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## THEY MAY GO TO OTTAWAY

*EVERYTHING SAID TO MEAN THE SECOND READING.*

**If the Remedial Bill Gets That Far, a Prominent Conservative Says it is Probable a Delegation Will Go to Winnipeg to Confer With the Manitoba Government—General Ottawa Budget.**

Ottawa, March 8.—(Special.)—It is not expected that the division on the second reading of the Remedial Bill will take place until next week. Many members are anxious to speak, and there is a steady aversion to late sittings. In some quarters it is believed that the policy of delay has been adopted purposely in order to enable Mr. Greenway to close up the business of his Legislature and be free to visit Ottawa. This theory does not tally with those members who are advocating a policy of conciliation. If Mr. Greenway is to act at all, they desire him to keep his Legislature in session so that he may be in a position to show that he is in earnest. A prominent Conservative politician, who is a close friend of the Ministers, informs the writer that Mr. Greenway will not be asked to come to Ottawa, but that the Remedial Bill will be steadily proceeded with. After the second reading is carried, and Mr. Greenway has then a proposition to submit, a member of the Government and Sir Donald Smith will then be commissioned to proceed to Winnipeg and confer with the Provincial Government and Archbishop Langevin.

**Fast Atlantic Service.**

Messrs. Henry Allan of Glasgow and A. A. Allan of Montreal are in town, and have had interviews with Sir Chas. Tupper and Mr. Ives in reference to the fast Atlantic service. It is expected that the Allans will make a great bid for the contract for the fast line.

**Promoters Strike a Snag.**

An enterprise which threatened to be a great rival to the Canadian Pacific Railway has probably received its quietus. The British Pacific Ry. was projected to run from Victoria, B.C., north to the head of Vancouver Island, thence across Seymour Narrows to the mainland, over the Rockies, via Yellow Head Pass, thence through the Territories to the southern boundary of Manitoba, where it would tap a United States system of railways. The promoters, who are nearly all Victoria men, had succeeded in getting the necessary capital—six millions—in London and Amsterdam, conditional on the British Columbia Government guaranteeing the bonds of the company at 4 per cent. for a term of years. To-day telegrams were received here stating that the Provincial Government refused to give the guarantee, which means that the enterprise cannot be proceeded with.

**Ore From Johannesburg.**

A very interesting collection of ore has been received at the Geological Survey by Dr. Dawson, director. It is a sample of auriferous ore from Johannesburg, having been taken from the Ferriera Mine at that place. The ore differs from all other that is worked for gold, and will be of special value to the geologists in the survey for the purposes of comparison. It is a conglomerate formation, highly solidified.

**The Supply of Ammunition.**

Capt. Gaudet, superintendent of the Quebec Cartridge Factory, who has just returned from England, is making alterations at the factory for the introduction of more 303 ammunition machinery. This ammunition question becomes more important with the adoption of a new rifle. It is said that there is but a very small quantity of 303 ball cartridge in the country, and the capacity of the one factory to turn out enough for this year's musketry instruction, etc., is doubted. Other than the addition to the present machinery, it is believed that no steps are being taken towards further augmenting the manufacturing facilities in this country, and a supply may have to be obtained from England.

**Musketry Instruction.**

As musketry instruction is to be a special feature of volunteer drill in future, those at present in training in the school for positions as instructors are expected to become more proficient in this branch that they may better teach the young idea how to shoot.

**Col. Blair Has Resigned.**

Col. W. M. Blair, superintendent of the Government experimental farm at Nappan, N.S., has resigned, and will be succeeded by George W. Forrest, ex-M.L.A., and a leading farmer of Amherst. Mr. Blair, who has been superintendent of the farm since its inception in 1888, has been advised to discontinue active work for a time on account of ill-health.

**Short on the Pastor's Stipend.**

Rev. Walter Witten of Emmanuel Reformed Episcopal Church has tendered his resignation. It is a question of the church being able to sustain the present salary, which is the same as was agreed upon when Mr. Witten was first engaged, and as the pastor realizes that the church cannot carry the burden without very serious inconveniences, he has thought it wise to resign.

**Some Interesting General Notes.**

Ottawa is to be visited to-morrow by the colonel and 25 officers of the 21st Regiment of United States Infantry, now located at Plattsburg.

The new sawmills at Whitney, on the Parry Sound Railway, will be opened up about the middle of next month. They will have a capacity of 200,000 feet per ten hours, and will employ about 500 or 600 men steady throughout the season.

