

After 20 Years.

The Irish Borough Franchise Bill Likely to Pass.

Mr. Gladstone's Early Return to England Looked For.

Big Detachment of Barnardo Boys En Route for Canada.

Terrible Explosion of Dynamite With Great Loss of Life and Property.

Belgium's Embargo on Canadian Cattle May Soon Be Removed.

DEATH OF PRINCE WALDEMAR. BERLIN, March 20.—A dispatch from Detmold announces the death there this morning of Prince Gouthier Frederic Waldeemar, the reigning Prince of Lippe, aged 71 years.

A GREAT COLONIAL SHOW. LONDON, March 20.—A monster exhibition of colonial resources will be opened in the Agricultural Hall next July. Gen. Booth, of the Salvation Army, will organize the exhibits of Canadian produce.

BARNARDO BOYS FOR CANADA. LONDON, March 20.—Dr. Barnardo will sail for Canada tomorrow with 250 lads under his care, while 100 Manchester Strangways' homes children and 140 Scottish orphan lads also leave in a short time for Canada.

THE ORIENT TOURISTS. CONSTANTINOPLE, March 20.—The French steamer La Touraine, Capt. Sartelli, with a large number of American excursionists touring the Orient, arrived at this port yesterday. After a three days' visit she will proceed to Athens.

TO LET IN CANADIAN CATTLE. LONDON, March 20.—There is reason to expect that Belgium will soon remove its prohibition of Canadian cattle, as the results of consular inquiries disproving the existence of disease having been communicated by the Government to the Cabinet.

AGAINST CANADIAN COPYRIGHT. LONDON, March 20.—The Society of Authors secured more than 1,000 signatures to its petition against the Canadian copyright. All the most conspicuous writers and publishers signed it. The petition is now in the hands of Lord Ripon, Secretary of the Colonies.

HELP FOR NEWFOUNDLANDERS. LONDON, March 20.—Sir Herbert Murray, formerly chairman of the customs department, will start tomorrow for Newfoundland to distribute a relief fund for the Imperial Government. The colonial circles the appointment is criticised severely on the ground that Mr. Murray has had no official or other experience in the colonies.

THE G. O. M. LONDON, March 20.—It is announced that Mr. Gladstone will return to England at the end of the present week, and it is expected that he will deliver an address in the House of Commons as a tribute to Right Hon. Arthur Wellesley Peel, the retiring Speaker. The leaders in the House are in hopes that the ex-Premier will act as a mediator in the Speakership deadlock.

FUR PRICES IMPROVED. LONDON, March 20.—At the Hudson Bay fur sale this year there has been a decided advance in prices. Marten jumped 75 per cent above the price realized last year, while mink went up 15 per cent. Otter, fisher and lynx maintained the prices of last year, but there was a slight decrease in foxes. The sale as a whole, however, is regarded as most satisfactory.

MARINE MISHAPS. LONDON, March 20.—The British steamer Nubia, from London for Calcutta, is ashore fifteen miles west of Aden. She will be obliged to lighten in order to get afloat. Assistance has been sent to her.

A dispatch from Seville says the Spanish steamer Carpio, which sailed hence for that port on Feb. 27, is supposed to have been lost in recent heavy gales, and it is believed all her crew has perished.

THE ELBE DISASTER. ROTTERDAM, March 20.—The trial of action of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company against the owners of the British steamer Crathie for damage for the loss of the Elbe was called in court here today. Counsel for defendants said it had been impossible to prepare their case in the short time that had elapsed since the action was commenced, and asked that the trial be postponed for eight days. The request was granted. The court sat with closed doors.

AFTER TWENTY YEARS. LONDON, March 20.—In the House of Commons today the bill introduced by Mr. Timothy Healey, member for the north division of Louth, giving to every ratepayer in Ireland a vote in the borough in which he is rated, passed its second reading. Though the measure is simply similar to the Municipal Franchise Act, which has long been in force in England, it has been brought forward annually for the last twenty years and its progress blocked by the Conservative members of the House. Mr. Balfour and other Conservative speakers today announced that they approved the measure.

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION. AMSTERDAM, March 20.—A terrible explosion of dynamite has taken place at Overwessel, on the Rhine. Twenty-five persons are said to have been killed, two shops are reported to have been destroyed and many houses wrecked by the explosion. Overwessel is a town of Rhenish Prussia, about nineteen miles from Coblenz, on the Rhine. Its population is estimated to be about 2,500.

