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## MANITOBA IS DILATORY

*AND THE DOMINION GOVERNMENT MAY NOT AWAIT ITS ANSWER.*

**The School Question May Come Before the Cabinet in an Informal Manner To-Day—Inland Marine Men Suggest Waterway Improvements—Coast Sealers Poor Catch.**

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 26.—Friday morning's trains will bring back to the Capital all the Ministers who are at present absent, and then for the next few days there will be a series of Cabinet meetings, at which important business will be transacted. Sir Francis Smith's genial countenance was observed in the rotunda of the Russell House to-night. The Toronto knight came in on the day train, as he does not care to travel by night. When a man is in his 74th year, although as vigorous as Sir Frank is, he needs to husband his strength.

In some quarters the impression prevails that the school question will come up for consideration Friday, but if it does it will only be in an informal manner. The reply of the Manitoba Government to the order-in-council of July 27 has not yet left Winnipeg. In fact, so far as one can learn here from the best sources possible, the Manitoba Government has not yet decided upon it's reply, although a vast majority of the people in Ottawa who take an interest in politics are pretty well agreed what Mr. Greenway's answer will be. Some people say that the Manitoba Government, which is under no compliment to Federal powers, will be in no hurry to make a statement of its position, as it now exists under the communication of July 27. Two months have elapsed since the second order-in-council went forward to Winnipeg and making due allowance for the summer holidays, surely by this time the local government should be prepared to say if they are prepared "to promote amendments to the acts respecting education in schools in that Province." Of course, if no answer is forthcoming soon the Dominion Government will have to decide upon its policy regardless entirely of the Manitoba Government. Apropos to this question, it may be stated that Lieut.-Gov. Patterson is still in town and has been under the weather for the past day or two.

**Mr. Daly Talks of His Trip.**

"I see the newspapers have been poking fun at Wiggins in reference to his storm prophesy," remarked the Minister of the Interior to your correspondent this afternoon, after a pleasant half hour's chat over his recent extended official tour in the great West. "You may say here that Wiggins is a failure as a prophet, but up Port Arthur way they look upon him as a seer. When one passed through there two days ago there was great anxiety about the safety of the C.P.R. steamer Alberta, and everybody was relieved when she came into port safely after passing through a storm, the like of which has not been experienced on Lake Superior for many years." Mr. Daly looks remarkably well after his trip. Two months continuous open air traveling has given him a good healthy color and the Minister does not disguise the fact that he is in fighting trim. During his tour he traveled over 9000 miles. He says that everything is looking well in the West. The Premier and he in their tour visited five Indian agencies in British Columbia and seven in Manitoba, and the territories, these agencies including a large number of reserves. The total number of Indian schools to which the Government is contributing annual grants visited by the Superintendent-General, was over 24. Mr. Daly was more than satisfied after the careful inspection which he made of the reserves this year, following up his inspections of previous years, that the Government policy towards Indians is the correct one. The good progress which the wards of the Government are making and the contentment everywhere descernible reflects most creditably upon the work of the different agents throughout the country. Mr. Daly says that there has been a fair amount of immigration into Manitoba and territories this year, and he has no doubt that when the reports of this season's splendid harvest reach England they will have a material effect on inducing immigration to Canada.

**Inland Marine Men's Grievances.**

An influential delegation representing Inland Marine interests visited the city to-day and had an interview with the Minister of Rivers and Canals with reference to the present low water in the canals and Rivers St. Lawrence. The deputation consisted of Messrs. W. A. Geddes, president of the Canadian Marine Association; Capt. Crangle and Capt. Sylvester of Toronto, Capt. Fairgrieve and C. Myles, Hamilton; Capt. Gaskin, Kingston; William Stewart, Kingston and Montreal Forwarding Company; C. F. Gildersleeve, general manager R. & O. N. Co., and C. A. Jaques of Montreal. The deputation pointed out to the Minister the several points along the St. Lawrence, at which, by a comparatively small expediture of money, the navigation could be improved for the remainder of this season. The deputation asked for the clearing away of a shoal at the lower entrance of Iroquois lock and also the clearing out of the lock itself. They also asked for the removal of the sills of the guard lock of this canal. It was pointed out that if this were done considerable relief would be afforded tovesel owners. The Minister said he would issue an order to met the wishes of the deputation in regard to this improvement at the very earliest moment. With regard to the Cornwall Canal the deputation urged that two or three hnudred yards of boulders be removed and dredging done to improve that stretch. They also represented that the western entrance to Beauharnois Canal is impeded by a shoal extending for about half a mile, and they asked that this be removed. Another point in the Beauharnois Canal at which improvements are required is at Melocheville, where the entrance will have to be narrowed in order to raise the water. The Minister, while expressing his sympathy with the deputation, and at the manner in which their business had been hampered this year through no fault of their own, or the Government's, promised to have these latter improvements carried out before the 15th of May next. He recognised that, inasmuch as the Soulanges Canal will not be open for navigation for two years that in the meantime accommodation must be afforded to transportation companies. By improving Beauharnois Canal the deputation, greatly pleased at the manner in which they were met by the Minister, and expressed their thanks for the prompt answer which he gave to their requests.