The promoters of the Kingston, Smith's Falls and Ottawa Railway will ask at the present session for an extension of time.

Rev. Dr. Snyder, J. E. Rebstosh of Crystal Beach, Welland County; J. E. Klotz, Preston; Dr. Glasgow of Welland, and others, are seeking incorporation as the International Assembly, limited, to push Crystal Beach as a summer resort and as a school of learning.

To-morrow will probably be the last private members' day this session. Mr. McNeill's motion endorsing the Hofmeyer scheme of preferential trade is the first order, and Mr. McNeill is ready to proceed with it.

Mr. Daly will resume the Remedial bill debate on Tuesday, and he will be followed by Mr. Mills of Bothwell, whose utterances will, to say the least, be instructive.

Mr. Catellier, Under Secretary of State, has been granted two months' leave of absence, preparatory to his superannuation. Mr. Joseph Pope, for many years private secretary to Sir John Macdonald, will be his successor.

"Salada" Ceylon Tea is Cheap.

*HON. DR. MONTAGUE ACTS.*

**The Minister of Agriculture Intends to Protect the Canadian Horse Trade.**

London, March 8.—Hon. W.H. Montague, Canadian Minister of Agriculture, who is now in this city, has been informed of the arrival in England of a number of American horses that were suffering from glanders. He has cabled to Ottawa asking that all horses exported from the Dominion be subjected to a veterinary examination.

How to Punch the Bag, illustrated: The Harold A. Wilson Co., Ltd., 35 King-street west.

## THREE CHILDREN BURNED.

**Terrible Affair Near Penetanguishene on Saturday—Evidently the Result of Youngsters Playing With Fire.**

Penetanguishene, March 7.—A fatal fire took place this morning on the opposite side of the bay here, in which three children were burned to death. The father had gone away to work, and the mother locked the three children in the house and went off to her mother's on some errand, and it is supposed that the children must have been playing with the stove and set fire to the house. An Indian, who was first to see the smoke issuing from the house, ran to it, and finding the door locked, was afraid to break it in, and the roof fell in before the door was opened. When the neighbors came they could hear the children crying, but could not get near them. The youngest one was burned to a crisp, and the others were nearly all gone, nothing but the bodies being left. The house was an old one and very dry, and burned rapidly. No insurance.

Later—The name of the man whose children were burned to death on Saturday morning is William Beausoleil. The eldest child, a girl, was 6 years of age, the next was 4 and the youngest was between 1 and 2 years old.

## PREMIER CANOVAS SPEAKS

**Again a Foreign Dignitary Uses Joe Pulitzer as His Mouthpiece—The Situation in Cuba Described.**

New York, March 8.—Joseph Pulitzer has scored again. He publishes a cablegram from Prime Minister Canovas of Spain on the position of the United States regarding Cuba. Among other things Senor Canovas says:

"We have as yet no official notification of the intentions of the American Government, and cannot, therefore, take cognizance of, or protest by note against, any of the proceedings of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States. We have taken no official notice whatever of the proceedings and speeches in Washington during the past week. Nor have we sounded the European powers or courts regarding their support in any form. All we have done is to show to the American Government and to Minister Taylor that we have endeavored to enforce respect for the American legation and consulate, repressing so sternly the disturbances that we have ordered the Madrid, Granada, Barcelona and Valencia Universities closed, and we will close all universities, schools and establishments whose students dare to make demonstrations hostile to the United States. We will send to prison and prompt trial all the authors and promoters of such disturbances. We believe they are prompted by the advanced Republicans.

"Nothing will be omitted on our side to show our desire to preserve cordial relations with America. And I am convinced that we possess sufficient means to quell any hostile demonstrations. The Government of Spain regrets and has made all the amends possible for the manifestation already made of the indignation which the speeches at Washington naturally excited among the ever-loyal people of Spain.

"The situation now is one of extreme delicacy. Indeed, I cannot define how far it is possible for the Government of Spain to permit amicable and careful mediation of a foreign power, however honorable and disinterested it may be, without incurring the grave risk of being accused of submitting to outside interference, pressure and dictation in the midst of a civil war.

