

## The Powers

Will Prevent Any Dismemberment of China

When the Time Is Ripe for Their Intervention.

An Italian Village of 150 Families Snowed In.

Railway Travel in Parts of Scotland Totally Stopped.

Sir William Harcourt Unable to Attend Parliament—The New Year Starts With Increased Emigration.

### SNOWED IN.

ROME, Feb. 6.—The village of Sambucchi has been snowed in for two days, and 150 families have been cut off from supplies of food and fuel. The prefect of the district has sent a party to help them.

### WORK OF THE ANTIS.

PARIS, Feb. 6.—The Anti-Slavery Society has learned that the contract to supply plantations in Brazil with Chinese labor, against which the society protested, has been abrogated.

### INCREASE IN IMMIGRATION.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The new year began well for emigration. The total for January shows a 2,500 increase over January, 1894. The emigration to the United States was nearly doubled, and the emigration to Canada increased 25 per cent.

### THE WILDFLOWERS' CREW RE-WARDED.

BREMEN, Feb. 6.—The North German Lloyd Steamship Company has donated 2,000 marks to the captain and crew of the British fishing vessel Wildflower, which picked up the survivors of the Elbe.

### SIR WM. HARCOURT ILL.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Sir Wm. Harcourt, Chancellor of the Exchequer, is ill and confined to his bed. He has written to Mr. Morley, Chief Secretary for Ireland, requesting that gentleman to assume charge of Parliamentary business pending his recovery.

### JOHN BULL INSULTED.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—A dispatch from Shanghai to the Central News says that on Saturday a number of Chinese soldiers attacked Capt. Cartwright, of the British warship Pigeon, in the streets of Nanking, hurting and pelting him with mud. No reparation for the insult has been made.

### FIOTSMAN.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—A fishing smack brought to Lowestoft this evening a trunk containing clothes, books and letters, marked with the name of Chas. Wix. The trunk was picked up about 30 miles off Lowestoft. Wix was a first cabin passenger on the Elbe. His home was in Orange, N. J.

### THE IRISH PARTY.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—In consequence of the action of the meeting of Anti-Parliamentary members of the Irish Parliamentary party, held yesterday, in ousting T. D. Sullivan from the Parliamentary committee and electing Messrs. Condon and Abrahams as new members thereof, T. M. Healey has signified his intention to withdraw from the committee.

### WANTS LADY THOMPSON HELPED.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—John Heywood Johnston, Conservative, has given notice that tomorrow he will ask whether it is the intention of the Government to make pecuniary provision for Lady Thompson and the junior members of the family of the late Sir John Thompson, Premier of Canada.

### THE OVERDUE STEAMER.

PARIS, Feb. 6.—M. Perler, manager of the Compagnie Generale Transatlantique, attributes the non-arrival of the steamer La Gascogne at New York, where she is more than three days overdue, to the violent weather which has recently prevailed at sea, on to an accident to her machinery requiring some time to repair in mid-ocean. He has no fears for the safety of the ship.

### RAILWAY TRAVEL STOPPED.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—In the Scotch Highlands snow has fallen almost incessantly since last night. The roads are blocked and railway travel is impossible. A train is embedded in an enormous drift near Loch Rannoch, Perthshire, and all efforts to start it have been futile, as the snow is piled up by the high wind as fast as it is shoveled away. All the travel by land and water has stopped north of Inverness on the Moray Firth. Barns and sheds have been isolated by the drifts. Many cattle are dying under cover. Thousands of sheep and deer have perished from cold and hunger or from suffocation in the drifts. Small game has suffered more than before in ten years. The blizzard is driving the grouse seaward in great numbers. In Westmorland several schools have been surrounded with drifts and the parents of the school children have gone to dig them out. Many deaths of aged and infirm poor are reported from the Midland counties. The gales have wrecked several fishing vessels off the Fife and Berwick coasts, and six or seven men were drowned.

