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An Old Problem—The Balance of Trade.

The balance of trade problem is a pretty old one now, having puzzled the economists of several generations past. Recently The World had affirmed that there is such a thing as unprofitable foreign trade, and we gave as an instance the import into the Dominion during the fiscal year 1886-87 of 168,164 barrels of American flour. Our contention was that it would have been much better for Canada had she produced this flour at home and had not imported a single barrel of flour from the States, or from anywhere else. Whereupon The Montreal Herald says we evidently ignore the fact that, unless this flour trade had been profitable, the transactions would scarcely have taken place. We had before admitted that the transactions might have been profitable to individuals, and at the same time unprofitable to Canada as a nation. And now The Herald brings up the whole vast problem of *the balance of trade*, thus:

Since Confederation Canada's imports have been	$2,099,341,749
And her exports	1,695,052,289
Difference	$ 404,289,460

Are we really four hundred millions poorer on our trade transactions than we were twenty years ago? That is the question, says The Herald.

Now for a still larger instance. Great Britain's imports for the last forty years have invariably exceeded her exports. We admit the general fact, though we rather doubt the accuracy of the particular figures cited by our contemporary, which thus proceeds:

According to The World's theory Great Britain ought to be going to commercial destruction with the rapidity of a cyclone. And yet she is steadily growing richer, her trade keeps on increasing, her population is increasing notwithstanding heavy emigration, and she is from year to year securing a larger portion of the world's carrying trade.

Our aggregate trade with Great Britain since 1873 has been as follows:

Imports (for home consumption)	$801,760,151
Exports	652,054,328
	$ 89,706,799

Have we paid Great Britain in cash $89,000,000 in settlement of trade debts?

We reply: Perhaps we have not in that time paid Great Britain thirty-nine millions in cash. But it is not at all an extravagant supposition that within the period named we have given Great Britain that much, and more—in the shape of interest-bearing securities, in settlement of the *balance of debt* against us. How do you like that way of putting it?

Speaking generally it is Protectionist doctrine that when a country produces at home what before she used to import, she is gaining in wealth; while when she imports what before she used to produce she is losing. But suppose a country's imports exceed her exports by ten million dollars annually. Are we therefore to conclude that in ten years she has gone to the bad to the extent of a hundred millions? That is the balance of trade problem fairly stated. No solution clear enough to command general assent has yet been offered.

However, what we regard as a most important contribution towards a solution of the problem has been offered by Mr. John Hague of Toronto, and was published in The Montreal Witness some years ago. Mr. Hague's leading idea is that if in considering this matter we were to give proper attention to the *balance of debt*, we should have a better understanding of how the balance of trade really works. We may illustrate in this way. Suppose a nation imports a hundred millions' worth, and exports only fifty millions' worth. "All right," say some people, "never mind this so-called adverse balance, that merely shows a large foreign trade, and is rather to be welcomed." "You forget," says Mr. Hague, "that nation has created a *balance of debt* against itself, which if not paid at the time will have to be paid at some future day, in some shape, with interest."

It rather supports Mr. Hague's contention that economists, even those of the most ultra Free Trade school, admit that Britain's excess of imports over exports is largely paid for out of the interest on foreign securities which are held by British investors. The balance of debt theory comes in to some purpose there, we should say.

Where The Herald goes wrong is in taking the acknowledged difficulties which beset the balance of trade question, and parading them as if these difficulties were peculiar to the Protectionist view of it, whereas they are common to both views of it—to the Free Trade as well as to the Protectionist theory. You do not by any means get rid of the balance of trade puzzle by saying that you are a Free Trader, and that you don't care a "continental" were your country's imports many millions each and every year more than her exports. You seem to think that all foreign trade is profitable. Suppose we import a million's worth of foreign products, of any kind, and some protectionist says: "How much better it would have been for us had we produced all this at home, instead of buying is abroad!" You reply: "All nonsense! we don't produce the goods ourselves we produce other goods, which are virtually exchanged for them, and that settles it. All right, don't you see."

Has The Herald ever heard the story of the two boys, who, having been imprisoned "up chamber" for some boyish offence, said afterwards that during their confinement they made five dollars apiece trading jack-knives with each other? Well, some of the trade between Canada and the States is a good deal like that. And, if those of The Herald's persuasion had their way, there would be a good deal more of such unprofitable trade for Canada.

The Lambeth Conference.

