

CHINESE HEADS CUT OFF.

Eight Hundred Russians Rescued From an Ice Flow.

Block Burned in Ottawa-New Railroad Opened To-day.

Mr. George E. Henderson, Q. C., Belleville, is dead, aged 77.

The Thomson-Tipping block at Orillia, was totally destroyed by fire, with all its contents.

Eight hundred Russian fishermen, with their sleighs and horses, were carried onto the ice-flow on the Sea of Azov. They were rescued.

The Tilsonburg, Lake Erie & Pacific Railway, sixteen miles in length, running from Tilsonburg to Port Huron, will be opened for traffic to-day.

Warrants were to be issued to-day for the arrest of the entire directorate of the Banque du Peuple.

A despatch from Svatow, Province of Quang-Tung, China, says that the ringleaders of the mob which plundered the German mission at Solla, have been beheaded.

Napoleon Demers, who was accused of killing his wife at St. Henri, was declared not guilty after a protracted second trial in the Court of Queen's Bench at Montreal.

J. H. Radcliffe, the well-known executioner of Toronto, arrived in Beauharnois, Que., yesterday morning, to execute Valentine Shortis, the Valleyfield murderer, on Friday next.

Geo. S. Young, a well-known and much-respected merchant of Brockville, died on Sunday night, after an illness of only a few days.

The sixth son of the Rev. William Young, a pioneer Methodist minister, died on Monday.

Dr. E. Brooke, of Windsor, Ont., son of John E. Brooke, Chatham, was found dead yesterday in a room adjoining his office in that city.

Lady Fanny Gregory, who some years ago was one of the most accomplished versatile actresses on the English stage, died in London yesterday.

A meeting of the Montreal creditors of Samson, Kennell & Co., of Toronto, was held yesterday, when a statement was presented, showing a total deficiency of \$219,486.

All the brewing companies doing business in Chicago have perfected an agreement by which the price of beer will be advanced in January 31 to a barrel. It is estimated that this will result in the closing of some 2,000 small saloons.

It is reported that two passenger trains on the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern Railway collided between North Bend and Delhi, ten miles west of Cincinnati, last night, and that several were killed and many injured. Parties have just left for the scene.

The Board of Fire Underwriters yesterday decided upon a new schedule of fire insurance rates for the city of Toronto. The new rates are a slight reduction on those advanced at the time of the heavy conflagrations in January and March of the present year.

The Vladivostok correspondent of the Novoye Vremya telegraphs that the situation in Korea is serious. The King is surrounded by Japanese spies and goes in fear of his life. Two American missionaries guard him every night.

THE HYAMS CASE. The Case of Conspiracy to Murder Martha Wells in a Police Court.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—There was quite a large crowd at the Police Court yesterday, attracted by the fact that the Hyams brothers were to appear to answer to a charge of conspiring to murder Martha Hyams, nee Wells.

The clerk then arraigned them on four charges of forgery. The charges were of the following tenor and date: April 14th, 1893, forging the name of William Lee as an endorsement to a cheque for \$500; April 18th, 1893, forging the name of Alexander Crane to a cheque for \$2,500; April 12th, 1893, forging the name of William Stone to a cheque for \$250; and April 8th, 1893, forging the name of John Jackson to a cheque for \$200.

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Mr. George Hogarth, local manager of the G. N. W. Telegraph Company, identified several despatches sent over his line to Montreal in January, 1893. Mr. Albert W. Barber, of the Canadian Pacific, also produced several despatches.

Mr. J. W. Kerr, of the Standard Insurance Co., was next called. He testified that a year ago last July he had met Dallas Hyams. The latter spoke to him about some insurance on Mrs. Harry Hyams. He was present at Dr. Field's house when Mrs. Hyams was examined. The amount of the application then made was \$10,000. The company, however, refused to sanction the risk. Dallas told witness that they wanted to place an insurance for \$75,000 on Mrs. Hyams. The case was then enlarged for a week. Dr. Field being unable to be present.

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

A KENTUCKY HORROR.

Lynchers Burn and Shoot a Man and Woman.

WHERE MISSIONARIES ARE NEEDED.

A special to the Louisville Commercial from Lebanon, Ky., says: Within two miles of this city last night a respectable man burned a man to death and riddled her gray-haired paramour with bullets.

The affair was the outgrowth of the old story of a faithless wife and a revengeful husband. Several months ago Deveres, a middle-aged widower, was accused by Thomas West, a prosperous farmer, of intimacy with Mrs. West. A quarrel followed, lasting until West instituted divorce proceedings and declared that Deveres must die. The men met in Lebanon. West snatched his revolver, which missed fire, and Deveres killed him on the spot.

Close to 1 o'clock a band of men rode up to the West homestead and demanded admittance.