**Are They Demers' Clothes.**

Strange as it may seem for one of the most important developments of the Demers murder trial now in progress in Montreal, to be forshadowed from Ottawa, it is a fact that the statement s made here co-night of the intention of the crown to call a witness whose evidence is likely to bring the guilt of the murder very close to the man who is now on trial for the crime. A well-known [illegible] lawyer from the east called upon [illegible] Attorney Quinn in Motreal yesterday. While they were chatting in the office a woman came in with a bundle of clothes which she said had been brought to her four months ago to be washed. They were covered with blood, especially the white shirt, which had the colalr partly torn. She said she had been at the trial the day before and had seen the prisoner who greatly resembled the man who brought her the washing. She would not say, however, that he was the person. The crown will probably call this witness after the evidence for the defence has been put in. They expect to prove by the marks on the lien that the clothes belonged to Demers and were taken to the washerwoman by his brother. The woman lives about two miles from the scene of the murder.

**Notes.**

Some surprise was expressed in official circles at the announcement that Haras Nationale, Montreal, horse breeding concern had failed. The company has been in receipt of an actual subsidy of $6000 from Parliament for some years for the use of six stallions for the Experimental Farm here. The grant was voted by Parliament last session for the current year.

According to advices which have reached the Department, the B.C. sealing fleet has had poor luck this year. The sealer reported in trouble is the Libbie, owned by Charles Hackett. She is a Nova Scotia schooner and one of the staunchest and finest, as well as one of the largest of the fleet. Being within the 60-mile limit is the offence said to be charged against her.

It would seem that Lord Aberdeen is not coming to Ottawa in such a hurry after all. Word comes from Vancouver to-night that His Excellency has decidede to postpone his intended eastern trip and will fill his exhibition engagements on the Pacific Coast.

His Grace of Marlborough paid a flying visit to the Capital to-day. He was accompanied by Col. Strathy of the 5th Royal Scots, Montreal. The Duke called upon several members of the Government and subsequently visited the Central Fair, of which institution he spoke in glowing terms.

## MANITOBA WHEAT STANDARDS.

**The Board Deems it Inadvisable to Mix Scoured Wheat With No. 1 Hard—The Grain Exchange Differs.**

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 26.—Last night the members of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange held a meeting at the request of Mr. Miall, Assistant Commissioner of Inland Revenue, for the purpose of discussing certain questions affecting the grain trade. The members of the Standards Board were present as guests. The principal subject discussed was the mixing of scoured wheat with No. 1 hard. Various arguments were advanced pro and con, which brought out a great deal of useful information, but the representatives of the different interests were so hopelessly divided that anything like a mutual agreement on the point would have been utterly impossible. After debating the point for about two hours and a ralf the meeting adjourned without taking action.

A resolution to the effect that scoured wheat should be a grade by itself found no supporters.

**The Standards Board Recommendation.**

Subsequent to the adjournment of the Exchange meeting the Standards Board held a closing session, when, after considerable consideration, the following resolution was unanimously passed:

"That in the opinion of this Standards Board it is not advisable to mix scoured wheat in No. 1 hard grade."

The board last night also passed the following resolution on a standing vote: "That the statement made in an Eastern paper to-day that this board had cast a reflection on Comptroller Wood or other officers of the Inland Revenue Department is without foundation and absolutely false and untrue."

A resolution was also passed previous to adjournment giving hearty thanks to Mr. Miall for his presence and assistance in selecting the Manitoba grain standards.

**The Wheat Standards.**

The grain standards fixed are as follows:

No. 1 Manitoba hard, good plump Berry, 63 pounds to the bushel, and with about 75 per cent. of hard red wheat.

No. 2 hard, plump berry, weighing not less than 61 3-4 to 62 pounds to the bushel and with 75 per cent. of hard red fyfe wheat.

No. 1 Northern, a well-filled berry, weighing 62 pounds to the bushel and containing 60 per cent. of hard wheat.

No. 2 Northern, a grain weighing 60 1-2 to 61 pounds, reasonably clean and of good milling qualities.

A No. 3 hard wheat grade was made, consisting of wheat unaffected by frost or smut and yet not fit for No. 2.