The Workingmen's Association of St. Mark's Church, Parkdale, was delighted last evening with an address by Rev. Prof. Simons of Trinity College on the Lambeth conference and the important significance of this consultation in church history. The lecturer pointed out that the conference was merely a consultation of some 145 Anglican bishops from all over the world, and that, while resolutions adopted by them were placed on record and carried weight, no rules could be made for church government since this was not a synod meeting. He also briefly reviewed the subjects discussed there and explained their importance. The president, Mr. Cochrand, occupied the chair.

Sixty-eight dollars for an overcoat in New York and you can get one like it for seven fifty at the Army and Navy store. Now, we don't say you get as good a coat, but you can get a Melton coat for seven fifty at the Army and Navy store which is copied from a sixty-eight dollar coat in New York—the cut is exactly the same. Do for your own sake be convinced that the cool place to dap an overcoat is the Army and Navy store. Boys' overcoats at any price you like.

Music in Jail a Collection.

At St. Andrew's Church, King-street west, the total receipts of the morning and evening collections on Sunday were $1953, with a fraction of $2000. At this large sum $1836 was for the unpaidist on that, $1236 being collected at the morning and $150 at the evening service. The balance of the amount collected, $317, was the high the envelope system for general congregational purposes.

An urgent appeal—Are you going to spend your money for your chapped hands? If so, buy one cake of Cuticura Soap and save your money for something else. It is the best skin beautifier in the world, and all druggists keep it. Wm. A. Dyer & Co., Montreal.

FROM BARRISTERS' BRIEFS.

A Well-known Bank Draft Suit Settled—About a Sealskin Sacque.

Judge Falconbridge will deliver judgment to-day in the Electric Despatch Co. v. Bell Telephone Co.

Weir v. C. P. R., the last case before the Court of Appeal until the January sittings, was argued yesterday and reserved. The suit was brought for the recovery of a horse killed while the plaintiff was crossing the track at Whitby, for which he obtained a verdict for $300 before County Judge Burnham and a jury.

An order nisi was argued in the Common Pleas Yesterday on behalf of Thomas Graham for a new trial in Mail Printing Co. v. Devlin. Geo. A. Devlin and Thomas Graham, under the name of the Union Medicine Company, ran an account amounting to $480 with The Mail for advertising their patent medicines, and for which the plaintiff obtained a verdict at the last assizes. The defendant Graham is moving for a new trial on the ground that the advertising contract was not properly carried out. Judgment was reserved.

Judge Street announced his decision yesterday in the Bank of Commerce v. Bank of British N. A. This case was argued before the late Chief Justice Cameron, who died before giving a judgment, and was re-argued before Judge Street last month. The action arises out of a draft given by Peter Ryan for $2342 to the Hamilton Cotton Company, and it is charged that Hamilton Young forged the Company's signature, deposited it with the defendant bank, who endorsed it to the Bank of Commerce. The Bank of B. N. A. repudiated the draft on the ground of forgery, but the Commerce maintained that by the endorsation of the draft to them they guaranteed its validity, which view of the law Judge Street held to be correct and gave judgment for the plaintiff.

In the Common Pleas Division yesterday A. B. Aylesworth moved for a new trial in Lucelin v. Mitchell. This case was tried at the last Toronto Assizes and the plaintiff succeeded. It is an action brought by the plaintiff, a city furrier, for $230, the price of a seal skin sacque, supplied to the defendant's mother. The suit turned on the question whether the defendant or his mother ordered the article. The court was unanimous not to disturb the plaintiff's verdict.

These cases have been down for hearing in Single Court to-day: Mumford v. Palmer, Duck v. Bates, Burton v. Stobbins, Central Bank v. Worts, Hammel v. Otzel, Cameron v. Cameron, Mamford v. Palmer.

Mantels! Mantels! Mantels!

W. Millichamp, Sons & Co. are known far and near as the largest and most extensive manufacturers in Canada of mantels and overmantels. See their magnificent show rooms, which show a complete assortment in choice designs in ebony, oak, walnut and mahogany. Prices lower than the lowest. Their $23.00 finely finished mahogany bedroom mantel is unsurpassed anywhere. Special prices now in medium and high-class goods. Get catalog and reduced price list. Old stand, 31 Adelaide e.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

Adonis Dixie at the Grand—True Irish Hearts—The Spanish Students.

