A CLERGYMAN TO BE HANGED.

REV. G. C. GRIFFITHS CONVICTED OF MURDER.

When in Financial Difficulties He Shot His Mother and Absconded With Her Money—Sentenced to Hang on Jan. 9—Recommended to Mercy Because of Weak Intellect.

DUBLIN, Dec. 20.—At Munster Winter Assizes yesterday, before Judge O'Brien, the Rev. George C. Griffiths, Protestant clergyman, was tried for the wilful murder of his mother at Kilglynn County, Kerry.

The prisoner was in considerable financial difficulties. His mother was found dead in the drawing-room with a bullet wound through the head. Prisoner absconded, taking with him all the money she possessed, but was arrested the following morning in Killarney.

The only other person in the house at the time of the murder was a female servant, and before leaving the prisoner informed her that her mistress had died of heart disease.

For the defence several witnesses were called, and spoke to the eccentric and erratic character of the accused from boyhood. Medical witnesses were called to sustain the plea of insanity.

Prisoner was found guilty, with a strong recommendation to mercy on account of weak intellect.

Asked whether he had anything to say why sentence of death should not be passed upon him, prisoner said in a firm voice: "I did not, at all events, knowingly or intentionally take the life of another. I do declare that most solemnly before you and before God."

Prisoner was then sentenced to be hanged on Jan. 9 next.

FINANCE AND TRADE.

"The money market has the appearance of greater ease," said a broker yesterday. "We can obtain time loans at 5½ per cent. on choice collateral, and, in fact, have refused it, as we expect call money will be down to 5 per cent. in January."

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At Secretary Wills' sale of seats yesterday for the Board of Trade banquet there was quite a rush for a while, after which the demand subsided. Although satisfactory the treasurer did not take in as many ducats as on the first day of the sale at the previous dinner.

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It is announced that the estimated earnings of the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway Company for the half year ending the 31st inst., applicable to meet interest on the bonds, will admit of the payment of £2 7s 3d per cent., and this payment will be applied: £1 5s 4d in final discharge of coupon No. 31, due January, 1886, and £1 1s 9d on account of coupon No. 32. The numbers are published of bonds amounting to £1700 of the same road, which have been drawn for repayment at par with the above mentioned interest on the 1st prox. at the offices of the Grand Trunk Company.

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Mr. Samuel of Samuel, Benjamin & Co. states that the hardware trade is in pretty good shape with few failures. "Prices generally, however, are lower than ever known and we have to be satisfied with small profits. Tin is quoted at 21c and copper at 12c."

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The total fire loss for the eleven months of 1893 to Dec. 1 in Canada amounted to $5,955,130, the insurance loss to $3,754,230, as against $4,730,800 and $3,165,350 last year. The heaviest month in 1893 was June, $1,060,800, with $382,500 insurance. The insurance companies lost $533,830 in March and only $167,000 in July, the lightest month. The total loss in November was $457,000 and the insurance loss $317,300. The insurance loss in Montreal amounted to $80,000 for November.

The Season of Good Will.

[From The Toronto Register.]

Another thought at Christmas—sweet and common as the daisy upon English hill and dale—is peace amongst neighbors. "Peace to men of good will" was heaven's message to earth. Let us send it out upon that holy morn. Nothing is so much needed in these times and in this country. What one amongst us that loves his land with the patriotism of a freeman will not sound a note of more peaceful and friendly feeling than exists at present? What one amongst us will not pray most earnestly for good will towards all classes?

May the bells of Christmas morn

"Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind;

"Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws;

"Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land;
Ring in the Christ that is to be."

Police Court Jottings.

In the absence of Police Magistrate Denison, Hugh Miller, J.P., dispensed justice at the Police Court yesterday.

George Easton, for being drunk and disorderly, was fined $10 and costs or 30 days. William Cowhey was fined $5 and costs or 30 days for driving over a little girl while he was intoxicated. Mary Clarke was given 10 days for breaking windows in James Nuttall's restaurant in York-street.

The following cases were remanded until next week: William Robinson, Mary Beresford and Lizzie Toye on a charge of assault; Robert Spencer and his wife Annie on a charge of stealing $300 from Mrs. Gibson of Duchess-street; Mrs. Bredannraz, charged with the larceny of tailors' furnishings, was allowed out on two sureties of $500 each; John M. Grant, burglary, was remanded until the 22nd.