**Hear the Combined Bands play the Grand Processional March—Silver Trumpets, "By Vivlani," at the Armouries Monday evening.**

**The only family sewing machine that will do custom tailoring work.**

**"Athlete" Cigarettes. More sold than all other brands combined.**

*SIR OLIVER SAILS FOR HOME.*

**The Premier the Picture of Good Health and Spirits.**

Acting Premier Hardy yesterday received this cablegram from Mr. Peter Byrne, Ontario Government agent at Liverpool:

Sir Oliver Mowat sailed to-day by Vancouver, greatly benefited by his holiday He is the picture of good health and spirits.

**S.S Mariposa Ashore.**

Montreal, Sept. 26.—Reports state that the Dominion steamer Mariposa with passengers and freight, outward, went ashore at Point Amour in the Gulf. Torrance & Co., the agents here, have sent assistance, but the steamer will not reach the vessel before three days, and should rough weather set in the effect might be disastrous.

**Have you seen the New Williams Vibrator?**

**Try Silver Cream. No dirt, no trouble. Makes old silver bright as new. 25c.**

**A Kingston Banker Assigns.**

Kingston, Ont., Sept. 26.—Donald Fraser, banker, has assigned to Captain Robert Crawford. The Merchant's Bank closed his account. The creditors expect the estate will pay all claims.

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**Turkish Baths, Tel. 2275. 127 Yonge-st.**

**Derby Smoking Tobacco—5c 10c and 20c plugs. Enormous sales.**

**Invalid Wine.**

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**The "Slater" $3 Shoe can be purchased only at Guinane Bros.' stores, 214 Yonge-st. and 89 King-st west.**

**Pember's Baths, open all night, 127-129 Yonge**

## 26FT TRUNKWATER ROUTE

*NECESSARY TO CONNECT THE SALT AND FRESH WATER SEAS.*

**The Deep Waterways Convention Passes Eight Resolutions Endorsing the Platform Outlined in Toronto Last Year—Canada's Energy in Canal Improvement Commended.**

Cleveland, O., Sept. 26.—At the meeting of delegates to the Deep Waterways Convention, W. J. Van Patten of Vermont, presided in the temporary absence of President Howland. The following officers were eected:

O. A. Howland, Toronto, International President; L. E. Cooley, Chicago, United States Vice-President; James Fisher, Winnipeg, Canadian Vive-President; Executive Board: A. J. Crocker, Minneapolis; F. A. Flower, Superior, Wis.; Captain J. S. Dunham, Chicago; James Connell, Port Arthur; H. E. Seymour, Sault Ste. Marie; R. R. Dobell, Quebec; T. H. Canfield, Burlington, Vt.; D. M. Smith, Toledo; S. Stephenson, Menonimee, Mich.; E. C. O'Brien, New York; A. P. McGuirk, Davenport, Ia.; E. V. Smalley, St. Paul; A. H. Burk, Duluth; Don M. Dickinson, Detroit; Ryerson Ritchie, Cleveland; F. J. Hearne, Wheeling; C. H. Anderson, Pittsburg.

Chauncey N. Dutton of Washington, described his newly invented canal lock and then declared in favor of a canal built by private capital. He advocated the St. Lawrence River route. "If you build a canal," he said, "you want both ends in deep water. The upper part of the Hudson River affords a depth of only 12 feet. If you use it for a ship canal you will have to built another canal to Lake Champlain in order to provide an adequate water supply."

C. A. Thorpe favored the selection of the shortest rather than the cheapest route.

J. A. C. Wright of Rochester said the first consideration was to get into Lake Ontario and thence to the sea. The route was of secondary importance.

Col. T. P. Roberts read a paper, in which he favored the conversion of the Erie canal into a ship canal.

Captain Alexander R. Smith said that ships by the proposed route could not compete with boats on the Erie canal.

Capt. Davidson of Bay City, quoted precedents to show that the proposed canal would cause a 50 per cent. reduction in railway freights.

After a continous session of 20 hours the Committee on Resolutions reported the following resolutions:

"Recognizing the supreme utility of deep waterways through the great lakes and thence to the sea and reaffirming in full the platform adopted at the organizing convention held in Toronto in 1894, the International Deep Waterways Association in first convention assembled, declares as follows:

"1—That the public welfare demands the deepest practicable channels between the several lakes and to the seaboard to enable vessels of the most economical type to pass between lake ports) or between the lakes and the seaboard of foreign waters without the necessity of trans-shipment.

2. That the said requirements call for at least a depth of 21 feet in all channels and the building of all permanent structures or a navigable depth of 26 feet, so that in order that the water courses may be progressively and economically deepened to the ultimate necessities of traffic.

