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WEDNESDAY... SEPTEMBER 2, 1885

The Judge, addressing the Grand Jury at the Middlesex sessions, expressed very strong disapprobation of the London Pall Mall Gazette for publishing what His Honor termed a flood of obscene literature.

It would be interesting to know how much truth there is in the following paragraph from a Chicago contemporary: "Government officials in Canada, as well as a large number of well-informed private ladies, say that if superior women between the ages of eighteen and twenty five go there and submit to the position of domestic service they are almost sure to marry, and marry well, within a short time of their arrival, especially if they go far West."

JAPAN'S number of newspapers goes on increasing most beautifully. Soon every other inhabitant of the place will have a journal of his own.

THERE is a noticeable disposition on the part of some people to attack the Montreal correspondents of American and other foreign papers for the manner in which they described the progress of the smallpox in our midst, and to blame them for the injury done to Montreal by their exaggerated and alarming accounts of the spread of the disease.

A special despatch to the N. Y. Sun gives a glowing and satisfactory description of the political situation in Ireland and of how the attitude of the English parties is affected by the declared aims of the Irish leaders.

country on an anti-Parnellite cry, arguing that an enormous Liberal majority will alone save the country from Parnell's dictatorship. Mr. Parnell in the meantime has retired to Wicklow, secure in the fickleness, pliancy and necessities of the English parties, the activity of his lieutenants, the discipline of his organization, and his more than ever supreme power in Ireland.

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THE grain crops in the United States for this year are reported to be away behind the average in quantity, and as to quality they are also considered inferior. In the Western States a large expected yield has been turned into a shortage. Last year the yield of spring wheat in those States was 132,000,000 bushels; this year it is not expected to exceed 113,000,000.

BY AN INCREASED MAJORITY.

THE opposition to the Hon. Thom. White's re-election in Cardwell was purely factional, and was not calculated to serve any public interest. It is accordingly a matter of gratification to find that it was thoroughly abortive in its results.

ADVICE FROM THE PULPIT ON THE SMALL-POX SCARE.

DURING Divine service at St. Patrick's Church yesterday, the Rev. Father Dowd took occasion to address the congregation a few words of wholesome and well-timed advice concerning the smallpox outbreak in the city.

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JUSTIN MCCARTHY "A REBEL"

MR. JUSTIN MCCARTHY, the distinguished author and National member for Louth in the British Parliament, is by no means an extreme man, nor has he ever been considered a fierce or dangerous man; but, when properly aroused, he can say sharp and fiery things, worthy of the late John Mitchell.

A MARKED HONOR AND NOTABLE EVENT.

THE banquet tendered to the Hon. Thomas White by the Press Association, on the occasion of his departure from the ranks of journalism to assume an important position in the Government of the Dominion, was unquestionably a brilliant and memorable affair.

A CONTEMPORARY REBUKED.

OUR evening contemporary, the Montreal Daily Star, should be more careful before it ventures to attack the character and denounce the conduct of Catholic clergymen. It has a reprehensible habit of holding respectable people up to public scorn and ridicule on the most trivial pretences and sometimes on the most unjust grounds.

to such a pass that the very Betting Club of Laprarie could no longer withhold an expression of their disgust at the lying and sensational reports of the Star, or refrain from publicly denouncing our contemporary's conduct in the matter.

WHAT IT WANTS AND DOESN'T WANT.

SOME people will never be pleased, and no matter what you do, you can never gain their approval. The Witness is one of that set. One of its standing taunts to the Irish people used to be that union in their ranks was impossible, and that a people who were always in discord had no right to any form of self-government.

FEMALE REFUSE FOR CANADA.

THERE is an idea, which is quite commonly entertained in Great Britain, that the colonies are just the places to which the incorrigible, destitute and friendless classes of the old country population should be exported.

view of the Toronto Convention, the Star has been placed before the Congress for good and sufficient reasons, similar reasons will justify us in interfering with the schemes of our guests, who are more anxious to get rid of their legitimate burdens, or to gain notoriety and profit, than they are to rescue the fallen.

THE RESULT OF MISGOVERNMENT.

SOME of the English papers seemed quite stunned at Mr. Parnell's recent declaration, that what Ireland wanted, and was bound to have, was the power of control over her economic affairs.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURES.

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imperial highness says: "To make, in some extent, Each evil Liver A running river Of harmless meritment." A nobler task than making evil rivers, rivers of harmless meritment no person, king or layman, could take upon himself.

IRISH PARLIAMENTARY FUND.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. P. Kyle, Merrickville, Ont. \$5.00; J. J. Flynn 1.00; D. Phelan 1.00; Jas. Fitzpatrick 5.00; J. D. Fitzpatrick McGarry 1.00; P. Murphy 1.00.

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HIS LORDSHIP BISHOP GRAVEL.

Mgr. Gravel, the new bishop of Nicolet, left by special train for Three Rivers, where he arrived about noon, and after paying his respects to Mgr. Lafleche, left by boat for Nicolet. His Grace was accompanied by Archbishop Taschereau, of Quebec, Mgr. Moreau, of St. Hyacinthe, L. V. Thibaudan, secretary for the new bishop, and several of the clergy.