Sunday School.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON NO. XI MARCH 12TH, 1905.

The Slavery of Sin-John 8: 31-40-Temperar

Commentary—I. The test and blessings of discipleship (vs. 31, 32), 3t. Then said Jesus—Better, as R. V., "Jesus therefore said," because many had believed on Him after His declaration, that He was the Light of the World, and after His answers to the Pharisees, and now Jesus directed His remarks to these new disciples. Which believed — The term believed, applies here to the disposition openly expressed to ask now. disposition, openly expressed, to acknowledge Jesus as the Messiah. If ye abide (R. V.)—"Not a fitful, intermittent relation; but thorough, intense, and continuous." In My word—If ye obey My commandments and follow My teachings carefully. "Dur spirits must drink in Christ's words as our bodies inhale the atmosphere."—Deems. No man is worth listening to on questions of faith and doctrine who is not himself a reverent listener to Christ.—Gordon. Abiding in God's word must become the permanent condition of our life. Disciples—A disciple is a learner; one who acanent condition of our life. Disciples—
A disciple is a learner; one who accepts and follows another as teacher and
master. True disciples are real representatives of Christ, who live a holy life before the world.

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32. Shall know the truth—Shall know it doctrinally, spiritually, experimentally, not as a mere theory and shall know ly, not as a mere theory and shall know Christ, Himself, the embodiment of truth (John xiv. 1). "The rulers had spoken of knowing the law Jesus speaks of knowing the truth." "This is a species of learning infinitely transcending all the guesses of doubting scientists, and sneering philosophers." —Phelps. Make you free. Intelligence is not sufficient. make you tree, Intelligence is not suf-ficient. A learned man is still a wicked man under the bondage of sin unless he has been made free. "Knowledge ap-pears as the fruit of faith, and freedom as the fruit of knowledge. Christ sociates liberty always with the truth, which He is Himself, and so presents the truth as the cause and liberty as the effect. So, also, Paul speaks of lib-erty always in this positive, highest and noblest sense—liberty in Christ, the glor-ious liberty of the children of God, liberty from the bondage of sin and error. Man is truly free when he moves in harmony with the mind and will of God."—Lange. The true Christian is made free (1) from the bondage of sin, (2), from the pange of conscience, (3), from the curse of the law, (4), from corroding care, (5) from the fear of corroding care, (5) from the fear of death, (6), from the doom of the judgment, and (7), is given freedom in Christ. 'The mind is enlightened, the will renewed, the heart responsive, and the entire being finds its fullest exer-

II. Freedom offered from the slavery of sin (vs. 33-36). 33. They answered—Many commentators refer this "they," not to the many who believed (v. 30), but to the other Jews who had not believed. "The little episode of verses 30-32 is thus held as a pleasant parenthesis, and the believers are all allowed to be genuine and perhaps permanent."—Whedon. The words cannot be spoken of the simple people who had already believed simple people who had already believed but to the carping, cavilling Pharisees.— Clarke. Abraham's seed—They had Abraham's blood in their veins, but not his faith in their hearts."—Never in bondage—"This answer was not more true than the language of pride ordinarily. Politically, the seed of Abraham had been in bondage to Egypt, Babylon, Persia, Greece, Rome. Spiritually, they had ben in bondage to idolatries in past times, were now to the rabbis, who were literalists in interpretation, and without spirituality or sympathy. (Matt. xxiii. spirituality or sympathy. (Matt. Xxiii. 4)."—Abbott. They did not consider their relations to the Roman Empire as slavery. They enjoyed individual freedom. Though under the dominion of ome as a dependent state, they never bent the knee before the Roman Emperor.—Peloubet. Often as we have been under oppression, we have never acunder oppression, we have never acknowledged any oppressor as master, but have always submitted only from necessity, reserving our right to freedom, and striving after it.—Lange. How sayest thou—"Upon what posisble principle dost thou promise to us that which we already are proud of possessing, viz., plorious liberty. We already possess as our birthright what thou art offering to we as the full result of discipleship." ws as the full result of discipleship.