All the good things that have been said about Henry E. Dixie and his burlesque company were fully borne out last night, when they opened an engagement at the Grand Opera House. The audience was large and appreciative. Mr. Dixie has ascended to a high altitude on the ladder of fame since he was first seen in Toronto several years ago in the "hind legs" in the famous heifer dance in Rice's "Evangeline" company. His burlesque of "Adonis" is a combination of grace and elegance with Mr. Dixie as his Elegantheda. It is a very refined variety sketch, novelty and effect. Mr. Dixie's impersonations of Henry Irving and Wilson Barrett scored as the event of the evening (because it was "Quite Quaillin, you Know"). His other impersonations were also capital. Mr. Dixie is surrounded by a company that possesses a clever vein through-out. The costumes, singing, music and stage tricks are all in keeping with the star's eye for refined variety. There are any number of Venuses on the stage to keep company with Adonis. There will be three more performances, including a matinee to-morrow afternoon.

The Spanish Students.

The Spanish Students' Quintette, the cream of the famous original Spanish Students' Company, assisted by Prof. L. L. Ryerson, opened a week's engagement at the Permanent Exhibition last evening. The entertainment is chiefly made up of the sweet music of the mandolin. The quintette were dressed in picturesque costumes and the weird, romantic strains delighted the audience, so that encores were numerous. Prof. Ryerson is a finished guitar and harmonica player and his Irish comic songs and humorous dialect recitations were the amusement of the evening. The company is a strong one and should draw large audiences at each concert during the week and the Saturday matinee.

True Irish Hearts.

The Toronto Opera House was well filled last night to witness that sparkling Irish drama by Dan McCarthy entitled "True Irish Hearts." Mr. Gus Reynolds appeared as Lanty Lannigan and captured the audience as an actor and a singer. Miss Kitty Coleman was a charming Kitty Brady. The scenery and support is good. Champion Gareman William O'Connor will attend the performance this evening. There will be a matinee this and to-morrow afternoon.

Musical Notes.

The musical societies of Richmond Methodist Church gave an enjoyable concert last night. Amateur and professional talent lent its aid and the concert was a great success. Among the items on the choice program were: "Whispers at Sea," by Alt; "Hunters' Chorus," from Gounod's "Faust," and "Happy and Light," from the "Bohemian Girl."

At the Church of Holy Trinity on Sunday morning last, Mr. Arthur Le Jeune, a young tenor of this city, sang the recitative "Thus Saith the Lord" from "The Messiah," Judging from the power and quality of his voice and the excellent manner in which he sang, he has a bright career before him.

The Toronto Vocal Society's first concert takes place on Tuesday, Dec. 18. In addition to the fine choruses, glees and madrigals given by the society's choir of one hundred trained voices, the following soloists have been engaged: Mons. Ovide Musin, the world-renowned violinist; Mme. Annie Louise Tanner, Mr. Whitney Mockridge and Mr. Shonert, pianist. See advertisement in another column.

Notwithstanding the strong counter attraction which the O'Connor reception exercised, the Foresters' concert in Temperance Hall was last night well patronized. H. E. Clarke, M.P.P., occupied the chair. A pleasing program was rendered by Miss Usher and Mr. Stapell, Misses Warnock and Chorley sang a duet and Miss Borthwick, Mr. Winters and Miss Warnock solos. Mr. Jas. Fax, who took the comic part in the entertainment, received great applause. Readings were given by Mr. Johnson.

A concert was given by the choir of Grace Church, Elm-street, last evening in the handsomely-decorated lecture room of that edifice. The program was a liberal one as regards numbers, and the concert was most enjoyable affair. The part songs by the choir under Mr. Tinnie's direction were excellent, and the following ladies and gentlemen assisted in making the evening an entertaining one: Mrs. Yorke, Mrs. Guerin, Misses Roberts, Thrius, Best and Tinnie; Messrs. York, Ardige, Donville, Parker, Langstone, Thring and J. F. Tinnie. The receipts were large and were in aid of the organ fund.

The Harmony Club are coming to the fore once more. They hold their annual meeting 4.30 this afternoon for the purpose of selecting an opera for the coming season.

The members of the Canadian Shorthand Society celebrated the opening of their new premises in the Y. M. C. A. Hall last night by a conversazione. The evening was made merry by selections of song and verse and everyone had a good time.

An entertainment, musical and elocutionary, will be given in Shaftesbury Hall Friday evening under the auspices of Canada Council No. 612, Royal Arcanum.

O. Bottle of Manchester, Ontario Co., N.Y., writes: "I obtained immediate relief from the use of *Dr. Thomas' Ecl ectric Oil*. I have had Asthma for eleven years. Have been obliged to sit up all night for ten or twelve nights in succession. I can now sleep soundly all night on a feather bed, which I had not been able to do previous to using the Oil."

