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MICHAEL HAS HAD ENOUGH

RESIGNATION OF THE IRISH CHIEF SECRETARY.

He Has a Bad Eye and Is Desirous of a Rest—Salisbury Looks Upon Hicks-Beach's Retirement as a Great Disaster to the Government.

LONDON, March 5.—It would seem that last Thursday night's debate in the House of Commons, which was the fiercest witnessed since the memorable coercion struggle of 1881, was too much for Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, for he has to-day handed in his resignation. When he took the floor to answer the Parnellite argument he lost all control of himself. The Parnellites would gladly have excused him and seen a stronger man in his place to fight the battle of the landlords, for how completely his mental powers forsook him was shown by his threats to use the bullet to put down Irish meetings; a statement the recklessness of which shocked his own followers more than it frightened the Parnellites and English Radicals. The events of that night will not be soon forgotten. In the result the Parnellites and Radicals remained masters of the field. Sir Michael was completely prostrated by nervous excitement and was absent from his place in the House all Friday night.

The House of Commons is every day falling into deeper confusion under the leadership of Mr. Smith. Never was the absence of Lord Randolph Churchill more keenly felt. No one on the Tory benches seems able to give Smith the help he needs to enable him to perform his duties with advantage to his party. In face of the fierce, incessant attacks and effective strategy of Parnell, backed by the co-operation of a united following working like one man, Smith's helplessness is becoming every hour more apparent and everything is drifting.

Mr. Gladstone is in the highest spirits, and says the Tories are on the verge of an abyss from which there is no escape. He is perpetually laughing and joking. His intellect remains extraordinarily bright. His speech on procedure was the clearest and subtlest delivered in the House of Commons for years.

The Cause of Mr. Beach's Resignation.

LONDON, March 5. — Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's physicians have issued a bulletin concerning his condition. They say he has a cataract over both eyes and unless he rests from official life will be unfit to submit to an operation when the time comes for it. Sir Michael has gone to the country for a week. Balfour was summoned to Windsor to-day and formally accepted office.

"That Ever Horrid Nightmare."

LONDON, March 5.—The Marquis of Salisbury, addressing the National Conservative Club, said that no greater disaster could befall the Government and country than the resignation of Hicks-Beach. He hoped, however, that Sir Michael's retirement would be temporary. The speaker said the Irish question, that ever horrid nightmare, was paralyzing to the Government's energies. The system of trial by jury required reconstruction. Otherwise it should be disposed of entirely. Legislation was also impeded by the disgraceful scenes in Westminster. It was admitted that a remedial measure of far-reaching tendencies was required in Ireland, but respect for the law of the country must first be restored. He assured his hearers that the prospects for continued peace in Europe were brighter. The speech was energetic, indicative of strong coercive measures for Ireland. The Marquis evinced great impatience with the carping of a portion of the Conservative party at the position of the Government as though they made it for themselves. He reminded his hearers that the Ministry was not that of a despotic but a constitutional government. If the law did not suit circumstances they did not have authority whereby it could be altered. The law machine in Ireland was paralyzed because the jury refused to act. Before society could be restored to a healthy condition that wheel must either be refitted or dispensed with. But nothing was possible to be done until the efficiency of Parliament was restored. The Marquis refused to accept the pessimist view, which he feared had inoculated the country, that the Government was struggling against some mysterious power. It was useless to combat the feeling, which probably had been produced by triumphal struggles for freedom in other parts of the world. But in no other country's struggles for freedom had agitators preached the doctrine of fraudulent bankrupts. He denied totally, however, that the Irish movement was of a national character.

AN UNCONFIRMED REPORT.

A Rumor Circulated to the Effect that Emperor William Is Dead.

LONDON, March 5.—An alarming rumor of the death of Emperor William of Germany reached London in a private message this afternoon. It lacks confirmation, though the good faith of the sender is unquestionable. It is well known that the aged Kaiser's death is liable to occur suddenly. He is within seventeen days of completing his 90th year. His physical preservation has been marvelous and up to some five years since he seemed to have taken a lease of immortality. Since that time he has been gradually failing, though by extraordinarily slow degrees.

BRITISH COLUMBIA'S DEFENCES.

The People Alarmed at the Unprotected Condition of the Coast.

OTTAWA, March 5.—The people of British Columbia are becoming alarmed at the unprotected position of their coast, in view of which the Legislature of that province has just passed a resolution calling the attention of the Dominion Government to the fact and urging that immediate steps may be taken to give them better security in event of England being drawn into war with any other foreign power. It is represented that the few heavy guns there are in the province are all mounted on rotten carriages, and are of an obsolete pattern, while the handful of militia the province boasts of are inadequate to quell even local disturbances. Many of the militiamen are still armed with the smooth-bore muzzle-loading guns, which were manufactured as far back as 1859. Word has been received here that the British Government have dispatched five additional war vessels to the Northern Pacific station, including the Pelican, Wild Swan and Triumph, and two gunboats. This is being done for the protection of the new dry-docks and naval stores at Esquimault.

