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CUSTOM HOUSE DELAYS.

REASONS WHY THE AFFIDAVITS AND OATHS ARE STRINGENT.

Red Tape in all Government Departments—Keeping an Eye on United States Invoices.

Since The World printed the remarks of "Importer" on Sauturday calling attention to alleged delays and red-tapeism at the custom house, a couple of letters from other importers on the same subject have reached this office. A World reporter yesterday made numerous enquiries about the matter. A simple look at the wickets from which peep the manifest clerk, the computing clerk and the cashier at the custom house often shows a blockade of wholesale clerks passing their entries. But it should be remembered that business at the Toronto custom house is increasing wonderfully, and for the first eleven days of November, deducting Thanksgiving day, Sunday and half Saturdays, the entries passed numbered 1722, or an average of about 215 per day of seven hours actual work or an entry for every two minutes. One day last week there were 278 entries passed, the largest number in the history of the Toronto custom house. The present system of passing entries no doubt could be simplified, but the department at Ottawa are compelled from the many attempts that are made by respectable business houses in the United States to defraud the revenue, to make the provisions for collecting the customs very stringent. It is a well known fact that the customs officers of the two countries keep each other "posted" on the different devices attempted to cheat the customs. Thus the invoices of certain firms are kept under constant surveillance. It is for the sereasons that the forms of oaths and affidavits are made so stringent. The present system of passing entries is the one introduced by Hon. Isaac Burpee, Mr. Mackenzie's minister of customs, with some few alterations passed by orders-in-council of the present governmet. It is a common complaint with people who have to deal with government officials, and more particular with reference to the departments at Ottawa, that the amount of red tape that they have to swallow is appalling. This is undoubtedly true. But there seems to be little chance of altering it. The officials always point to their instructions, at the law, as they term it. It is said that it is the intention of the board of trade to take the matter up and lay its views before the government. The following is a letter sent us for publication:

To the Editor of The World.

SIR: The remarks of an "Importer" in your issue of yesterday on the subject of custom house red tapeism are most timely, and I have not the slightest doubt that, were you to make a canvas of the leading importers of the city, you would obtain enough of such opinions to fill The World from the first column to the last. The evil has of late become something more than a simple grievance; it is fast becoming an intolerable nuisance, so much so, in fact, that I believe a thorough ventilation of the subject through your columns, and possibly through that an abatement of the nuisances, would earn you the fervent gratitude of every Toronto

IMPORTER.

TORONTO, Nov. 11, 1882

DOES THE BIG PIPE LEAK!

And are We Really Getting Pure Lake Water—A Gentleman's Adventure.

A well-known citizen who is somewhat skeptical went over to the island on Saturday to see how the new extension pipe was getting on. He rowed up the channel and saw a wonderful sight: little bubbles were seen rushing up to the surface all along the line of the pipe, indicating that the big oak conduit was leaking at a lively rate. The gent says his skiff was almost sucked in, so great was the down rush. If this is the case instead of getting pure lake water we are getting blockhouse bay water sized with Ontario blue, just to take bad taste away.

Football at University Grounds.

A Cobourg correspondent writes complainingly of the treatment the Victoria football club received at the hands of the University club in their match with them here last week When the Toronto men visited Cobourg their expenses were paid, they were hospitably entertained, and otherwise every attention was shown them; but the Victoria men were not met at the station, they were allowed to shift for themselves, and even the use of the college grounds was refused them. The cits have evidently something to learn in the way of common courtesy.

Ontario High Schools.

The following regulations were approved by the lieutenant-governor in council on Saturday:

Drawing is removed from the obligatory subjects of study in the lower school and at the intermediate. The item 7 e, now 6 e, in the optional subjects thereat, shall therefore read, "French or German, and when selected by the parent or guardian of such pupil music or drawing."

In the subject of English literature, prescribed by the order in council of the 31st March last, Goldsmith's Traveller or Marmion may be used by any pupil in the high schools or candidate at the departmental examinations in July next, as the parent or guardian may select.

The Old Toronto Fire Brigade.

