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LATEST EGYPTIAN NEWS.

INDEPENDENCE OF EGYPT FROM TURKISH RULE SUGGESTED.

Escape of Midhat Pasha—Resignation of Grand Vizier—Proposed Taxation of Foreign Merchants—Joint Control System—Recruiting in Berne.

LONDON, Oct. 9.—All the powers except France and Russia approve the plan proposed by England for abolishing joint control in Egypt.

BREACH BETWEEN SULTAN AND THE KHEDIVE.

A Vienna dispatch says the breach between the sultan and the khedive is widening and seems likely to lead to open rupture. The sultan has forbidden recruiting for the khedive's body guard.

ESCAPE OF MIDHAT PASHA.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 9—It is reported that Midhat Pasha has escaped from exile at Taif, Arabia, and fled to India.

RESIGNATION OF THE GRAND VIZIER.

It is reported that the grand vizier has offered his resignation to the sultan unless the porte adopts a policy of reform and maintains the entente cordiale with England and France.

PROPOSED TAX ON FOREIGN MERCHANTS.

All the powers except England, Russia and France are agreed upon the principle of the license tax which the porte proposes to levy upon foreigners doing business in Turkey.

TURKISH INTERVENTION CONDEMNED.

CAIRO, Oct. 9—Sultan Pasha, president of the chamber of notables, thinks that Turkish intervention in Egypt would mean anarchy. He maintains that the cost of the joint control is extravagant and £400,000 might be saved annually by the substitution of efficient native officials. He admits that the mass of the population are unfit for representative government.

PROPOSED INDEPENDENCE OF EGYPT.

ALEXANDRIA, Oct. 9.—A movement is on foot at Cairo to convene the chamber of notables and proclaim the entire independence of Egypt by withdrawing the annual tribute now paid to Turkey.

JUNE MASSACRE COMMITTEE.

The committee appointed by the khedive to inquire into the June outrages here, held their first sitting to-day. Another committee is sitting at Tantah with closed doors, investigating the outrages committed in other parts of Egypt.

JOINT CONTROL QUESTION.

PARIS, Oct. 9.—The Republique Française refuses to believe that the British foreign minister will set aside the Egyptian control without consulting France.

RECRUITING FOR THE GENDARMERIE.

GENEVA, Oct. 9.—Recruiting for the Egyptian gendarmerie is still proceeding at Berne, but the federal council will probably forbid it, as a breach of international law.

NOTES.

A shell burst yesterday at Gabari, wounding four natives.

Major Phipps' Extradition Case.

HAMILTON, Oct. 9.—It is said that Major Phipps, of Philadelphia, has friends and money in plenty; that they will not rest contented to see him go back to Philadelphia until every expedient of the law is exhausted. After the county judge has his say (if the decision is adverse) it may be taken to the single judge of the superior court trying appeals on Tuesdays and Fridays; then to the court of appeal, which comprises four judges of the superior court. If they determine that the major must go, then the case may be taken to the supreme court, and if the same decision is there rendered, and if Mr. Phipps and his backers are not satisfied, the appeal may be laid at the foot of the throne.

A Buggy Accident in Ridgeway.

RIDGEWAY, Ont., Oct 9—This afternoon as William Johnston, a farmer from near Stevensville, and a man named Fretz, both very much intoxicated, were returning from Fort Erie, driving at a furious rate, trying to pass another team, Johnston fell over on the waggon and his head coming in contact with the wheel was battered to a jelly. No hopes are entertained of his recovery.

The Longford Mills Boiler Explosion.

LONGFORD MILLS, Oct. 9—An inquest was held here on Saturday on the bodies of F. Gray and E. Ellis who were killed at the boiler explosion at R. C. Smith's mill. The jury returned a verdict that the deceased came to their deaths from the explosion of the boiler caused by the carelessness of the engineer in neglecting to open the check valve, connecting the said boiler with the safety valve.

Sunday Liquor Selling in New York.

NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—Justice Otterburg declared in court yesterday that the authorities know perfectly well places in which the Sunday laws are violated, but they only arrested those liquor sellers who are not able to secure police protection. A general closing of bar-rooms by the police yesterday caused some excitement.

Down on 'The Creation"

LONDON, Ont., Oct. 9.—In the Queen's avenue Methodist church last night one of the soloists sang "With Verdure Clad," from "The Creation." As the pastor, Rev. Leo Gaetz, arose to give out the following hymn, he created a sensation by remarking, "we will now resume the worship of God." The affair has created a great deal of talk in religious circles.

A Fight With Bold Burglars.

TOLEDO, Oct. 9.—A terrible fight took place last night between James Fitzgerald and three masked burglars who entered his house. One burglar was badly wounded. Fitzgerald was bound, gagged and left in a dying condition. The thieves secured $300 and escaped.

A Strike of Colliers Anticipated.