Disappeared from Walkerton.

WALKERTON, March 5.—James G. Cooper, Treasurer of County of Bruce, Colonel of Thirty-second Battalion and a County Magistrate, has disappeared. His books are being audited.

CABLE NOTES.

Nine of the Rustchuk rebels have been sentenced to death.

The cholera has been officially declared epidemic at Montevideo.

The Chamber of Deputies of Greece has elected M. Angerinos President.

Minnie Hauk, the singer, has opened a fortnight engagement at Amsterdam.

The Red Star steamship Waesland, which went ashore on the Goodwin Island, had to throw over 200 tons of her cargo in order to get afloat.

Agents for the German Government have purchased 200 horses at Dungannon, Ireland, at high prices.

King Oscar of Sweden has dissolved the Rigsdag for refusing to vote the estimates asked by the Government.

Russia has addressed a note to Spain announcing her resumption of freedom of action in European affairs.

Six new cases of cholera and four deaths from the disease have been reported at Catania, Sicily, within twenty-four hours.

A Paris policeman was stabbed and almost killed by a mob of loafers yesterday because he stopped an al fresco dance by river washerwomen. Six arrests were made.

Advices from Scutari say Ali Pacha has forbidden the Albanians to hold intercourse with Montenegro, and that he is negotiating with Albanian tribes with the object of taking common action against Montenegro.

A VERY BAD MORGAN.

The Murderer of James Maroney Turns Up in Another Bloody Tragedy.

On Jan. 1 last, a fur store in Cleveland, Ohio, was burglarized and $6000 worth of seal mantles carried off. The furs were subsequently traced to Alleghany City, opposite Pittsburg, where one of the suspected thieves, Matt. Kennedy, was arrested. On the night of Feb. 4 he was put on board a train on the Pittsburg and Cleveland Railroad to be taken to the latter city. Kennedy was in charge of Officer Haen and Detective Hulligan of the Cleveland police force. At Ravana, O., the train stopped to take water. Four men boarded the cars where Kennedy and the officers were, and made a desperate assault on the police and trainmen, and succeeded in rescuing Kennedy. They then fled from the train and have not been heard of since. In the melee Detective Hulligan was shot two or three times and died four days afterwards.

Circulars have been sent around to the different police departments describing the four men, and rewards aggregating $16,000 are offered for their arrest. One of them is Chas. Morgan, alias Chas. Andrews, who shot James Maroney dead at York and Pearl-streets, in this city, on the night of Aug. 7, 1883. Morgan, it will be remembered, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment in the Kingston Penitentiary, from which institution he subsequently escaped.

The World last night got a look at a photograph of Morgan which was taken recently in Grand Rapids, Mich., and in it he looks exactly the same as he did on that terrible night when Maroney met his tragic death. Detective Hulligan will also be remembered in Toronto, as he was an important witness in the Dane murder case in Yorkville ten years ago.

SOLICITOR ABBOTT RESIGNS.

The New Mayor of Montreal Withdraws from the C. P. Law Department.

MONTREAL, March 5.—The Star of this evening says:

"Considerable comment was caused this morning in the city when the report spread that the Hon. J. J. C. Abbott, Q.C., Mayor-elect, had decided to resign his position as Attorney for the Canadian Pacific.

A Star reporter this morning waited upon the honorable gentleman, and he remarked: 'Yes, it is quite true that I have decided upon this course. My resignation has already gone in to the Directors, and my official connection with the company will cease in a few days.'

'What was your object in resigning?'

'Well, the principal reason which led me to adopt this course was my anxiety to be able to devote more time than I otherwise could to the duties of the mayoralty, to which the people of Montreal have done me the honor of appointing me.'

'It was not because you wished to feel more independent of the C. P. R.'

'Not in the sense some good people would have it understood. I was as I said all through the canvass quite independent of the company so far as my connection with public duties were concerned. I was under no obligation to show favoritism to the company and my friends know me too well to think that I would take unfair advantage of my position. I, however, wanted to be independent of the tax upon my time; and,' he added, 'one of the objections to my election will be removed.'"

FEARFUL LOSS OF LIFE.

One Hundred and Forty-four men Suffocated in a Mine.

BRUSSELS, March 5.—An explosion of fire-damp occurred to-day in a colliery at Quaregnon, four miles from Mons. The explosion shattered the roofs and galleries so that many of them fell. One hundred and forty miners are entombed, but it is not known whether any are killed. On account of the blockade of the passages the work of rescue is slow and difficult.

Dead From Suffocation.

BRUSSELS, March 5.—A despatch from Mons says that engineers penetrated the galleries of the Quaregnon colliery and found 144 dead from suffocation.