It is now stated that 20,000 kilos of dynamite, on board the ship Elizabeth, at Salmuth, in the district of Düsseldorf, blew up thirteen persons, five were injured and one went mad. Latest reports from the vicinity of the accident say a church in the village of Eiten was shattered by the explosion. Fifty houses collapsed in En-

merich and Keeken. It is now said 20 persons were killed.

PARIS, March 20.—A decision was rendered today in the suit brought by Sir William Eden against James Whistler, the artist, to compel the latter to deliver Lady Eden's portrait and to pay £40 damages for having delayed the delivery. The portrait was exhibited in the Champ de Mars salon, and when the case first came to trial Whistler refused to deliver it to Sir William, who thereupon instituted proceedings. When the case first came to trial Whistler stated that he had effaced the head of the portrait. Today's decision directs Whistler to return the picture and to return Sir William's check with interest at 5 per cent. The artist is also condemned to pay £20 damages and the cost of the proceedings.

THE HYAMS CASE.

Medical Testimony Looks Serious for the Prisoners.

Close of the Preliminary Examination—The Accused Sent for Trial.

TORONTO, March 20.—The expert medical testimony given by Dr. Arthur J. Johnson in behalf of the crown was the important feature of this morning's session of the Hyams case. The doctor swore that it was impossible that all the injuries found on the skull could have been caused by one blow. There certainly have been two blows, perhaps two more. One blow was dealt from behind and the other in front. If the eight had fallen from the story above the skull must have been crushed in. It was impossible for the weight to fall on a man standing erect, knock him down and then tilt over on the head, in which it was, such a blow would cut like a knife. The bones of the neck and body are all right—a fact which could not agree with the theory of the head being struck vertically, as claimed in the prisoners' statement.

The cross-examination did not shake the doctor's evidence in any way. COMMITTED FOR TRIAL. The Hyams brothers, H. P. and Dallas, charged with the murder of Wm. C. Wells two years ago while he was an employee of a warehouse on Colborne street, run by them as a commission and storage place, and on whose life a large insurance was carried, were this evening committed for trial by Police Magistrate Denison, after a preliminary examination extending over several days.

Mr. E. F. B. Johnston, Q.C., made a strong plea against the commitment of Dallas Hyams. He claimed the crown had not produced an atom of evidence to connect him with the alleged crime. Mr. Curry, on behalf of the crown, replied, detailing the evidence and claiming it was impossible to disassociate the two men.

The police magistrate, in giving his decision, declared that although the case of Dallas Hyams was weaker than that against his brother, several matters were brought out upon which he did not feel justified in rendering a decision. The case, he said, should go to a grand jury. The prisoners were, therefore, committed.

The strong point for the crown was the testimony of Dr. G. H. Richardson, who as an expert fully corroborated the evidence of Dr. Caven and Dr. Johnston. He agreed with them that it was inconceivable that the falling weight could have left the head in the condition in which it was found, or that the injuries could have been all caused by one blow. He was rather more pronounced than his medical brethren in his view that the fracture on the right side of the head was caused by a blow from a hammer or some other instrument, thus corroborating the theory of the crown that the weight was struck down by a weapon before the weight fell or was placed on him. The prisoners took their commitment with comparative indifference.

CHOSEN FRIENDS.

The Convention Chose Officers and Delegates on Reception of Members.

TORONTO, March 20.—The Canadian Order of Chosen Friends at today's convention elected the following officers: W. P. Bell, Kingston, grand chancellor; Rev. H. T. Allen, Napanee, grand vice-chancellor.

S. Broadfoot, Guelph, grand treasurer; W. P. Montague, Hamilton, recorder; W. F. Montague, Hamilton, grand treasurer; S. Broadfoot, Guelph; grand medical examiner, Dr. Wolfer; Wm. Johnson, grand marshal; J. A. Matthews; grand warden, J. B. Ross, Exeter.

"DON'T WANT IN."

A Host of Newfoundlanders Opposed to Confederation.

ST. JOHN, Nfld., March 20.—About 6,000 persons attended a meeting last night in British Hall, which was called for the purpose of denouncing the proposed confederation of Newfoundland with Canada. Resolutions denouncing confederation were unanimously adopted. Intense excitement prevailed throughout the meeting, which was one of the most representative gatherings ever held here.

LYNCHED A WOMAN.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 20.—A colored woman named Henrietta Taylor was hanged by a mob near Petersburg, Lincoln county, last night. She was accused of burning a house a few months ago.

COSTLY STABLES.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., March 20.—The magnificent stables of the late D. Edgar Crouse were sold today at auction for \$170,500. The actual cost was over \$250,000. These stables were sumptuously fitted as a club house and bachelor's quarters, and contained nearly 100,000 worth of valuable furniture, rugs and bric-a-brac.