ROTHERHAM, Eng., Oct 9.—The conference of delegates representing 28,000 colliers resolved that notices to the employers for an advance of 15 per cent be given next week. The masters, on Friday, refused to grant the advance. It is probable a strike will be ordered.

Italy's Foreign Relations.

ROME, Oct 9.—Depretis, prime minister, in addressing his constituents at Stradella, said that Italy always remained faithful to the concert of the powers. Regarding France, all traces of recent events would be effaced. The approaching mutual appointment of ambassadors would seal reciprocal good feeling between the two countries. The relations of Italy with England would be excellent.

FIRES.

ST. JOHN, N.B., Oct. 9—At Shogamogue, York county, a steam sawmill, owned by John Marks, of St. Stephen, and occupied by James Murchie and sons, was burned to-day, loss $4000.

A STEAMER LOST.

Nearly Three Hundred Passengers on Board—All Saved.

ST. JOHN, N B, Oct 9.—The German steamer Herder, from New York, October 5, for Hamburg, with 288 passengers, was lost near Cape Race last night. All hands are saved.

The Herder left New York on Thursday last and experienced fine weather till yesterday evening, when a dense fog set in and it became necessary to take precautions to avoid accidents, and no danger was apprehended until 2 o'clock this morning, when the ship suddenly, and before the officers were aware of her proximity to land, ran on the rocks. The passengers were perfectly cool, and all were landed safely at daylight in the ship's eight boats. They are now in huts made of the sails saved from the wreck, there being only two houses at Long Beach. The steamer Neptune with a large supply of provisions left here this evening to assist the shipwrecked people, and they are expected here to-morrow night. Only a small portion of the ship's stores were saved. The passengers speak in the highest terms of the conduct of the Herder's officers. The baggage and all mails were saved. The vessel lies across a small cove with the starboard side completely under water. It is believed some of her cargo can be saved.

NEW YORK, Oct 9.—The steamer Herder, lost near Cape Race, had 39 cabin and 94 steerage passengers and crew about 100. She was a 3500 ton vessel. Up to 2 o'clock no further particulars of the disaster were received by the agents here, but they express confidence in the officers, and feel assured that the passengers will be well taken care of.

The steamer was thoroughly overhauled in July at an expense of $250,000, and her value was $370,000. She carried a cargo worth over $100,000. She had $8000 in coin.

PERSONAL.

Hon. P. Garneau is in Ottawa.

Archdeacon Lauder will return to Ottawa next month.

Mr. Tasse, M.P., and Mr. Ouimet, M.P., are at present in Ottawa.

Mr. Houde, M.P., has shown signs of improvement, which gives hope that he will recover.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

It is rumored that Folger will tender his resignation at the cabinet meeting at New York to-day.

There were forty-eight new cases of yellow fever at Pensacola yesterday and five deaths.

OBITUARY.

The Rev. Ashton Fletcher, a superannuated minister of the Canada Methodist church, died on Sunday, at a ripe age. He has been residing for the last few years with his son-in-law, Dr. Fife at Peterboro'.

A Curious Law Point.

HAMILTON, Oct. 9—A curious point in law on voters' lists came before Judge Sinclair at Stoney Creek to-day. A young young man named Marshall Hopkins asked to be put on the list as a farmer's son. It came out during the examination that Marshall is living on a farm which is owned and run by his mother, who is separated and living apart from his father. The question then arose, "Is the woman a farmer for the purposes of the voters' list act?" It appears that by the terms of a will or deed of separation the farm is owned by the mother and an elder son jointly. Decision reserved.

Eight Times Convicted for Murder.

DALLAS, Tex., Oct 9.—Andrew Walker was to-day convicted of the murder of Green Butler, Galveston co., ten years ago and sentenced to be hanged. This is the eighth time he has been convicted. He escaped the result of previous convictions through the court of appeal, when the decisions against him were reversed. He has powerful money influence on his behalf.

Railway Collision near Columbus, O.

COLUMBUS, O., Oct. 9.—By the breaking of a part of a freight train three miles west of here this morning a collision occurred with an incoming passenger train on the Little Miami railroad. Five cars and the locomotive were badly damaged. Loss fully $10,000. An unknown tramp was found buried in the wreck to-day. He was badly cut up. He was about fifty years old.

Strike of Masons at St. Catharines.

ST. CATHARINES, Oct. 9.—The masons employed on Mr. Neelon's new flour mill in this city and on Dolan & Co.'s cotton mill in Merritton struck for higher wages this morning. They were getting $2.75 per day and ask $3. The masons and bricklayers of this section formed a union last winter, which appears to be solid, as only two or three men have remained at work. The masons employed on the cotton mill have since resumed work, the contractors agreeing to pay the wages demanded.

Railway Pool Sellers.

