Ordeal Fails to Shake Faith of Daughter in Her Father and Stepmother.

Decatur, Iill., Oct. 21'.—Marguerite diagill was on the witness stand to-day in defence of her father and stepnother, accused of murdering her nother, Mrs. Pet Magill, on the night of May 30th last. This pretty dollin defence of her father and step-mother, accused of murdering her mother, Mrs. Pet Magill, on the night of May 30th last. This pretty doll-

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that it was addressed to her father, but that it must not be mailed.

PETROLEA DISASTER.

WAS A TREMENDOUS EXPLOSION OF NITRO-GLYCERINE.

Magazine of the Torpedo Company Blown Up-Several Buildings Damaged and Much Glass Broken, But Only One Man Hurt-Loss Will Be Heavy.

thought to be packed properly. In any event a searching investigation is promised by the authorities.

It was an act of Providence apparently that the accident occurred at the time it did, as there would have doubt-less been many fatalities in connection with it had it occurred in the day time. The magazine contained between 300 and 400 quarts of the deadly fluid, enough to have completely wiped this town off the face of the earth if it had exploded in the limits. The company's manager states that no workmen had been around the building since 11 o'clock the previous morning, and they are utterly at a loss to account for the cause of the accident. Several residences in the immediate

vicinity of the works were almost com

pletely destroyed, the immates fortunately escaping serious injury.

The magazine building was a one-storey brick on a concrete foundation.

It was some 20x30 feet, and all that now remains is a hole in the ground big enough to engulf it. Bricks and debris thrown at a distance of half miles. Fences in all directions were laid The force of the concussion broke parently felt as far away as Windson and St. Thomas on the north, and Sar nia. Forest and London on the south and west, as many inquiries have been received from those places to-day.

The monetary damage is hard to estimate, as there are so many who lost by the explosion, but it will run well up into the thousands. The nature of the business of making explosives precludes the idea of insurance, so that the loss will be total to the company. The question as to the individual losses that can recovered from the company has been discussed freely, with varying opinions.

BURN HERETICS.

RETIRED DREACHER PLEADS FOR TORCH AS A CURE.

Others Should Die, Too-Dr. R. M. Patterson Startles Assembly in Phila-

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 21.—The Rev. Dr. Robert M. Patterson, a minister c the Presbyterian Church, who is wel known in Albany, Chicago and Philadeiphia, and who has lived in Malvers, a suburb of this city, since his retirement from the ministry several years ago, caused an uproar in the Presbytery that met here to day by declaring that the death penalty should be inflicted upon all hereties, biasphemers and correspondents in all divorce cases.

Persons who sought out affinities should be harshly dealt with by law, said Dr. Patterson, and the death penalty should be established as the punish-

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to speak was:
"If I had finy way about it I would have an executioner called in to deal with all heretics and blasphemers. Burning at the stake would be too good for those who revile religion and take the

Lord's name in vain. The growth of heresy is such to-day that nothing but measures like this can stop it. "I would requisition the exercises of the executioner also for those despicable

persons who make divorces necessary by their insidious machinations between

of an artistic temperament or uncontrollable fascination, take unto themselves no more applicants," he told his daugh per cent.

mother, Mrs. Pet Magill, on the night of May 30th last. This pretty doll-like girl was questioned by attorneys for three hours. Never for the elightest fraction of a minute did she lose her composure. And it is common comment here to-day that she has saved her father from a penitentiary sentence.

Former Judge Ingham, chief counsel for the Magille, took this bewitching daughter of the accused kindly by the hand and led her safely through a maze of circumstances that would have sent into hysterics the ordinary woman witness. Judge Ingham was aided by Fred Ball, of Clinton.

This slip of a girl whose beauty has challenged the admiration of her father's bitterest enemies and whose unhesitating answers, given in a musical tone and dramatical language, have caused the women of the audience to make a heroine of her, left the stand when the court adjourned apparently as unperturbed as if she had just emerged from a matinee performanc.