IN HONOR OF LIEUT.-GOV. ROBINSON.

The Canadian Club in New York Arranging for an Entertainment.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Prominent members of the Canadian Club, ascertaining that Lieut.-Gov. Robinson of Ontario was to visit New York next week, are arranging to tender him a reception at the club rooms on Thursday night next. Preparations for a very complete entertainment are being made, and efforts will be made to show the appreciation entertained of the acceptable manner in which the Governor has discharged his duties during his term of office.

—Wire mats may be left out of doors in the rain, as all the parts are thoroughly galvanized and japanned, and will not rust or injure carpets or painted floors. 361

A Toronto Man Among Them.

CHICAGO, March 5.—Last night at Cromwell, Ind., treasury officers from Chicago seized twelve blooded stallions and arrested three prominent farmers for smuggling. The principal delinquent, A. Fansom of Toronto, Ont., escaped. During the past five months $80,000 worth of horses have been admitted free of duty at Port Huron and Detroit and are now scattered over Michigan, Kansas, Ohio and Indiana. Some of them are located for seizure in the future. The horses seized are worth $20,000. The three farmers, whose names are withheld, have been taken to Indianapolis for examination.

A Young Man's Downfall.

GRAND RAPIDS, March 5.—In the United States Court this forenoon Frederick R. Hess, a young man aged 17, son of the postmaster at Clarksville, was sentenced to one year at the Detroit House of Correction, he having pleaded guilty of robbing the United States mails while acting in the capacity of assistant for his father. He commenced his work of rifling letters last October, but was soon after captured by Inspector Smith by the use of decoy letters. His father, who is a highly respectable citizen, is crestfallen over the downfall of his son.

Locksley Hall.

In the spring a fuller crimson comes upon the robin's breast. In the spring the wanton lapwing gets himself another crest. These beautiful lines of Tennyson illustrate the universal desire of fashion's votaries to rejuvenate their faded plumage by selecting quinn the shirtmaker's new spring neckties and Woodrow's famous hats.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

A heavy sleet and snow storm prevailed Saturday at Lynchburg, Va.

The St. Paul, Minneapolis and Northwestern Railway has withdrawn from the northwestern freight pool.

Therias Cohn, a caterer of New York, has assigned. Liabilities, $178,202; assets, nominal, $205,018; actual, $15,979.

Annie Townes of Cambridge, Mass., was arraigned Saturday for poisoning her husband. She pleaded not guilty.

Mrs. Belle Ellsworth and John Yeibert of West Newton, Pa., committed suicide together Saturday. No cause is known.

The President, Secretary and Counsel of the British-American Claim Agency of New York have been indicted for petty larceny.

Mrs. Becker was sentenced Saturday to two years' imprisonment in the Dayton, O., jail for obtaining a pension fraudulently.

The Rev. P. H. Donohue, a Catholic priest of Arcola, Ill., has been appointed by Gen. Boulanger lieutenant in the French army.

About fifty of the employes of the Buffalo, New York and Philadelphia Railway at Olean, N.Y., struck yesterday for two months' back pay.

At Binghamton, N. Y., Saturday, Daniel Monihan was acquitted of murder. He shot and killed Patrick Garvey for having illicit relations with his wife.

The five-story building on Rose-street, New York, owned by J. G. Dreyfor and occupied by the New York Weekly, was burned Saturday. Loss, $100,000.

Naval Constructor Pork submitted to the department Saturday his plans for the new armored vessel of 6000 tons displacement ordered by the last Congress. The cost will be over $2,500,000.

An unsuccessful attempt was made Saturday to set fire to the ferry houses of the Pennsylvania Railway at Jersey City. A large piece of cotton wading only partially burned was found in the buildings.

THE GREAT DIVINE DYING

HENRY WARD BEECHER STRICKEN BY APOPLEXY.

He Passed Into Unconsciousness During Friday Night, Has Lain in a Comatose Condition Ever Since, and it is Believed He Will Never Rally.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Henry Ward Beecher was stricken to-day with an attack of apoplexy, from which the physicians declare he cannot recover. The news did not get abroad until late in the afternoon, and then it spread like wildfire. The house in Hicks-street was besieged to-night by friends and members of his congregation, and bulletins were posted from time to time on the door-post stating his condition. Mr. Beecher was in a drowsy condition all the evening, from which it was difficult to arouse him. He answered questions in a husky voice with "yes" or "no," and twice he asked for water. At other times he remained quiet. He seemed to recognize those about him, but there was nothing to indicate that he realized his critical condition. Mrs. Beecher watched at his bedside all day, and was perfectly calm and collected in her demeanor. His children were at once summoned to his bedside, and his son, Herbert F. Beecher, who is in San Francisco, was telegraphed to come home at once.