LONG ISLAND CITY, Oct. 9—At the instance of the law and order society of Long Island and on warrants issued by Judge Gilbert of the superior court, Anthony Comstock to-day raided the pool rooms at Hunter's Point and seized $15,000 worth of property and arrested three men.

Death of a Miser.

VINCENNES, Ind., Oct. 9—Joseph Frey, aged 60, a miser, who died here, had $4200 in greenbacks sewed in his shirt. The immediate cause of his death was eating green apples, which he got by walking into the country, thus saving the money he would have to spend for food.

Guiteau's Skull Stolen.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9—It is asserted that Guiteau's skull was stolen from a medical museum before the skeleton was mounted, and that another skull has been put in its place.

Murdered for Twenty-five Cents.

BERMUDA, Cuba, Oct 9.—Agnes Watkins spent 25 cents belonging to her lover without permission. A quarrel ensued and the girl was stabbed and killed. The murderer escaped.

Another Fatal Gas Accident.

BROOKLYN, Oct. 9—This morning Theodore Haskey and Wm. Haskey were found dead in bed at the Annex hotel. The room was filled with gas. It is supposed they blew out the gas when they retired last night.

Coal Mine Explosion.

WILKESBARRE, Oct. 9.—An explosion of gas occurred in the Mill Creek mine, Del., to-day. Several stoppings were blown out. Fortunately the miners were not at work at the time.

THE IRISH LAND LEAGUE.

PRIESTS PERMITTED TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.

Opposition by Archbishop McCabe—Davitt's Speech—Land League in America.

LONDON, Oct. 9—A correspondent writes that as a concession to the feeling of the catholic clergy throughout Ireland, all the bishops except Archbishop McCabe have extended a general permission to the priests in their respective dioceses to take part in the Mansion house evicted tenants aid movement, and in the new labor league and industrial union, founded by Parnell. The writer says that several minor church dignitaries consequently have become presidents of branches of the league, and will participate in the Dublin conference.

DAVITT'S SPEECH AT WEXFORD.

DUBLIN, Oct. 9.—Davitt, in a speech at Wexford yesterday, declared that the land league had inculcated principles which were eternal and indestructible, but he was disappointed at the outcome of the agitation. When the whole Irish race had rallied to the cry for the abolition of landlordism the league had by one tremendous sweep of government been arrested in its career. The government had been furnished with a pretext for the action by the outrages committed by some Irish people. Pleading for justice at Westminster, he said, was useless. The people should rely upon Irish determination to arraign landlordism before the civilized world as the cause of crime and disorder.

THE AMERICAN LAND LEAGUE.

NEW YORK, Oct. 9—At a meeting here yesterday, Dr. Wallace, president of the land league of America, said the land league as Patrick Ford wants it is dead, but the land league the way the people of Ireland want it is more alive now than it has been for two years. The stories of the league being rent by dissentions are untrue. The league is closing up its lines for battle. On the 17th of this month the league will proclaim what will be its new attitude in the struggle for Ireland and justice.

A NEW ORGANIZATION.

PITTSBURG, Oct. 9—A meeting held yesterday formed the nucleus of a new and more aggressive organization to take the place of the land league here.

PATRICK, FORD AND THE LEAGUE.

BUFFALO, Oct 9.—Jas Mooney, president of the National American land league, said to a reporter this morning: "The land league will not be affected in the least by the action of Patrick Ford, editor of the New York Irish World. True, Ford has has been doing good, but he has not been directly connected with the land league. He has received subscriptions through his office from personal interest in the cause and forwarded them to the secretary. Now that he has ceased to do this, the funds intended for the land league will probably pass through the hands of the various branches throughout the states." The principal trouble with Ford is that he objected to the withdrawal of the "no rent" manifesto issued when Parnell and others were arrested.

THE LAND LEAGUE NOT DEAD.

CENTRAL OFFICE, BUFFALO, Oct. 9—A public statement has been made from the central office that the land league is no longer in existence, which calls for our emphatic protest. The land league does exist and is doing just as good work for Ireland as at any time since it was organized. We should deserve the contempt of everyone whose sympathy we have won, should deserve the extinction of every hope that has been enkindled if we were now to grow discouraged or to withdraw when the work is but fairly begun. Our plan in all that has been done on this side of the Atlantic has been to follow those whom we recognize as guides, the leaders in Ireland, who being on the scene of action, know what is the best to be done. We have repeatedly pledged ourselves to uphold their hands, to acquiesce in their plans, not to dictate their policy, to furnish cheerfully and generously the aid without which they would be powerless to carry out their designs. It would gratify our enemies if we were now to abandon the struggle, to wantonly throw away the fruit of so much sacrifice and labor. This is no true friend of Ireland will for a moment think of. With Mr. Parnell at its head, the land league still lives, still promises hope and help for Ireland. Rally to its support, Irishmen, everywhere, who have ever believed in its purposes or generously helped in its struggle. Let no one mislead those who love Ireland into despondency or faintheartedness. Only those who sow disunion and distrust can retard the final triumph; hopeful and united, success is assured.