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affinities, forsaking their lawful wives, I would have the law recommend harsh punishment. Execution also should be the punishment for attacks on women."

When Dr. Patterson had finished speaking the Rev. Dr. John Wheaton, the pastor of Mizpah Presbyterian that such pronouncements were too radical for expression in the present day.

The Rev. R. C. McCook, formerly pas-

The Rev. R. C. McCook, formerly pas-tor of the Presbyterian Tabernacle, got to his feet with some heat and declared Petrolea despatch: At present no cause can be ascribed for the explosion of the nitro-glycerine magazine of the Petrolea Torpedo Company. The liquid was and the anti-Papal religionists of Germany. that instead of being radical, Dr. Pat-

many. "There is no man in the Presbyterian Church like Dr. Patterson to-day, I hope," said Dr. McCook in conclusion. This roused Dr. Patterson's ire and he started to make a spirited reply. Others tried to speak at the same time, and the meeting was in an uproar. The Moderator presiding pounded for order and announced that to preserve the peace of the meeting further discussion on Dr. Pattersons' speech would not be allowed.

MARRIED NIECE.

CHARLES TROTTIER SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS.

He Committed Perjury in Denying the Relationship-Case Tried at North Bay Assizes Provokes Some Com-

and Marie Chenier lived near the little up between the two young people which ture in the presentation of the 56th and be called, but his simple nabitant soul was shocked with the interligence that, inasmuch as Marie was his mece, the board having failed to raise as much patch says: John F. MacDonald, a Dawpriest could not countenance the mar-

over their predicament, but Changes determined that the marriage should proceed, even if the Protestant minister and to be called in. The marriage ficense and Quebec could not be expected, the was secured and, blinded was secured and, blinded by love, Trottier took the necessary affidavit that his intended bride was no relative. A Methodist divine performed the cere-Methodist divine performed the cere-mony and the young couple were happy, but their happiness was short-lived, for Nemesis was on their trail and a com-plaint was lodged against Trottier for

After a trial before Judge Riddell and jury, Trottier was found guilty and sentenced to five years in kingston Pententiary, a pitiful ending to his romance and the young wife is left husbandless in the beginning of her honeymoon.

WIFE WANTED.

BROUGHT RESULTS.

Now Asks: "Which One?"-Letters to

Chicago, Oct. 21.-N. H. Matthews closed the lists of his individual matrimonial bureau last evening. He admits br. Patterson had been scheduled on wishes to publish abroad to the feminthe number of "entries" is large. He

collar and a brand new tie. After giv-ing instructions to his eldest daughter he stroked the dust off one of his old

than a woman wearing a long gray fur stole about her neck, a blue suit and hat with a blue feather in it, alighted from a Halsted street car at the corner of Dewey place, just north of the Mat-thews place, With apparent nervousness she paced back and forth before the flat building. she paced back and forth before the flat building. When she rang the bell a nicely dress-ed young woman, the eldest daughter, wearing a dark skirt and a white shirt waist with white starched stock tie, res-ponded.

ponded.
"No, Mr. Matthews isn't in this evening. Did you want to see him about —
ah,—about that advertisement?" the girl
questioned.
"We'll."

questioned.

"Well—ah—in a way, yes. I thought he might want to get a housekeeper," was the reply.

"Well, papa has engaged a housekeeper who will be here to-morrow. He instructed me to receive no further applicants.

canta.
"O, is that so? I noticed that the parlor was all dark. I feared I should not have put it off so long. But it was so

At this juncture the door was closed for it was apparent that no welcome was forthcoming from the prim 20-year old daughter.

"I am sick of this whole affair," said Miss Matthews. "Papa has been alto-gether too talkative. I don't see what business it is of anybody's. I do hope these callers will stop bothering us pret-

ty soon."

The daughter expects to return to her school to-day. Just who the new house-keeper will be was not divulged. Considering the number of applicants, however, it is conceded that the accepted one should feel like a prize winner in that she outshone all the rest.