"The only new and seemingly warlike preparations yet made by Spain are made simply with a view to equipping a fleet of warships and transatlantic steamers to chase filibusterers and to guard the coasts of Cuba. That is the sole object in view. Gen. Weyler having said that he has had enough troops, only the usual reliefs will be sent to Cuba until autumn, and no naval demonstration is contemplated.

"The misapprehension concerning Gen. Weyler's character and methods as a soldier originated in a misstatement of facts in his career and of his assignments and instructions. Both in Cuba twenty years ago and in the Philippine Islands since then Weyler has only carried out the orders of his chiefs.

"I am determined to carry out the administrative political reforms already voted by the Cortes as soon as the pacification of the island permits, and even such economical tariff reforms as may be consistent with the interests of both the colony and the mother country. But it is impossible to attempt reforms during a civil war or under any foreign pressure in the present condition of the island."

*JOSEPH CUMMINGS' AWFUL FATE.*

**Suffering From Leprosy, Believed to Have Been Contracted in New York.**

New York, March 8.—Joseph Cummings, 54 years old, applied on February 25 for admission to the Presbyterian Hospital, saying that he desired to be treated for a skin disease which had been troubling him for about eighteen months. As the symptoms were those of leprosy the hospital authorities notified the Health Department, and another examination was made. As a result of this Cummings was removed on March 3 to the reception hospital at the foot of East Sixteenth-street and subjected to still another examination. This left no room for doubt as to the real character of the disease, and Cummings was sent to New York's Molokai, on North Brother Island, where he will probably spend the remainder of his life.

Cummings' case is almost unprecedented, because he is an American, and because, to all appearance, he must have contracted the disease in this city. He is a cook and has been employed in several restaurants here. The Health Department refuses to give the names of his employers or his home address, on the ground that the disclosure would cause needless alarm. Cummings is married and has one child.

*JACK KETCH TURNS FARMER.*

**George Maledon Was the Champion Hangman of the World.**

Independence, Kan., March 8.—Geo. Maledon, the world's champion hangman, has retired from his gruesome business with a competency and bought a farm near this place, on which to pass the remainder of his days. His residence was Fort Smith, Ark.

The victims of his skill were those sentenced to death by Judge Parker, of the United States Court in that city, who has the distinction of having imposed more death sentences than any other judge in the United States, or, perhaps, in the world.

Maledon is a short, heavy-set, dark-complexioned man and a veteran of the war. He says his conscience has never troubled him in the least, and that he quits the business simply because he is getting old and can afford now to live a quiet domestic life.

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## A COALITION IN QUEBEC.

*AGAIN THE RUMOR IS THAT ONE WILL BE FORMED,*

**But Premier Taillon is Opposed to it—How it Works in Montreal's Civic Control—Mr. Perrault's Case Against the Stonecutters' Union Grows Interesting—The Remedial Bill.**

Montreal, March 8.—(Special.)—There is considerable excitement here in local political circles over a rumor that has received more or less credence to the effect that two members at least of the Taillon Ministry have for some time past favored a coalition with leading members of the Opposition, Hon. Felix Marchand being one of the number, for the purpose of carrying on the government of the province on non-political lines. Your correspondent has made enquiries in this matter, and it is not likely that the Ministers themselves have made any move in the direction indicated above, but it seems to be accepted by all who know anything of what is going on in the provincial capital that a good many outside, yet very influential, members of the party are moving heaven and earth to bring about such a union of forces. They hold that a man in Ontario may support Sir Oliver Mowat in provincial politics, yet, when the Dominion elections come round the same elector casts his ballot for the Liberal-Conservative Ministry. Party, they add, is ruining Quebec, and an effort is being made to run the Local Government on other than Liberal and Conservative lines.

**Mr. Taillon Opposed to it.**

Your correspondent has, however, been informed that Hon. Mr. Taillon and a good number of his supporters are totally opposed to any such change in the administration of public affairs. This class affirm that Liberals and Conservatives of influence in the Montreal City Council unite and plunder the taxpayers simply because the newspapers do not watch them, and a coalition at Quebec would be followed by exactly the same result, viz., the introduction of a boodle reign that would pale anything that was ever experienced during the Mercier regime. It will be remembered that Hon. Messrs. Chapleau and Mercier favored the coalition idea a good many years ago, but they were not very strongly backed up by their respective parties, so the matter dropped until three years ago. When Hon. Mr. Taillon succeeded Premier De Boucherville, certain gentlemen again mooted the question, but once more their efforts proved abortive, and it is not likely that any considerable change has taken place in public opinion since that time.