(Sgd.) JAMES MOONEY, president.
REV. LAWRENCE WALSH, treasurer.
JOHN J. HINES, secretary.
Central Council I. N. L. L. of America.

FOUND DEAD IN CHICAGO.

An Ex-Toronto Man's Mysterious End in the Chicago River.

CHICAGO, Oct. 8—James Hay Smith of Montreal, agent for a manufacturing firm there, was found dead in the river to-day. Yesterday he bought a ticket for St. Louis, and there is no reason to think it a case of suicide, and the evidence points to murder. He leaves a wife and child in Canada.

There are a few inaccuracies in the above despatch. James Hay Smith is a Toronto man. Sixteen years ago he was a bookkeeper in the Globe office, when he removed to San Francisco. After a protracted absence he returned to Toronto and married the eldest daughter of Mr. Walter Turnbull. His wife and two children are now in this city stopping at the house of her sister, Mrs. James Boomer of 46 Isabella street. She was to have joined her husband in Chicago the other day, but owing to a business engagement in St. Louis of Mr. Smith she did not then go. Deceased was the agent in Chicago of a San Francisco house, and he has a brother in the bank of Montreal at Montreal. A post mortem examination on his remains was held at Chicago yesterday morning and they are now on their way to this city. The first intimation Mrs. Smith heard of her husband's mysterious death was through a telegram from the Chicago police to Mr. Boomer. Further developments are anxiously awaited by the sorrowing widow.

Suicide of a Haldimand Farmer.

STROMNESS, Oct. 9—Yesterday about 4 o'clock Robert Bradford, a farmer of the township of Dunn, in the county of Haldimand, about two miles from here, while intoxicated committed suicide by shooting himself with a gun. He had yesterday threatened to blow his brains out on his brother-in-law refusing to go for liquor for him. The coroner was called, but thought an inquest unnecessary. He leaves a wife and one child.

PINK DOMINOES DELIGHTFUL.

A Good Bill of Amusement by the Laughable Lingards.

A very fair audience attended the performance of Pink Dominoes at the Royal opera house last night by the Lingards—Alice Dunning and William Horace. Pink Dominoes is a light farcial comedy, detailing a true and at the same time an exceedingly amusing picture of real life. Its aim is to show what folly jealousy will prompt, and though it portrays a dilemma too laughable almost to pen, yet it contains a good moral which, by reason of the domestic nature of the tale, is easily comprehended. It is lacking that boisterous humor which so often characterizes the modern comedy, and is complete in every part. The story is that of two married women who, suspecting their husbands of flirting and going to balls with other ladies when they say they are off on important business, decide to see for themselves whether this be true or not. Accordingly each lady writes a letter to the husband of the other requesting him to take her to a masquerade ball. One in full faith of her husband's true nature is confident that he is proof against the invitation, the other, who sees things more as they are, has not too much confidence in her husband's infallibility. Both men, flattered at the invitation, and filled with the conceit of their supposed virtues, accept the invitation and are led into a trap, to extricate themselves from which they tax their ability to fabricate falsehoods, which always end in their self conviction. Foiled in this, each accuses his wife of immorality etc., which ends in a quarrel. The play runs on in a lively, bustling manner, to the final denouement, which is laughable in the extreme.

William Horace Lingard in his impersonation of an old married man with a light step and sharp eye for good looking young maidens fairly captured the audience. Alice Dunning Lingard in addition to her personal charms, seemed to have a remarkable fitness for her part and won much applause. Harry St. Maur, a true Englishman, as Chas. Neville, and Fred. Corlett as Sir Harry Goring were simply immense. The audience were kept in happy laughter throughout the whole of the second and third acts as well as the major part of the first.

After the comedy Wm. Horace Lingard gave some very fine sketches, the first of which was the Light Hussar with appropriate song and march. This was followed by "A Poor Lone Young Widow," and "The Dutch Onion Boy," all of which were highly applauded. Then he gave several impersonations among which were true pictures of Arabi Pasha, Henry Ward Beecher, Oscar Wilde, Rip Van Winkle and President Arthur. He has an extraordinary power of changing his features to impersonate any character, and the celerity with which he donned the different costumes highly pleased the audience.

The Lingards appear in the Sarah Bernhardt version of Camille to-night and on Wednesday they produce "Divorcons."

CANADIAN NEWS IN BRIEF.

Dunnville's rate of taxation this year is nine mills.

J J Heney has been appointed and stationed in West Lynne as a revenue officer.

The total amount of real and personal property of Rat Portage assessed is $144,175.

It is the intention of Vanderbilt to fill in the most of the bridges and culverts of the Canada Southern railway.

The annual meeting of the master car builders' association will meet at Niagara Falls to-day.

Edward Tait, a convict in the provincial penitentiary, made his escape on Saturday last, and has not been heard of since.