Mr. Beecher's illness was altogether unexpected. He was in his usual good health up to last Thursday evening. He ate a supper consisting of half a dozen roast clams and spent the evening playing backgammon with Mrs. Beecher. He retired early and did not complain of feeling unwell. He, however, appeared restless after lying down, so much so that he attracted the attention of his wife, whose room adjoined. She arose several times during the night and went into his room, finding him on each occasion in an uneasy slumber. About 4.30 in the morning Mrs. Beecher heard him vomiting, and hastened to his side. He told her he had been suffering with a severe sick headache all night, an affliction to which he is a comparatively a stranger. He vomited profusely and said he felt a little better. Shortly after he fell asleep and slept without a break until 3.30 o'clock Friday afternoon. He was not disturbed during this time, as it has been his habit for years to sleep in that manner when out of sorts. He was accustomed to say that sleep was one of his greatest remedies.

Mrs. Beecher became a trifle nervous when her husband continued to sleep so long, and in her anxiety she sent for Dr. Searle, the family physician. The physician found him conscious, but noticed that his face was drawn slightly to one side, and that his articulation was thick. When Dr. Searle called again this morning he found a decided change for the worse, the left side being partially paralyzed. He then decided to send for Dr. W. A. Hammond. Dr. Hammond arrived at 2 o'clock, and it was then evident that Mr. Beecher was failing. His temperature was 100 1-5, and his respirations were of the peculiar irregular character known as Cheyne Stokes respiration, indicating serious cerebral disease. The paralysis had increased, and he was evidently suffering great pain. His articulation was more impaired than ever and his extremities had become equally warm. His face at times was very much flushed, and at no time was it pale. He moved his right arm and leg uneasily, as if he were suffering pain. He remained on his back and made no attempt to roll over. Dr. Hammond, when asked as to his chance for recovery, said that it was doubtful if he could live over Sunday, though under favorable circumstances he might linger a week. Dr. Searle said: "There is a bare possibility that he will survive the shock, but his full mental and bodily faculties can never be restored."

A midnight bulletin says: "From 11 to 12 o'clock there has been little change. During the past hour Mr. Beecher rolled for a short time, and then relapsed into unconsciousness. No change is expected before morning."

The family retired shortly after 12 o'clock, leaving a light turned down in the front hall. A nurse and Mr. Beecher's daughter, Mrs. Scoville, were left to watch by the bed for the night. Mrs. Beecher declined to go to bed, but lay down on her couch in the adjoining room, ready to be called at a moment's notice.

His Latest Labor.

NEW YORK, March 5.—For the last month or so Mr. Beecher has been busily engaged in writing the second volume of his Life of Christ. He has been closely confined at his work, as he wished to finish it for publication in early summer. He has not been away from his house since his return from Europe except to run up to Peekskill and his country seat for a day at a time. The close confinement wore on him. Mrs. Beecher tried to induce him to take exercise, but he refused.

Much excitement was caused in Brooklyn by the announcement of Mr. Beecher's illness. Immense crowds gathered near the house and read the bulletins. All through the evening prominent citizens were calling and leaving cards at the door. A policeman was stationed in front of the house to keep the crowd away. Mr. Beecher is over 73 years of age.

Mr. Beecher's Dream.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Dr. Hutchinson, a Brooklyn physician, was called by Mrs. Beecher. The doctor said to a reporter: "I reached the house at 3.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon and found Mr. Beecher sleeping. His appearance was quite natural, although I thought his face was drawn somewhat to the right side. The skin, especially of his extremities, was cool, but not cold. I easily aroused Mr. Beecher, and he was perfectly conscious. I said to him: 'You've slept so long that your wife became worried and sent for me.'

"'Yes,' he responded, 'I have slept a good while. I've been dreaming. It was rather a pleasant sort of dream, too. You know I have always been a great dreamer.'

"'And what was your dream,' I asked.

"'I thought,' was the reply, 'that I had been made a Duke and my wife a Duchess. I dreamed we had a large amount of property invested in British consols, and I've been trying all night to figure out the income. You know, doctor, that arithmetic has always been a great source of trouble to me.'

The Last Bulletin.

NEW YORK, 8.30 p.m., March 6.—The following bulletin has just been issued by the attending physicians: The condition of Mr. Beecher has not materially changed during the day. He is in a deeply comatose state from which he cannot be aroused and from which he will never probably rally. He lies quietly, like one in a deep sleep, and gives no indication of pain or uneasiness. No one except Mrs. Beecher and her children are allowed to visit his bedside, and no further bulletins will be issued until Monday morning.

Eulogized by Dr. Parker.

LONDON, March 6.—Rev. Mr. Parker at service this morning eulogized Mr. Beecher. He expressed the profoundest sympathy of himself and his hearers with the afflicted pastor. He prayed for Mr. Beecher and for his friends that they might be comforted by the knowledge that this servant was prepared for heaven, "We mourn" he said, "yet we rejoice in our sadness. Why should we mourn when a traveler completes his journey, when a voyager leaves the sea over which he has wandered and rejoins his kindred at home."