That the prompt action taken by the Congress of the United States and the Government of the Dominion of Canada providing for a joint commission to investigate and report upon the establishment and maintenance of deep water between the great lakes and the sea conformably to the resolutions adopted at Toronto in 1894, is a matter for gratification and that in view of the extended scope and great importance of the subjects for examination this convention urges that the most liberal provision be made for the necessary expenses.

4. That the broadening of the channels through the connecting shallows between Lakes Erie and Huron and between Lakes Huron and Superior, as recommended by the Lake Carriers' Association is urgently demanded by the present interests of commerce and is in line with the progressive development of a trunk water route.

5—That the international interests in the great fresh water seas of the American continent and in the ship routes joining them to the ocean is recognized and that the use of their waters and the control of their levels are proper subjects for international regulations.

6—That pending the development of the best deep channel or channels to the ocean the promised early completion by the Canadian Government of the St. Lawrence canals if possible with lengthened locks will result in marked benefit to international commerce and the producers of the interior; and that likewise the movement in the State of New oYrk toward lessening the cost of transportation to tidewater by improving the ErieCanal, which must have a permanent value, is noted with satisfaction by this convention.

7—That with respect to the several resolutions in regard to local projects, all enterprises designed to extend marine commerce through lateral routes tributary to the great lake water system are to be encouraged.

"8—That this convention calls special and renewed attention to the desirability of establishing a permanent international court as set forth in the organizing convention at Toronto in 1894."

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**Cook's Turkish Baths, 202-204 King west**

**A department store recently started in town advertises Tutti Frutti for sale, but palms off something else which gives them more profit. Beware of this fraud. advt.**

**New Jackets.**

The show rooms of McKendry & Co. are crowded with the very newest things in ladies' and children's jackets and wraps. The firm have marked prices lower than ever, so that buyers will do well to make an early selection before the best garments have been picked out.

**Light-weight overcoats for fall wear are now in great demand at Oak Hall. Prices range from eight to twelve dollars.**

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California Tokay from the Santa Clara Valley, 10 cents per dock glass at first-class hotels and clubs. It blends perfectly with Sprudel mineral water.

**The Grand Military Combined Bands Concert under the auspices of the sergeant of the three city regiments Monday evening.**

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## A HAMILTON BANK TELLER SKIPS

**W. B. Palmer, Teller in the Bank of Commerce, Levants—Alleged Shortage in His Accounts of $15,000.**

Hamilton, Sept. 26.—Banking and business circles of the city were shocked this morning at the rumor that W. B. Palmer, teller of the Canadian Bank of Commerce of this city had levanted since yesterday afternoon, leaving a deficit of several thousand dollars behind him. It was not a rumor, but a fact. At a late hour last night a warrant was issued for the missing cashier. Yesterday morning the teller was at his desk as usual, but left shortly before 1 o'clock, and has not been seen or heard from since.

Coincident with the departure was the unexpected arrival of one of the bank's inspectors. It was not till late in the afternoon that Palmer's absence created alarm. The directors were notified, and a number of officials from the head office were shortly on the scene, and a thorough search of the city was made. Manager Roberts aroused Judge Jelfs and laid information against Palmer, charging him with having defrauded the bank out of a large sum of money. While the bank officials refuse to state the amount of the deficiency, owing, no doubt, to the fact that the books have not been audited, it is said the shortage is anywhere from $3000 to $15,000. The teller was guaranteed for $5000. Palmer has ben teller of the bank here for four years, having came from Woodstock, and has been in the employ of the bank for about 14 years. As a dog fancier he was known throughout the province, his specialty being cocker spaniels and fox terriers, with which he won many prizes. He had sporting inclinations and was a constant devotee of the race track.

**Another Man $30,000 Short.**

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 26.—Alfred L. Avery, bookkeeper and confidential clerk of Mersmore, Gannott & Co., grain commission men, has disappeared and his balances are said to be short $30,000.

**One Embezzler Extradited.**

New York, Sept. 26.—On the Hamburg-American liner Patria, which arrived this afternoon from Hamberg, was Frederick Rix, who embezzled $40,000 while manager of the South Chicago branch of the Singer Sewing Machine Company. His forgeries and embezzlements were discovered in September, 1894, and he absconded in October. He was traced to Hamberg and arrested on January 2, of this year, but was not extradicted until Sept. 2.

*CAMBRIDGE'S VALEDICTORY.*

**The Ex-Commander-in-Chief Strongly Favors a Royal Head of the Army.**

London, Sept. 26.—The Duke of Cambridge, whose retirement as Commander-in-Chief of the forces was recently announced, and who was succeeded by Lord Wolseley, made a long speech at a luncheon which was given in his honor to-day in Edinburgh. He began his remarks by referring to the charge that he had opposed all changes that had been suggested in connection with the army. This charge he denied, maintaining that on the contrary he had always led in making changes that tended to add to the efficiency of the British troops. He said he regretted to have seen lately that a strong notion existed that a member of the Royal family was not suited to the chief command of the army. He held that a royal person could be placed without necessarily considering his high degree, in any position for which he might be found to be fitted. He would not say that he was particularly fit for the position he had filled for 39 years. He had filled it as best he could and had got more than his share of the criticism that always fell to great public officials.