**An Interesting Labor Union Case.**

A case will be pleaded here on the 15th of the month before the Court of Appeals that cannot but interest the whole Dominion. This is the now cause celebre of Perrault v. the Stonecutters' nion. Mr. Phileas Lanctot representing the plaintiff, while Messrs. Geoffrion and Auge, Q.C.'s, represent the defence. Mr. Perrault, who did not see fit to join the society in question, was a good workman, had splendid certificates from his patrons, and, although formerly he had no trouble in earning from $3 to $3.50 per day, work was now refused him by the city contractors, who were threatened with a boycott by members of the union. Finding it impossible to work at his trade, Perrault went to quarry stone at St. Martin, but he was soon discovered and forced out of the business. He continued along for two years, during which members of the union approached him and promised him peace and a good job if he would give up the fight and join the society. Perrault applied to the courts instead. He, however, lost his case before Mr. Justice Davidson; but, going to review, Hon. Judges Jette, Mathieu and Tellier gave him a verdict, with nominal damages and an injunction from further coercion on the part of the union. The Stonecutters' Union determined, however, to make a test case, and carried it to the Queen's Bench, and your correspondent learns that there is every probability of it being taken to the Privy Council. The result will be of interest to all who perform and employ labor. Which-ever way the case may go, a precedent will be created that may be followed in other countries. As for the union, their case is being supported by funds from all the trade unions of Canada, and even from the United States, and appeals are also being made in Perrault's behalf, as all appear to be anxious to have the exact rights of the unions defined.

**The Manitoba School Case.**

La Presse, which supports quite vigorously the Ministerial policy with regard to the Manitoba schools, complains very bitterly as to the conduct of the Ontario members who oppose the Remedial Bill, and declares that the French Conservatives have been too loyal to receive such treatment from their Ontario allies.

La Patrie pronounces itself favorable to Major Sam Hughes' national school resolution.

**Travelers Want Cheaper Fares.**

Messrs. B. Orr, J. E. Black, James Sargant and M. C. Ellis of Toronto, J. Lachance, H. Wright and W. Reid of Hamilton, and Messrs. Johnson and Burns of Winnipeg will wait on the Canadian Pacific officials to-morrow and ask for the Northwestern Commercial Travelers a reduction on certain portions of the company's line from 3 to 2 1-2 cents. The visitors were entertained yesterday at the St. James' Club by President Massey and others of the Travelers' Association of this city, who will support their western confreres in their request to-morrow.

**Mr. Henry Starnes' Successor.**

It looks as if there might be trouble in the selection of the successor of the Hon. Henry Starnes in the Legislative Council. Hon. Mr. Taillon, so it is said, favors the appointment of Mr. Gustave Lamothe, advocate, of Montreal, while others of the Ministers seek the appointment of Mr. F. Benoit.

*GRIFFIN WAS IN GREAT LUCK.*

**He Lost His $2500 Wad in Montreal, But is Now Rejoicing**

Monfreal, March 8.—(Special.)—Ed Griffin, who sold his farm near Truro, N.S., arrived here Friday en route for the West, and, with $2500 stitched in the lining of an inside coat, went out to see the town. He became sleepy in an East End saloon, and, using his coat for a pillow, went to sleep. Griffin awoke to find his coat and the price of his farm non est. Detective Joe Kelleri of the Metropolitan Bureau, took up the case and found that the garment had been sold to a second-hand dealer for 75 cents, buying it back for $1. The Nova Scotian's little fortune was found intact, and he went on his way rejoicing.

Pember's hair dressing establishment 127 and 129 Yonge.

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**Springtime Evils.**

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## HOW GREENWAY PUTS IT.

*FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MAY PUSH THE BILL ALONG.*

**But He Does Not Think They Could Push it on to Manitoba—Sees Nothing Can Result From a Conference and Has Had No Invitation From Ottawa.**

Winnipeg, March 8.—(Special.)—In conversation this evening with one of his supporters in the Legislature, Premier Greenway said he had not yet been invited by the Ottawa Government to confer with them, and Mgr. Langevin on the school question, and did not expect to receive such an invitation.

Mr. Greenway further said he hoped for no good from such a conference, if it were held. The Manitoba Government has already intimated a willingnes sto redress any grievances which were shown after enquiry into all the facts, to exist. They would go no further. If the Federal Government and Mgr. Langevin would not accept this proposition, but consider the Remedial Bill a good thing then, he presumed, they would push it along, but he didn't think they would push it on to Manitoba.

