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CABLE NEWS.

The Transfer of Heligoland to Germany Discussed in Parliament.

The Government Narrowly Escapes Defeat in a Vote on the Licensing Bill.

Fears Entertained for the Safety of St. Paul's Cathedral by Undermining.

St. Paul's in Peril.

LONDON, June 19.—Grave fears are entertained for the safety of St. Paul's cathedral in consequence of the new underground railway to be constructed within a few hundred yards of the building. Christopher Wren wrote a memorandum to the effect that the foundations were not so good as he could wish, consequently it is feared that the vibration caused by the trains will endanger the dome, even if the preliminary work does not imperil the whole building.

The Transfer of Heligoland.

LONDON, June 19.—In the Lords to-night, Earl Rosberry enquired if the government, before arranging for the transfer of Heligoland to Germany, had consulted the naval and military authorities, and also if the inhabitants of the island had been consulted. Lord Salisbury said the government had assurance that the island would not be used by Germany exclusively as a naval or military station. He also thought the transfer was satisfactory to the inhabitants.

In the Commons.

In the Commons, W. H. Smith stated in reply to a question regarding the transfer of Heligoland to Germany, that conditions had been inserted in the agreements which removed the inhabitants. A bill, he said, would be introduced to ratify the cession. Mr. Smith was asked to produce the opinion of the naval and military authorities concerning the transfer, but he declined to do so. The house having gone into committee on the licensing bill, the chairman moved that the first clause, applying £350,000 to the purchase of licenses stand as part of the bill.

Stovey did not resume his speech, which was obstructed on Tuesday. The question was put without debate, a division was taken, and the clause was carried by the narrow majority of four. The vote was 228 to 224. The Conservatives cheered the result, but their cheers were drowned by the triumphant shouts of the opposition at the narrow escape of the government.

T. P. O'Connor declared the result indicated the decision of the house against the bill, and moved to report progress. The government ought to be allowed to reconsider its position.

Mr. Smith said the opposition certainly had the advantage of the surprise, whatever that amounted to, and they could have the credit of it.

Mr. Stovey said he had not finished his speech when the debate was last adjourned, and it was thought he would continue; therefore the government had not been prepared for an immediate division. The government now simply proposed to proceed with the business in the ordinary way. Long speeches he regarded as obstruction, and no speeches were taking the government by surprise. In producing the Licensing bill, he said the government would discover that the people of the country would surprise them.

Mr. Gladstone advised the withdrawal of the bill.

Mr. O'Connor withdrew his motion and the House proceeded to discuss the second clause.

The scheme of the opposition in securing a vote while the Conservative benches were sparsely occupied, completely surprised the Ministerialists, who greatly feared defeat.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

Escaped From the Smugglers.

PORTLAND, June 18.—Dr. Lee Him, who was kidnapped by opium smugglers on May 27th, because he wouldn't pay for a lot of opium which had been seized by customs officers, arrived home this evening looking fat and jolly. He says he escaped from the smugglers at Seattle without paying them and fled to Victoria, and was scared to come back for fear they would catch him again. He was well used and well fed, and says he wants nothing more to do with smugglers. John Mayes, who was arrested on May 27th for smuggling opium into this city from Victoria, via the Northern Pacific railroad, to-day pleaded guilty in the United States district court, and was fined $500.

After Horse Thieves.

SAN BERNARDINO, Cala., June 19.—For some time this county has been infested with an organized gang of horse thieves. Many fine animals have been stolen. Last night a man informed the sheriff where the thieves were to be found. Taking a posse he proceeded to their rendezvous. On the way the posse intercepted Ginnings, one of the gang, and arrested him. Further on, Wilson, another of the gang, was discovered hiding in the brush. He was armed with a Winchester rifle, and when ordered to surrender, in attempting to escape, he was shot in the hip by one of the posse and captured. The rest of the gang escaped, but are being pursued by the officers.

The U. S. S. Monterey.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 19.—The new coast defence vessel Monterey, being built at the Union Iron Works, will be ready for launching in about three months.