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Marry: No, no, not so hastily," said Mr. Matthews earlier in the evening. "I don't expect to get married for a few weeks. My plan to gain the acquaintance of women desiring to get married has been successful. There is no use of undue haste."

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Evidently Mr. Matthews' former des eration, signified by the window sign Wife wanted," has developed into a caln deliberation. It is now a question of "which one." Mr. Matthews took a day off yesterday to keep up with the game. Aside from the callers, who were received until last evening, each delivery brought an avalanche of letters. Between calls Mr. Matthews, with no small amount of interest, poured over the mail. Some letters he considered worth consideration and laid them apart rom the rest.

"One would think that I am running matrimonial bureau," said the tinner. All those letters aren't from women A lot of them are from men who rives about as badly as I do, only they seem to be afraid to say so in the open. seem to be afraid to say so in the open. Of course I will not supply them with any of the names I have. Some say that if I am successful they will try the window sign idea. I wouldn't be surprised to see the 'wife wanted' sign become as general as the 'room for rent or 'fore sale' window cards."

BAPTIST MISSIONS.

FALLING OFF IN THE CONTRIBU-TIONS ANNOUNCED.

Church is Losing Good Men on Account of the Salary Difficulty-Reports Received at the Conven tion at Woodstock-Mr. Urqu hart's Address.

North Bay despatch: Charles Trottier portunities and the needs of the Baptist Church in Ontario and Quebec and the village of Warden, about twenty miles decrease in money, supplies and availaeast of Sudbury, and an affection sprang ble men made a somewhat gloomy fearipened into love and a desire to be mar- nual report of the Home Mission Board ried. Trottier presented himself to the of the Church at the convention's session parish priest and asked that the banns here this afternoon. The report showed as was raised last year—that is, \$30,000. riage.

Against this is placed the fact that the steamer Selkirk from Dawson, charged Church is fast losing its good pastors steamer Selkirk from Dawson, charged with complete in the robbery of on account of the comparatively low salaries paid them. The men in Ontario \$40,000 from registered mail in Dawson and Quebec could not be expected, the report said, to withstand the temptation the first being Richard Hall, who was States and our own northwest churches. The report urged upon the convention the extreme need for more liberal conthe extreme need for more liberal con-tributions by the churches to the gen-eral funds. Much work lies before the Church. The influx of foreigners into Ontario and Quebec, and the loss of na-tive Canadians here through emigration to the west is throwing much responsi-bility on the Church, while "the tide of materialism and commercialism" and the "lust for gold sweeping New Ontario" demanded the counter-influence of the Church. The board heartily endorsed the policy of independence adopted in con-nection with the Church union move-CHICAGOAN'S "WANTED" SIGN principles of the Baptist Church are such s may not be sacrificed in the interests of sectarian co-operation. The report notwithstanding the discouraging fea ow Asks: "Which One?"—Letters to Him Seeking Suggestions Foretell Popularity of His Plan.

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livered an address in the evening apro-pos to the home mission report. The speaker, as member of the board, point-

JAP WAR WITH THE STATES

Are Both Combines Preparing For the Struggle?

Idea That is is Coming in the Mind of Those in a Position to Judge.

Washington, Oct. 21.-Preparations for a hostile emergency in the Pacific are occupying the time of military and naval authorities to such an extent that all other work has been suspended in some branches of the two services. The war fever is spreading through the personnel of the army and the navy. Many officers are now aware of the circumstances which led to the decision to send the battleship fleet to the Pacific, and with their eyes opened in that respect, they are watching the trend of events with absorbing interest. The idea that war is coming is appar-

ently fixed in the minds of some of those having superior means of obtain-ing information as to the Government's attitude. Under orders from the Navy Department, the entire working force at navy yards on the Atlantic cosat is benavy yards on the Atlantic cosal is be-ing employed in making ready the ves-sels of the battleship fleet for the so-called practice cruise to the Pacific. Under equally imperative directions, new fire control systems are being in-

stalled on the battleships which will go to the Pacific. A "torpedo company" of the Army Artillery Corps has been sent to Subig Bay to chart and mine that important body of water and engage in torpedo practice. Army rifles of six, ten and twelve-inch calibre and 2-inch mortars are being sent to Subig

Bay as fast as they are completed.