When a member of the royal family was found fit for his position, he continued, the public ought to be delighted to see him so placed. If he had gone about for 39 years twirling his fingers and smoking cigars in the streets of London the people would not have thought much of him. He could have gone on much longer working at his post, but it had been thought advisable that others should follow him. He only hoped that his successors would end their careers feeling as much sentiment toward their officers as he experienced at that moment.

He had been consoled by the knowledge that he had done his duty in such a way that the army and the whole country had been satisfied. A feature of the monarchical principle was that those in the highest positions besides doing their duty to the state, were bound to be useful members of society. In accordance with this rule he had never neglected the civil duties falling to a person in his position.

The Duke was frequently interrupted by cheers during the delivery of his speech, which has created a sensation as an unexpected and outspoken valedictory.

**Husbands, ask your tailor how he likes his New Williams.**

*WIGGINS' WEATHER CHANGES.*

**Equinoctial Gales Remind Us That Fall is Upon Us and Winter Near.**

We have already had severe enough days so far as weather is concerned to remind us that summer is gone, that fall will soon reach its end and that then winter and its snows will be upon us. To some this will be a glad reflection, for most natures are fickle and soon tire of the season that is upon them. Even the best of us are better for the change when it comes, bringing as it does the glad Christmas days. Most people leave off the buying of Christmas presents until too late, and if they could summon up in all their vividness the vows they made last year to buy months in advance of this time, they would commence to look around for them at once. It takes a long time to choose. Furs are a peculiarly appropriate gift at Christmas time, as appropriate as a bunch of roses from a young man to his best girl. At Dineens the best of furs are to be had and the display in the handsome show rooms upstairs it is a pleasure to examine. Time was when fashion didn't enter much into furs—it does now and the ladies must see the fall stock just opened to be up to date. Beautiful soft shimmering seal jackets are shown with immense baloon sleeves, and butterfly skirts with high collars and pointed reveres. This shape is varied with a coat back skirt and square collar. These styles are $215 and $225, the increased cost being due to the full sleeves and backs. The same styles are shown in electric seal, which cannot be distinguished from real seal, at $100. Handsome black Persian lambs, in above styles, are marked $125. A line not to be seen elsewhere is black Persian lamb with melon sleeves, double-breasted full front reefer jacket with yearl buttons. Beautiful grey Persian lamb, latest style, with ripple skirt, $50 and $60, at Dineens, King and Yonge.

**Massed Bands of the Queen's Own Rifles, Royal Grenadiers, 48th Highlanders at the Armouries Monday evening, 30th inst.**

For business envelopes, get samples and prices from Blight Bros, 65 Yonge-street.

**Combined Military Band Concert Monday evening at the Armouries at 8 o'clock**

## SENT FOR AN UNDERTAKER

*AND THEN DELIBERATELY ASPHYXIATED HIMSELF.*

**The Manager of the Toronto Paper Box Company Wrote to an Undertaker to Call at His House and When the Latter Did so He Found the Writer Dead in the Bathroom.**

"Mr. Ellis, Dear Sir: Come to 112 Brunswick-avenue. You will find door unbolted. Bring Coroner with you."

Such was the wording of an unsigned missive received by Undertaker Harry Ellis, College-street, with his mail yesterday morning. The undertaker was, of course, very much puzzled on reading the strange note, and immediately notified Coroner Young. The Coroner thought the matter was probably a joke, but advised investigation. Mr. Ellis, accompanied by one of his assistants, then went to the address given and found the door unlocked, as the note had said. There were no signs of anyone astir in the house, but a strong smell of gas was very noticeable.

After searching several of the rooms the undertaker visited the bathroom, the window and door of which were both closed, and the gas jet turned on. Sitting on the edge of the bath with the head resting on the hand and the body on the wash-stand, was the body of Alvin Jenks, proprietor of the Toronto Paper Box Company. On the lapel of the dead man's coat a small piece of paper was pinned bearing this brief inscription: "Ill-health. A. J." The features were in no way discolored or distorted and death had apparently been very easy.

**Disposed of His Effects.**

Undertaker Ellis notified Coroner Young of his find. Death had apparently resulted from asphyxiation. A letter was found by the Coroner addressed to Mr. Charles Elliott, barrister, who soon afterwards arrived in company with Mr. G. Madden, deceased's brother-in-law. The letter to Mr. Elliott contained a wish that all his property and effects go to his wife with the exception of a couple of tickets, which he leaves to Mr. William Gardner.