34. Verily, verily .-- A solemn declara tion enforced by these words. Whosoever committeth sin—In thes words Jesus utterly expels the political question from cope. He states first the principle and then the application .- Lange and then the application.—Lange. "He spoke of a more degrading bondage and a higher freedom than they imagined." He whose tendency and habit is to commit sin. He who makes choice of sin; prefers the way of wickedness before the way of holiness; who makes a covenant with sin enters into league, who makes with sin enters into league: who makes Is the servant of sin—Is the slave, the bond-servant of sin. "He does the week of sin, supports its interests, and accepts its wages. He cannot dismiss sin at pleasure; the moment he attempts it he finds the chains drawn tighter. Dream not of freedom while under the mastery of your desires .- Plato.

Temperance instruction may be brought in at this point. No bondage is greater than the bondage to strong drink. Servitude is repulsive to all men. In our land of freedom men demand their rights in business; yet there are hundreds of men and boys and sometimes women who gut themselves under the bondage of the drink habit.

35. The servant abideth not. The reference may be to Hagar and Ishmae. erence may be to Hagar and Ishmael, and Isaac—the bond and the free, Jhow had spoken of themselves as the seed of Abraham. Jesus shows them that there may be of that seed two kinds: the son, properly so-called, and the slave.—Alford. "These Jews might be the seed of Abraham, and yet, not being his spiritual children, might not abide in his household of faith. Not many years after this their capital and nation were after this their capital and nation wer destroyed, and the Gentiles took the place in the kingdom of God." "Think not to be made free from sin by the rites and ceremonies of the law of Moses. for Moses was but a servant, and had not that perpetual authority in the church which the Son had." The son atideth (R. V.) -- The comparison here

between any son and a bond servant, and son should not begin with a capital. Sinners are slaves, Christians are sons and heirs. 36. If the son—Christ now refers to himself. The Son of God alone has power to liberate those who are slaves to sin. Jesus Christ is the head, and has full authority and ability. The Father hath given all things into his hand (John xvii. 2). "The son can give slaves their freedom and receive them to membership in his house to partake of his inheritance" (Rom. viii. 17). Free indeed—The Jews boasted of an imaginary freedom, but the liberty which Christ indeed—The Jews boasted of an imaginary freedom, but the liberty which Christ offered was real and lasting in its effects. "It would have saved the nation from the bondage of captivity to Babylon centuries before; it would save them from bondage to the Romans. What freedom they had under the Romans was due to what they had learned and practised of the word. The truth, if obeyed, would deliver them wholly, but first by delivering them individually from the bondage of sin and error." "Jesus knew that deliverance from the Roman yoke was the great work expected of the Messiah. He therefore spiritualized this hope."—Godet.

III. Jesus shows the character of the wicked Jews (vs. 37-40). 37. Abraham's

wicked Jews (vs. 37-40). 37. Abraham's seed—Christ admits their claim that they are the natural descendants of Abraham but denies that they are his children out denies that they are his children (v. 39) in the highest and best sense. Seek to kill —"That they desired the death of Abraham's truest Son is proof that they are not true sons of Abraham." Their murderous intent proxes that they are children of the devil (v. 44) instead of Abraham. No place in the control of the devil (v. 44) instead of Abraham. No place in the control of t you—You do not allow my work to enter your hearts and lives. 38. I speak, etc.—The Son existed with the Father during past eternity and he reports the things he had seen. Ye do, etc.—Their father was Satan (v. 44), and they were instructed and led by him. 9, 40. The argument here is that they were not true children Abraham because they were not like Abraham in character and actions. Abraham's life was wholly unlike theirs.

CUPID IN A BUFFET CAR.

Toronto Girl on Way to San Francisco to be Married. New York, Feb. 27 .- A romance that

New York, Feb. 27.—A romance that began a year ago, at the breakfast table of the Southwestern Limited, and which lasted from Syracuse to Buffalo, is believed to be the cause of the sudden departure of Miss Blanche Fields, the strikingly beautiful daughter of Joseph Fields, a rich Canadian, who left New York heatily vectored with a through

York hastily yesterday with a through ticket for San Francisco.