The decision of the President to send the battleship fleet to the Pacific had -at least its apparent inits inception in disquieting information fur nished to the military departments of the Government by confidential agents abroad.

At the time of the latest revival of

feeling against Japanese on the Pacific coast which resulted in attacks upon Japanese subjects in San Francisco and brought the anti-American agitation in Japan to its highest point of feverishess, the stories of Japanese military activity assumed a character which, apparently, gave great concern to the Presi dent and certainly alarmed some of the military and naval advisers. These reports were all placed before the President for his perusal. At Mr. 100ge-velt's instance, or of its own volition, the General Board of the Navy gave consideration to the information at hand that Japan was getting ready for another hostile struggle. In the minds of the members of the board there was only the members of the board there was only one answer to the question: Why is Japan making all this preparation? The outcome of their deliberation was a recommendation to the President that the Atlantic battleship fleet be sent to the Pacific. On June 27, Secretary of the Navy Metcalf took the record of the General Board's views to Cyster Ray and eral Board's views to Oyster Bay and aid it before the President. Before Mr Metcalf left Sagamore Hill the President had directed him to order Admiral Ly ans' battleships to proceed to the west ern coast of the United States.

FOURTH ARREST.

JOHN F. M'DONALD, A DAWSON JEWELER, IN CUSTODY.

More About the Great Mail Robbery a Dawson-Kincaid Lived High and Spent Money Recklessly- Other Arrests Expected.

son jeweller, was arrested at White

on July 29.

This makes four arrests in the to take larger salaries in the United taken here; the second George Kincaid, chief Government foreman, who was ar-rested at Selkirk, and who committed suicide; the third Tom Vaughan, held vagrancy against him, and the fourth McDonald. Other arrests are expected to follow. So far the plot is not all

It now develops that Kincaid lived at a great pace here for many months, spending as high as \$200 to \$400 nightly in the past few weeks on wine and women, giving some men \$100 at a time, telling them to have a good time. Kincaid was a clever building master. He dressed fashionably.

THE DEAD LINE.

REVENTING YOUNG MEN FROM ENTERING THE MINISTRY.

Would-be Clergymen Dread Prospect of Losing Their Pastorates on Attaining Middle Age-Increased Salaries

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 21.-The allure-Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 21.—The allurements of commercial life and fear of the low, the Imperial Chancellor, was in a fatal automobile accident near here tonumber of young men entering the immistry by the Congregationai National Council, which held its final meeting here to-day. The report of Prof. C. S. Nash, of California, on "Ministerial Training and Lauipment" aroused the discussion. A score of delegates engaged in the argument. Increased pay for ministers was the only solution suggested.

The Prince had the chauffeur go and get a physician, who examined the weap are appropriately as the final meeting the firm Nordeney. He started for Hamburg to-day, and hired an automobile car to take him to the residence of the Burgomaster. While on the way are aged woman tried to cross the roed in front of the machine, but became confused, and was run down before the cab could be stopped.

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their families in such a precarious career as the ministry affords."

Dr. Wm. Parkes, of Chicago, said that the fear of losing their pastorates after they reached middle age deterred many who would otherwise enter the ministry. "It is the cry everywhere for young "It is the cry everywhere for young men. It is this ministerial dead line that holds men back."

A CHINESE SEA SERPENT.

Marine Monster That Attacks Fisher

Washington, Oct. 21.—The Chinese have developed a marine monster that puts the American sea serpent in the shade. In addition to the mystery that surrounds the sea serpent—for the appearance of this new monster is unknown—the China animal or fish, according to despatches received here, has the record of having actually attacked human beings. uman beings.
The Chinese story is that this mon

of Sharp Peak, where it seriously injured five fishermen, two of them subsequently dying from their wounds, and one being left in a critical state, with both hands bitten off. Some of the Chinese declare that the monster is a giant shark, and others debillo, whatever that may be.