Sons of Temperance Will Confer.

The annual session of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance will be held this afternoon in the hall, corner Spadina and Farley-avenues.

Prov. D.G.W.P. Tisdale has organized the following new divisions:

Hebron Division, No. 140, with 13 charter members, at Kitchen's schoolhouse, Brant County. G. D. Clump, D.G.W.P.; Richard Janaway, R.S.

Welcome Division, No. 263, with 19 charter members, at Cayuga. Rev. W. M. Teeble, D.G.W.P.; Herbert W. Thornton, R.S.

Paris Plains Division, No. 147, with 11 charter members, at Muir schoolhouse, Brant County. Henry Mann, D.G.W.P.; Miss Bessie Brown, R. S.

Glenallan Division, No. 212, has been reinstituted, with 11 members. T. Magnus Henderson, D.G.W.P., at Glenallan, Ont. David Ghen, W.P.; Sandfield Ghent, R. S.

Amos Hodgin, Toronto, writes: "I have been a sufferer from Dyspepsia for the last six years. All the remedies I tried were useless until Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery and Dyspepsia Cure was brought to my notice. I am happy to say I feel as well as ever. I can now eat anything I like, and I feel it my duty to recommend it to those afflicted in like manner."

ON THE GREEN DIAMOND.

MORE CHANGES MADE BY THE ARBITRATION COMMITTEE.

Columbus to be Admitted to the American Association—A Trotting Sire's Record—Disturbance and Bonnie Bird—Baseball and Turf Gossip.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 3.—The Board of Arbitration finished its work here on Saturday. The Board showed a determined desire to protect the players of the minor leagues, and if the new rules, or what may be termed changes and additions, are as safe as they are expected to be, the players of the minor leagues have now better protection than they ever had.

The Board not only dealt very rigidly in favor of the players, but it drew the lines considerably tighter on the clubs and associations. In future clubs of minor leagues will not be allowed to play fast and loose with clubs in the leagues and associations who bargain for any players. The Des Moines case, in which that club, Philadelphia and Cincinnati were interested relative to the service of Bug Halliday, has caused an ironclad rule to be made to prevent the recurrence of any such action.

Mr. Rogers plainly stated that the new rule relative to such cases had been prompted by the action of the Des Moines Club. He said that this questionable method of exacting a few hundred dollars must be stopped, and he claims that the new rule will effectually do it.

The articles of qualified admission were then commenced with, and they lasted until the Board finished its work. All of article 1, up to the sentence beginning with the word "provided," was repealed and the following substituted: "Minor leagues to get the benefit of the national agreement can only consist of four clubs instead of six." This change is to reach more minor leagues than the old rule would permit. The section also provides that each minor league club must file with the Secretary of the Board of Arbitration a list of its players, club officers, location of business offices and grounds. No change in these must be made without the consent of the Board of Arbitration. A new article, which will be known as article 8, was adopted.

It reads: "Should any club member of an association party of second part agree in writing or by telegraph with a club member of an association party of the first or second part for the release of a player then under contract or reservation, either party may file said agreement with the Secretary of the Board of Arbitration, and should any such club member refuse to comply with its agreement after opportunity for a hearing before the Board of Arbitration of such agreement proven, then the association of which the releasing club is a member shall expel such club from membership, or said association shall forfeit all right under their agreement."

The object is to prevent any club from agreeing to sell a player for say $1000, and then letting the bargain go when some other club offers $1500 for the player.

A new subdivision was put into article 10, which provides that minor leagues of four clubs shall pay $1000 for the right of reservation; leagues of six clubs, $1500, and leagues of more than six, $2000. A new paragraph was added to article 11, and provides that a player under reserve shall be released: First—when compensation prescribed in his contract to the full term thereof, irrespective of the termination of the championship season, is in arrears and unpaid on the 1st of November following the close of the season. Second—When the club reserving him has failed to tender him at club reserving him has failed to tender him at or before the commencement of the championship season the regular contract with a salary at least of $100 per month. Third—When the club reserving him has transferred its membership or its place in the championship season ship at any time before the close of the championship season to an association party of the second part other than that of which it was previously a member.

The other changes made were merely technical, and did not refer to any change of policy.

Dust from the Diamond.

Manager Cushman says that he finds great difficulty to secure good ball players under the salary limit.

A club has been formed in Wellington, N. Z., by Mr. A. W. Rynard of Brooklyn and Mr. Henderson of Hamilton. It has been named the Wellington Baseball club and is the first club formed in New Zealand. Great interest is being taken in baseball in the colony, and the arrival of Spalding's team is eagerly looked forward to.