ACCIDENT TO AN ACTRESS.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 20.—Mrs. Beerbohm Tree, the English actress, who is playing at the Chestnut Street Opera House, met with a painful accident during the matinee performance there today. The play was "Captain Swift," and during the second act, Mrs. Tree made a misstep which threw her heavily on the stage. She fell on her arm, which was severely injured. A physician was summoned, and the play proceeded with a substitute in Mrs. Tree's part.

Majority of 39!

Against an Opposition Amendment in the Legislature.

The Conservative Vote Reduced to Low Water Mark.

Attempt to Foist the Butter Bonus Fad on the Local House—Deputation of License Holders Heard and Answered.

(Special to the "Advertiser.") LICENSE HOLDERS' DEPUTATION. TORONTO, March 20.—A large deputation of the members of the License Holders' Protective Association, which is in convention in the city, waited upon the Government today, with President Moxley at its head and Lawyer Haverson as its spokesman. Their requests were numerous, and were contained in a series of resolutions which had been adopted during the day at their meeting down in the city. In their behalf Mr. Haverson made a lengthy and clear argument. Some of their propositions were as follows:

To have the number of licenses to be issued in various municipalities fixed for a term of years.

To adopt a uniform closing hour for the whole Province.

To allow holders of shop licenses to sell tobacco, cigars and cigarettes in unbroken packages.

To leave transfers of licenses entirely in the hands of the license commissioners.

That taverns be allowed to supply food and travellers' meals upon their liquors during prohibited hours.

That license holders be competent, but not compellable witnesses in charges against themselves.

That holders of shop licenses be allowed to sell liquor in sealed half-pint packages.

That druggists should not be allowed to sell liquor except for dispensing purposes.

All the members of the Government were present. Sir Oliver told the deputation he did not think there would be any legislation this session dealing with the license law.

THE SESSION. The majority against the Opposition reached high-water mark today, for Mr. Whitney's attempt to get the Government to endorse the Dominion Government recently announced determination to give financial help to the butter men was defeated by no less than 39 majority. The Conservatives mustering only 21 votes.

Mr. Whitney had two resolutions upon the subject upon the order paper. The first, of a general nature, that the Government encourage the production of butter, was passed without opposition. The second one was to the effect that the House had observed with satisfaction the Dominion Government's offer to buy creamery butter at 20 cents a pound, and urged upon the Government that it provide such other aid as might be found necessary from time to time. Mr. Whitney made the point that the subject were brief, his contention being that in the depressed state of the country this industry should be aided, and that the House should recognize that the Dominion Government had made an effort to solve the question of aided industries.

Hon. Mr. Dryden made a strong speech in opposition to this proposition. He first made the point that the industry selected by the Opposition was the chief one, which was on a good basis. The trouble with the butter trade, he said, was not that Canada does not produce good butter, but there were no facilities for putting it on the English market in good condition, and that the best butter is not sent to England at all. The Canadian Creameries' Association, he said, had been emphatically in favor of cold storage facilities for butter shipments, but against bounting the trade. He accordingly moved an amendment providing arrangements being made to put the Province's butter trade on a better footing as regards cold storage buildings, and to erect a cold storage building at the terminal points in Britain.

The attitude of the Patrons was expressed by Mr. J. S. Macdonald, who said that he was opposed to bounties, but approved of the line of help by means of cold storage. He thought the butter trade should stand on its own merits.

There was some further debate, Hon. Mr. Ross effectively showing that the motion was a campaign dodge on the part of the Conservatives, and saying that the House was not called upon to lubricate the wheels of the Government with butter. After a few more short speeches the amendment was carried by a vote of 60 to 21. Even Hon. Mr. P. P. A. members deserted the Conservatives and voted with the Government, while Mr. Kidd deserted the Patrons and voted with the Conservatives.

The evening the House did a good night's work, sending a large number of bills on to the various standing committees.

ANOTHER WORLD'S FAIR.

Montreal Anxious to Achieve Fame and Fortune.

MONTREAL, March 20.—At a public meeting of citizens held here this afternoon it was decided to have a world's fair in Montreal in 1896. A committee of prominent citizens was appointed to make the necessary arrangements. A joint stock company will be formed and as soon as \$400,000 is subscribed by the citizens the Dominion Government and the city of Montreal will be asked to make grants towards the project. It is expected that the fair will be opened on May 24, with the Queen's Birthday. The leading hotels and railway are booming the project.

MILLINERY OPENING.

In the spring, when the sun makes quick work of the snow, ladies begin to think they must don new head gear. Mrs. Martin is showing some of the latest styles. See her opening announcement in another column.