### CHINA AND THE POWERS.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The Times correspondent in Paris says that some Russian embassies have received instructions as to the attitude which Russia, England and France, and possibly, through Russian intervention, America, intend to take toward the questions raised by the war in the east. Primarily, it has been decided that the eventual intervention of the powers at the proper moment shall be absolutely disinterested. China will be asked in her own, as well as the world's interests, to open her ports, seeing that the present system has led to her ruin. The powers will wait until China admits herself vanquished and sincerely negotiates for peace. Then they will inform Japan that they cannot allow her to annex an inch of Chinese mainland. Other proposed annexations will be open for discussion. There will be no meddling as to vessels, arms, booty or

indemnity, or any objection to Japan's retaining certain positions as pledges of payment. The whole world is to profit from any opening of the Chinese ports or interior. In the Chinese currency the European system will be insisted on, with the view to facilitate the new foreign loan which the Chinese will be obliged to raise.

The Central News' correspondent in Shanghai says that the men from the American warship Concord, who were seized by natives near Chin Kiang, have been released.

The Shanghai Mercury reports that at the Emperor's orders the Chinese peace envoys will remain in Nagasaki awaiting further instructions, his Majesty having declared that he had been misinformed as to the true state of affairs.

A dispatch dated Chee Foo today says that all is quiet there. The Chinese fleet and island at Wei Hsi Wei still hold out, and the bombardment continues.

### SMOKE AND FLAME.

Port Dalhousie Suffers from a Destructive Fire—Confagration Elsewhere.

PORT DALHOUSIE, Ont., Feb. 6.—About 10:30 o'clock last night fire broke out in a frame house owned by John Howe, sen., and it was entirely destroyed. John Howe, jun., narrowly escaped with his life. Mrs. M. J. Irwin's boarding house adjoining was also consumed. Mrs. Irwin's probable loss is \$2,000. She had no insurance. Moore's furniture was saved. Mr. Howe's loss will be about \$1,500, with insurance on the house of \$350 in the Norwich Union, and small insurance on the furniture.

UTICA, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Munson Bros' foundry, devoted to the manufacture of mill machinery and supplies, was burned last evening. Some \$30,000 worth of patterns alone were destroyed.

The factory of the Eureka Mower Company was destroyed. The company's loss is \$25,000. The total loss is estimated at \$115,000, and insurance at \$55,000.

TORONTO, Feb. 6.—The dwelling, stable and icehouse of Moses Davis, Elliott street, were completely destroyed by fire this afternoon. Four valuable horses were cremated. Total loss, \$2,000.

CALLIPOLIS, O., Feb. 6.—Fire broke out in E. T. Moore & Sons' bookstore at midnight last night, and was not extinguished until daylight, when a dozen buildings were destroyed. Four firemen—Oliver Pritchett, Oscar Stuart, John Forth, and Millard Grist—were buried under falling walls and are thought to be fatally injured.

### TWO RAILWAY DISASTERS.

Smashups and Loss of Life Due to the Snow Blockade.

ST. JOHNS, Que., Feb. 6.—There was quite a serious accident at Lacadie, the first station towards Montreal on the G. T. R., this morning. The Boston and New York expresses, bound south and north—four in all—were detained. A freight train, carrying a load of lumber, stalled there. When the south-bound expresses, after getting clear, crossed the local train from Rouse's Point to Montreal at St. Johns, the latter proceeded towards her destination. At Lacadie, however, the Montreal-bound New York and Boston expresses were stuck in waiting on the freight. Into the rear of the Boston express, Rouse's Point local, pitched. The passengers were badly shaken up, and several were severely hurt. Fireman Schoob, on the Rouse's Point local, had several ribs broken, and is fatally injured, and the rear brakeman of the train, named Bervin, who was just going to the platform to announce the name of the station, was pitched headlong from the train and had an arm broken.

RICHMOND, Que., Feb. 6.—Charles Linehan, aged 18, was killed, and Fred Driver and Charles Atkinson were seriously hurt by a pitchin on the Grand Trunk Railway at South Durham, twelve miles west of here, last night. Deceased was the fireman on the pilot engine, which, after helping a freight train to Durham, was standing on the main line, when the Atkinson plow special rushed in from the west, with the result above noted. Driver was engineer of the pilot, and Atkinson was conductor of the snowplow special.