Thirty-five gentlemen who were comrades in this brigade, met at E. W. Merritt's store, 163 King street, last night to arrange for a reunion. Thos. Pell presided and W. J. Graham was secretary. The desire is to recall old times and perpetuate the history and traditions of the brigade in a permanent manner. Over ninety old members have been heard from and all who were connected with the brigade are requested to send their names to Mr. Merritt. The meeting last night was very enthusiastic, and a large committee was appointed to report on the style the reunion should take. Two gentlemen were chosen from each of the several companies, as follows: No. 1, Phœnix (Firefly) C Corin, Robt. Beard; No. 2, Rescue (the ghost) Thos. Pell, Geo S. McConkey; No. 3, British America (Sly Boots) R. Cluff, B. Jollings; No. 4, Victoria (Goose Neck) J. G. Coleman, James McQuillan; No 5, Deluge (Cabbagetown Pets) George Pearsall, Edwin Merritt; No. 6, Provincial (Tigers) Capt. John Turner, Joseph Baldwin; Hooks, R Morrison, Major James Bennett; Hose (the skippers) W. C. Morrison, W. J. Graham. The committee will report to the society Monday night next.

THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

Talk of an Early Session and an Election in February.

It was reported around the parliament buildings yesterday that the government were considering a scheme for the dissolution of the house and another for an immediate and short session preparatory to an early dissolution. At all events an urgent cabinet council was held.

It was learned later in the evening that the ministry had been consulting their friends in the matter and that they had received a number of earnest recommendations to appeal to the people at the earliest opportunity possible on the question of provincial rights, which they said, were threatened not only in Ontario but in the other provinces. The majority of those consulted favored a short session and an appeal to the electors in February if possible; otherwise it would be necessary to delay it till June. It is not likely that any definite decision has yet been reached. One reason for delay that has been urged is the unsatisfactory condition of the health of one of the ministers.

AN EXTENSIVE FAILURE.

D. Arnott & Co. Wholesale Dry Goods Assign—The Liabilities and Assets—Who are Affected.

The wholesale dry goods house of D. Arnott & Co., Yonge street have made an assignment to E. R. C. Clarkson assignee. The principle creditors are. The Ontario bank, direct and indirect, $150,000 (only partly secured); Forestreet Warehouse Co, London (late Morrison and Dillon) $50,000; Barber & Co., Toronto and Georgetown about $10,000; Peter Ryan, Toronto $35,000 (amply secured); and a Glasgow house $10,000. The assets are not expected to realize over twenty cents, through Mr. Clarkson from his long experience in these matters will make the possible most out of the estate for the benefit of the creditors.

The causes of the failure include the determination of the Ontario bank to lessen their credits when the management was recently changed, the bankruptcy of the large retail house of Bull & Co., Thorold, of Brethour and Howden of Hamilton, of H Horsley Toronto, and of a number of smaller stores throughout the country. Houses in Chatham, Ingersoll and Orillia will feel the effect of the closing of the Toronto firm. All these causes have been gradually working to the event of yesterday.

Wintry Weather.

Yesterday broke out blustery and wintry like, and as the day advanced it became colder. Last night the streets began to freeze up, with every indication of the cold snap reported from other parts of the dominion paying us a visit.

Better Known than the Cathedral.

A stranger asked a boy who was selling The World at Yonge and King streets where St. James' cathedral was. The street arab looked up in his face and laconically replied: "Right opposite ter Oak hall."

Gone to Winnipeg.

A C Campbell and R L Richardson, late of the Globe staff, are the latest contributions of Toronto to the press of Winnipeg. The niggardly salaries paid by the so-called leading journals of Canada issued in this city have been the means of driving away one by one many of Toronto's most promising young newspaper men.

Why He Went Out.

Hon. Frank Smith left the cathedral on Sunday, just before his grace entered the pulpit, not that he wished to show any disrespect to the worthy prelate, but that he had an appointment at the station as he passed through with one of his colleagues in the government. He remained at the service as long as he could and then left, choosing the most fitting time for going out, between mass and the sermon.

Mrs. Guest's Bail Enheated.

At the police court yesterday morning the name of Mrs. Martha Guest was called on a charge of stealing certain dress goods from the bankrupt stock belonging to John Macdonald & Co. at Yonge and Alice streets. She did not appear and S. W. Finch and J. S. Finch will be required to make good the amount of her bail, $500 each. Mrs. A. W. Miller of Elm street, charged with receiving the goods alleged to have been stolen by Mrs. Guest, asked for trial by jury and was remanded till Nov. 16 She was allowed out on her own bail of $1000.

A Big Enterprise.

Mr. G. A. Schram who has had an office at 4 King street east for the past few months has now gone into the land booking business. All properties entrusted to him will be disposed of for good prices, as his connection is large and wide-spread. Mr. Schram intends shortly to place a quantity of Manitoba lands on the market, and as his honesty in his dealings is well known it will be safe to invest money on his representations. He has travelled all through the Northwest and will therefore be able to give reliable information concerning any lands in that country.