**Mailed His Notification the Night Before.**

The circumstances surrounding the sad affair point to deliberate suicide. The letter received by Undertaker Ellis had been mailed in a letter box on Spadina-avenue before 9.30 p. m. on Wednesday. Deceased had also sent a bunlle of papers and a letter to his solicitor, Mr. Charles Elliott, 63 Yonge-street apparently at the same time, as they were received by the lawyer on his arrival at his office yesterday morning. From the tone of the letter Mr. Elliott knew that something must be amiss and accordingly telephoned to Mr. Jenks' residence, but was unable to get any reply. Positive that there was some mystery surrounding the matter he notified the deceased's brother-in-law, G. F. Madden of the Incandescent Light Company, the two gentlemen then proceeded to the home of deceased, 112 Brunswick-avenue, to find Coroner Young and Undertaker Ellis already there.

**Deceased's Career.**

The dead man is Alvin Jenks, proprietor of the Toronto Paper Box Company. He is about 34 years of age and came here from Pawtucket, R. I., where his relatives reside, more than 12 years ago. He was for some time in the employ of the Barber & Ellis Co., and was eventually foreman of their paper box department. On severing his connection Jenks went into the paper box business on his own account, taking into partnership William Gardner. About six years ago he bought out Mr. Gardner's share of the business and has since conducted it himself, Gardner acting as his foreman and right-hand man.

Mr. Gardner was seen by a World reporter yesterday. He said that he could in no way account for the suicide.

"The business," Mr. Gardner said, "is in a very flourishing condition and as far as I know Mr. Jenks was in no financial trouble whatever. He had a nice wife and I believe that they got along very happily together. He was last at the factory about noon on Wednesday. He has often complained of ill-health, but the same as other people often will. Some time ago he had an operation performed on his ear, where an abscess had formed."

Jenks had no domestic troubles. He was last seen with his wife on Sunday night, when the two went out bicycling. Mrs. Jenks left on Monday to visit relatives in East York, but returned yesterday and is staying with her brother, Mr. Madden. Jenks was married only three months ago at All Saints' Church.

Charles Elliott, the solicitor of the deceased, did not care to say what the papers were he received from Jenks yesterday morning, excepting that there were some insurance policies with them and that he also received a letter. Mr. Elliott transacted some business for Jenks on Monday and did not notice anything out of the way with him then.

The body was removed to Ellis' undertaking establishment on College-street, where an inquest will be held at 7.30 o'clock this evening.

**Miss Jessie Alexander's annual recital Massey Hall Friday, Oct. 4th.**

**Promotions in Algonquin Park.**

The position of superintendent of Algonquin Park, rendered vacant by the recent death of Peter Thompson, has been filled by the promotion to that post of the present chief ranger of the park, John Simpson, C.E., and one of the rangers, Timothy O'Leary, has been promoted to the post of chief ranger.

**Derby Smoking Tobacco—5c, 10c and 20c plugs. Enormous sales.**

**Your food will nourish you properly if you use Adams' Tutti Frutti after meals. Refuse imitations.**

**Lakeview House.**

Parties desiring winter board should not overlook the Lake View. Just a few roms left. J. H. Ayre, manager. 135

**Ladies, ask your dressmaker how she likes her New Williams.**

**Assistant Inspector Bank of Commerce.**

Mr. G. H. Meldrum, private secretary to General Manager Walker of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, has been appointed assistant inspector of the bank, vice G. De O'Grady, who was recently made manager at Woodstock. The appointment is a most popular one.

**Harris, manufacturing furrier, alters seal mantles to latest styles at rock bottom prices. Factory 74 King-street west upstairs. Phone 2746.**

**Ask your grocer for "Salada" Ceylon Tea**

**Fine and Cooler.**

Minimum and maximum temperatures:—Edmonton, 34—56; Calgary, 24—54; Prince Albert, 36—58; Qu'Appelle, 36—54; Winnipeg, 44—54; Toronto, 63—74; Montreal, 56—72—Quebec, 50—68; Halifax, 46—60.

PROBS: Fresh to strong westerly and northwesterly winds; fair and a little cooler.

**Guinane Bros are sole agents in this city for the "Slater" Shoe.**

## RAIN QUENCHES THE BUSH FIRES

**Hundreds of Quebec Families Homeless on the Roadside—A Fight to Save a Village.**

Arthabaska Station, Que., Sept. 26.—The forest fires continued unabated all night and until an early hour this morning, when a merciful rain set in and all danger is now thought to be at an end. The flames had crept up in uncomfortable proximity to the village of Arthabaska. It raged fiercely beyond Bulstrode, and two hundred men had to work unceasingly to save that village from destruction. Thousands of cords of valuable pulp wood and wood of other kinds were piled there and were nearly all destroyed.