All Hope Given Up.

NEW YORK, March 6.—At an early hour this morning it was noticed that many more people were on the streets than was usual in the vicinity of the Beecher residence, and by 8 o'clock there was quite a crowd eagerly looking for the first bulletin, and as it was posted on the door-post the people crowded the stoop to read it. There was a feeling of thankfulness plainly visible on the countenance of the assemblage that the life of the illustrious divine was still spared and as the day advanced the throng on the sidewalks rendered the streets in the vicinity almost impassable. In the crowd were people of every station from the millionaire to the prosperous tradesman and the poor laborer. Rev. T. Dewitt Talmage called with his daughter Edith about 1.30 and he was admitted into Mr. Beecher's presence. About 10 o'clock this morning Dr. Hammond arrived at the house and an hour later the following bulletin was posted: "Prof. W. Hulmuth of New York, in consultation, fully confirms the opinion of the physicians. Mr. Beecher is gradually failing. He may, however, live for some days."

That all hope was given up was plainly indicated by this bulletin, and the remark of Dr. Talmage as he passed out: "It is very serious."

Mr. Holliday conducted services at Plymouth Church this morning and the 11 o'clock bulletin was read to the congregation. The effect of it was noticeable on the congregation by the number of handkerchiefs in use, and the stifled sobs of many of those present.

At the church of Dr. Talmage the scene after the rev. gentleman's prayer was almost as affecting. Dr. Talmage made a very affecting appeal on behalf of Mr. Beecher. He prayed fervently for the divine blessing on the afflicted preacher and alluded to Mr. Beecher as the friend of the slave, the friend of the millionaire, the friend of the workingman, the friend of the friendless, the friend of all mankind.

Mrs. Beecher Never Leaves His Side.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Rev. Mr. Beecher is still lying in a deep comatose condition. He does not move, but lies on his back with an occasional movement of the right arm. His breathing is heavy and spasmodic, giving four or five heavy respirations and then almost ceasing. Mrs. Beecher has been most of the time in the sickroom. She bears up heroically and scarcely ever leaves her husband's side. Since the doctors informed the members of the family that it is only a question of time for the end, they remain in the sick chamber awaiting new developments.

THE RETALIATION BILL.

Manager Olds, of the Canadian Pacific Railway, Gives His Views.

MONTREAL, March 5.—There was considerable discussion on the streets yesterday over the passage of the Edmunds Retaliation Bill by both Houses of Congress, and the signing of it by the President. Traffic Manager Olds of the Canadian Pacific Railway said: "I regard the whole question as one of marine interest, confined to a limited area and only connected with the fishing question. My opinion is that if arrangements are made for a regular ocean service to other markets for cured fish Canadian fishing industries would only suffer temporarily. I cannot imagine that the bill has been passed except for political purposes. There is a possibility that certain annoyances may arise out of customs transactions, but I do not think this would last long."

Nova Scotia Excited About It.

HALIFAX, N.S., March 5.—The action of the President of the United States in signing the Retaliation Bill has caused considerable excitement in some of the fishing centres of Nova Scotia, and is the sole subject talked about. Fishermen, who formerly sought employment on American vessels during the season are undecided whether to go to the States again this spring, and much bitterness is expressed over the position of affairs, the people having expected that the two countries would arrive at an early agreement.

Suicide in County Leeds.

FARMERSVILLE, Ont., March 5.—Maria Tackaberry, daughter of Mr. Richard Tackaberry, living near Elbe Mills, committed suicide this morning by cutting her throat with a razor. For the last year or two she has had occasional sick spells, and at times been out of her mind. This morning she got up as usual and assisted in getting breakfast, and while the rest of the family were eating they heard a noise upstairs as if something had fallen. Upon going up they found her lying on the floor dying, with her throat cut from ear to ear. The coroner said it was not necessary to hold an inquest, as there were no doubts of her insanity.

Committed for Trial.

WALKERTON, March 5.—The preliminary trial of James Keep and Henry Raymond, of Port Elgin, charged with manslaughter in causing the death of Richard R. Webster, the Chicago millionaire, was completed here to-day. The magistrate held that Webster's death was accelerated by their neglect and they were committed for trial.

A Montreal Defaulter.

MONTREAL, March 6.—A young man named Cochrane, an employe of Mr. John Flanagan, proprietor of the Palace Boarding and Livery stables, Dorchester-street, has disappeared with $300 of his employer's money. He was sent to collect about $800 of accounts, and having collected nearly $400, gave his employer $52 and cleared out. It is supposed he has gone to New York.

Fire at Ottawa.

OTTAWA, March 5.—A fire occured here early this morning on Spark-street, which destroyed Uglow's book and stationery store, Ion's photographic saloon, McGiffin's outfitting store and Selwyn's millinery establishment. The loss is about $15,000, partly covered by insurance.