The Police Court Yesterday.

Nineteen drunks were disposed of at the police court yesterday, one of whom Geo. Daly was fined $25 and costs or 20 days. The case against Frank Jackson charged with stealing a buggy was dismissed. James Hughes and Nicholas Miller, who are charged with stealing a bar of iron were remanded until Nov. 16. Wm. Norton, charged Wm. Hinchey with highway robbery. This alleged offence occurred in July last at Denison avenue and Queen street. The case was adjourned until Nov. 21, Hinchey being released on bail. Annie Munro of 177 York street charged Henry Ruby with stealing $4 and the magistrate sent him to jail for ten days. He in turn charged her with selling liquor to him without a license but the case was dismissed. James Walsh stole a set of harness from James Corrigan and was sent to jail for 30 days. Thomas Herbert was charged with breaking into the house of James Frawley, Sumach street; the case was remanded until the 16th inst. John Maher, alias John Leonard, charged with obstructing a policeman, was remanded until the 14th inst. Alex. Weir charged Luke Rosebach with using abusive language towards him, and also with assaulting his son. He was fined $3 and costs. Stewart Edwards, aged 23, was charged with throwing his arms around the neck of and otherwise assaulting Lucy Weaver on Stracham avenue. He was fined $20 and costs or thirty days.

UNION OF THE MEDICAL SCHOOLS.

Arguments in Favor Thereof—Where Energy is Wasted—Connection with the University of Toronto.

At the last meeting of the literary society in connection with the Toronto school of medicine a paper favoring a union of the medical schools in this city was read by Mr. Carleton, one of the students. It was objected that the present healthy rivalry between the two schools would be done away with; his answer was that rivalry between students of one school was better than the rivalry of different schools, and if the latter was desired there were rival schools at Kingston, Montreal and other places. A strong rival school would soon be springing up in the Northwest, and would not Toronto be better able to meet her rival medical centres on either hand by having one strong school instead of two divided ones? Opposition in our own territory was not desirable. Next the university of Toronto was showing a marked tendency in the direction of a teaching faculty in medicine, and the advantages that would accrue thereform to the students by the increased facilities placed at their disposal were numerous and important. By a combination of the talent of both schools and a living connection with Toronto university, with University college, the school of science, great good could only result. Such a combination would draw students from all over Ontario and from other provinces as well. As things now were each school occupied a secondary position. Once there was a united school the students would increase in numbers, the receipts would be augmented, better appliances would be used, a better division of the labors of the professors would be secured, much unnecessary expense would be saved. These ends were all desirable and to the end of elevating their profession, and conferring increased advantages on the students, the two rival faculties ought to be prepared to make any personal sacrifices that would be necessary to accomplish union. But there would be work for all the professors now engaged, the work would be specialized more than it now is, one professor would as in New York and the other great centres confine himself to one disease or to one subject. What the essayist desired to see was one efficient school whose apparatus would be full and complete; whose professors, selected from among the best of the rival schools and from elsewhere, would equal or excel those of any Canadian rival; whose inducements and superior educational advantages would draw men not only from the west and south, as they now did, but also from the eastern part of Ontario and from the eastern territories of the States; whose curriculum would offer opportunities second to none on the continent; whose degrees would be acknowledged by the universities of both hemispheres; and whose graduates would leave its halls with attainments second to none in the world. A united school would encourage original scientific research; it would be in a better position to engage an eminent specialist from a distance when such was necessary; some day we might give original ideas to the schools of England, France and Germany instead of accepting theirs *sine voce*.

AN ARTISTIC TRIUMPH.

Mlle. Rhea at the Grand—A Large and Fashionable Audience.