MAY PREACH WHERE SHE PLEASES.

A Salvation Lassie Finds Mayor Strong Is With the Army.

(New York Sun, Feb. 5.) The Salvation Army stormed the City Hall yesterday and won a victory. The army was represented by a diminutive lassie in a poke bonnet and a red sash and blue dress.

Since the army grew in numbers the leaders have repeatedly tried to obtain permits for holding open-air meetings. The mayors have granted permits for a few large meetings, but refused to issue permits for the officers to hold meetings in the open whenever they desired and wherever they pleased. The army has until recently been holding meetings in violation of the law. They could do so only in precincts where the police were lenient. It was Mrs. Ballington Booth's private secretary that called on the mayor.

"Since the Lexow investigation," she said, "the police have prevented outdoor meetings. We make so many converts at outdoor meetings. When we draw a crowd we lead them into our nine halls in different parts of the city. We could not get the people into the halls without a preliminary outdoor demonstration. We have been arrested in other cities and carried the matter to the courts, but here we have relied on the kindness of the police until recently. Mayor Gilroy was often appealed to, but would not grant permits."

Then the secretary approached Mayor Strong, and to her surprise he granted her a permit to preach outdoors at will. She went her way rejoicing, saying that her permit was the opening wedge, and that every officer would now apply for a permit.

RAILWAY SOLD FOR \$1,000,000. PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 5.—The entire Western New York and Pennsylvania Railroad, with its equipments was sold this morning by Marshal Walker. The J. & W. Seligman Company, of New York, representing the reorganization committee, was the only bidder, and purchased the property for \$1,000,000.

DISTRESS IN NEWFOUNDLAND. NEWFOUNDLAND, Feb. 5.—It is reported that thousands of people on the island are actually starving. The relief committee, headed by Lady O'Brien, the wife of the Colonial Governor, publishes a statement setting forth that 6,384 persons received relief between Jan. 10 and Jan. 31, this showing being entirely irrespective of relief afforded by other organizations. The prevalent distress is aggravated by very severe weather. The heaviest snow storm of the winter prevailed here today.

### CHOOSING A PASTOR.

St. Andrew's Congregation Extends a Unanimous Call

To the Rev. Robert Johnston, of Lindsay, With a Salary of \$2,300 a Year, Free Manse and Six Weeks Holidays.

The adjourned meeting of the St. Andrew's congregation for the purpose of choosing a pastor was held last night in the church. The attendance was very large, and the meeting was presided over by Rev. E. H. Sawers, moderator, who prayed earnestly for Divine guidance at such a critical period of the church's history. After devotional exercises the chairman explained the nature of the meeting and asked whether the congregation was of the same mind as it was when it was decided by a large majority to declare the pulpit closed and extend a call.

Ald. Armstrong proposed that the call be suspended until five or six more candidates had been held. Mr. George Anderson seconded. Mr. John Ferguson moved in amendment that they proceed with the call, and Mr. Alex. Tytler seconded. The amendment carried among the members and the half dozen adherents who voted were equally divided.

Mr. Sawers then proceeded to read the call in blank form, and asked whose name should be placed thereon. There was a great deal of discussion as to whether the names should be voted on by a standing vote or by ballot. After a somewhat lengthy debate it was decided to take the vote by ballot.

For the guidance of those voting Dr. Gardner moved, and it was carried, that if a candidate received a majority for two or three years without speaking to one another to become acquainted with each other and have a good chat.

And to that end I now introduce you one to the other," he said in conclusion. Mr. Wm. Ellis, the organist, played a very pretty instrumental selection during the interlude.

I am prepared," said the moderator at 9:35 p.m., "to state the result of the vote. I find that Rev. Robert Johnston, Lindsay, has been elected by an overwhelming majority. (Applause.) The number of members who voted is 23; adherents, 37. A number of other names have been voted on, but the sum total of those put together is 41 members and 15 adherents. (Applause.)