The Cruiser San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 19.—The cruiser San Francisco will have her trial trip on July 4th, if the dock trial proves satisfactory. Her builders expect she will attain the speed of 19 knots, required by the contract.

No More Prize fights.

SACRAMENTO, June 18.—Attorney-General Johnson has addressed a letter to Governor Waterman to-day in reply to the latter's recent communication in regard to contests between professional pugilists as given in the several athletic clubs of California. Attorney-General Johnson joins the governor in characterizing these exhibitions as disgraceful. He says they are contrary to the provisions of the penal code; that the state law has made such exhibitions a felony, and that a municipal license is no protection. The attorney-general assures the general that he will notify the prosecuting officers under him that action on their part to suppress the grievance will receive his sanction and co-operation, to the end that the laws may be maintained and enforced in the spirit in which they are enacted.

The Prize Fight Murder.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 18.—The cases of the seven men arrested for complicity in the death of Harry McBride, killed in a glove fight at the Golden Gate Club, all came up in Judge Rix's court this morning and were continued till next Monday. Application for bail in the cases of Bowers, Joell, McGrath, Meyers and Larue was made and refused until after the examination.

The Coast Trade.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 19.—The agreement made between the Canadian Pacific Steamship company, the Occidental and Oriental, and the Pacific Mail companies a year ago, by which the Canadian Pacific company stipulated not to touch any business south of Portland, Ogn., has just terminated, and there are indications it will run its steamers to and from this port again, as it did before the agreement was made. The Canadian Pacific does not want the Pacific Mail to put on a steamer to Tacoma, and threatens to come to this port if the territory north of Portland is invaded by the Pacific Mail. The Southern Pacific Co. and the Oriental & Occidental Co., its adjunct, together with Messrs. Tellington and Gates, as Pacific Mail directors, do not favor Tacoma's desire, but Calvin S. Brice and a majority of the new directors of the Pacific Mail do favor a Tacoma service. Brice is said to be interested in a large sum in Northern Pacific securities, and he wants to help that road as much as possible. Huntington is trying, as a Pacific mail director, to effect some sort of a compromise by which there will be a Tacoma steamer service, thus appeasing the Canadian Steamship Co. and helping the trans-Pacific route. No one here will tell what is the nature of the Huntington compromise, but it is said to be an arrangement by which the Northern Pacific shall get more California business. Important developments affecting this matter are expected any day.

Chinese Certificates.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 19.—On the last trip of the Oceanic to this port, fifty-five of the Chinese on board had in their possession papers or certificates of different descriptions. On examination it has been ascertained that in nearly every case the representations made by them were correct, and the collector has allowed them to come ashore.

A Rotten Tub.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 19.—The U. S. S. Iroquois has arrived safely at Mare Island for repairs. Since the vessel has made two unsuccessful attempts to reach Samoa, it is barely possible that the risk of sending her on that mission for a third time will be taken. The condition of the Iroquois will be reported to the navy department, and the reply will be awaited. If it is advisable not to make the necessary repairs, it is thought she will be ordered to tie up, and her services will be dispensed with in the future.

WESTMINSTER ELECTION.

Mr. Corbould Heads the Poll by a Handsome Majority Over His Opponents.

Wm. H. Ladner Fails to Secure the Requisite Number of Votes to Save His Deposit.

The returns from Westminster district up to a late hour last night indicate that Mr. Corbould has been returned by a handsome majority over his opponents, Mr. Ladner failing to secure enough votes to save his $200 deposit. The returns from the polling districts are as follows:

	CORBOULD.	TOWNSEND.	LADNER.
Agassiz	35	4	12
Moodyville	8	10	9
Mission	29	2	10
Hammond	45	10	7
New Westminster	314	307	60
Ladner's	2	5	75
Matsqui	35	16	8
Chilliwhack	47	15	24
Vancouver	338	277	126
Richmond	5	6	25
	858	652	356