Roger Conner has signed a New York contract for next season.

A Pittsburg despatch says: It was definitely stated last evening on the most reliable authority, that Columbus will be the eighth in the American Association.

Stanlefs v. Copp-Clark.

The above teams played a match on Saturday on the Toronto baseball grounds, which resulted in favor of Copp-Clark's team by a score of 1 to 0.

The following are the teams:

Stanlefs.		*Copp-Clark.*
Ross	Goal	Travers
Nelson	Backs	Dixon
Wrigh		Sinclair
Nay	Half-backs	Harcourt
Ingram		Wright
Anderson		Solomon
Hurndell	Forwards	Broom
Derrie		Copp
Love		Cowan
Hudson		O'Barr
Rogers		

Beechman Challenges Wallace Ross.

BOSTON, Dec. 3.—George Beechman, champion roller skater of the world, announces that he is ready to meet Wallace Ross, the six-day race, roller skates against road sculler, such as the champion road sculler has recently proposed. Beechman will meet Ross in a match either for a limited number of hours per day or for the entire six days. He wants to have the contest take place either in New York or Boston, and to be for $1000 up to $2000 a side.

The Toronto-Quebec Chess Match.

Play in the telegraph match was to have been resumed on Saturday evening, but Quebec sent a message on Wednesday saying that as one of their players had met with an accident, and was unable to play, they therefore resigned the match. Toronto, of course, gladly gave them the privilege of substituting any player in their club and offering to play the match out. Quebec, however, declined, and so the score stands as follows:

Toronto.		*Quebec.*
A. T. Davison	½	E. Sanderson ½
Wm. Boultbee	1	H. F. Andrews 0
E. B. Cresswell	½	C. E. Champion 0
J. H. Gordon	1	E. Pope 1
W. H. Stark	1	H. Mason 0
W. G. Blyth	1	F. A. Robertson 0
	4½	1½

Majority for Toronto . . . . . 3 games

About the Garsmen.

Mr. St. John, Toemer's backer, telegraphed to O'Connor last week the following: "I congratulate you and I hope to see you champion of the world."

Hamilton Busbey, editor of The Turf, Field and Farm, received a letter from Hanlan on Saturday and it is he said: Sculls is a wonder but I think that Teemer in good form can beat him. I don't know what chance O'Connor would have with him.

O'Connor, while in New York last week, paid a visit to the Clifton track, N.J., to witness the races. He was introduced to several of the leading jockeys, including McLaughlin, Godfrey and Taylor. The knights of the pigskin gave the champion several "tips," which proved winners, and he left the track somewhat richer. The Toronto oarsman thinks it is a more profitable business than rowing.

O'Connor since his race has gained 20 pounds, and now weighs 185 pounds.

Lee says that O'Connor can beat him one minute in three miles, which no other sculler living can do.

Editor World: Did George Lee ever beat Hanlan on Toronto Bay? Ans.—Yes, Lee defeated Hanlan in the final heat in Hanlan's regatta on June 8, 1886.

ELECTIONEER'S RECORD LIST.

A Large Addition This Season to the "Thirty" Performers and Better.

The trotting stallion Electioneer, twenty years old, bred by Mr. Charles Backman, at Stonyford, N.Y., and sold some years ago to his present owner, Governor Leland Stanford of Palo Alto Ranch, Santa Clara County, Cal., has acquired a far larger representation in the record list of 2.30 and better during the present year than was ever scored by any other stallion in one season, even taking the largest number breeders. Electioneer is by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam Green Mountain Maid, by Harry Clay, which is tantamount to saying that he was by the greatest sire and out of the greatest brood mare of their day. He has now thirty-eight representatives in the list, of which the following came in during the present year:

Sunol, b. m., 4 years, dam Wanda, by General	2.18
Boston (fastest 3-year-old record)	2.18
Elector, b. s., 4 years, dam by Red Low	2.21¼
Janie, b. m., 5 years, dam by Granger	2.22
Gertrude Russell, br. m., 5 years, dam thoroughbred, by Harold	2.23¼
Azmoor, b. s., 6 years, dam thoroughbred, by imp. Hercules	2.24¼
Morea, b. m., 4 years, dam by Mambrino Pilot	2.25
Sir Arthur, b. s., 4 years, dam by whipple's Hambletonian	2.27
Cubic, b. s., 5 years, dam thoroughbred, by Australian	2.28¼
Palo Alto Belle, br. m., 4 years, dam by The Moor	2.28¾
Ella, b. m., 4 years, dam by Carr's Mambrino	2.29
Grace, ch. m., 4 years, dam by Culver's Black Hawk	2.29¼
Excess, b. m., 6 years, dam thoroughbred, by Express	2.29¾
Arbutus, b. m., 6 years, dam by Messenger Duroc	2.30