Mr. Johnston is hereby declared elect as the minister of St. Andrew's Church," said Mr. Sawers, and the audience applauded.

"There was one man here tonight," said Mr. Sawers, who voted that we do not proceed with the call. If he would kindly see his way clear to move some motion making the call unanimous I think it would be very grateful on his part. I refer to Mr. Armstrong. Mr. Armstrong opposed Mr. Johnston. Mr. Armstrong said, "I have simply taken the stand that I have because I wanted to hear others. Mr. Johnston and I have always been, and I hope we always remain, true and warm-hearted friends. I take pleasure in proposing that this vote be made unanimous."

Mr. A. S. MacGregor seconded the motion and the question was put. Only two young ladies rose to oppose it.

Then came the question of salary. Ald. Armstrong moved that the salary be \$2,000 and a free manse for the first year. Mr. MacGregor seconded.

Ex-Mayor Cowan moved that the salary be the same as the late pastor, viz., \$2,300. Mr. John Ferguson seconded. The question was vigorously debated by the members of the congregation. It was argued by Messrs. Armstrong and MacGregor that Mr. Johnston's present salary being \$1,600, the new call, with the salary of \$2,000 and a manse was virtually an increase of \$800.

The amendment that the salary be \$2,300 prevailed.

It was also decided that the pastor be permitted six weeks' holidays each year.

Mr. McSweeney will represent the board of managers at the London Presbytery in relation to the call, and Mr. Gunn will represent the congregation. C. R. Somerville and Alex. Fraser will represent the session.

The delegates to the Presbytery at Lindsay are Messrs. McGillivray, Cowan and Ferguson.

The meeting was brought to a close by the members of the congregation pressing forward in a body to sign the call.

### AN OVATION TO COLBERT

In London Township—His Friends Have a Procession and Oyster Supper.

A Birr correspondent writes: "The friends of Mr. George Colbert, who was recently acquitted at London of the charge of stealing pigs, gathered on Saturday evening to welcome him home and to show the confidence and respect in which he is held. They all met at Mr. Colbert's residence and then proceeded to Denfield, where, headed by the fife and drum band, they paraded the main street, cheering for Mr. Colbert, but using no profane language, and acting as gentlemen. They then returned to Mr. Colbert's where they were welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Colbert, who gave them an oyster supper, after which the evening was spent with music and speeches. After singing 'George is a Jolly Good Fellow' and 'God Save the Queen,' they all dispersed, well satisfied with their evening's enjoyment."

The 1,300 names which were signed to the petition were secured in less than 24 hours—the largest number ever known to be got in the same time in the Dominion, which shows not only that the people believed him innocent, but

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the high esteem in which he is held by everyone who knows him. Mr. Colbert is a young man of unspotted character, who has always carried himself as a gentleman, whom to know is to respect. By his large-heartedness and kindness he got himself into the trouble which created so much excitement and caused himself and family so much sorrow.

### WESTERN ONTARIO.

Vigorous Steps to Stamp Out Smallpox in Malahide.

No New Cases—Elgin County Orangemen—Latest News in the West.

Stratford has reduced its tax rate to 20 mills on the dollar. During January 2,338 cars of cattle passed east through St. Thomas in bond.

Owing to another break in the pumps river water had to be used on Tuesday in Chatham.

J. W. Connor, principal of the Berlin high school, has threatened to suspend any of the students found smoking cigarettes.

The cash collections of the inland revenue office in Waterloo for January, 1895, were \$27,423.64, an increase of \$1,182.22 over that of 1894.

Wilfred Brennan and William Fitzsimmons, for robbing J. Quigley's shoe store at Chatham, were each committed to the Central Prison for one year by Judge Houston.

The Laughlin Hough Manufacturing Company, with a paid-up capital stock of \$55,000, has been organized at Guelph for the manufacture of architects' and school super's.

Geo. Fay of Ingersoll, who was hooked in the eye by a cow nine weeks ago, is now able to be out again. His sight has been totally destroyed, and much sympathy is felt for him.