About two hundred barrels every twenty-four hours is expected to be the capacity of the Portage milling company's mill.

James Conway, ex-policeman of Montreal, was sentenced yesterday to a month's imprisonment with hard labor for arresting a woman without cause while he was drunk.

When the Lowe farmnear Morris is in complete working order they expect to have a yield of 300,000 bushels of grain. This year 11,000 bushels of grain will be harvested.

Miss Ozine Caron, eldest daughter of the late Hon Mr Caron, at one time lieutenant-governor of Quebec, assumed the white veil at Montreal last week. The young lady was led to the altar by her brother, the minister of militia.

A band of Chinamen who got as far as Stratford on their way to San Francisco were sent back to Buffalo for passports, without which they would not be received by the United States authorities at Port Hope.

Lt.-Gov. Dewdney's health is at present in a very unsatisfactory condition. He has been suffering from sciatica, which yesterday attacked his head and he is now confined to his bed at Winnipeg.

Mrs. John Spalding of St. Catharines accuses Patrick O'Halloran of rape. She says she went to his house to get his wife to do some washing and that while there O'Halloran knocked her down, violated her person and stole two $5 bills.

Yesterday morning Michael Fair, 34 years of age, recently discharged from the U. S. navy, in getting off the train at London fell under the wheels and had his leg badly smashed. The limb was amputated at the hip, but the man only survived a few minutes.

A New Yorker giving the name of Soussman, supposed to be assumed however, was caught smuggling jewelry and diamonds inside his clothes yesterday at Bonaventure station. The amount is estimated at $600. The goods were confiscated and the smuggler let off.

The new town site at High Bluff, Manitoba, is going ahead. The manse erected by the Presbyterian congregation and the residence of D. Wark are near completion. Mr. Drummond, grain dealer, is buying up all the wheat in that region—80 cents for wheat and 50 cents for oats from machine.

The Manitoba Moutaineer complains that "all through southwestern Manitoba, unlicensed whiskey shops are openly retailing their vile poison to hapless victims. Here in Nelson the illicit traffic is rapidly reaching deplorable proportions, and the better class of our citizens are frequently shocked by scenes of most disgraceful disorder."

Over 28,000 tons of steel rails from England, bound for Manitoba, in bond, have arrived in Buffalo by rail and canal since May 24, and have been shipped by the Union steamboat company to Chicago, to St. Paul by Chicago & Northwestern railway, to Pembina, by St. Paul, Manitoba & Western railway, and to Winnipeg by the Canada Pacific railway.

"THE LIGHTS O' LONDON."

THE GREAT MELODRAMA OF R. G. SIMS AT THE GRAND.

A Large, Expectant and Enthusiastic Audience Present—The Scenery and Plot of the Drama.

Toronto has seen the Lights o' London, over which theatrical London and New York has been on ends for a long time. The Grand opera house was crowded last night and a more expectant audience never before filled Manager Sheppard's theatre. When it became known that the Union square company was in the cast and that the celebrated London scenic artist, Mr. Richard Marston, painted the scenery, no wonder the audience expected something in the spectacular line that would complete their spectacular education.

THE SCENERY

The first act represented the splendid grounds of Armytage hall and an ell of the fine stone mansion containing the Squire's library projected upon the stage; across, facing it in the other wing, is the bay window of the pretty lodge in which dwells the old man's steward; in the centre of the stage stands a tree—just such a big, deep, leefy greenery as can be found in old England, gnarled and knotted, a limb sawed off here and there, yet overflowing with foliage, and presenting dark nooks and recesses on which the eye delighted to linger.

The second scene of the second act was called the "Road to Chatham" in moonlight and snow. As the act-drop rolled away from this picture the audience burst forth in one simultaneous cry of delight. It was fairyland. There were several realistic scenes of low life following; a drawing-room in the villa of the villain in St. John's Wood, where the latest fad in embroidered hangings, banners, scarfs and cushions, in fur rugs and fine upholstery and hangings, were brought into play; then came the "Slips in Regent's Park by Moonlight," a bridge—the fac simile of one in London, hung ten feet in air above the water; far and far away lay arch after arch, shrubbery, spires, and half hid mansions in the back ground, and the water gleaming in the moonlight. It is utterly out of the question to describe the realistic beauties of these sets. The old-time wings are done away with, the full depth and and breadth of the stage enter into the delightful illusion. When the bridge scene was completed the audience knew no bounds in their applause. It was realism itself. The splash of the water into which Clifford Armytage, the villain, had thrown Seth Preen, his circumstantial accomplice, was thrilling. The waves rolled and splashed, and Preen and Harold Armitage, the wronged, who had jumped in to save Preen, struggled with thrilling realism to reach dry land.

The play is, from a literary point of view, utterly valueless; the characters are all old friends, met in twenty popular plays, and all of them cut right out of the papers of Dickens.