Hard on the Telegram.

At the Pavilion temperance meeting yesterday, Rev. Mr. Wilson, Chaplain of the Prohibition Club, said in his remarks: "I'm glad the press of the country is on our side. I'm glad the press of this city, with *one* exception, is with us. All help us and are for us, with that one exception. We hope soon to convert that sheet. [Immense applause and laughter.]

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

Mr. W. C. Munderloh, for fifteen years the Imperial German Consul at Montreal, has been decorated by the Kaiser with the Order of the Royal Crown.

The Emerald Beneficial Association of Hamilton have engaged Rev. Father Cronin of Buffalo to deliver their annual lecture on St. Patrick's night.

Miss Marion Oliver, M.D., who graduated from Queen's College, Kingston, last spring, and Miss Charlotte Wilson have arrived in Bombay, India.

At the instance of the Molsons Bank in St. Thomas, Ont., 500 or 600 shares in the Cochrane Manufacturing Company will be sold at auction by the sheriff next week.

The propeller Myles, ashore at Kingston, has slipped back to her old position. Another method will have to be adopted to raise her, as chains could not be got beneath her.

Rev. John Ferguson, for many years the pastor of Melville Church, Brussels, Ont., who preached several months for the Presbyterian Church of Central City, Colorado, has accepted a call to Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Miss Sarah Benham of Georgetown, who was badly injured on the toboggan slide in that town by running against a post a few days ago, is thought to have been fatally injured.

The Parthia, Abyssinia and Batavia, of the Cunard line, will compose for the present the Canadian Pacific Railway steamship line between Vancouver, B.C., and China and Japan. The first steamer will sail on May 1.

A Montreal despatch says the Canadian authorities have received notice that the British Government has decided to subsidize to the extent of $10,000 a year the new line of steamers between Vancouver, B.C., Hong Kong and the east.

On Thursday the Kingston Public Schools were visited simultaneously by the Roman Catholic clergy to ascertain how many Catholic pupils were attending them. It is said the clergy will take advantage of the law permitting clergymen to give pupils religious instruction after school hours.

On Friday while Thomas Johnston, employed in the Erie Iron Works, St. Thomas, was grinding a saw the wheel broke in two pieces, one section flying and striking Johnston with tremendous force in the stomach, knocking him down. The other half of the wheel smashed a hole through the window sash. The man is supposed to be fatally injured.

The journeymen tailors of Hamilton have decided to go on strike. The master tailors have offered them 10 per cent advance in their rates and the same per hour on extras, amounting to 16½ cents per hour for extras, but the men demand 18 cents and are going on strike for the difference.

MR. BURK CLAIMS THE SEAT

HE ARRIVES IN TOWN AND AFFIXES "M.P." TO HIS NAME.

Mr. Dawson Will Get a Set Back of 200—Full Returns Expected To-Night—Political Matters in the Territories—Hon. "Tom" White Goes West.

Saturday evening this name was written on the Rossin House register:

"D. F. BURK, M.P., Algoma, Sault Ste. Marie."

Underneath Mr. Burk's name was that of F. Pedley of Laclashe. Mr. Pedley acted as Mr. Burk's right-hand young man in the political fight just closed in Algoma.

The World sought out Mr. Burk, who is a well-known figure around the Rossin. The reporter incidentally enquired of Mr. Burk if he was not a little previous in affixing the magic letters "M.P." to his name.

"Not at all," said Mr. Burk. "I am elected by over 250, but it is no use lying about 50 and so we will just call it an even 200. I have beaten Dawson as sure as you're alive. Why, before I left Manitoulin Island, the day preceding the election, Mr. Plummer, who you know is Mr. Dawson's organizer, admitted that I was elected. Mr. Shaughnessy, Assistant General Manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway, received a despatch at Montreal Saturday evening stating that I was elected without a doubt. A Grand Trunk official received a similar despatch. I will sit for Algoma in the next Parliament sure."

"Where did you come from now, Mr. Burk?"

"I am fresh from the seat of war, from the Sault. I was there election day."

"When do you expect the full returns in?"

"I think the result on Manitoulin Island will be definitely known by Monday evening. Dawson is unpopular there, and the figures will surprise him."

"What other places are there to hear from?"

"There are three townships on the North Shore, Echo River, Port Findlay and Missisqui. Then there is Manitoulin Island, Cockburn Island, Rainy River, Fort Francis, Michipocten River, Michipocten Island, Mamass and "The Ducks." In several of these places there are less than two dozen voters. On Manitoulin Island the returning officer did all he could to give me the worst of it. He did not announce where the polling-booths would be located until the day before the voting."

Before parting Mr. Burk again positively assured The World that he was elected by at least 200 majority. Mr. Burk left for Bowmanville at 8 o'clock last evening, where he has gone to join Mrs. Burk and attend to some private business.