"Tom West is dead. Now it's your turn," the spokesman called, and Deveres and the woman awoke to find their house surrounded by Mrs. West's party.

According to Dr. Brown, Mrs. Davidson came to him last November at the time when there was intense excitement in the city, for she had been the double lives of several old men who had been debauching young girls, and told him she had been commissioned by Mrs. Jane Elizabeth Boddin, a lodging-house keeper, to demand \$2,000 down and \$100 a month for ten years if he did not want his intimacy with Miss Overman exposed.

Dr. Brown was horrified at the nature of the charges brought against him and saw no means of escape. He succeeded, however, in reducing the figures to \$500 down and \$35 a month for five years. He paid Mrs. Davidson \$200 for the deed, and signed a receipt. After paying over the money Dr. Brown attempted to find Mrs. Boddin, but without success.

"Get out, you're liable to be shot yourself," a ruffian said, and the panic-stricken child fled to the cabin of a negro neighbor.

Mrs. West then appeared at the door, and referring to her delicate condition, made a last appeal for mercy. It was unavailing, and in another moment the house was fired.

The shrieks of the imprisoned wretches and the groans of the burning child, and there she died. Wild with rage, Deveres at the last moment made a dash for liberty, but a score of bullets stopped him half a dozen steps from the door.

This morning the little girl led her negro protector to the scene and there the bodies, scorched beyond recognition, were found, untouched by the lynchers.

It is not improbable that the scenes of last night will be re-enacted in the vicinity shortly, as the outrage has aroused the most intense indignation among the people of the county.

Because of the fact that West's relatives had threatened vengeance, there is a strong belief that they are responsible for last night's crime. The uncertainty, however, as to just who was implicated has so far prevented further trouble.

The child of Deveres, who was a witness to the tragedy, is dangerously ill as the result of the fright and exposure, but upon her recovery she may be able to identify some of the lynchers. The night was brilliant with moonlight.

WAR COSTS MONEY. War means destruction; it means sacrifice, as well as glory. The art of war is one of the oldest arts; it is one of the oldest sciences, and yet it has changed wonderfully in the last thirty years. It takes a year to make a modern gun, and it costs \$30,000 for a modern gun, and with all the equipment \$100,000. Think of the power of that gun which will throw a ton of metal twelve or fourteen miles. A modern gun will throw a ton of metal through a plate of the best steel that can be made, sixteen or seventeen inches thick, and a mile before. Do you know how many men Japan lost in that war? Just 689, not as many as were lost in some of our brigades. Is Japan taking the money she got from China and having a good time with it? Not a bit. She is sending it to England and buying more ships and guns. She knows the value of modern appliances. One of Washington's wise maxims was to prepare for war in times of peace. We have not prepared for war in times of peace. Our nation has grown, but the army is the same size it was after the war. The army and navy should grow as the nation grows.—General Nelson A. Miles.

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A CHURCH SCANDALIZED.

A Scheme of Blackmail to Which a Minister Succumbed.

A Woman Under Arrest for Extorting Money From Rev. D. Brown—she Promised to be Quiet About Alleged Intimacy Between the Pastor and a Young Girl.

A San Francisco, Cal., despatch says: Mrs. Mary A. Davidson has been arrested on the charge of extortion, preferred by Rev. D. G. Brown, pastor of the First Congregational Church. Dr. Brown charges her with blackmail and says he paid her \$500 to suppress her intimacy with Mrs. Davidson, who is about sixty years old, came here during the Midwinter Fair as a representative of a Boston carpet firm. She has attended Dr. Brown's church for about a year and has taken great interest in church matters.

Miss Overman came here from Tacoma for her health and visited at the house of Dr. Brown, whose family she knew in Tacoma. After a stay of several months, during which time she became acquainted with Mrs. Davidson, Miss Overman returned to Tacoma, but came back to San Francisco, when Mrs. Davidson promised to suppress her intimacy with Mrs. Davidson.

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THE FARMER AND THE BOYS.

Now don't you come a-hanging on my hobsieds, all you boys!

The farmer, but what he says we're not obliged to mind; And though we do not always like the language he employs, We find him mighty useful, if he isn't very kind.

So that when his horses slow Go a-trotting through the snow We have hitched up to his runners and are hanging on behind. The farmer looks around him with a twinkle in his eye.

That makes you think he's sorry for the sturdy words he's said. But he ain't, for when he sees us—when he makes his horses fly! It's all a boy can do to keep a sitting on his sled.

When he whistles a corner quick Not a one of us can stick! And the farmer laughs as each of us goes tumbling on his head.

Nothing ages like laziness.—Bulwer.

A New Man.

A Natural Gas Expert makes a Discovery in Canada.

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