A special to THE COLONIST from Westminster says: The election for the Commons passed off quietly, resulting in the election of Corbould by a large majority. The workingmen in Westminster and Vancouver went straight for Townsend. The totals are as follows: Corbould, 962; Townsend, 695; Ladner, 372. Corbould 267 ahead. Ladner loses his deposit. An enthusiastic torchlight procession, headed by the city band, escorted the successful candidate and a number of prominent citizens through the principal streets. A halt was made on Columbia street, when Corbould thanked the electors, especially the "bone and sinew," for the large majority given him, and hoped they would never have cause to regret their choice. The procession proceeded to and serenaded the Columbian and Truth and returned to the headquarters of Corbould's committee. There is a general expression of satisfaction in the city and district at the result of the election.

A Family Quarrel.

GREENSBURG, Pa., June 19.—To-day, Dr. W. J. Hanmer, a popular dentist, and his wife, of this city, had a dispute over a trivial matter. The wife called in her father, who attempted to act as a peace maker. Dr. Hanmer became enraged and knocked the old gentleman down with a cane. Mrs. Hanmer seized a revolver from the bureau drawer and shot her husband through the right lung, inflicting fatal injuries. The prominence of the parties adds interest to the affair.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Big Explosion in the Powder Works at Sherbrooke Caused by Lightning.

A Colored Woman in Halifax Stricken with Paralysis While Blaspheming.

All the Bodies of the Victims of the Recent Accident on the C. P. R. Recovered.

The C. P. R. Accident.

TORONTO, June 18.—A washout was reported on the Canadian Pacific railroad last night, thirty miles east. An engine with five men was despatched to repair the damages, but coming suddenly upon the break the engine plunged into the creek and all the men were drowned. Their names are: John Washee, general road master; John Atlan, engineer; F. Oliver, firemen. Sectionmen Lott and Moriarty.

Victoria's Signal Station.

OTTAWA, June 19.—The observation and signal station to be established at Victoria, in connection with the meteorological service of the department, is to furnish storm warnings and results of observations for the benefit of the marine interests of the Pacific Coast, similar to those on the lakes and on the Atlantic.

Troops for Halifax.

HALIFAX, N. S.—The troopship Tyne has left England with drafts for the West Riding Regiment and Royal Engineers. She has two large torpedo boats for this port. They are capable of holding four large torpedoes and are built on the most improved plan.

A Halifax Boycott.

HALIFAX, June 19.—The Halifax amalgamated trades union is boycotting the Amherst Boot and Shoe Co., owing to the discharge of workmen for the reason that they were Knights of Labor. A committee was appointed to ascertain what Halifax merchants are selling the company's goods.

Powder Explosion at Sherbrooke.

SHERBROOKE, Que., June 19.—At Black Lake, Que., yesterday, lightning struck the powder building of the Anglo-Canadian Asbestos mine, and set fire to it, resulting in an explosion of about 1,800 pounds of powder and about thirty cases of dualin. The shock was very severe and heavy and caused more or less damage to about sixty buildings. The loss is estimated at $40,000. One man was injured.

Fire in Montreal.

MONTREAL, June 19.—Yesterday the Howard Pulp factory took fire, and a workman named Jas. Gibbon jumped from the window and fractured his leg, and was taken to the hospital. Two girls also leaped from the second story and were picked up insensible. Damage $10,000, covered by insurance.

Snessinger-Brooks.

CORNWALL, June 19.—G. E. Snessinger, of the well known firm of J. G. Snessinger & Co., was married last evening in St. John's Presbyterian church, to Mrs. Della Brooks, daughter of John Cameron, a well known resident of Victoria, and niece of the late millionaire, "Cariboo" Cameron.

Five to One.

BRANDON, June 19.—Winnipeg defeated Brandon to-day for the lacrosse championship, five games to one.

Eastern Baseball.

TORONTO, June 19.—International ball—Toronto 6, Grand Rapids, 1. Hamilton, 16; Detroit, 10. London, 8; Saginaw, 3.

Murderer Davis' Confession.

BELLEVILLE, June 19.—All preparations are complete for the execution to-morrow of Peter Davis, for the murder of Wm. Emory, a farmer. Davis fully realized his position to-day. He acknowledges his intimacy with Mrs. Emory, but denies that he murdered her husband.