PLOT OF THE PLAY AND THE PLAYERS.

The company was a strong one, although there is not much scope in the piece for an artist to distinguish her or himself. The plot is briefly as follows: Harold Armytage, the disowned son of Squire Armytage of Armytage hall, runs away to London and is there privately married to Bess Marks, the daughter of one of his father's keepers. The Squire enraged, makes a will in favor of his nephew Clifford. Clifford becoming an inmate of the hall, amuses himself with Hattie, a pretty and vain daughter of Seth Preen, a north county farmer, representing himself as intending to marry the girl. Harold and his wife return to the hall, with a view to obtaining his father's forgiveness. Seth Preen is, of course, desirous of aiding Clifford to retain the Squire's favor, and overhearing details of a meeting arranged by Bess' father determined to do all he can to prevent a reconciliation. The interview between Harold and his father, obtained by stratagem, is a stormy one, but the pride of neither gives way, and as a consequence Harold is again repulsed and resolves to go out in the world, leaving his wife in the care of her father. The plotters resolve to rob the old man, and make him believe that his son did the deed. Seth enters the old man's room while the latter is making a will in favor of his son, whose letters, written in boyhood, he has been reading. Seth fells him, and steals the jewel box. Harold is captured as the robber, and the old man denounces him as such, while Seth produces the box of jewels and asserts that he has taken it from Harold's hand. As may be supposed, Harold is dragged from his wife's arms to prison, tried, and on the evidence of Seth and Clifford sentenced to seven years. The rest of the story deals with Harold's escape at the end of three years, his rejoining his wife in London, their constant danger of capture, Clifford's breaking with Seth, his seduction of Seth's daughter, Seth finding his daughter revelling in shame in London, she attempted murder of Seth by Clifford, and his rescue by Harold, the final capture of Harold, and his triumphal vindication by Seth, who, producing the will in favor of the son, also supplies the evidence which leads to the nephew receiving the punishment he so richly merits.

All of these characters are sustained with happy effect. A. E. Dolan represents the Squire; Louis Atkins, Harold, his son; W. S. Daboll, Clifford; G. V. Ryder, Marks; T. H. Glenny, Seth Preen (very good); Harry Harwood, Joseph Jarvis, (very funny and much applauded); Fannie Corey Daboll, as Shakespeare, Jarvis' son; and twenty other characters of London life, all to perfection. You can see Dickens all through them. Miss Lelia Moilet as Bess Marks, Harold's wife; Miss Joan Goodrich as Hetty Preen, Fanny Denham Rouse as Mrs. Jarvis, were very good, and little Miss Edna Bankson as the gutter-snipe of London was perfection and worthy of special mention. Her scene with the London "copper," at the Regent park slips was immense. The company is a large one and as before said very complete and well trained.

The Lights o'London will run the balance of the week, with two matinees.

Trent Valley Navigation.

PETERBORO, Oct 9.—T D Belcher, engineer of the Trent Valley works, accompanied by Mr Goodwin, contractor for the canal works at Buckhorn and Burleigh, made a trip over the site of the proposed works last week. It is the intention of the contractor to commence work immediately on his several sections.

The clever British feather-weight, Frank Wilson, better known as "the mouse," is to visit America shortly. Wilson is 38, stands 5 feet 3½ inches, weighs 110 pounds, and has fought numerous battles, including a victory over Dick Goodwin, requiring sixty-five rounds.

THE GOULBURN TRAGEDY.

Trial of Spearman and His Sister for the Murder of McCaffrey—What a Seduction Ended In—The Trial Not Yet Completed.

OTTAWA, Oct. 9.—The court house was crowded to-day when Chester Spearman and his sister Maria of Goulburn, were arraigned on a charge of murdering one Robert McCaffrey of the same township on the 26th of August last. Mr. R. W. Scott for the crown and Mr. Dalton McCarthy, Q. C., and Mr. W. Mesgrove for the prisoners. Both pleaded not guilty. It will be remembered that the body of McCaffrey was found dead on the roadside between Stittsville and Richmond on Saturday night August 26. The evidence at the inquest warranted the arrest of both prisoners and they were removed to the county jail. Maria subsequently confessed to having committed the act herself and pleaded in extenuation that McCaffrey had seduced her under the promise of marriage. She fully exonerated her brother from complicity in the crime. The evidence went to show that on the night of the murder Spearman and his sister were in a buggy and had some conversation with the deceased, who was also riding. A shot was heard and shortly after the Spearmans were seen driving home and subsequently McCaffrey's body was found. After recess additional evidence was offered by the crown. Mr. McCarthy for the prisoners submitted that there was no case. The first essential was to show that there was a murder committed, failing this it was impossible to show there was a case for the jury. The fact that a man was found pierced with a bullet did not prove he was murdered. It may have been an accident or self inflicted. Now, if it was accidental there was no case. He cited authorities on that point, among other Wills on Circumstantial Evidence. There was nothing in the prisoner's conduct to indicate threat or violence, but on the contrary he took every precaution to have the matter amicably settled by marriage. After the tragedy he did not flee the country but went to the deceased's brother to tell him of the accident.