*WORK OF A NEWSPAPER FAKIR.*

**Has He Been Sending Imitation Bombs to Armour to Get "Scoop"?**

Chicago, March 8.—The employes of the Hyde Park postal station last evening discovered a supposed dynamite bomb concealed in a small pasteboard box addressed to F. D. Armour. Should the box prove to contain deadly explosives its mailing will constitute the fourth unsuccessful attempt that has been made to kill or seriously injure Mr. Armour, and in each instance the United States mail will have the means of discovering the character of the missives. It is believed the box was mailed by an enterprising fakir doing newspaper work, and who was playing for a "scoop."

*A GHASTLY FIND IN CHICAGO.*

**The Chopped Bodies of a Man and an Infant Thrown into a Barrel.**

Chicago, March 8.—The body of a man chopped to pieces, together with that of an infant with its skull crushed, was found in a barrel in the alley at the rear of 4828 Prairie-avenue this afternoon. As soon as the police were summoned they sent the barrel to the Hyde Park Morgue, where it was found to contain the remains of a man about 50 years old and a male infant about 10 days old. The body of the man was fearfully mutilated. The head was taken off and two holes had been bored in the skull with an auger. The right leg was cut off at the knee, and two toes from the foot of the same leg had been apparently severed with a cleaver. The right arm was pulled out of its socket, the left foot was sawed off at the ankle, and the fingers from the left hand were missing.

The body of the infant was not marred, except the skull, which had been fractured by a blow.

The bodies are badly decomposed, and the killing must have been done at least two weeks ago. Where the flesh was sawed and torn it had turned black. No articles of clothing were found, except a homespun shirt, which, together with some cotton padding, was wrapped around the head and shoulders of the man. A physician examined the bodies to-night, and said the dissecting could not have been done by a medical student, no matter how inexperienced, and it is almost assured that murder was committed.

The Science of Boxing, by Mike Donovan. The Harold A. Wilson Co., Ltd., 35 King-street West.

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## SALVATION ARMY WAR RAGES.

**Factions Try to Transfer Property in Peace—Contest for Recruits Goes on in Many Cities.**

New York, March 8.—"We are rather pleased that at last Ballington Booth has revealed his intentions to start an independent movement," said Col. Nicol of the Salvation Army yesterday. "It clears the atmosphere and is a great gain to the army. It shows the completeness of his separation from the movement which gave him such prestige in influence. He has gone the way of most ex-officers who have broken their pledge for personal considerations."

Representatives of both factions met yesterday to arrange for the formal transfer of the property held by Ballington Booth to the regular army. The deeds, however, cannot be recorded until a permanent commander for this country is appointed. Although Booth-Tucker and his wife have been named in cable orders, the necessary commissions cannot be made out and legal requirements complied with until the arrival of Gen. William Booth in London next Saturday from Bombay. He may appoint some one else. A visit of Gen. Booth to America is not improbable.

The Bowery corps, barred out of Cooper Union by Ballington Booth's determination to use the hall for his own forces Sunday night, will hold its meeting in the barracks just across the street.

Preparations are being made for a grand tour of the English officers around the country to head off the secessions to Ballington Booth's new movement. Col. Nicol will attend a conference of Mississippi Valley officers next week at Peoria, Ill. Miss Eva Booth will be in Buffalo to-morrow. Brigadier Koppel has telegraphed that the Pacific coast army is standing firm.

Ballington Booth is hard at work planning his organization and will issue an announcement in a few days. Half the corps at Orange resigned yesterday to join him. Capt Patty Watkins of Newark will resign to-morrow. All her own corps No. 1 and nearly all corps No. 2 have seceded.

Commissioner Carlton and several officers from New York made a vain attempt last night at a secret meeting in Newark to get the soldiers back in line.

**Cordial Greeting to Ballington.**

Mr. and Mrs. Ballington Booth addressed an immense audience at Cooper Union tonight. It was one of the largest gatherings ever held in the building. A few minutes after the doors were opened there was not a unoccupied seat in the hall, and it is estimated that five thousand people were turned away. At 8 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Booth appeared on the stage, and the crowd fairly went wild with enthusiasm. Hats, handkerchiefs, flags, canes and bonnets were waved, and the audience cheered and shouted for fully 15 minutes without ceasing. During this time Mr. Booth stood with bowed head, while Mrs. Booth knelt in prayer.

