

GUINEAS FOR GEN. GORDON

A LADY SUBSCRIBES £1000 TO WARDS HIS RELIEF.

France Accepts the Conference—Really the Correspondent Not Arrested—Continuation of Berber.

LONDON, April 30.—France accepts the proposed conference in principle, but stipulates that it shall not be confined to the financial situation.

The foreign office has received a reply from Cairo to the question as to the matter of the arrest of the correspondent, who was arrested by order of the government.

A lady has written a letter to the Morning Post offering £1000 toward the relief of Gen. Gordon.

The Times correspondent at Cairo says the lady is a French, is more active than ever.

Cairo, April 30.—Hussein Pasha telegraphs he is still at Berber. It is too late, he says, to retreat. The town is completely surrounded by rebels. The garrison is utterly demoralized.

The preparations continue for the dispatch of Egyptian troops to Assuan.

Hussein Pasha, governor of Berber, reiterates his demand for reinforcements and begs that he not be abandoned in the present distressing situation.

Royal Marriage.—Darmstadt, April 30.—The marriage of Princess Victoria of Hesse to Prince Louis of Battenberg was celebrated to-day.

The emperor of Germany, Queen Victoria, the duke and duchess of Edinburgh, the duke of Cambridge, the crown prince of Germany, the dowager grand duchess of Hesse, the bridegroom's parents, the Prince Alexander and the Princess of Battenberg, the Prince of Bulgaria, and sons of all the royal houses of Europe, were present.

The bride presents exceeded in number and value any that have been seen in this century.

Spanish Rebels Killed and Captured.—Madrid, April 30.—The government troops overtook Mangado, a refugee chieftain, and followers in their flight towards the French frontier.

A severe fight ensued. Mangado and seven of his men were killed. Four prisoners were captured. Fourteen officers and men who had recently disappeared from Santa Clara.

Shipping Trade Bulletin.—London, April 30.—A meeting of the shipowners at Newcastle to-day approved of the proposals to lay up one-fourth of their tonnage in view of the present condition of the freight market.

Against Anarchists.—Berlin, April 30.—The government insists upon the adoption of the anti-social law with the entire provisions unchanged.

The Spanish Disaster.—Madrid, April 30.—The official statement concerning the recent railroad disaster near Madrid gives a total number of persons killed as 59, of whom 58 were soldiers, 56 persons were injured.

How They go it in France.—Paris, April 30.—The murderer Campi was beheaded to-day. He refused to be last to divulge his real name. He murdered a retired lawyer in Rue de Regard, and almost killed the murdered man's sister.

Against Cremation.—London, April 30.—The commons has rejected the bill licensing cremation. The government opposed the bill on the ground that public feeling is against cremation.

Anarchists at Nice.—Nice, April 30.—Anarchist placards have been found posted in various parts of this city.

Whisky's Work.—Des Moines, Iowa, April 30.—Edward Thompson, a young Norwegian, went home drunk last night and tried to shoot his wife.

Pennsylvania Forests Still on Fire.—Wilkes-Barre, Pa., April 30.—The forest along the line of the Lehigh Valley railway from Newport to White Haven, a distance of fifteen miles have been on fire for a few days past.

A Galvanized Iron Ring.—Pittsburg, Pa., April 30.—The galvanized iron manufacturers of the United States formed a national organization to-day.

Wrecked by a Cow.—Russellville, Ky., April 30.—An accommodation train was wrecked near this morning by a cow on the track.

Verdict Against the Western Falls.—Harrisburg, Pa., April 30.—The state jury secured a verdict of \$57,000 against the Western Union telegraph company for back taxes.

A Three-legged Child.—West Troy, N. Y., April 30.—Mrs. Henry Grey here has given birth to a child with three legs. Mother and child are doing well.

Damages by Wind.—Coffeyville, Pa., April 30.—There was a destructive wind storm in this place this afternoon, doing great damage.

Killed His Father-in-Law.—Brimford, Ala., April 30.—Jim Satherson, farmer, shot and killed his father-in-law Monday.

ESCAPE OF THREE PRISONERS.

A Clever Trick at the Hamilton Court-House.—The City's Progress.

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THE WIGGERS DECLARED.

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"SOCKS" AND THE CELESTIAL.

A Lombard street Modicum Makes a Laundry Very Lively.

Sam Wah, or words to that effect, runs a laundry in Church street near Adelaide.

About 10 o'clock last night he had a lively experience with a young hoodlum from Lombard street, who is known around the west young roughs in the neighborhood.

At the hour named he entered the laundry and demanded a bundle of linen which he claims he left there.

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REFORMERS ORGANIZING.

A New Platform—The Slaves of War Being Raised.

There is an active movement going on in the inner circles of the reform party. It is hinted that the advisability of constructing a new platform is being discussed.

There is a section that wish to strike out straight as a national party and for a consideration of the terms of confederation.

There is a still more unanimous feeling in favor of a straight temperance plank. There is also a lot of talk in the way of annexation.

But besides reconstructing their platform the reform party is now busy raising a fund for party purposes.