The wounds made are not like the

caused by a shark, but clear bites and deep scratches. One Knglishman who examined the body of one of the victims declared that the wounds had been caused by an enormous tortoise, and the Chinese are clamoring to have the authorities destroy the monster.

SECESSION IN THE A.O.U.W.

Special Meeting of the Council in Quebec Considering the Question.

Montreal despatch: The Grand Supreme Council of the Ancient Order of United Worksmen of the Province of Quebec is holding a special secret meeting at its headquarters in this city today. The principal item of discussion is: Shall Quebec district, including Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, secede from the organization as a whole and branch out as a separate institution with a new out as a separate institution with a new name, new by-laws and an independent treasury? The outcome of the delibera-tions of the council is looked forward tions of the council is looked forward to with great interest by all members of the order in Canada. The question is an important one to the A. O. U. W., and to-day's meeting has been long, stormy and full of debate. The Grand Council has weighed the matter seriously and carefully. Secession is expected by a majority of the members.

At to-night's meeting the constitution was amended in such a way that the Quebec branch becomes separate from the United States body. At one time there was fear of violent seceding, but by an amendment to the constitution the process of separation becomes milder and just as effective.

OTTAWA ALSO GOES BAD. Prosperity Induces the Capital to Drink

Ottawa, Oct. 21.Statistics of the arests for drunkenness in Ottawa during the past ten years show that there has been an increase of about sixty per cent. in the per capita proportion of arrests made during that period. In 1897 when the city had a population of 53,727 there were 221 arrests for drunkenness. Last year, out of a population of 67,572 there were 448 arrests for the same cause. Magistrate O'Keefe, who has had many years' experience on the Police Court bench, holds that the abnormal increase of drunkenness is due to increased pros-perity. The class of people usually addicted to drunkenness, the Magistrate says, have now more money than they had a decade ago, and consequently indulge to a greater extent in liquor.

G. T. P. SURVEYORS DROWN

Their Canoe Went to Smash in Giscombe Rapids.

Vancouver, Oct. 21.—Three members of a Grand Trunk Pacific survey were drowned on October 4th in Giscombe Rapids, thirty-five miles above Fort George, on the Fraser River. They attempted to shoot the rapids in a cance, but attacks a very large of the statement but struck a rock and the canoe but struck a rock and the canoe broke to pieces. The drowned are William Lueby, Harry Cummings, W. Symington, The survivors are Robert Sheffield, J. Miller, Arthur Cape. No bodies were recovered. Cromwell's party from Edmonton brought the survivors to Ques-

FOR DEATH OF FIREMAN.

Crown Will Prosecute Trainmen for Collision Near Barrie.

Barrie, Oct. 21.—The Crown authorities having decided to take proceedings against Engineer Henry J. Morris and Conductor Farrell, who were mentioned in the verdict of the cor mentioned in the verdict of the coron-er's jury as being responsible for the col-lision which resulted in the death of Fireman Robert Blackburn, information has been laid against the parties concerned and the preliminary heading arranged for Tucsday next before Police Magistrate Radenhurst.

A large number of railway men will be called to give evidence, and Chief King to-day served summonses. Pending the hearing, Morris and Farrell will not be placed under ar-

VON BUELOW'S AUTOMOBILE. Advocated at Congregational Council. It Killed Aged Woman on Road Near Hamburg.

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WONDERS OF THE WIRELESS.

OVERSEAS MESSAGE FROM SIR WILFRID AND OTHERS

One Has Gone Astray—Cable to the Lendon Mail Elicits the Fact That the Message Sent to That Paper Had Not Been Received.

Glace Bay, N.S., despatch: This after Ireland was inaugurated by Signor Marconi. The messages exchanged to-day were sent by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Lore Strathcona, Sir Hiram Maxim, the Lord Mayor of London and other notable

mas, and the first newspaper to get a story from the other side was the New York Times.