Last season Mlle. Rhea stood in our midst an uncrowned queen; last night she was crowned by the appreciative plaudits of one of the most intellectual and fashionable audiences which have filled the Grand opera house this season. Mlle. Rhea is favored by nature with a graceful figure, a handsome face and a high intelligence which suffuses all her words and actions. In Adrienne Lecouvreur she takes the part of a talented actress pitted against a court beauty, both jealous of the love of Maurice De Saxe (Mr. William Harris), stung by the terrible suspicion that her rival is triumphing in her love suit, she hurls at her antagonist in a recitation which she has been requested to give, bitter, taunting lines from the Phadre which stab her to the heart; but the temporary victory brings a bitter result. The Princess sends her a poisoned boquet, which, believing to be the gift of Maurice, she presses to her lips and becomes delirious. Through her wild delirium, when imagination dominates reason, and until her death, she is painfully realistic, and when she exclaims "No, I will not die!" a thrill went through the audience, followed by that strange stillness as she fell back dead, which is the highest tribute that can be paid an actress. From Mlle. Rhea's first entrance upon the stage, till she gasped out her last words, she kept the house enthralled and held that magnetic mastery over her audience which shows the great artiste. We only make a passing note of her English, which has greatly improved since her last visit and is almost perfect, and of her dresses, which are marvels of high art. Her support was admirable. Mr. Harris as Maurice, was a manly, frank, outspoken exponent of the part. Mr. C.A. McManus, as Michocet, was the zealous devoted friend and the active stage manager. His concealment of his own love for the fair actress was very artistic. Mr. Leo Cooper interpreted with judgment the character assigned to him, Prince de Bullion, Mr. J. A. Amory, as the Abbe, wore a costume historically accurate, and won deserved applause by his dignified rendition of the priestly character. Miss Lindeman was a charming Princess and in the recitation scene, her acting with Adrienne formed a complete picture. Miss Grace Hall was a careful and pleasing Duchess, Miss Marjorie Bonner, as the Marquise, to a handsome English face added careful acting and in a word the support was very superior to the usual surroundings of a star. To-night Camille will be produced.

Dr. Damrosch's Orchestra.

Dr. Damrosch has secured the services of M'lle Isidora Martinez as prima donna soprano, who will appear at each concert. The success already achieved by this young lady—a result justified by her agreeable stage presence—her extended repertoire and undeniable vocal talents does not need detailed recapitulation here. She is, however, deserving of a special word of eulogy on account of her musical qualities; her technical knowledge of the art being quite exceptional in the case of an operatic vocalist. Dr. Damrosch's programs here will contain such works as overture "Der Freyschutz," the new symphony by Cowen and the prelude from Wagner's new opera Parsifal, the orchestration of which was arranged by Wagner and presenetd to Dr. Damrosch.

BANK IRREGULARITIES.

THE WORLD SUSTAINED IN ALL DIRECTIONS.

American Opinion—Stock Markets Demoralized—The Evils of Stock Loans Pointed out.

The Globe directly and the Mail indirectly are the only two Canadian journals that have defended the banks, which have been over-lending to their own directors and who have been advancing money on bank stocks. The present stringency in the money market will only be removed by clearing up the atmosphere and the banks engaged in the illegal business retiring therefrom as early as possible. They may try to carry their load over the crisis, but they will find that it will have to be dropped. So if there is any "selling out" to be done it had better be got through with. Two banks have been trying to hold up their own stock for a week. As long as the present situation continues Canadian banks are discredited abroad. Our bank bills are refused in American cities or heavily shaved. The American papers are denouncing the practices that have been exposed. The stock markets in both Montreal and Toronto were thoroughly demoralized yesterday. Toronto brokers who are on the wrong side are paying ten per cent. for money to help them through. The selling out of the investors who are unable to cover their margins has begun.

BANKING IRREGULARITIES AND STOCK GAMBLING.

To the Editor of the World.

Sir,—The country owes The World a debt of gratitude for the bold and fearless way you attack and expose evils and abuses and those instrumental in them. The bankers know to their cost that your vigorous articles on the above subject and investigation of things connected therewith are already bearing good fruit for the country though bitter for them; nor will the benefit be either limited or merely transient, for now that it is known that we have a journal whose tongue is not tied with the adamantine bonds of party necessity, nor has to always have votes in its eye, public men and people holding positions of trust will more or less cease their illegal, nefarious, and pernicious practices and even the worst of them will at least think twice before doing what they should not. Party organs have very little influence in this respect for the simple reason that Quixote like they are expected to shut their eyes and run full tilt at everyone not decorated with their respective party's badge and everything not sprinkled with its protecting holy water. The case is very different with independent journals. Let the Globe quietly ignore The World and the Mail sneer at it as it likes, yet The World undoubtedly has more influence on public questions than both of its big contemporaries combined, just as half a dozen good independent men would have more influence in parliament than the whole opposition (no matter which party is in power) as Principal Grant truly remarked. It is the duty of everyone who can to support you and strengthen your hands, therefore, I submit some remarks on the chief subjects now before the public.

ADVANCES TO DIRECTORS.