Mr. Creighton, M.P., of North Gray, who attended a reception given by the Toronto Press Club Saturday night, said to The World that the political complexion of Manitoulin Island, in Dominion matters, was overwhelmingly Conservative. He thought Mr. Dawson would receive a majority on the Island and secure the seat.

At the general election in 1867, Mr. Simpson (Liberal) was elected by 9 majority, but on Mr. Simpson being appointed Indian Commissioner Lieut.-Col. Cumberland (Conservative) was elected by acclamation.

In 1872, Hon. J. B. Robinson (Conservative) was elected by 81 majority.

In 1874, E. B. Barron (Liberal) was elected by 128 majority.

In 1878, Mr. Dawson (Conservative) was elected by 405 majority, and in 1882 by 595 majority.

Haldimand Not Settled.

DUNNVILLE, March 4.—The result in Haldimand County is still in doubt. At present the Liberals claim a majority of five for Coulter, but the complete official returns are not yet ascertained. The result will remain in doubt until Tuesday when the official declaration will be made. Whichever party be defeated will demand a recount, and that may alter the result, as the scrutineers from various points in the county report the rejection of some ballots which, if their descriptions of the same be correct, will be counted on a recount. Haldimand has never yet returned a Conservative member. It was regarded as a stronghold of Liberalism. In September the most prominent members of the Ministry worked in the county and yet it was carried by the Liberals by 115 majority, and in the last local contest the county went 347 Liberal.

In this contest Dr. W. H. Montague, of Dunnville, was the candidate of the Conservative party and the fight he made was without doubt the best in the Dominion. He is certainly one of the strongest candidates who ever fought a constituency. As a platform speaker the doctor is one of the ablest in Canada, and if he is elected, as his friends claim he will be when the final result is known, he will rapidly take a prominent place in the House. The meetings he addressed in the constituency were immense gatherings, the buildings being too small to contain the hundreds who gathered to hear him. The result of his work is shown by the fact that in a ten days' campaign he reduced the large majority to a very small one—if not to a minority. On his return to Dunnville, the candidate was met with a band and an immense procession.

The Recount in West Huron.

GODERICH, March 5.—The recount of the ballots for West Huron took place yesterday here. The result gives Robert Porter, Conservative, 26 majority.

Dalton's Mission.

An Ottawa despatch to the Hamilton Times says: Mr. Dalton McCarthy, M.P., is in the city. He says he is on business with the Customs Department for some of his clients; but the prevailing impression is that he is arranging to buy out the Mail and restore it to its position as a Government organ.

Appointed a Judge.

OTTAWA, March 5.—Mr. Townsend, ex-M.P. for Cumberland, who resigned to make way for Sir Charles Tupper, has been appointed a Judge of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia.

The Entire Liberal Vote Thrown Out.

ST. JOHN, N.B., March 6.—Returning Officer Dunn yesterday declared Baird, Conservative, elected in Queen's County, throwing out the entire vote of King, Liberal, who had a majority, on the ground that his deposit had been unlawfully made. The scene at the Declaration Court was very exciting and a protest against the Returning Officer's action was entered.

Elected in British Columbia.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C., March 4.—Donald Chisholm, Conservative, was to-day elected for the New Westminster District by 250 majority over Trappe, Independent.

Politicians Going West.

WINNIPEG, March 5.—Great efforts are being put forward by both sides to carry the Northwestern constituencies. Hon. Thomas White went west to-day, accompanied by W. B. Scarth, M.P. for Winnipeg, who, as manager of the Northwest Land Company, controls many votes in Assiniboia. They will work along the line of the railway. Hon. John Norquay and Hon. Joseph Royal are going to Batoche to influence the halfbreeds there for Mr. Macdowall. Messrs. Preston and Proctor, Reform agents from Toronto, have gone west also. The chances are in favor of the Government. They will probably carry all four seats, although the Liberals hope that Hon. David Laird will win in Saskatchewan and Mr. Ross in Western Assiniboia.

Political Puffs.

The Reformers of Russell will banquet their representatives in the Dominion and Local Legislatures, Messrs. Edwards and Robillard, at Metcalfe on March 21.

A Big Chance for a Lady.

—There's some "old maids" in Toronto that's lost many a "chance;" and here's a chance for the ladies that's seldom met with, and that is to go to 179 Yonge-street and buy the handsomest baby carriage in the city, and at the lowest price. If you don't want one yourself, take your friends that are in need of one to Strathern, the housefurnisher. x

THE QUEEN CITY STORM-BOUND.

More Serious Delays on the Railroads—A Telegrapher's Reminiscence.