Some one shouted: "Three cheers for our American commander." The cheers were given and for another interval of 10 minutes the crowd gave vent to its enthusiasm. Cheer after cheer was given for Mr. and Mrs. Booth.

Mr. Booth then led in prayer, and at its conclusion spoke at some length. He ended by saying: "We do not intend to enter into any battle or strife with the Salvation Army. We want no fight." Mrs. Booth spoke briefly, and was cheered enthusiastically. Mr. Booth said in an interview that the name of the new movement had not been chosen.

**Eva Holds Forth in Buffalo.**

Buffalo, March 8.—Commissioner Eva Booth addressed crowded audiences in Music Hall afternoon and evening, in which she spoke tenderly of her brother, Ballington, while making an impassioned plea for the principles on which the Salvation Army is founded. "My position as your leader," she said, "my position as a sister of your late commander, with the strong love of sisterhood still burning in my bosom, may fain cause me to refrain from speaking one word on this painful subject, except those I could breathe in the breath of prayer when I kneel down at my Master's feet." Miss Booth will be in the city over Monday.

*CANADIAN HORSES LEAD.*

**Interesting Facts Shown From the Trade Returns of Great Britain.**

New York, March 8.—A table of the horse trade of Great Britain shows that the importation of horses during 1894 numbered 23,106 head, of which 5424 were from Canada, that colony supplying more than any other country, the United States, Germany and Russia following in the order named.

In 1895, the imports of horses reached 34,147, and the Dominion led again, furnishing 12,908. There were but few from Russia, while there was a considerable decrease from Germany and from the United States there were 10,351, as compared with 4823 the preceding year.

**Mr. Haigh Goes to the C.T.R.**

Buffalo, March 7.—Charles J. Haigh, manager of the Commercial Express Line, will accept service again with the Grand Trunk at Montreal.

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**Steamship Arrivals.**

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## A MECCA FOR FIREBUGS

*HOW THE TOWN OF NORWICH SUFFERED WITH INCENDIARIES.*

**Provincial Detective Murray Prosecuted an Inquiry Which Developed Many Peculiar Things and May Lead to Important Arrests—Fires Which Seemed to Warn the Insurance Companies Against the Town.**

Government Detective John W. Murray returned to the city on Saturday night from Norwich, where he has been prosecuting an inquiry regarding a number of fires that have recently taken place in that town under circumstances so suspicious that it is with difficulty that the insurance companies can be prevailed upon to accept a risk in the locality. Therefore, a committee of prominent townspeople asked an investigation.

The first fire enquired into took place on June 14 last, at the jewelry store of W. E. Cobart. The evidence went to show that Cobart, who is a young man, purchased his stock and business about two years ago from G. C. Sutton, agreeing to pay $450 for same. Since that time it would only appear that he had bought $200 worth of new stock. Still his stock book showed $1500, and on that he secured $1000 insurance. When his premises were burned he was hard up, and, in addition to what he owed Mr. Sutton, he was behind a year's rent. The fire started shortly after midnight in a hall above the store, Cobart being custodian of the hall key. When Cobart arrived on the scene he appeared to be unconcerned, and made no effort to save his stock, but the neighbors took out the show case. Cobart's books were kept in a peculiar manner.

**The Mysterious Panter Fire.**

Early on the morning of the 14th September, 1895, J. C. Panter's grocery store was the scene of a suspicious fire. Panter went into business about three years ago with a $300 stock, on which he carried $600 insurance. His creditors bothered him, and he had a bailiff in possession. His store was fired at the rear, and when the blaze was discovered it was in a pile of kindling wood, which the witnesses swore was as big as a hundred-weight of hay. Panter was summoned, and, although he states that he was undressed and in bed when he was called, the witness who aroused him said that in less than a minute from the time he knocked at the door Panter appeared, fully dressed. On the day previous to the fire Panter received a consignment of five chests of tea. He moved into another store soon after the fire, and the insurance people claimed that he had five packages of tea that had been put in the claim for damages.