A system of organization is being devised with a view to readiness for the next election, whenever it may be. Political literature is to be extensively circulated and public meetings held all over the province.

The collectors are now out, and a party of three that have just canvassed the city report very satisfactory progress.

They would like to raise \$100,000 at least all over the province.

The report of the Mail that Mr. Blake is likely to retire from the leadership is not accepted in reform circles.

One prominent reformer, however, said yesterday "I think it would be proper that Mr. Blake should resign the leadership, and direct the traditional anti-slavery party, to strike out new on his own account."

It is not clear at present to the idea that he is administering a trust and therefore he is slow to anything that might appear to jeopardize it.

THE FIRE AND GAS MATTERS.—New-Hall fire, St. Matthew's Ward—Electric Light Co. v. City of Toronto.

The members present at the meeting of the fire and gas committee yesterday afternoon were Ald. Adamson (acting chairman), Maughan, Barton, Brandon, Elliott, Piper, Millieamp and Woods.

The Canada and Toronto Electric Light companies were granted permission to place poles in the districts allotted to each for the purpose of erecting electric lines.

Other companies will be allowed the use of these poles for a full consideration. The clause in the agreement regulating the trial which provides that the unsuccessful competitor must remove poles, wires, etc., at the close of the trial was not discussed.

Chief Aldrich reported that \$200 would be paid to the brigade for the semi-centennial parade. Ald. Adamson, Maughan and Elliott were appointed to confer with the semi-centennial committee on the subject.

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THE BOARD OF TRADE.

Talking About a Site for the New Court-House and City Hall.

The quarterly meeting of the Toronto board of trade was held yesterday afternoon in their rooms, Imperial buildings.

The vice-president, Wm. Ince, occupied the chair. Fifteen new members were added to the association, making the total membership 190.

The new members are J. H. Mason, C. Blackett Robinson, Robert Davies, Thomas Milburn, George A. Shaw, C. H. McLaughlin, J. R. Bailey, J. F. McLaughlin, James Brown, A. W. Allen, W. J. Hanson, W. C. Wilson, Warren Kennedy, W. R. Brock, W. N. Angus.

It was arranged that Mr. Ince, Hugh Blair and Wm. Ince should represent the board at the opening of the new produce exchange buildings in New York on May 6.

A lengthy discussion took place on an initiative from the city council for an expression of opinion as to the location of the new court-house and city buildings.

There was a strong feeling in favor of the site of the new buildings should be east of Yonge street. Capt. McMaster strongly favored the city block bounded by Church, King, Front and West Market streets.

Mr. Ince reckoned that it would take nearly \$1,000,000 to secure this block. It was thought that a site bounded by Victoria, Queen, Church and Lombard were discussed.

Eugene O'Keefe suggested one north of Queen and east of Church. Wm. Ince thought an eligible site would be the one bounded by Church, Lombard, Francis and King.

He said the St. James' Cathedral people owned \$25,000. If they were bought out by the city they would be the debt of G. M. Rose asked if he suggested to pull down the cathedral, now remains in the affirmative.

This created a smile all round. Capt. McMaster complained that the meeting was in possession of little or no information as to value of the sites named or the quantity of land required.

He offered a resolution appointing a committee to obtain full information as to the value of the sites named or the quantity of land required.

McMaster, Hugh Blair, B. Hughes, D. R. McKim, G. M. Rose, Wm. Christie, W. R. Hamilton. The committee to report at an early date.

Bye-stander at Washington.—Goulding Smith looked down upon the house and senate on Thursday. A tall, thin man, with a wrinkled face, a bald forehead, gray hair and close gray side whiskers.

He was known as "Red" and "Hit" of Illinois, when he knew abroad, entertained the speaker's bench. The speaker's bench is the front one in the members' gallery.

It is distinguished by a short wooden bar across the aisle. The privilege of sitting there is a much-coveted privilege.

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THREE DYNAMITE SHELLS.

WAS FOUND IN THE WALLS OF A HOUSE IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

A Big Search Around the Legislative Buildings—No Clue to the Proprietors—Opening a Shell.

There was a dynamite scare in the city last evening, but whether it will amount to anything or not remains to be seen.

At 2:30 yesterday afternoon Willie Macdonald, the 12-year-old son of Charles Macdonald, at the parliament buildings was playing around, when he very strangely came across a role of paper protruding from the ventilaer under the window lighting the crown lands office.

It was in the west end of the building. In the paper were two cartridges, eight inches long, one and a half inches in diameter and weighing over a quarter of a pound.

He gave an alarm, and the clerks and officials who gathered around immediately pronounced them to be dynamite cartridges of the most destructive kind.

A diligent search was instituted, and another cartridge was found in the ventilaer under the steps approaching the speaker's chamber.

These cartridges were found in the walls of the buildings at the front. Nothing short of a panic existed around the "building" after the second cartridge was found.

The shells are stamped "Etna No. 2," and across one end is stamped in large letters, "40 per cent." They bear the trade name of the "Etna powder company of Chicago."

These are lots of people who spoke of the affair last night as a joke. If the shells really contain dynamite it would be anything but a joke.