His honor held that the case should go to the jury, but he would note the point.

Mr. McCarthy contended that there was no evidence that a murder had been committed. If there was the jury could not decide who committed it and who they would hang. He cited a case where either one or the other of two prisoners committed a homicide, but the learned judge contended that in the absence of evidence as to which one really committed the act the case should not go to the jury. His honor could not surely say that there was any complicity.

Evidence for the defence was then called, showing that Maria Spearman had been seduced by the deceased after making a promise of marriage.

Mr. McCarthy in his address to the jury pointed out the terrible crime that Robert McCaffrey had committed in robbing the unfortunate prisoner of her honor and then laughing at her shame. He submitted that there was no evidence that a murder had been committed; it might have been accidental; but supposing it was a murder, there was nothing to show who fired the shot, nothing in fact to show that there was any complicity. The address was a very elaborate one. During the argument he read a statement of the affair as penned by Chester Spearman, which stated that he and his sister met McCaffrey on the road. He taxed the deceased with not using his sister properly, and suggested that he and his sister have a private conversation. He turned his buggy round and told his sister to get out and talk the matter between themselves. His sister got out and he drove ahead and turned his horse and drove back past them. He heard his sister call, and looked around and saw her and the deceased pulling at the rig and instantly heard a shot.

The court then adjourned.

THE SPORTING WORLD.

Prize Winners in the Dolphin Swimming Matches—The Nursery Stakes—General Notes.

The races of the Toronto rowing club were again postponed yesterday until to-day.

Dan O'Leary, the famous pedestrian, is now in England endeavoring to arrange a series of long-distance matches.

The journalistic lacrosse match comes off on the Jarvis street grounds Thursday afternoon. W. K. McNaught will be referee.

Pierre Lorillard has sent a string of nine to Europe on the steamship Erin, to be trained by Tom Cannon for conquests abroad.

We omitted to mention in the lacrosse match report of yesterday that the Caughnawaga team won one game in forty minutes.

George Rooke, pugilist, replying to Elliott's challenge, offers to fight him for $1000 a side and the championship of America within 100 miles of New Orleans.

The cricket match between the Australian eleven and eighteen New York players opened at Hoboken yesterday. The Australians made 110 in their first innings and the Americans 270. The game will be finished to-day.

For a wager of £60 on September 18, at London, England, John Hibbard successfully accomplished the feat of walking twenty-one miles in three hours. Hibbard walked the distance in 2 hours, 59 minutes, 19⅔ seconds, thus winning by 40⅓s.

Another great pugilist has loomed up in London, Eng., and is traveling under the title of the "great unknown." He stands over six feet in height, weighs 220 pounds, and is only 25 years of age. His chest measures 42½ inches, biceps 15, thighs 24, calf 17½. He is a clever boxer, and said to be the most scientific pugilist in England. He is coming to this country.

THE NURSERY STAKES.

NEWMARKET, Oct. 9.—In the 2nd October nursery stakes handicap for two-years-old, Belle Henriette won, the Squire 2nd and Daphene 3rd. Six started, including Lorillard's Comanche.

THE DOLPHIN SWIMMING PRIZES.

The prizes won at the matches of the Dolphin swimming club were presented to the winners at Philharmonic hall, Adelaide street east, last night. Captain J. L Rawbone occupied the chair and Mrs. McKeown made the presentations. The winners were as follows: 100 yard dash, silver medal, E. Corlett; fancy diving, silver medal, Dr. M. F. Smith; 250 yards, juniors, silver medal, George Gladstone; 500 yards, silver medal, James Smith; long dive, silver medal, Dr. M. F. Smith; 100 yards backwards, silver medal, James Smith; 250 yards, juniors, silver medal, Frank Price; hurdle race, 100 yards, silver medal, D. Mossom; ornamental swimming, silver medal, Dr. M. F. Smith; ladies' race, 1st Mabel Platt, 2d Anny Phillips; captain's prize, gold medal, one mile, J. L Rawbone. The latter prize was a very handsome one, as indeed all of them were.

BASEBALL YESTERDAY.

At New York—Mets 7, Boston 1.
At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 3, Detroit 3.

COLLECTED AT COURT.

OPENING OF THE AUTUMNAL CRIMINAL ASSIZES YESTERDAY.

An Event of Some Moment After All—Two True Bills of Murder and One of Manslaughter—The Judge's Charge.