The weatherwise crank still insists that the present is the worst winter known in Toronto for over twenty years. The World does not dispute him. In Union Station last evening, as two Grand Trunk express trains steamed in within fifteen of each other, both seven or eight hours late, a well-known city broker, who once played on the dulcet keys in a country telegraph office, said: "This puts me in mind of old times, about twenty years ago, when it was an everyday occurrence during the winter months to see the trains arrive the day after they were due. If a train, by accident, made her scheduled run the railroad officials and passengers usually took a fit. Fact."

Saturday's snowstorm, which developed into a drizzling rain yesterday, appears to have been only local, extending east as far as Port Hope. In the city it was about as disagreeable a day as the present winter has produced. As usual the railroads suffered severely; but they have had so much of it during January, February and March, up to date, that to get stuck in a snowstorm is now a recognized part of a trainman's duties.

The Grand Trunk express, which should have left for Montreal at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, did not get away until 2 o'clock yesterday morning. The Midland train, leaving at 4.25, had to return to the city after she had gone but a short distance owing to the heavy blockades to the east. No. 2 from the east, due at 10.40 Saturday evening, reached the city at 2 o'clock yesterday morning.

The two express trains from Montreal, due yesterday morning, came in at 6.45 and 6 o'clock respectively last evening. They were delayed east of Coteau Landing because of a smash up of the train from Ottawa, via the Canada and Atlantic, below the Landing.

The Canadian Pacific train from Montreal, due at 8.27 yesterday morning, was three hours late. These were the most serious delays. The outgoing trains got away on time last evening. No. 12, from Hamilton, was only fifteen minutes late and her eastern connections were but little delayed.

The railroad men hope that they have seen the last of the blockades, as they are heartily sick of them.

Saturday afternoon, when the storm was at its height, Thomas May, an expressman, for a consideration of $5, attempted to drive three men to the Island. When they got out about 200 yards it became a matter of speculation with the party whether they would be blown down the bay to the open water of Lake Ontario or whether they would be swallowed up there and then by the elements. They wisely concluded to return to the city and reached the shore with as little delay as possible.

NEW BRUNSWICK SNOWED UNDER.

The Railways in Some Places Covered to the Depth of Seven Feet.

ST. JOHN, N.B., March 5.—Such a universal blockade as has taken place on New Brunswick railways the past three weeks has not been known for ten years. On the New Brunswick Railway, between Gibson, Woodstock and Great Falls, miles of track have been buried under seven feet of snow. Plows are useless and all the men available have been organized as shovelers. The Grand Southern Railway between St. John and St. Stephen has been blocked a week. There has been no travel for four days on the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Railroad from Sackville to the cape. The Indiantown branch is to be closed for the winter, the chief reason being the snow drifts near the line. The Northern and Western road is impassable from Gibson almost to the north shore. The blockade on the Intercolonial road is about over.

SIR KNIGHT McCONKEY'S VISITOR.

A Bold Burglar Kept at Bay at the Point of a Trusty Sword.

At 1.30 last night the family of Mr. G. S. McConkey, at Yonge and Richmond streets, were all abed when Mrs. McConkey saw a man steal into her room. She raised an alarm and the midnight intruder proved to be a burglar, who had left his boots at the foot of the stairs after getting in through a back window. Eminent Sir Knight McConkey rushed in with his trusty Knights Templar sword and loaded pistol and kept the bold invader at bay until the arrival of Policeman Peakham, who took him to Headquarters. There he was registered as Wm. Thompson, aged 21, 74 Duke-street. He is known to the police as a loafer around the cheap restaurants on Adelaide-street east.

Sir Knight McConkey always sleeps with the shining blade at the head of his bed. He is now fully convinced that this sharp-pointed steel is useful as well as ornamental.

A Burglary at Boyd Bros.

Saturday night about 9.30 Private Watchman Mowat discovered a pile of eighty or ninety silk handkerchiefs in rear of Boyd Bros.' new warehouse at Front and Bay-streets. It was very evident that a burglary had been committed and Mr. Alex. Boyd was sent for. It was found than an entrance had been effected to the premises through a window in the rear of the building, which was anything but securely fastened. A gross and a half of silk handkerchiefs and a quantity of jewelry were taken from the second floor. The handkerchiefs were valued at $300. The burglary was evidently the work of boys, as large quantities of valuable silks and other goods were untouched. The burglary was obviously committed at a time when Saturday night's storm was raging at its height.

Ran Down in Front-street.

Friday night the premises of the Consumers' Hardware Company, in Front-street east, were broken into and a quantity of knives, razors and pistols carried off. The burglary was committed, it is thought, by a gang of young thieves who have lately been operating in the city. At 7.45 Saturday evening Policeman Nelson met Wm. Joslin, aged 21, a suspected member of the gang, in Front-street. He ran him for three or four blocks and succeeded in capturing him. Joslin was taken to Police Headquarters. It is thought he may have had some connection with the robbery at Boyd Bros., as two or three silk handkerchiefs were found in his possession. He has a b