Turn Over the Page

Amusements, Meetings, Situations Vacant.

To Let, For Sale, Lost, Found, Etc.

Late Canadian News.

Disastrous and Fatal Boiler Explosion Near St. John, N. B.

The Nova Scotia Legislature closed Wednesday afternoon.

G. C. Crosby, business and commission merchant, Yarmouth, N. S., has assigned his liabilities at \$15,000. The Ottawa Ministerial Association has placed itself on record against the location of the proposed new Dominion Reformatory at Alexandria.

The cargo of the steamer Ulunda, which sailed from Halifax for London Tuesday afternoon, included 105,000 barrels of Nova Scotia apples.

Jos. Booths, laborer on the Dartmouth (N. S.) branch railroad, was killed by a pile of falling earth at an excavation Tuesday afternoon. He belonged to Prince Edward Island.

Thomas Lee Baker, of St. Catharines, died at his home on Tuesday. The accident that caused his death occurred on Thursday night last, when he was thrown out of his sleigh in his yard and his skull was fractured.

Mr. John Armstrong, of McKellar, died at Parry Sound on Monday from pneumonia. Deceased was a brother of the late Sheriff Armstrong, who died on the 3rd inst. Mr. Armstrong was a pioneer of the district, having resided there for 28 years. He was an earnest Methodist in religion and a Reformer in politics.

The Hamilton Presbytery on Wednesday passed a resolution endorsing the action of the Lord's Day Alliance in its efforts to have the Government insert into the proposed bill to be introduced in the Legislature a clause forbidding electric railway companies from carrying on their traffic on Sundays.

A terrible boiler explosion occurred shortly before noon Wednesday in S. T. King's steam sawmill at Kingsville, near Fairville, N. B., in which one life was lost and several persons were injured. The mill had only been in operation about a fortnight. Wellington Smyth was instantly killed and four others—McGuire, Murphy, Galbraith and Sonwell—were more or less hurt.

TORNADO AND ELIZZARD.

Buildings Blown Down and Persons Injured.

A Blinding Snow Storm Traverses the State of Kansas.

AUGUSTA, Ga., March 20.—A tornado struck this place at 9 o'clock this morning, demolishing a score of houses, uprooting trees, and seriously injuring seven people. The fire and the police departments rescued them from the ruins, and it is thought none of them will die. The Central railroad property suffered severely. A small house was hurled through the roof and into one of the big rooms of the Miller flour mill.

COLUMBUS, Ga., March 20.—A whirlwind passed over this city and Gizzard, Ala. at 5:45 o'clock this morning.

Three residences were leveled on the Alabama side. The Columbus Fertilizer Company's building was partly unroofed.

ROANOKE, Va., March 20.—Roanoke has given another touch of winter today. A blizzard raged during the forenoon and snow continued to fall all the afternoon and evening. Trains were delayed.

CAPE CHARLES, March 20.—About five inches of snow fell on the peninsula today.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 20.—The snow storm in this vicinity has been general during the past 24 hours. Reports from Southern Missouri and Illinois show that the storm has been severe in these sections. Railway traffic is greatly impeded. The storm is still raging. It is the most severe in years.

The snow is six inches deep and is drifting. At Percy, Ill., a steady north-west gale, with blinding snow and minute particles of ice, is blowing at the rate of 42 miles an hour. The snow has drifted three and four feet in places.

DENISON, Tex., March 20.—A terrible simoon, filling the air with sand, swept over this section last night. Houses were unroofed, trees blown down and a great deal of damage done. It was the most violent wind storm ever experienced in this section. It is not known that any lives were lost.

WORK OR THE WORKHOUSE!

That Is the Demand of a Cleveland Army—The Police Preparing.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 21.—Robert Bandow, a local labor agitator, is organizing an army of 1,000 men from among the city's unemployed. He says that in a few days the army will march to the city hall and demand work of the directors of public works. If work is refused they will apply to the director of charities for sustenance. If this is refused they will demand that they be sent to the workhouse. Should this demand also be refused, Bandow says he will order the men to commit some breach of the law that will compel the authorities to commit them to the workhouse. There have been many unemployed in the city all winter, and the condition of some of them is pitiable. The police are arranging to keep the mob within bounds.

ABDURRHMAN, Ameer of Afghanistan, is one of the most interesting despots in the world. He is over 50 years of age, a man of great stature and colossal in strength. With a broad, massive countenance and brilliant black eyes. He is dignified and commanding in bearing, and can be genial if he cares to be. He is a man of great intellectual power and of a wide range of information.

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