It is necessary to have some regulations in regard to granting directors credit. As it is, managers no doubt often feel compelled to act against their own judgment in this matter and do. If they had not the law on their side this might and no doubt would be a serious evil. As a rule the manager's judgment is worth more than that of the whole board combined, and he is more deeply interested in acting solely for the bank's interest than any other official, for, besides being as a rule otherwise interested, he has his position and reputation at stake. Managers cannot well have too much power in regular business matters. As a rule directors, especially presidents and vice-presidents, need watching and checking far more than managars do. The latter are the mosquitoes, the former the leeches.

LOANS ON BANK STOCKS.

There is a great difference in more ways than one between banks loaning money on bank stocks and on other stocks in general. The failure of even one bank might send the stock of every bank in the country down below zero, and make it impossible to realize on them at almost any sacrifice. This could never happen with stocks in general. Express stock or Toronto gas stock for instance would readily bring nearly what those stocks are now worth, even though half the banks in the country went down. This is a serious consideration, for banks practically hold little security, for money loaned on stocks, besides the stocks, and in case of a serious decline in stocks, most all the banks hold would be thrown on their hands; therefore, when they loan money on bank stock they destroy their own backing, becomes their own stockholders and weakens themselves to nearly the extent of the stocks they hold. They actually buy up their own stock. A few years since one of our now prosperous banks was brought to the verges of destruction by buying up a lot of its own stock. After the mischief was done the broker who was instrumental in the transaction used to kill time writing his chief victim, the cashier, taunting letters of the most infamous and insulting nature, and that, too, after the fellow had got his percentage, and irretrievably ruined what reputation his victim had. The bank in question would have gone down had not others assisted it. What is true of one bank is true of the banks collectively. Holding a large percentage of their own stocks might be the cause of a partial or even general collapse of our banks.

TAKING STOCKS AS COLLATERAL

from regular bona fide customers is all right, but loaning money wholly or even chiefly on stocks of any kind, especially to parties other than regular customers, is a most pernicious practice for that which is to regular customers and for legitimate business purposes but increases the already absurd and pernicious overtrading prevalent and almost universal, and the rest that is not for stock gambling is chiefly for speculative purposes which creates an unhealthy class of business that demoralizes trade generally. There are plenty of people in the country, and always will be, who have experience and can command capital to do all the sound legitimate trade of the country, and there always will be plenty in business who should not be in without this special inducement for every Tom, Dick and Harry who gets a few shares of stock to rush into business and speculation. Instead of facilitating and encouraging speculative and unhealthy business the banks should do the reverse. They may not loose immediately nor directly by such business but in the long run they are bound to lose indirectly. There is no excuse whatever for them loaning money to stock-brokers for they undoubtedly lose more indirectly than they gain directly, besides which they foster and facilitate a national evil that is rapidly demoralizing society, especially the commercial portion, and threatens their own stability and very existence. In furnishing these financial barnacles with the sinews of war, the banks are nursing the vipers that sting them and cutting their own throats. It is a question if they should not be prohibited from dealing with brokers farther than the ordinary transferring of stock. No good and more or less evil comes from anything more than this.

INVESTIGATOR.

PRESS OPINIONS.

Bradstreet's (New York) has an editorial on the banking situation in Canada, in view of the recent developments. The article is rather non-committal, though by quoting the arguments of the Montreal Gazette and The World against over-loaning to directors and advancing money on stocks it is easily seen that it wishes to deprecate the practice.

From the Boston Star.

Canada has at last got around to the question of banks loaning heavily to their officers. The directors of some of the Canada banks are their best customers. There is no law against the practice, but the prudence of it has recently suggested itself to stockholders.

LOCAL NEWS PARAGRAPHED.

Mlle. Rhea is registered at the Queen's hotel.

The English mail will be distributed this morning.

Principal Grant of Queen's college, Kingston is in the city.

Complaints are made that the John street school is in an unhealthy condition.

The Toronto Elocution society held its regular weekly meeting at the Canadian institute last night.

The members of the Students' Mission society of Wycliffe college will hold evangelical services every Thursday night during the winter at the Yorkville town hall.

An alarm of fire was sounded from box 97 last evening, but the men from Court street could discover no blaze. A chimney in Huron street, however, was said to have caught fire.

Yesterday morning the Northern railway company sent Chief Arlagh a check for $100 for services rendered at the late fire at the Queen's wharf. The brigade was also warmly thanked.

Yorkville has grown very temperate or the police have grown very lax. The only drunken man that has been before the village court for five weeks was William McAlister, who was fined $2 and costs yesterday.