At St. Valiere the fire did great damage, the following being some of the sufferers thereby: Alf. Baril, barn and dwelling; E. Cloutier, house and barn; L. Tavergne, dwelling; V. Pratte, house; A. Bouvet, mill; F. Blanchet, house; Joseph Provencher, dwelling; Laurent G. Gosselin, barns and contents; Alf. Gosselin, house and contents; Joseph Morinville, barn and contents. That village also reports that tre rain is expected to put out the fires.

**Hundreds of Families Destitute.**

Three Rivers, Que., Sept. 26.—Beneficial effects of the heavy rain last night in extinguishing the forest fires has relieved all minds from apprehension of further attending danger which today's high wind would rave caused. As reports come in from time to time the extent of the calamity is felt—hundreds of families are left on the roadside without shelter or sustenance. The clergy and others are doing what they can to relieve the distress, but the local government must interpose in their behalf or much suffering will be encountered before winter. The needy ones are seeking relief in the villages which have escaped the devouring element. It is hoped the worst is past and that further devastation need not be feared.

**Prairie Fires Near Gretna.**

Winnipeg, Sept. 26.—Extensive prairie fires are reported raging near Rosenfeldt and Gretna, burning several farmers' stacks and buildings. Rains to-day will probably suppress the fires.

*STILL ANOTHER BURGLARY.*

**The Spadina-Avenue Thieves Thought to Have Made a Rich Haul.**

The burglars who for months have infested the Spadina-avenue district, appear to have acquired, by long and uninterrupted user, a right to the effects of citizens in that neighborhood. About 2 o'clock last evening the house of Edward Y. Eaton, vice-president of the T. Eaton Co. Ltd., at 68 Spadina-road, was ransacked by burglars. The police constable who patrols the beat was passing the house shortly after the time named when his attention was attracted by the widely-opened door. An examination revealed that the house had been despoiled of many articles of value.

Mr. Eaton, who is now absent in Muskoka, formerly resided at 82 Spadina-road, but since his wife's death has lived with his father, Mr. T. Eaton, lower down the street, leaving his furniture and effects in the former place. Some time ago he took possession of No. 68 and commenced to remove his goods. This having been done he went on a holiday, leaving his new residence unoccupied.

Owing to his absence it is impossible to state the quantity or value of the goods stolen, which are, however, considerable.

*FRIGHTENED TO DEATH.*

**Dropped Dead on Learning That Burglars Were in the House.**

Port Dover, Sept. 26.—This morning about 2 o'clock the house of Miss Brown was broken into by burglars. An old aunt, Miss Lonsboro, who was sleeping down stairs, got up and called for help to Miss Brown and threatened the burglars.

She almost immediately afterwards fell over and expired, the fright being too much for her. She had been in rather feeble health for some time. Burglaries have been very numerous here lately.

**A department store recently started in town advertises Tutti Frutti for sale, but palms off something else which gives them more profit. Beware of this fraud. advt**

**The Owner of the Coat.**

The owner of the coat in the King-street window at which all men were marvelling yesterday has confessed—Mr. John Macdonald. It has twenty-three pockets. It has a set to the tall like a shovel suddenly bent down the middle. It attracted the attention of Sir Henry Irving. The actor-knight declared that it was up to anything in England. It is quite beyond anything hitherto seen in Toronto.

Mr. Macdonald had it built expressly for grand horse occasions—the New York show in November, and, next week, if the weather be cold, at the Markham Fair, where he is to be a judge of equines.

Mr. Macdonald, however, has decided to call in the white buttons of mother of pearl and to replace them with black bone. But they will be of the same size in order to match the button-holes, which are four inches of a cut and each took half a day to work.

The Hamilton people will be disappointed when they learn that it is not to go to one of the Hendries. The bankers are also disappointed that it will not enwrap one of their members. But Mr. Macdonald thinks he is just built for the garment in question.

**The Terry and The Irving**

I have seen Irving's King Arthur.
Yes.
And I've seen his Mephistopheles in "Faust."
Yes.
And others of his parts that are recent.
Yes.
And I've seen Terry in Marguerite and as Guinivere.
Yes.
Well, I'd sooner see more of him in Hamlet and in Richard III., and less in the latter pieces. And as for Terry, why does she not throw off the heavy and give us comedy—the comedy of Shakespeare especially?
I agree with you, my friend.