The friends of the young Canadian woman believe that the trip is a sequel to the proposal of marriage that was made to her on the Syracuse-Buffalo trip, and that her departure presses trip, and that her departure presages her speedy marriage to Judge Eugene Rosenthal, of San Francisco. Miss Fields is twenty-three, with golden hair, blue eyes and fair complex-

ion. Until a year ago she was a stu-dent at a training school for nurses at Morristown, N. J. Her beauty and wealth, for she is said to be one of the richest girls in Toronto, enabled her to command at once a good social posifamily regarded it as a harmless fad, and permitted her to continue her studies studies

Last year she went home on a visit. She took the Southwestern Limited, and when she went to breakfast as the train left Syracuse, she was assigned to a table at which sat Judge Rosen-thal. By chance hé had known her father and sister in Canada, and recognized her at once. After breakfast the continued talking, and when the train pulled into the station at Buffalo he pulled into the station at Buffalo he proposed to her. They had several hours' wait for the Toronto train, and during that time he pressed his suit. She told him that she wanted a year in which to finish her studies and take a post-graduate course at the Sloane Ma-ternity Hospital in New York, and, though he protested vigorously, he was forced to accede.

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The year passed tranquilly enough for her. Two weeks ago a letter came.

Yesterday she announced that she was departed.

CORONER INVESTIGATES.

Inquest Opened on the Body of an Orangeville Man.

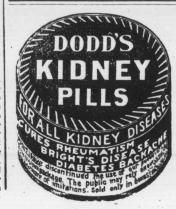
Orangeville, Feb. 27 .- Corener James Henry and Provincial Detective Greer have under investigation here the sudden death of Alex. Robinson on Friday last. Two sittings of the inquest have already been held, the last one being adjourned till Monday next at 8 p. m., when the doctors wil submit their report of the autonsy. ort of the autopsy.

Deceased, it is claimed, had been

drinking heavily, and on the Friday evening prior to his death had a wrangle with some of his wife's relatives. The information in the hands of the Coroner is that his face was slapped a couple of times. by his relatives. On Monday he became illy but his condition did not become serious till Thursday, when he suddenly became unconscious, death en-suing the next morning. After death an examination of the body revealed a numper of severe-bruises on his arms and about his hips, and it was decided to hold the inquest. It is stated the doctors at the autopsy found eleven distinct marks of injury. It is also said they marks of injury. It is also said they found the heart in a condition which in-dicated the probability of a heavy blow having been received on the body near

that organ.

Robinson seems to have been seriously injured and when and how it is hoped the inquest will determine. The relaives of deceased have retained counsel.



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KENNEDY HAS CHANGED

AT BRANTFORD YESTERDAY.

oner has changed, and one year seems to have made heavy inroads on his vitality

and general appearance.

The prisoner, always fearful of Brant

ford people, approaches the coming trial with great hesitation. While he made no forceful resistance, he did not in the

least relish the return trip to this city Last night he rested uneasily and this morning wanted nourishment. After some consideration he decided that

big pitcher of hot coffee and a sweet pie would be the best thing for him. These were procured for him and he downed them. As the time for the opening of

the court approached he grew anxious, but was steady enough when led upstairs and placed in the box.

REVIVING A STATE.

Sir W. Willcocks Wishes to Restore the

Land of Chaldea.

Bombay, Feb. 27.—Sir William Will-cocks, whose work in connection with the irrigation of Egypt is so well known, has been investigating the practicability

of restoring the ancient Chaldean irrri

gation works on the Euphrates and Ti-

gris.
"I am amazed," he said in an inter-

view, "at the scope existing on the two rivers for irrigation, and at the ease with which the works can be construct-

Sir William says he has divided the

irrigible area into 15 blocks, the first of which will cost £8,000,000. If the con-

cession is obtainable, he urges that Bri-tain should co-operate to the success of the scheme by building a railway from Bagdad to Nusaki.