John O'Brien, aged 15, is a bad youth. Yesterday morning he threatened to take the life of Sarah O'Brien, a washerwoman of 115 Jarvis street, and threw a brick at her house. At 6.15 last evening Constable Pecham locked him up at No. 1 station on a warrant.

The charge preferred by Mrs. Gertrude Belford against her husband, R J Belford, for non support, was withdrawn in the police court yesterday. The case against W F Jones, for obstructing Detective Reid while arresting Belford, was put back till November 24, owing to the absence of Dalton McCarthy, Q C, Jones' lawyer.

The eleventh annual concert of the Irish Protestant Benevolent society will be held on Thursday, October 23, in the Horticultural gardens. The best talent attainable is engaged for the occasion, and no pains are being spared by the managers to make this *the* entertainment of the season. Tickets and plan of the hall can be obtained at Nordheimer's on and after the 14th.

Twelve years ago Mr. Arnott, who was in the retail line at Oakville, moved to Toronto and entered the wholesale business, and for a number of years met with success; latterly, however, the firm has been unfortunate. Mr. Arnott has many warm friends who sympathize with him in his trouble. Everything in the way of an asset has beed honorably surrendered to Mr. Clarkson.

The Parisian, on the 18th, and Peruvian, on the 25th inst., will be the last mail steamers of the Allan line from Quebec this season. After this the mail steamers will leave from Boston and from Baltimore each alternate week, calling at Halifax every Saturday for the mails and passengers. A fortnightly line, carrying passengrrs, will also be established between Portland and Liverpool direct by the same company.

CANADIAN ITEMS.

Mrs. C. Guillott, aged 70, died at Sandwich last week from lockjaw.

No less than seven couples were called in St. Columban's church, Glengarry, Sunday week.

The difficulty between Rev. Father Brettargh and Bishop Cleary has been satisfactorily settled.

Winter has commenced its cold reign in Manitoba. Snow and ice can be seen in all parts of the province.

A little daughter of Mr. Fisk, a wealthy farmer near Watford, was yesterday burned to death by her clothing catching fire.

John Aplan, a jewelry peddlar, was found dead in bed at Patrick Ryder's house, near Lucan, yesterday. Cause, heart disease.

An employe at James Hay & Co.'s factory, Woodstock, named Joseph Metherell, was struck by a flying splinter from a saw, and died from the effects of it yesterday.

An extensive dynamite factory has been established at Tweed, county of Hastings. The iron mines use large quantities in blasting.

Angus Thompson, a well-to-do farmer of West Zorra, was killed by the accidental overturning of his wagon when returning home from Stratford on Saturday night.

Mrs. Roughly, an aged woman, living over Clarke's bridge at London, who tried to hang herself the other day, committed suicide by drowning in the river yesterday.

The chief wants of Berlin, as enumerated by the News, are water works, gas works, a street railway, a branch to the Credit Valley, more manufactories and less politics.

The general store of Mr. Pearce and the drug shop of W F Meek & Co., at Mount Brydges were visited by burglars the other night and a considerable quantity of goods was abstracted, and also some cash.

Last week a little orphan girl named Jessie Ormand was killed by falling from a hay rack on the York road, near Dundas. She was an adopted child of George Brown, who was recently killed by a vicious bull on his own farm. It is about two months since her adopted mother died.

Dr. Fee, chairman of the Kingston school board, is at loggerheads with his fellow trustees. They asked him to resign the chairmanship but he won't. The Whig says there are wrongs on both sides, and the wounds inflicted must tend to prolong the struggle into another year.

COLLISION AT SEA.

The Westphalia Stove in by an Unknown Steamer which is Believed to Have Sunk.

PORTSMOUTH, Nov 13—The Hamburg American line steamship Westphalia from New York collided with another steamer in the English channel and was badly injured. Besides a large hole in the port bow extending to below the water-line there are several small holes in the starboard bow. The bulkhead was stove in. Both the steam and manual pumps had to be kept going from 1.30 o'clock in the morning when the collision occurred, until the vessel reached Portsmouth this afternoon. The other steamer could not stop and Capt. Ludwig despatched a boat to try and see some trace of her. He gave the officer in charge instructions to land after searching. The mails and passengers, 90 in number, have been landed and will be forwarded to Hamburg to-morrow. It is not thought the cargo is damaged.

The unknown steamer is supposed to have sunk with all hands on board.

Fatal Explosion at Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, Nov. 13—About five this afternoon the boiler in the Forest city iron works exploded with terrible force, killing four men and seriously injuring four or five others and slightly wounding half a dozen.