How Dubois Feels.

QUEBEC, June 19.—Dubois, who is to be hanged to-morrow, longs to see how things are on the other side, so he said to the parson to-day. He eats, drinks and sleeps as though there was nothing to trouble him.

The C. P. R. Accident.

CLAREMONT, Ont., June 19.—The bodies of all the men killed in the accident here last night have been taken out from the engine which went through the culvert. The report that section-foreman Roche had disappeared is untrue.

A Blasphemer's Death.

HALIFAX, June 19.—A colored woman named Betsy Johnston was stricken with paralysis last night. Just previous to being attacked she uttered an oath, and her Maker was blasphemed in a terrible manner.

On Public Business.

OTTAWA, June 19.—Sir John Thompson, Minister of Justice, leaves for England next week on business of public import. It is reported he will consult the Imperial authities relative to the trouble over Canadian copyright.

A Horrible Spectacle.

MONCTON, N.B., June 21.—Andrew Little and wife, of the Mechanics settlement, lost their lives by lightning during a storm Wednesday evening. Little was sick in bed, when about 6 p. m. the house was struck by lightning and it burst into flames. The neighbors who soon arrived, were horrified by the spectacle that met their gaze through the window. Little and his wife were lying on the floor. They had apparently been paralyzed by the shock, and could do nothing to save themselves, while the rapid progress of the fire prevented those outside from reaching them. The building was totally destroyed and the charred remains of the husband and wife was found in the ruins.

En Route for England.

MONTREAL, June 21.—The Allan Royal mail steamship Sardinian, from Quebec for Liverpool, with their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and suite on board, arrived out this morning. The steamer took the route south of Newfoundland, and the passage was therefore a fast one.

Lacrosse in Montreal.

MONTREAL, June 21.—The Toronto's defeated the Montreals here to-day at lacrosse, three games to two.

Dubois "Worked Off."

QUEBEC, June 20.—Fritz Dubois was hanged here this morning for the murder of his wife, two children and mother-in-law, in February, by hacking them brutally with an axe. He confessed on the scaffold.

Davis Hanged.

BELLEVILLE, Ont., June 20.—Peter Edwards Davis, who, on September 19, murdered his paramour's husband, was hanged here this morning. He declared his innocence to the last.

Was Dubois Insane?

QUEBEC, June 21.—Several leading medical men applied to the authorities for a permit to hold an autopsy on the body of Randolph Dubois, who was executed in this city yesterday; but they were refused. These gentlemen thought that a careful examination of the brains would have revealed something as to Dubois' insanity. Dubois went to bed at 10 o'clock Thursday, and rose at three next morning. From 3 to 4 he walked about his cell, speaking to himself. He then performed a series of somersaults about his ward, and resumed by walking on his hands. "I just want to show you," he said to his guardians, "whether you'll have to carry me to the scaffold or not." Although Dubois did not talk derangedly, it was generally thought that he was not in the full possession of his mental faculties.

Killed on the Track.

HAMILTON, Ont., June 21.—An old man named John Young, was struck by the locomotive of a train on the Grand Trunk yesterday and was instantly killed. He was completely deaf and about 80 years of age. He is estimated to be worth over $100,000. He leaves a wife and three grown up sons and daughters.

CAPITAL NOTES.

Contract Signed for the Construction of the Calgary and Edmonton Railway.

Another Batch of Queen's Counsel—Direct Parcel Post Between Canada and Japan.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, June 20.—The exports for the eleven months ending May 31st were $7,500,000 in excess of last year. The imports show an increase of $3,500,000

Instructions have been issued to the printing bureau to spell in the Government blue book such words as "honour," "favour," etc., with a "u."

The Minister of Agriculture has issued instructions for the strict observance of the quarantine regulations in the event of a cholera outbreak.

The premier goes to the seaside next week for the sum mer.

Dr. De St. George, member for Port Neuf, died yesterday.