WOMEN WHO CHARM

HEALTH IS THE FIRST ESSENTIAL

It Helps Women to Win and Hold

Men's Admiration, Respect and Love

Woman's greatest gift is the power to

re attractive to men than mere regu-

inspire admiration, respect, and love. There is a beauty in health which is

Mrs. T.E. Gillis &

To be a successful wife, to retain the

ove and admiration of her husband.

should be a woman's constant study.

At the first indication of ill-health

painful or irregular menstruation, headache or backache, secure Lydia E.

Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and

begin its use.

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describes her illness and cures, in the

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—
"When I commenced to take Lydia R. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was suffering with weakness and womb trouble headaches, backaches, and that worn-out tired feeling. I have only taken the Vege table Compound a few short weeks, and it has made me well strong and religious.

has made me well, strong and robust. I believe that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is without equal for female troubles?

Women who are troubled with pain

women well will cure you also

following letter:

larity of feature.

A Thousand Casualties Reported at Tiflis.

Whole Families Butchered in the Streets.

Mussulmans and Christians Fighting Incessantly.

A St. Petersburg cable: It is report ed that Tiflis, capital of Russian Trans-Caucasia, is a centre of riot, and that fighting is incessant. Hundreds have been killed or wounded. Hundreds of armed Mussulmans came by train from the country and joined their co-religionists against the Christians. Business is at a standstill. Many of the residents have barricaded themselves in their houses. Robbery and violence are supreme.

Baku is quiet, all the Armenian shops have been closed, but the banks are doing business under military protection.

Order has been restored at Balaka hany, but at Romany to-day strikers attacked two factories, and as a result 30 persons were killed or wounded. In Boku many terible murders have been committed. Manager Adamoff, of the Naphtha Refining Works, together with his wife and children, were all burned to death. A legal official named Taksoff and a bazzar awner named Lajeff-Lalajeff and the latter's family have been murdered.

The casualties are unknown, but it is generally thought they were not below a thousand. Whole families were dragged from their houses and mur-dered in the streets.

It is reported from Constantinople that Batoum and Poti, in Trans-Caucasia, are under mob rule. The officials are helpless Murder and arson are frequent. It is rumored that war-ships belonging to the Russian Black Sea fleet have bombarded Poti, which

is held by strikers.

An English merchant who has just arrived, was obliged to flee fom Batoum, where his life was threatened and his office destroyed. The strikers are all Georgians, and where his life was threatened

number about 40 000 The steamship lines from Constanti-nople to Batoum have suspended ser-

The tie-up of gailroads running from serious feature of th and, though her graduation from the ospital was only two weeks away, she thorities appear for the moment to have regained the upper hand, but the situation may at any time again pass out of their control. Even the rein-forcements of the military in all the cities seem to have been inadequate to prevent the continuance of conditions ending to robbery, murder and terror-

Other cities outside of the Caucasus toff, Alexandrovsk, and many others are in a condition of complete or par-tial disorder owing to strikes. The forces of law and order apparently have been unable to prevent the strik-ers from resorting to the tactics of their fellows in St. Petersburg, and marching from shop to shop and forc-ing out every workman. Many Gov-ernment works in various parts of the country are included in the suspensions. Half of the workmen in Libau are on strike, seriously affecting the manufacture of military supplies.

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The St. Petersburg workmen have temporarily resumed their occupations while voting for members of the imperial mixed commission, but they are possessed of the spirit of unrest, and their sense of power is being led by incendiary proclamations the latest of which alludes to the Emperor as "Nicholas the Last." and makes a rabid atolas the Last," and makes a rabid attack upon the motives of the Govern

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times says the Czar has now de-cided to convoke the Zemsky Zobor and leave the representatives of nation to settle the question of war or peace. Whichever way they may or peace. Whichever way they may decide the Government's position will be vastly strengthened, and the dynastic interests safeguarded. If, as genine the dynastic interests after deputies decide erally anticipated, the deputies decide erany anticipated, the deputies decide in favor of peace, being strengthened by the nation's support, expects to obtain favorable terms from Japan while if erms from Japan, while if these are ot conceded the nation is likely to insist upon war a l'outrance.