Destructive Fire at Minneapolis.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 13—The Knickerbocker block was burned this morning; it was valued at $40,000. The Knickerbocker furniture company lose $50,000 and Middlemos & Taylor $12,000. Falling walls crushed a wooden building occupied by Mrs. Balcom, milliner, loss $6000. The Hurlburt block adjoining was damaged to the extent of $5000.

Arabi Writes to The Thunderer.

LONDON, Nov. 13—Arabi Pasha writes to the Times declaring that the late war carried on by him was in accordance with the laws of God and man and consonant with the solemn decree of the council under the presidency of the khedive and Dervisch Pasha. The letter concludes with a protest against the Egyptians being deprived of every office in favor of foreigners.

A Warning to Farmers.

CLINTON, Ill., Nov. 13—Henry Wagner, a farmer in Dewitt county, alleges that he was swindled out of his farm worth $5000 by two confidence men, who procured his and his wife's signatures to a document they thought was a contract for the payment of money and which has been found to be a deed of the farm. It is supposed the swindlers have been operating in other states.

The Vatican within Italian Jurisdiction

ROME, Nov. 13—The court of appeal has confirmed the decision of the court in the first instance that the jurisdiction of the Italian tribunal extends within the walls of the vatican. The point arose in connection with a case in which a person employed as architect at the vatican sued the majordomo of the pope before the Italian courts. The clerical press are indignant at the decision, and declare it makes the law of papal guarantees a farce.

The Alleged Kilmainham Treaty

LONDON, Nov. 13—In the house of commons to-night Lord Churchill referred to the treaty alleged to have been made by the government with the Irish members of parliament imprisoned in Kilmainham jail, by means of which the latter were said to have effected their release. Gladstone said no such treaty was made, and he challenged the opposition to move for an enquiry on the subject. Yorke (con.) took up the challenge, and said he would make a motion to that effect to-morrow.

CABLE NOTES.

A partial strike of compositors for increase pay has begun at Vienna.

A Stockholm despatch states that the crown princess of Sweden has given birth to a son.

Delaney, arrested for attempting to shoot Judge Lawson has been remanded for a week.

The murder of a Russian by a native watchman at Alexandria has created a great sensation.

Judge Lawson has been the recipient of many congratulations on his escape from assassination.

The Queen of Spain and the infant princess are progressing favorably. The pope will be godfather to the youngster.

Arthur Sketchley, whose humorous writings under the pseudonym of "Mrs. Brown" have attained a world-wide reputation, has just passed away. The death of Sir George Ross is all announced.

Stanley, who is at present recruiting his health at Nice, contemplates returning to Africa in 1883. Meanwhile his steamer has left Antwerp for the Congo, laden with merchandise in order to establish a solid trade with the native kings.

Warlike preparations of an alarming character continue to be made by Russia, the precise manner of which is not so easy to define. The construction of nine vessels of war for service in the Baltic and Black seas and the strengthening of the forts at Cronstadt are among the latest developments of the movement.

The Sporting World.

At Philadelphia yesterday Wilhelm Steinitz, the chess champion of Europe, began a series of matches with some of the best American players, his first opponent being Martinez, president of the Philadelphia chess club.

Arthur Chambers, in behalf of an unknown, is ready to accept the challenge recently issued by Frank White, the feather-weight champion, to fight any man in America for $1000 a side at 114 pounds within 100 miles of New Orleans.

The Manitoba curlers will play under canvas this winter, having been unable to negotiate for a suitable building.

In the international quoit match at Walkerville, Dobson, Canadian, beat McLaren by 44 points, winning the championship of America.

James Wylie, the famous Scotch checker player, offers to play any man in the country a restricted match, giving his opponent one game as a starter.

Donald Dinnie, the athlete, wants to wrestle any man in America for one or two hours, each man to contest half the time in his own style and the other half in his opponent's, the winner of the greatest number of falls to claim the stakes. If he fails to arrange a wrestling match, Dinnie offers to lift from ground to stretch of arms a heavier dumb bell than any man in the world.

MUST HAVE THEIR RIGHTS

SUCH IS THE DECLARATION OF THE MANITOBA GOVERNMENT.

The Legislature Dissolved—An Appeal to be Made to the People on the Question of Provincial Rights.