OTTAWA, June 21.—The Postmaster General to-day signed the convention for a direct parcel post between Canada and Japan, to take effect October first. Vancouver to be the distributing office.

The Minister of Marine has presented two Cape Breton fishermen with silver watches as rewards for saving life.

James Ross, contractor for the Calgary-Edmonton railway, has returned from England, having secured the necessary capital to build the road. To-day he signed the contract with the government. One hundred and fifty miles are to be constructed this year.

A batch of Queen's Counsels, all Nova Scotians, have been created.

The government has notified the Newfoundland authorities of the changed bait tax, hereafter charging one dollar a barrel instead of a dollar per ton on the vessel's tonnage every time they enter Newfoundland harbor.

ANOTHER RAILROAD.

Northern Pacific Lets Contract for Seattle Belt Line.

TACOMA, June 20.—Engineer Hnson, of the Northern Pacific, returned from Seattle this evening, where he went to arrange final details and the letting of the contract for construction of the belt line around Lake Washington. He stated that the contract had been let to Henry & Balch, of Minneapolis, but at what figure he would not say, only that it had been let per yard.

It calls for twenty miles of standard guage road, and with the line already operated by the Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern, would make the whole circuit sixty miles.

He thought the belt line would be completed by January, 1891, as the grades were easy, with few obstructions to overcome. The contractors will begin work just as soon as they can get men and equipment on the ground.

A Singular Nightmare.

OMAHA, June 20.—J. J. Werner threw L. O. Secrest out of a third story window of the Merchants hotel early this morning, fatally injuring him. The two men were in attendance here upon the Grand Masonic Lodge, from Hebron, and were room mates in the hotel. It is asserted they quarrelled about the elimination of the Corneau rites by the lodge, but Werner claims he had the nightmare. Werner was released on bonds.

SWEPT BY A CYCLONE.

Many Lives Lost and Much Property Destroyed in the State of Illinois.

Human Beings Carried Some Distance and Mangled Beyond Recognition.

Buildings Blown to Pieces—Large Trees Uprooted and Two Towns Badly Wrecked.

CORNELL, Ills., June 20.—A cyclone swept over this county west of here this afternoon and everything in its path was destroyed. The path of this storm was about eighty rods in width. The storm first struck the house of S. P. Plymer, tore it to pieces, and carried the ruins a quarter of a mile. The two houses of Wm. Vancamp and J. W. Bradley were badly damaged. The house of Wm. Sutcliffe was partly wrecked. The house of W. S. Conner was torn to pieces, and Conner and his wife were both badly injured. A school house was blown entirely away, and the young son of Mr. Morrison was badly hurt. Several other houses were partly wrecked. About a mile to the north the cyclone struck the house of C. C. Leonard, and destroyed it and injured five of his sons, one very seriously. For four miles the cyclone left ruin in its path. At Oxmud Creek, many trees were blown across the track of the Wabash railway. No lives are reported lost.

FARFUL LOSS OF LIFE.

EARLVILLE, Ill., June 20.—A terrible cyclone and cloud burst occurred about five miles north of this city, shortly after four o'clock this afternoon, which resulted in terrible loss of life and property, no less than fifteen people being killed, and a number of houses and barns demolished. The storm came from the south, and swooped down on the school house, a new building, and tore it to pieces. At the time there were but eight persons in the house, and all were instantly killed, their bodies being carried some distance, and fearfully bruised and crushed.

Peter Reams, an old broom peddler, was driving near the school house when the cyclone struck it, and he, too, was caught up and carried some distance and slung lifeless into a hedge. His team was carried away. The house of Newton Wood was the next struck, and not a vestige of it remains. The family sought refuge in the cellar and escaped. From the school house the storm continued to the north, through Pawpaw Grove, and carried with it everything moveable. Here the loss of life is reported to be greater. Seventeen persons were killed, twenty houses torn to pieces and the eastern part of the town entirely wiped out, and some of the victims were carried hundreds of yards and mangled almost beyond recognition. The force of the cyclone was terrific. Nothing remains but the bare earth, huge trees being torn out. The width of the storm was about 80 yards and it progressed at the rate of 80 miles an hour. The work of rescue began immediately, but at the hour of writing but little can be learned of the names of the killed and injured.

