soutache Lace, 15c, 18c, 20c,

25c to \$1 75. Black Spanish Flouncing, 42 inch, \$1 to \$2 25.

Black Chantilly Flouncing, 42 inch, \$1 to \$3 50. The laces here may each one have

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We've been using all diligence to make the selling force and the working force big enough to show the appreciation we feel for the ever-increasing business you're bringing us. Such millinery selling is entirely without precedent-and so were the preparations we'd made, or you'd have been disappointed. No touch of foreign style is lacking-no dearth of readymade headgear from the foremost milliners of the world-at home and abroad. Shall the Summer Bonnet be from the hundreds and hundreds now ready, or shall we make it your notion? Perhaps you'd be interested in knowing that you can get a French Pattern Hat at one-half the price they were a week ago. Only 30 left. Some very special lines in Untrimmed Hats too.

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