WINNIPEG, Nov. 13—The Times (government organ) announces the dissolution of the local house. The government go to the country on the following issue: "We purpose re-enacting the charters and the general railway act. Will you authorize us to do so? We contend that Manitoba possesses and should enjoy the right to charter the constuction of local lines within her border. Will you authorize us to put that contention before the federal authorities in your name?"

HOW THE PAPERS PUT IT.

Winnipeg Times, Nov. 8: "The legislature will be summoned before many days, and the general railway act and the charters re-enacted. Mr. Norquay will then appeal to the country. He will ask the people to support him in protesting in a firm and respectful manner against the action of the dominion government. Manitoba is asked to surrender the most cherished of provincial rights in order that the eastern division of the Pacific railroad may not be rendered worthless. We say, first, that it is not just that we should be thus stripped of our autonomy; and, secondly, that if, in the interest of the dominion, it is necessary to strip us of it, we should receive a substantial quid pro quo. This, we take it, is Mr. Norquay's position."

Such is the conservative policy as outlined by the leading conservative organ of the province. Here is the opposition policy from the Winnipeg Free Press, Nov. 9: The legislature, it is said, is to be called together, the disallowed measures are to be re-enacted, and if Mr. Norqvay and his friends are supported at the polls, the farce will be repeated next year by the same actors. The people of Manitoba have a much more effective method than this of showing their indignant disapproval of the disallowance policy—that is, the election of a liberal legislature, with a ministry distinctly and emphatically opposed to the course of the Ottawa autocrats. The present local government have identified themselves so closely with the authors of the disallowance policy, both as ministers and as individuals, that their re-election would be rightly considered an endorsement and not a repudiation of the assault that has been made upon the rights of the province. The choice of a liberal government, pledged to fight earnestly against every encroachment on the liberties of the people of Manitoba, will place the province in its proper position before the whole country, and will be one important step towards checking the overbearing course of the men at Ottawa. The province must show that its attitude is one of distinct and unmistakable opposition to that course."

The Joyce Family Murder

DUBLIN, Nov. 13—The trial of Joyce, one of the men accused of the above crime, began to-day. Prisoner's counsel asked for a change of venue and a postponement, but the court refused both. The police have made another arrest in this case.

A Miser Robbed.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 13—Four masked men broke into Edward Holyrood's house in Spencer township and demanded his money Holyrood being an old miser and hermit, and reputed to be very wealthy. He refused them, whereupon the men tortured him with weapons and fire until he told them where his money was. They secured $13,000 in bonds and coupons, and $200 in cash. Holyrood is said to be worth $150,000, and has lived alone for thirty years.

Disappearance of Three Strathroy Boys.

STRATHROY, Nov. 13—Quite an excitement has arisen here over the sudden departure from town of three young lads named Frank Cruickshank, Charlie Dingman, and Fred Kender, each aged about sixteen. They left without warning on Thursday, Nov. 2, taking with them two guns and three revolvers. It was thought they went away on a hunting frolic, but their long continued absence is causing considerable anxiety on the part of their parents, and is the subject of much conversation about town.

THE WORLD WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

Whose Federal stock it was they tried to sell in Montreal yesterday.

Why Ald. Carlyle is always opposing local improvement schemes.

Where Mr. Courtenay, deputy minister of finance, is.

If Ex-Mayor Manning is coming out.

If James Britton doesn't think he ought to be mayor.

When the local elections will be held.

Where the Patriarch Student is.

What has become of the society for the suppression of vice.

Where is the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

And Inspector Cooper's dashing uniform.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING.

I don't find my dark green Strickland frock just the thing—J. E. Smith.

And my overcoat is ill-feeling round the collar—Count Beaty.

I never ordered that colored pants—Mr. Kerr.

And he never put a "pistol" pocket in my pants—Millie Bobbles.

We can make a better, cheaper and more desirable coat than your London tailors—Toronto tailors' chorus.

THE COURSE OF TRUE LOVE A DOLOROUS DUETTO.

A girl	A boy,
A pearl;	A joy;
A dance	A skate,
By chance;	A plate
A row	Of stew
Or so;	For two;
A side	At home,
By side	Alone;
Ride;	A chat,
A miss	A lap,
To kiss;	One seat
A walk.	Complete;
A talk;	A fire,
A press,	Nigher;
A yes!	A squeeze!
Farewell--	A sneeze!!
Don't tell!	Her dad!!!****!?—!

Too bad!

—BOB O'LINQUE, *Poet.*

THE WEATHER BULLETIN.

TORONTO, Nov. 14—1 a.m.—Lakes: Decreasing westerly to northwesterly winds; generally fair, cold weather.