**Miss Jessie Alexander in impersonations from Du Maurier's "Trilby" on Oct. 4th, Massey Hall.**

**The Purest Ale in Canada.**

The hops used at Eaton's Owen Sound brewery are the East Kent Golding. The water comes from a spring that has not a rival in Ontario for purity, and the ale is, without doubt, equal to any ever sold in Canada. 135

**If you suffer from indigestion get a package of Adams' Tutti Frutti at once. Its results are marvelous. Refuse all imitations.**

**The "Slater" Shoe has price and trade mark stamped on the sole.**

**MARRIAGES.**

BAIN—RITCHIE—At 52 1-2 William-street, on the 26th inst., by the Rev. G. M. Milligan, D.D., Robert Bain to Ellie Ritchie, both lately of Edinburgh.

**The shoes manufactured 10 years ago by Geo. T. Slater & Sons are not this registered "Slater" shoe of 1895.**

You can get the genuine Tonka Tob for 10c per packoge. Do not pay same price for a cheap imitation. 135

## SCOLLIE MURDER TRIAL.

*THE CASE AGAINST MRS. GRAY FIRST HEARD.*

**Evidence Given as to the Finding of Scollie's Headless Corpse, the Result of the Post-Mortem and as to Threats Said to Have Been Uttered by the Prisoner Against Scollie.**

Peterboro, Sept. 26.—In an overcrowded court room in the Peterboro County Buildings, which overlook the pretty little court house park, Hessie Gray was to-day placed upon trial for her life. The husband, Thomas Gray, who is also in custody on a charge of murder, was arraigned with his wife, but after pleading not guilty, was taken back to his cell, the Crown deciding to try the prisoners separately. The Hon. Chancellor Boyd is presiding, with Mr. R. C. Clute, Q.C., as Crown prosecutor. The prisoner is being defended by Mr. W. A. Stratton and Mr. R. R. Hall.

The prisoners are charged with the murder of David Scollie on Feb. 23, 1894.

**Story of the Crime.**

The history and the circumstances leading up to the alleged crime, briefly put, are as follows: About the year 1889, David Scollie, an elderly bachelor, lived alone in a little house on a farm on the 11th line of Otonabee, about three miles from Peterboro. Tiring of his hermit's existence and hard labor in the fields, he entered into an agreement with Thomas and Hessie Gray, by which they were to sustain him for the rest of his life, the consideration being that he was to allow them the use of his farm during life and at his death it was to be deeded to them. Matters moved along with a varying degree of smoothness until the winter of 1893-4. Then the neighbors, according to their sworn testimony to-day, began to catch mutterings of discontent from the Grays at the old man's tenacity of life.

On the morning of Feb. 23, 1894, about 2 o'clock, the residence of the Grays was burned to the ground and when the flames had spent themselves the headless corpse of Scollie was dug from the ruins by the neighbors. It lay on a straw tick on the kitchen floor, immediately below the room where Scollie usually slept. Gray was absent from home at the time of the fire and the alarm of fire was raised by Mrs. Gray and her children, who were sent to the house of a relative nearly half a mile distant, passing houses of several neighbors on the way. Scollie's head was never found, and some of the neighbors had suspicions of foul play. An inquest was held, but no postmortem examination had been made and the enquiry resulted in an open verdict.

A year later the Toronto World started the Formerly hidden facts and revelations in the now celebrated Hyams case, and one of the indirect results was the revival in the minds of the people of this vicinity of the circumstances attendant upon Scollie's death. The matter was again thoroughly canvassed, with the result that the Attorney-General's Department was asked to exhume the body and hold an investigation. Detective Murray was detailed to the case, the body exhumed, the Grays extradited from Florida, where they had gone in July, 1894, and to-day the case reached trial.

**The Crown's Theory.**

The Crown's theory is that Scollie was drugged by Mrs. Gray, after which she severed his head from the body and fired the house, with the double purpose of obliterating the evidences of her crime and of realizing the insurance on an overvalued house and household goods.

The medical evidence, upon which the Crown placed great reliance, proved to be very favorable to the defence. In addition to this, the chief Crown witnesses, Mr. and Mrs. McGregor, are brother-in-law and sister respectively of Mrs. Gray. The trial of Mrs. Gray will be concluded Friday.

**Mrs. Gray's Composure.**

When the court was called to order at 11.30 a. m., Mr. and Mrs. Gray, the latter carrying a child that was born in Florida, were conducted to the prisoners' dock. Both pleaded not guilty, the female prisoner replying in a very much clearer and firmer tone than her husband. When Mr. Clute asked for separate trials, the father lifted the child from its mother's embrace and taking it in his own arms, was led away back to his cell. Later in the day the babe was brought back to the court and spent a great part of the afternoon playing in the dock at its mother's feet.

Mrs. Gray is