AMERICAN NEWS.

Powderly's Challenge Accepted.

NEW YORK, June 17.—Samuel Gompers, President of the Federation of Labor, in reply to Powderly's letter published to-day, promised to be on hand to-morrow evening at the Cooper's Union to discuss with Powderly any question that may arise in regard to the alleged misrepresentations of the Knights of Labor by the Federation. Gompers calls attention to the shortness of the notice he received, and points out that the conditions are not fair for him, but says he will waive all this and accept the challenge in Powderly's letter.

The Shipment of Cattle.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—The resolution which recently passed the senate requesting the President to cause correspondence with the Government of Great Britain to be had to secure the abrogation or modification of the regulations requiring cattle shipped from the United States to British ports to be slaughtered at the port of entry, was considered by the house committee on foreign affairs to-day. A favorable report on the resolution will be ordered at the next meeting of the committee.

A Terrible Ride.

ASHVILLE, N.C., June 18.—A terrible accident occurred on the Western North Carolina railroad, on the south side of Saluda mountain, last night. From the apex of Saluda mountain to Melrose, about three miles, there is a fall of fully 600 feet. Owing to this grade, an engine is kept there to help trains up and down the mountain. On account of heavy rains the track was very slippery last night, and when a twelve-car coal train started down the mountain, it soon got beyond the control of the engines with all the brakes set. The speed quickened till a tremendous rate was reached, when suddenly the rails spread and the entire train plunged headlong down the mountain side. Engineers Smyra and Temstall and Fireman Taylor were killed. The others of the crew escaped with broken bones and severe contusions.

Struck a Rock.

NEW YORK, June 17.—The U. S. man-of-war Yantic, which left here a few days ago for Portsmouth, was reported returning through the Sound to-night. It is rumored she had struck a rock and is returning for repairs, but nothing definite is known.

Mrs. Harrison at Cape May.

CAPE MAY, N. Y., June 17.—Mrs. Harrison and party arrived from Washington about 5 p. m., and proceeded at once to Wannamaker's cottage.

The Mine Horror.

DUNBAR, Pa., June 19.—Large forces of men have been employed in the most strenuous efforts to rescue the entombed miners from the Monongahela mine. It is believed that an excavation has been made in the debris to within seventy feet of the point where the men are. Another explosion occurred while the rescuing party were at work, it is believed, because there was a heavy fall of earth in the main slope, turning dense volumes of black smoke in the direction of the apparently doomed men. Fears are being entertained that death must have been the inevitable consequence of this latter mishap, and the friends and relatives of the ill-fated miners are almost frantic with grief. Notwithstanding that there seems to be no hope for the men, the determination of the rescuing party does not waver. At noon to-day it was reported that the sound of voices was heard, and efforts were doubled to effect the work of rescue. There is a bare possibility that some of the men are still living.

Female Crooks.

LOWELL, June 19.—Katie McNamara and Nellie Drury, each aged 14 years, were arrested to-day and charged with larceny of money, jewelry and women's wearing apparel from fifty houses in various parts of Lawrence. It was the practice of the McNamara girl to visit a house first, pretending to be deaf and dumb. If the opportunity offered she plundered trunks, carrying with her a number of keys for that purpose. If there were any indications when the McNamara girl visited the houses that the inmates were going away, she and the Drury girl subsequently entered the building by the rear windows. The McNamara girl was heard moving about in the upper portion of a house some weeks ago, and on being surprised by the occupant when she went upstairs, displayed a card inscribed: "I am deaf and dumb. Please help the unfortunate." Many articles of jewelry were found in her possession and she was arrested. The case was pigeon-holed through the influence of her friends. The two girls resumed operations at once, but escaped detection until to-day. At their homes the police found hats, cape, wallets and articles of jewelry.

A Hoboken Bridge Collapses.