The autumnal criminal assizes for the county of York opened before Judge Armour at the court house at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The opening of the high criminal court for the banner county of the dominion is an event of considerable importance, and the stir in the vicinity of the delapidated county seat of justice is quite perceptible. The numerous hostelries in the vicinity hail the opening of court with delight, as the knots of witnesses, jurors, officials and spectators make frequent trips in the day to brace their systems against the odors of the court house. Possibly all who "take a walk" do not go for this purpose; but certain it is that The World reporter yesterday heard a couple of old gentlemen who were attending court declare that it was for this purpose alone that they "crossed the street" as often as six times during the afternoon.

OPENING THE COURT.

The following gentlemen were sworn in as grand jurors: John Beyron, Henry Beamish, John L. Blakie, James Chapman, Andrew Davis, F. J. Kitching, James McGee, John A. Macdonald, Edward Morphy, John Milne, John Rowland, David L. Wismer, David Smellie, William A. Wallis, foreman.

His lordship then addressed them thus: The calendar which had been handed to him, and which they would have to consider, was rather a serious one. There were in custody four persons charged with murder. He defined what constituted murder, and also what made homicide justifiable or excusable. Malice either premeditated or implied had to be shown to establish a case of murder. Homicide was justifiable in three instances—in the execution of a man sentenced to death by process of law, in the case of an officer, executing an arrest under a warrant charging a felony when the homicide is shown to have happened in a proper attempt to prevent the prisoner from escaping, and in a case where the homicide is committed to prevent the commission of a

FORCIBLE OR ATROCIOUS CRIME.

As there was, he believed, a case before them in which a constable was charged with shooting a boy dead while he was endeavoring to arrest him, he (the judge) might inform them that a constable was only justified in committing a homicide when the warrant under which the prisoner was being arrested charged a felony. In the case which would come before them he understood the constable had no warrant, and the offence for which the arrest was being attempted was simply trespass. If the constable under such circumstances wilfully took the lad's life he would be guilty of murder. He recommended them to

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in the performance of their duties, and thus save the country the expense which ensued on delay. One of the chief arguments against the grand jury system by its opponents was its expense. It was the duty of every man therefore to see to it that this reproach should be taken away from it as much as possible. It was a system he thought worth preserving. It was a democratic system as opposed to an autocratic system. He had never yet heard a good substitute put forward to take its place. Some people spoke of a board of gentlemen who would perform the duties now performed by the grand jury. For his part he did not think it required twelve refined intellects to judge of a question of fact. Indeed in his experience the higher class of the jury the more absurd were their verdicts given. However contradictory this might appear he had seen instances of it time and time again. The special jury was less to be trusted to give a verdict in accordance with the facts than the ordinary common jury. And it could be explained in this way: Plain facts did not require any subtlety of intellect to unravel them and understand their application. Subtlety only obscures the plain truths presented. Take our most highly educated men for jurymen

DOCTORS DISAGREE OUT OF A JURY BOX

and probably would disagree about everything except their fees in it. A jury of clergymen would probably be for applying the facts to some high moral principle and not one of them would agree about the principle, and the lawyers would do no better in spite of, or rather because of their subtlety of intellect. The grand and petit juries presented the spectacle of the people administering justice to the people. It was a popular educator in the course and principles of freedom and justice. In other days the grand jury stood between the accused and the crown, and it was still capable of fulfilling the same important work. Another part of their duties was the visiting of all those public institutions wherever people were confined against their will. Their visit to these places was intended to be a safeguard against the illegal confinement of anyone. Luckily the humanity of the age had made such a thing impossible, and he was not sure but that humanity had gone too much the other way. Offenders against the law were perhaps treated too leniently.

The grand jurors then retired to their room and at 4 35 brought in true bills against John Albert for murder, James Bibby murder, and William Spencer, manslaughter. The charge against Albert will be remembered as the High park tragedy, when Albert, who was a county constable, shot and killed a boy named James Young in a most unprovoked manner. The wife of James Bibby was found dead in her house in the Kingston road in August, and Bibby is now charged with her murder. Wm. Spencer, who is a drover, ran over and killed a little child named Harwood in August last, and he is now held for manslaughter.

The court adjourned till 9 o'clock this morning.

Ashes of Roses.

Soft on the sunset sky
Bright daylight closes,
Leaving, when night doth die
Pale hues that mingling lie—
Ashes of roses.

When love's warm sun is set
Love's brightness closes;
Eyes with hot tears are wet,
In hearts that linger yet,—
Ashes of roses.

SHIPPING.

Date.	Steamship.	Reported at.	From.
Oct. 9	Circassian	Liverpool	Quebec
"	Toronto	Martin River	Liverpool
"	Lake Winnipeg	Father Point	"
"	Pavonia	Queenstown	New York
"	Jacob	Amsterdam	"
"	Turnesia	Moville	"

THE WEATHER BULLETIN

TORONTO, Oct. 10—1 a. m.—*Moderate to fresh winds, mostly west and north, fair cooler weather, Frost to-night in some districts.*