Judge McDougall's Pruning Knife.

Judge McDougall made several important reductions in the assessment on properties in Wards 4, 5 and 6 yesterday in the Court House. The assessment on the store belonging to the Henderson estate in Queen-street west was substantially decreased; at No. 190 it was cut from $295 to $250 a foot; on 252, from $400 to $350; on No. 254, from $300 to $260; on 282, from $282 to $250, the estate getting a cut in the aggregate of $8150. The Athletic club was successful in getting the $11,000 increase on the assessment added this year cut off. Police Sergt. Johnson wanted the amount taken from his income for the police benefit fund taken from his salary assessment of $500. Judge McDougall could not see it in that light and the appeal was not granted.

If attacked with cholera or summer complaint of any kind send at once for a bottle of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cordial and use it according to directions. It acts with wonderful rapidity in subduing that dreadful disease that weakens the strongest man and that destroys the young and delicate. Those who have used this cholera medicine say it acts promptly, and never fails to effect a thorough cure.

A Great Bazar.

The public are all looking for good and useful presents. They need not look long. The enterprising Mr. McKendry of Yonge-street has just returned from New York after making a big purchase of fancy goods, toys, albums, etc., at a great discount. The old premises of Grant & Co. are in full swing, the bazar was busy all day yesterday. You will have to hurry up to get these bargains in novelties. Now is your chance.

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ENOCH ARDEN OUTDONE.

The Two Husbands Reach a Calque But "Agreeable" Settlement.

CANNING, N.S., Dec. 20.—An Enoch Arden case in this neighborhood has been settled in a satisfactory manner entirely different from what we usually read about. It appears that a married man of this locality, Smithers by name, a number of years ago left his wife and family and went to the States, and with his departure the partner of his joys and sorrows lost all trace of her husband, and supposing him dead married another man.

Much to her consternation and surprise the first husband returned a few weeks after her second marriage. "Explanations" followed, and the fact that both men are now at work in the same lumber camp, and that one goes home one week and the other the next is quantum sufficit to show that an arrangement satisfactory to both the "lords of creation" concerned was arrived at.

IDENTIFIED THROUGH THE WORLD.

John Toner, Dead at Seattle, is a Toronto Man.

An item in The World on the 14th inst. announced the death of John "Tomer," formerly of Toronto, at Seattle, W.T. The deceased's relatives and friends in Toronto were not known to the people of Seattle and a request was made that any one knowing him should call at this office. Yesterday Mr. John Toner of Downsview called at The World and said he thought the deceased was his son, although the name was spelled wrong and his son's name was James and not John. It is four years ago since his son left here for Seattle and it is two years since he last heard of him.

Help the Needy Needlewoman.

The Toronto Industrial Room Society is holding a clearing sale in the Y.M.C.A. store, corner Yonge and McGill-streets. In view of the unusually severe winter before us and the stock to be disposed of, they trust not only the institutions and philanthropists, to whose Christian charity they already owe much, will very materially exceed their former purchases, as at present the society is face to face with the task of providing needlework for 125 women weekly, and would urge its claims that employment and therefore help may be secured for the many deserving ones. A large number of greatly reduced factory flannelets and other garments suitable for distribution among our worthy charities and needy ones are for sale.

Claims Against the City For Damages.

Judge Morson will act as arbitrator between the city and William Leak, John Mallon, Ellen Mallon, Mallon Woods, John Foley, Mary Daley and St. Helen's Catholic Church, who claim damages for the alterations to the Dundas-street bridges. A hearing will begin Jan. 3.

Mrs. Folley's Will is All Right.

Almira Grover Folley, who died in this city about a year ago, left an estate of $50,000, the bulk of which was bequeathed to charitable institutions. An effort was made to upset the will in the Court of Chancery, but yesterday Justice Meredith decided that the bequests were valid.

Distress in the City.

One hundred and seventy-four applications for aid were made to the Charities Committee of the City Council. Only 93 applications were recorded last year during the same time.

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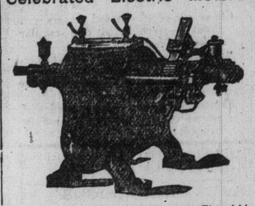

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