Niagara Falls, N. Y .- Frank From nert, one of the electricians who was burned in the fire at the Niagara Falls Power Company's plant yesterday, deal early to-day. Roy Robinson is still alive and hope is entertained for his recovery. John Frommert will recover. The damage has been repaired and all the genera tohs are again in operation.

Market Reports The Week.

Wool Markets.

London.—The arrivals of wool for the second series of auction sales amount to 289,727 bales, including 165,500 forwarded direct to spinners. The imports this week were New South Wales, 9,015 bales; Queensland, 227; Victoria, 2,479; Sohth Australia, 2,035; New Zealand, 15,849; Cape of Good Hope and Natal 3,919; China, 224; Singapore, 1,805; various, 577.

British Cattle Markets. London.—Live cattle are quoted at 10% to 11%c per lb.; refrigerator beef, 7% to 712 per lb.; sheep, 12 to 13c per lb.

Toronto Farmers' Market.

HIS APPEARANCE IN THE DOCK A Brantford report: For a second time in the course of a single year Joseph Kennedy is on trial in this city in con-nection with the death of Irene Cole,

nection with the death of Irene Cole, who was murdered in the willows on the afternoon of September 30, 1903. Again to-day he entered a plea of "not guilty" on a serious charge, and asked for an immediate trial. The police court was crowded yesterday morning when Kennedy was arraigned before Police Magistrate Woodyatt. trate Woodyatt.

At ten o'clock the police escorted of Kennedy up the rear stairway, leading if from the cells and placed him in the prisoner's box. As Kennedy took up his position in the box it was plainly apparent to all who had seen him before that a great change has been wrought in the man in the course of a single year. a great change has been wrought in the man in the course of a single year. And the change has been for the worse. He has lost some weight, is much thinner than a year ago, and the familiar ruddy complexion is also absent. His hair is clipped close to the skuil in jail-bird fashion. He wore a rough suit and light fall overcoat. The typical celluloid collar and bright its as well as the same lar and bright tie, as well as the same moustache, were outstanding features by which the man could be readily identified. On the whole, however, the pris-

Toronto Live Stock. Receipts of live stock at the City Mar

Receipts of live stock at the City Market were 28 carloads, composed of 358 cattle, 798 hogs, 75 sheep and 16 calves.

All offerings found a fair market at Thuraday's prices.

H. Murby: 40 feeders and stockers, 900 to 1200 lbs. each; good steers, 900 lbs. each, at \$3.35 to \$3.60 cwt.; good steers, 1000 lbs. each, at \$3.50 to \$3.80; good to choice feeders, 1100 to 1200 lbs. each, at \$4 to \$4.40.

Hogs—Receipts of 798 hogs were bought by Mr. Harris at \$5.50 for selects and \$5.25 for lights and fats.

Leading Wheat Markets

					May.	July.
Detroit		 	 	 	1.21%	1.01%
Toledo .		 134			1 1814	1.021/2
St. Louis			 	 	1.15%	0.9634
St. Louis Minneap	lis		 	 	1.15%	1.14
Duluth			 	 	1.141/6	1.14%
New Yor	k .	 	 	 	1.17%	1.0534

Montreal reports to Bradstreet's say: Montreal reports to Braustice s say.
Wholesale business generally at this centre continues very dull. All through the country the roads are snow-blocked, and it has been only very recently that weather has been anything like mild. All determines the says afford on this partments of trade have suffered on this account. The interruption to country trade has affected remittances. In the you.

"Ever mindful of your faithful sertrade has affected remittances. In the meantime, receipts of country produce here are light and prices are high in all such lines as butter, eggs, etc. There is a fair city trade being done and preparations for the spring trade among the wholesalers are exceedingly active.