James Rutley, the man who was shot by Patrolman Foran while trying to smuggle celluloid into Detroit from Windsor on Friday night, is improving, although the ball is still in his leg.

An order has been obtained to serve notice on J. S. Robertson, barrister, alderman for No. 3 ward, St. Thomas, to show cause why he shall not be unseated on the grounds of property qualification.

A joint meeting of the church charity organizations of Chatham was held on Tuesday, and a systematic move was resolved on towards relieving the destitution at once. Committees were formed in the several wards whose duty it will be to visit the poor. The distress is great.

Thos. R. Wood, tailor, Drayton, while splitting some kindling wood the other evening was seized with an apoplectic fit and smitten to the ground. The trouble emanated from the bursting of small artery in the head. He was completely paralyzed on the left side and totally unconscious. He may recover.

Chief Waffie, of Dresden, has arrested Wellington McGregor on the charge of obtaining fraudulently promissory notes from many farmers in the vicinity of Chatham in May, 1893. McGregor's plan was to get purchasers of fruit trees to duplicate their notes, and then he would negotiate both. He is also supposed to be connected with a gang of smugglers who operated at Port Huron.

The annual meeting of the Elgin County Orange Lodge was held in St. Thomas on Tuesday, County Master T. H. Hutchinson in the chair. About 40 delegates were present. There are now 326 members in good standing, an increase of 26 over last year. Invitations were received from London and Cleveland to participate in demonstrations in those cities on July 12 next. They were laid over till the semi-annual meeting in June. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. C. M. T. Hutchinson (re-elected); D. M. John Gunning; chaplain, Rev. Mr. Hind; financial secretary, John Fraser; secretary, S. Ranton; treasurer, C. Scrase, jun.; lecturer, A. W. Johnston; deputy lecturers, H. Rapelle and D. S. White; director of ceremonies, A. L. Widdifield.

J. Richardson, chairman of the Malahide board of health, and J. Hutchinson, of the Aylmer board, have been appointed a committee to find out some building which will be suitable for an isolation hospital for the joint use of the township and town board in cases where it will be necessary to isolate smallpox patients for either the township or the town. Mrs. Percy, widow of the late Henry Percy, is suffering from double confluent smallpox, and will probably die. Dr. White reports J. Sanderson improving, also Mrs. S. Ashton. Their child is dangerously ill and cannot live. Mrs. Jay and child are almost recovered. There are no new cases. Dr. Hodgkins, of the Provincial board of health, Toronto, called on Tuesday, and went into South Yarmouth to supervise the quarantine, and give further directions to the board of health.

W. C. Pollock, inspector Yarmouth board of health, has closed on the town line the three roads from Gillett's bridge south. Drs. Sanderson and Shannon will at once commence vaccinating the children at the schools on the town line.

### IN FAVOR OF BRAZIL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—President Cleveland today submitted his decision in the arbitration between Brazil and the Argentine Republic. The decision is in favor of Brazil in every particular.

### NO SLAVERY WANTED IN CANADA.

In the ancient times, before the Christian era, there were three-fourths of the human race who were held in bondage by a powerful minority in every country. Later on, in the middle ages, and in the age of today, according to the doctrines Dr. Montague and his colleagues of the Conservative party are now giving, for example, the tillers of the soil, and some must do the work and toil and sweat for the benefit of another and receive from him the pittance he would give them; and in this free country of America, in these closing years of an enlightened century, we have here a system which by the authority of law takes away the earnings of men and gives them to other fellowmen. (Hear, hear.) This is so, because when you compel men by law to buy where they would not buy, but where it is to the interests of the other man to buy, you take away a portion of the earnings of the buyers. (Hear, hear.) You call this protection. Call it feudalism; call it slavery; I care not what you call it, it is the same thing. It differs only in degree. (Hear, hear.) It is bondage, and I call upon the young men to resolve here and now all through their lives to stand against bondage in whatever shape it may appear. (Loud cheers.)—Hon. Wilfrid Laurier at Toronto.

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