NEW YORK, June 18.—A section of the bridge leading from the sea wall in front of Hudson Square park, Hoboken, to the free baths gave way to-night, falling and precipitating forty persons in the water beneath. It is thought they were all rescued, though it is impossible to tell whether or not some of those who were on the bridge were drowned. At a late hour to-night friends and relatives of many known to have been in the vicinity of the bridge and who have not returned to their homes were anxiously searching the neighboring streets for traces of them.

A Double Hanging.

ELKO, Nevada, June 19—Josiah Potts, aged 48 years, and his wife, aged 43 years, are to be hanged to-morrow for the murder of Miles Fawcett, a rancher 70 years of age, at Carline, on January 1st, 1888. Fawcett called on the Potts family to collect a loan, and was brained with an axe by Mrs. Potts. The husband buried the body in the cellar of the house. After some time the Potts' sold out their property in Carlin, including that which had belonged to Fawcett, and for which they had forged a bill of sale, and removed to Rock Springs, Wyoming, where Potts obtained a situation as a machinist with a mining company, and where his good habits and superior skill soon raised him to the position of foreman. In January, 1889, the house formerly occupied by the Potts was rented to a family named Brewer. The house had two dug-out cellars. The roof caved in, and in removing the debris in one of them the Brewers found the body of Fawcett, buried a foot deep. The body was horribly mutilated, the skull being crushed and partly burned, as were other portions of the body, and the limbs were severed from the trunk. The Brewers immediately notified the authorities. Officers were sent to Rock Springs and the Potts were brought back to Elko and confined in the county jail to await the action of the grand jury, which found a true bill against them. They were convicted of murder in the first degree and sentenced to be hanged.

Ballet Girls Raise a Row.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, June 18.—Moses in Egypt is the title of a spectacle to be presented by the Order of Cincinnatius this fall. For a month 500 ballet girls, who are to form one of the features of the event, have been in nightly training at Eureka hall. Care is taken to have the girls all of the same size. To secure the latter superficial measure is taken. Some days ago Sallie Hicks was being measured. She leads the dance, and is exceedingly popular with the ballet. She claims that the measurer made some remark about her figure. This resulted in a quarrel, which led to the girl's dismissal. When last night the ballet met, and the dancers learned what had occurred they struck in a body. Gordon Wayne, a leading business man, and one of the committee on the ballet fled. At the worst of the row Mayor Moseley came in. He is president of the society. The girls surrounded him and in a moment his white hat was being kicked all over the hall, while the girls sang "where did you get that hat?" and yelled "Sallie, Sallie Hicks," at the top of their voices. Mayor Moseley mounted a chair and attempted to address the girls, but he was hustled down and out into the hall and hatless and with torn coat he sought the street. The girls raised a pandemonium for half an hour and then went home. The strike will cost the society much time and a pile of money, as an entirely new ballet must be obtained The society claims Miss Hicks absented herself against the rules and was discharged for that. The noise in the hall was so great that several thousand people gathered to see what caused the disturbance.

WITH IMPOSING CEREMONIES.

Sir John A. Macdonald Lays the First Stone of Kingston's New Graving Dock.

(Special to THE COLONIST.)

KINGSTON, Ont., June 19.—Sir John A. Macdonald laid the first stone in the new graving dock at Kingston to-day, in the presence of ten thousand people. He was presented with a magnificent trowel and an address, and made a most appropriate reply. The dock will be three hundred feet long, and seventy-three feet wide on the sills. It is to cost three hundred thousand dollars.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP.

Prince Albert Victor Enters Upon the Full Privileges of Man's Estate.

His Friends Anxious that He Should Marry Princess Victoria of Teck.

Arrangements for Celebrating the Centenary of the Discovery of America by Columbus.

THE DUKE OF CLARENCE.