"Ever mindful of your faithful survices, your grateful Emperor and King. "WILLIAM I. R., "Berlin Schloss, 22nd Feb., 1905." The Emperor has also rewarded Vice-Chancellor Posadowsky-Wehner for bis technical work on the treaties with

the wholesalers are exceedingly active. Prospects in this regard are bright.
Toronto reports to Bradstreet's say:
Frade in all lines has suffered during the past week from the impassable condi-tion of the country roads. As a result wholesale business has been quiet in gro-ceries, hardware and general lines. The dry goods men and the millinery houses have had all they can do preparing for the spring openings. At the present mo-ment the outlook is for exceedingly heavy business. Orders for all lines of dry goods have been very large, and values generally are firm. It is said here values generally are firm. It is said here new cotton list prices will soon be issued howing some reductions. Butter scarce and very dear. Deliveries of grai re light. Wheat brings \$1.08 to \$1.09 and oats 46c to 47c.

At Quebec fine weather has had ar

effect on business in general, which shows improvement, although the coun-try roads are reported pretty heavy. City retail trade shows more activity. Advices from Wunnipeg say: "Bon-spiel" week has filled the city with retail merchants from the country, and, al-though while here they will place good orders with the wholesale houses, busihees is bound to be more or less inter-cupted, as travellers are recalled from the road. Collections are still slow and not much improvement is expected for Victoria and Vancouver advices say: Trade here is rapidly assuming a better aspect. There has been immense im-

provement in the lumber business. Gro-eries, dry goods and supplies for the number camps especially are moving well. Bradstreet's reports from Hamilton ay while wholesale trade there is quiet on account of climatic conditions, business generally has an active and healthy The spring trade has not yet open ed out to any great extent, but the pros-pects are for a very active business when it once begins. Spring orders for dry goods are heavy, and there is a fairly goods are neavy, and there is a fairly good movement in hardware. Groceries are a little quiet. Collections are fair. General business at London has been a little quieter during the past week, and there has been little doing in the sur-rounding country. Collections are a lit-tle slow as a natural result of interrup-tion to trade. ion to trade. Ottawa reports to Bradstreet's say

Taken as a whole, trade here is in a fair-y satisfactory condition. Collections are only fair.

Curiosities of Oral Expression.

women who are troubled with painful or irregular menstruation, back-ache, bloating (or flatulence), leucor-hosa, falling, inflammation or ulceration of the uterus, ovarian troubles, that "bearing-down" feeling, dizzition of the uterus, ovarian troubles, that "bearing-down" feeling. dizziness, faintness, indigestion, or nervous prostration may be restored to perfect health and strength by taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Surely you cannot wish to remain sick, weak and discouraged, when you might so easily be cured. The medicine which has made so many other women well will cure you also. The only real way to become well edu ated," said a speaker before a woman's club the other day, "is to cultivate the things that cultivate cultivation." And it was a man speaker at a church conference in the centre of the city who was responsible for the following in the middle of a speech: "Ladies and gentlement I am sorry to say that I have omit. men, I am sorry to say that I have omitted something. I meant to tell you be-fore I began."

HAS HE A DAUGHTER?

Application Looks Lilie a Marriage Was

Toronto, Feb. 27.—I want a young man a Methodist, a Christian, an Irishman if possible, good looking, with dark hair and dark eyes." This is the partial wording of one of a help received at the Provincial Colonization Bureau yesterday. Director Southworth said to a Globe reporter that he did not receive many applications in which the religious and physical requirements of the prospective hired man were so clearly detailed. While there has been at increast of 25 per cent. in the wages of farm help during the three years that the bureau has undertaken to supply the same there are still a number of the same, there are still a number of farmers in Ontario who offer very low wages, and to these the reply invariwages, and to these the reply invari-ably is that higher pay must be offer-ed. To-day, for instance, one man, a bachelor—and that may excuse him in some measure—sent in an application offering the low compensation of \$100 to \$120, with room and board for a man

to \$120, with room and board for a man and wife, the latter to do the housework. By the some mail another applicant offered \$350 a year for a married couple, with board and a nice furnished room. An increasingly large number of farmers are now hiring help for the year round instead of only for eight months as was once generally the case, because they are anxious to keep suitable helpers instead of constantly having new or inexperienced ones. There is also a growing number who offer married couples neat cottages free of rent on or near the farm.