**The Vaporator Vaporated.**

Charles K. Graham conducted a vaporator, his brother, who resides at Belleville, being largely interested in the concern. Mr. Graham had an insurance of $9000 on stock and plant. Business was not as good as it might have been, and early on the morning of Sept. 24, 1894, the place was burned. A fire started in it the previous evening, but it was put out. The evidence of several witnesses flatly contradicted Graham's story of his movements during the few hours before the fire.

**The Other Mysterious Blazes.**

Solomon Allen's sugar factory was a large establishment, which had been doing a good business for many years. When Mr. Allen was in Montreal on Dec. 21, 1895, the factory was burned down. Mr. Allen was a loser by the conflagration, and he has no doubt in his own mind that the fire was the work of an incendiary.

A general store kept by Miller & Hewlett was the scene of an apparently incendiary blaze on Feb. 9, 1895. The firm had been in business about two years. It had $5000 capital and an insurance of $7000. The fire occurred on Sunday night, and was discovered by a school teacher named Roberts, who went to Miller's house and told him of it. Miller said he had no key to the store, so Roberts rushed to Hewlett's house, afterwards returning to the fire, followed by Hewlett, who had a key. When Roberts arrived he saw Miller come out of the store and lock the door and refuse the firemen admittance, on the plea that he had no key.

An entrance was forced, and it was found that the blaze had been started underneath some stairs at the rear. Insurance amounted to $2100 on stock and $2000 on building, all of which was paid over.

The Coroner has not yet given any verdict in the case, but it is expected that some arrests will follow. The enquiry lasted about five days.

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## THE QUEEN'S OWN RIFLES

*COL. HAMILTON LIKELY TO RETIRE RETAINING RANK.*

**Minister Desjardins and Major-General Gascoigne Have Been Looking Into the Affairs of the Battalion, Although No Formal Request Has Been Received at Ottawa—A Recommendation Made.**

Ottawa, March 8.—(Special.)—Although it is quite time that a formal request for an investigation into the friction said to be existing among the officers of the Queen's Own Rifles has not been made, it is none the less true that Minister Desjardins and General Gascoigne have been looking into the affairs of the battalion. The General informed me yesterday that he had made a recommendation in the matter, which, if acted upon, he thought would restore harmony in the regiment. A prominent military member of the House, who knows something of Queen's Own affairs, says that it is likely Col. Hamilton will retire, retaining rank.

*STRICKEN WHILE ON THE STREET.*

**Mrs. Noble of Hamilton Bursts a Blood Vessel and Paralysis Follows.**

Hamilton, March 8.—(Special.)—Mrs. Noble, wife of William Noble, proprietor of the Palace Saloon, took a paralytic stroke this evening, and her recovery was at a late hour to-night despaired of. She left home about 7 o'clock, proceeding up King-street, and opposite the Dominion Hotel fell. P.C.'s Clark and Johnson conveyed her in the ambulance to her home, where it was discovered she had burst a blood vessel. Her right side is also paralyzed.

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**DEATHS.**

DALEY—On March 7th, 1896, at 251 Chestnut-street, Mary Jane Hall, beloved wife of James B. Daley, aged 28 years.

Funeral on Monday, the 9th inst., at 4 p.m., to St. James' Cemetery. Member of Erin Lodge, No. 52, Lady True Blues.

KING—On Saturday, the 7th of March, Thomas A. King, veterinary surgeon, aged 31 years.

Funeral on Monday, the 9th inst., at 2 o'clock, from H. Ellis' undertaking establishment, 283 College-street, to the Necropolis.

Brampton papers please copy.

REDFORD—At his late residence, 226 Broadview-avenue, Joseph Redford, sr., late of the 47th Foot, Crimean veteran, in his 70th year.

Funeral from the residence of his son, 228 Broadview-avenue, on Tuesday, March 10th, at 3 p.m.

ROSS—On Friday, March 6th, at 39 Madison-avenue, the residence of her son-in-law, J. C. Grace, Mary Ross, widow of the late John Ross of Scotland, and mother of James Ross, C.E., of Montreal.

Interment at Montreal.

SMITH—On the 8th inst., at her late residence, 269 Broadview-avenue, Toronto, Mary, widow of the late John Smith, aged 75 years.

Funeral private. Tuesday, 10th inst., at 3 o'clock to St. James' Cemetery. No flowers.

SHAW—At Vancouver, B.C., on the 7th inst., of inflammation of the brain, Charles W. Shaw, youngest son of the late John Shaw of Toronto, aged 30 years.

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PROBS: Generally fair; little change in temperature.