LONDON, June 21.—The Duke of Clarence, Prince Albert Victor, will come upon the full privileges of man's estate when he takes his seat in the House of Lords this coming week. It is true that he is more than 28 years old, but heretofore he has been treated rather as a boy than as a young man. The Prince of Wales con[illegible] his own very early emancipation [illegible] al control was rather a misf[illegible] arwise, and in the case of his [illegible] sadly set his face against [illegible] stard or precocious indep[illegible] now with an enlarged incom[illegible] his own, and a seat in par[illegible] Victor is fairly launched [illegible] e is a remarkably amiable [illegible] ed young man, curiously f[illegible] irs and graces, easily amus[illegible] a quiet life of simple recr[illegible] d work or stirring advent[illegible] t most momentous step in [illegible] his marriage. His frie[illegible] that he should marry P[illegible] Teck—Princess Mary, as [illegible] called. She is very pre[illegible] and thoroughly an Engli[illegible] woman and the daughter of the most pop[illegible] r of all English royal ladies.

THE LATE JOS. BIGGAR'S ESTATE.

Some surprise is felt that [illegible] late Joseph Gillis Biggar, the Irish [illegible] parliamentary leader, left no share of his [illegible] derable fortune to the national cause. [illegible] his estate, amounting to about £200,000, [illegible] bequeathed sums to various charities and [illegible] ersons, also a fair provision for his son [illegible] h Biggar, and £30 a year for life to [illegible] Paulina O'Connor, the mother of his [illegible]

AN INTERESTING CENTENARY.

Remarkable interest has been aroused both in Spain and Italy in the proposals made for celebrating the centenary of the discovery of America by Columbus, at Genoa. The commune has voted 240,000 for monuments to Garibaldi and the Duke of Galleria, to be inaugurated during the festival. Franchetti, the composer of "Asrael," is to produce an opera on a subject to be taken from the life of Columbus. The geographical and historical congress is to form part of the programme. Columbus' birthplace in Vic Ponticello is to be restored, and regattas will be held. In Spain the centenary will be celebrated at Madrid, Huelva and other places, and the most eminent among the Spanish statesmen, as well as artists, writers and scientists, are assisting in organizing a committee. The grand committee formed at Madrid will act in concert with the government and the royal committee appointed same time ago and presided over by the minister of public works, the Duke of Veraga, who is stated to be a lineal descendant of Columbus. It is evident that Spaniards and Italians alike are in earnest in seeking to do honor to the memory of a hero worthy of their admiration.

WESTMINSTER SPECIAL.

Sawyer, the Victoria Burglar, was Re-Captured in an Opium Den.

The Bishop of Qu'Appelle Visits the Royal City—Vancouver Wins the Cricket Match.

(From our own Correspondent).

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C., June 20.—Craigie, the young Victoria burglar, was cleverly captured early this morning by Constable Carty in a Siwash shanty. He and Sawyer will be returned to Victoria tomorrow for trial.

A young man named Files lost the sight of both eyes yesterday by the accidental explosion of a Winchester cartridge. A piece of the steel buried itself in the young man's lip, and it was removed after a very painful operation.

A young girl named Banford, aged 17, the only daughter of a wealthy Chilliwhack farmer, eloped yesterday morning with a man named Dromley, who had been refused admittance to her father's house. The marriage was performed by Rev. Mr. Ross, at Chilliwhack, at 5 o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Banford is greatly incensed at his daughter's action, as she was engaged to a well-to-do young farmer, and would have been married in a couple of days.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C., June 21.—Sawyer, the Victoria burglar, who was captured in this city yesterday morning, and who escaped again by breaking out of the lockup last night, was recaptured by Constable Dominy this morning. Dominy thought Sawyer looked like an opium fiend, and he searched all the dens until he found him in one of the lowest in the town. Sawyer was just recovering from the effects of a pipe, and made frantic efforts to escape, but failed. He is now in irons awaiting his removal to Victoria.

The Bishop of Qu'Appelle is in town.

The cricket match to-day, Vancouver vs. New Westminster, resulted in a victory for the former by one innings and seven runs.

Chamber of Commerce.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 21.—Next Tuesday afternoon a special meeting of the Chamber of commerce will be held to discuss important subjects as follows: The establishment of an American international bank, as recommended by the American International Congress; free coinage of silver without restriction as to locality of its production.