A cable just received from the Lon-don Mail says that the message handed in for transmission this afternoon at 4 o'clock had not been yet received

Marconi said that over ten thousand words had been received and sent to-day and not a single word had to be repeated. The inventor said that he had nothing new to tell and when asked if he would make a statement for the press, said he had nothing to say. In a few days, he said, a press service would be inaugurated between the towers and ships at sea so that press measures may be sent each day. It is possible for Marconi to locate a ship anywhere at sea, and in a test made by the wireless people for the British Admiralty a British warship went to sea under sealed orders, and while she remained in touch with the Marconi system the peated. The inventor said that he had scaled orders, and while she remained in touch with the Marconi system the chart of the course she had taken was made up at the wireless station that corresponded exactly with that of the

hip.
Asked if it was possible for a message to be intercepted, the inventor said no, and even if one was copied by a fluke it could not be done again if the matter was found out, as the tuning apparatus of the sending and receiving station would at once be altered. Two messages may be received at the same time, and to-day Morien messages were being received and sent over the same set of aerials.

A wire was sent by the London Daily Mail to President Roosevelt conveying greetings. Sir Wilfrid Laurier sent the greeting of Canada to the mother coun-

try.
The operating room is about twenty feet leng and about twelve feet wide, and is equipped with three keys. Right in front of that room is the transformer in front of that room is the transformer room, where S or 10 transformers are at work transforming the current up to a very high voltage. The key is connected to an ordinary wire, which wire is connected with the aerial. A funnellike tube spits flame when the sperator touches the key. This, in tura, communicates to the jump spark, and so to the aerials. The noise on the wire is like a number of whips being cracked. The whole process is most interesting, and while it is difficult to get any definite demonstration that messages are really being sent, yet both Marconi and Vyvian claim that they have been sending and receiving. like tube spits flame when the eperator

MESSAGES FROM LAURIER

Two London Papers Publish Greet-

ings by Wireless. London cable: The Daily Chronicle this morning publishes the fellowing message from Sir Wilfrid Laurier, transmitted by wireless from the Marconf station in Canada: "Greetings to the people of Great Britain upon the attainment between the British and Canadian

The Express published the following "Welcome. By this bond between Brit-ain and Canada one more triumph for the Empire and science has been achiev-

The Daily Mail also publishes a message from "Loyal Canada."

HARVEST OF TERRORISM.

There Were Thirty-four Executions in Russia in September. St. Petersburg, Oct. 21.—The police statistics published to-day regarding terrorism during the month of September show that thirty-four persons were executed, that 207, including 73 officials, were murdered and that 172 people were wounded in various affrays. The figures do not include the consultation in the rest.

Jewish riots at Odessa, Rostov and Simferopol.

The police also report 165 attacks made by armed men on estates, buildings or representatives of the authorities and the discovery of 34 stores of bombs and explosives.

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THE WOLF BOUNTIES.

Over Seven Thousand Dollars Paid Out

So Far This Year. Toronto, Oct. 21.—Up to the end of September the Provincial Treasurer had paid out \$7,380 in wolf bounties, for which the appropriation made at the last session of the Legislature was \$8, Last year the total paid for the whole twelve months was \$8,367. The Government pays \$15 for every wolf killed in the unorganized districts, and \$6 of the \$15 which is paid by counties for wolves killed in the ordganized sections of the Province.

ELOPERS WERE CAUGHT.

Young Londoner's Bride Held by Her Parents.

Cdystal City, Man., Oct. 21.— Some months ago Mrss Potter, of this town, was clandestinely married to Jos. Lawrence in London, Ont., and her parents took prompt action to separate the young lovers. The bride was brought home and Lawrence was put under legal restraint. Last night another runaway was planned by Lawrence and his bride, and a start was made for the boundary, but her irate father overtook them thr from home and another sudden rude separation followed.