The number of applicants who prefer Scotchmen is astonishingly large, but experienced Scotch farm laborers are so well paid in their own country and are

well paid in their own country and are almost certain of steady employment that there are not many coming to Can-ada. Scotchmen, the farmers find are more willing to learn and adopt Canadian methods than those of any other nationality. It is practically impossible, Mr. South-

worth says, to find positions for farm laborers who do not speak English.

KAISER IS PLEASED.

Thanks Chancellor Von Buelow for His Treaty Making Services.

Berlin, Feb. 27.—Emperor William has sent the following telegraph autograph letter to Chancellor von Buelow: "My dear Count von Buelow:

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"After having learned through your
announcement that the constitutional
Baichstag for the new anction of the Reichstag for the new ommercial treaties has been given, my feelings impel me to express my warm-est congratulations to you upon this momentous chapter of treaty work, I hope, through God, that the treaties will give new vigor to German economic interests, create a new cond it friendly competition between the German empire and the countries friendly to which have declared themselves willing to regulate their trade relations with which with the countries of t and the countries friendly to us upon the basis reached through a careful consideration of mutual interests. Cheer-fully and joyfully, I recognize the fact fully and joyfully, I recognize the fact that it was chiefly owing to your statesmanlike art and your clear-headed leadership that the negotiations have resulted in this beautiful success, notwithstanding all opposing difficulties. To you is due therefore in the first instance, my gratitude, I express hereby, with my whole heart, and at the sametime beg you to kindly accept my bust in marble, which will soon be sent to you.

the Black Eagle Order, Herr von Pod-bielsky, Prussian Minister of Agricul-ture, Domains and Forests, has received the Grand Cross of the Red Lagle, and Foreign Secretary Baron von Rich-thoff has been promoted to membership n the Ministry of the Prussian State without a portfolio.

The Taglische Rundschau says that

it was at Count von Buelow's personal quest that Emperor William has not

RUSH OF IMMIGRATION. Enormous Influx From Europe to Canada Expected.

Montreal, Feb. 27 .- Mr. Robert Kerr, Passenger Traffic Manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway, said to-day that Graeme Hunter, the Glasgow navigation agent, was one of a thousand who undertock to sell tickets in Britain for steamship companies plying in all waters. Most of them did business on a legitimate scale, and the C. P. R. had at the outset afforded Hunter the usual facilities. About last June, whwen it was found that he had departed from their methods, the company's representatives in London cut all connection with them.

Speaking of immigration prospects in eral. Mr. Kerr said the next few months will see a great boom in immigration, not only from Great Britain, out from all quarters of Europe. The company's representatives abroad had given most encouraging reports on this score. Possibly the European nation that would be most largely represented would be Germany, with the Scandinavian nations a close second

RAILROAD STRIKE.

Trains Stopped Running-Soldiers Failed

to Run Engines. Warsaw, Feb, 27 .- No trains are run ing in either direction to day on the Jienna Railroad. The management at-empted to instal soldiers as firemen, but the strikers had plugged the water gauges, with the result that the amateur firemen ruined four locomotives. The strikers also derailed a number of cars. The men demand an eight-hour day and an increase of wages. The directors offered an increase of wages to some employees and to grant a nine-hour day, but the strikers refused. A manifesto issued to day by the strikers say they struck to show their solidarity to other trades at this important juncture of the labor movement, and because the man-agement oppressed and exploited the men. The employees of the Government alcohol monopoly walked out to-day. A general strike on the Victula and St. Petersburg roads is hourly expected.