Among the twenty-two performers by Electioneer that entered the list prior to the present year he has Nutwood, whose yearling record of 2.31 is the fastest yearling, and Guidewover, whose 2.21 is single next to Sunol's 2.18 in the two-year-old list; Manzanita, whose 2.16 is the best four-year-old record; Hinda Rose, whose 2.09¼ has only been excelled by one three-year-old; Ansel, whose 2.20 is the fastest by a trotter bred from a strictly running bred dam, and Palo Alto, whose 2.20¼ stands next to it. He has five others running dams. Among his progeny two yearlings have in turn led the records, while eight two-year-olds, seven three-year-olds and thirteen four-year-olds have records in 2.30 or better, and a number surpassing that of 2.30 list. Ten of his trotters have records in 2.20 and better, and a number surpassing that of Electioneer in far and away the most successful sire that has yet appeared.

Disturbance and Bonnie Bird.

Editor World: Did Disturbance and Bonnie Bird ever run a match race of mile heats over Woodbine track? Ans.—No.

2. Did Disturbance run a mile better than 1.44 in a match race with Bonnie Bird? Ans.—No.

Bonnie Bird beat Disturbance for the Hotel Stakes at mile heats at the O. J. C. meeting on June 2, 1883. Disturbance won the Welland Lag; Bonnie Bird winning the next two. They were afterwards matched to run on June 14 of the same year, a mile and a half over Woodbine course. The mare won in 2.44¾, which was the only match they ever ran.

Gossip of the Turf.

Jimmy McLaughlin, America's famous jockey who will ride next season for the Chicago stable, weighs at present 136 pounds, while Godfrey, Mr. Belmont's jockey, tips the scale at 140 pounds. It can be imagined the "wasting" that such riders will require to do before the season opens again, and had not the weights been raised for next year they would no doubt have to stand on the ground next season.

It is said that J. D. Morrissey, the Colorado turfman, lost this year between two and three hundred thousand dollars on the turf. Parties who ought to know say that his winnings from the horses pulled when heavily backed by Mr. Morrissey. Notwithstanding his heavy losses Mr. Morrissey will again figure on the turf next season in partnership with Dave Gideon, a New York bookmaker. Mr. Morrissey says that French Park will win the American Derby at Chicago, for which race Mr. Morrissey intends to back him heavily.

A gentleman in this city has purchased from Mr. Charley Littlefield of Kutztown, N.Y., the three-year-old chestnut gelding The Boss by Vigil, dam Maggie Morgan. The Boss will be used for cross-country racing.

Burglary at Guelph.

GUELPH, Dec. 3.—While Mr. and Mrs. Scroggie were at church last night thieves broke in their back door with an axe and ransacked the house, taking all the jewelry they could find and $88 in money. They also carried off a value of Mr. W. J. Williams, a son of Rev. William Williams of Lindsay, who was stopping over Sunday with Mr. Scroggie. The value contained several mortgages and other valuable papers. Mr. Williams' loss is a serious one. Two suspected characters have been arrested, but no trace of the missing property has been found.

A Portsmouth Man Drowned.

PORTSMOUTH, Dec. 3.—A bachelor named Wm. Ewart, who lived alone in a shanty at the rear of the Orange Hall, was found drowned on the shore of the bay yesterday morning about 9 o'clock. He had been to the city on Saturday and came home very much the worse of liquor, and it is supposed in the evening wandered to the beach, fell down and rolled in and was drowned.

DOC TUMBLETY.

The Erratic Suspect Arrives in New York but is Unmolested.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Dr. Francis Tumblety, the erratic American suspected by the London authorities of being implicated in the Whitechapel atrocities, arrived yesterday from Havre. He travelled under an assumed name but detectives who were on the watch for him discovered him without any trouble. As there is no charge or indictment against him he was not taken into custody. He is now stopping at a West street boarding house. Inspector Byrnes' detectives will keep an eye upon him for a time in case he is wanted.

Another Letter From The Ripper.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Another letter, signed "Jack the Ripper," has been received by the Metropolitan police. It reads:

DEAR BOSS: I am now in the Queen's Park Estate, in the third avenue. I am out of red ink at present, but it won't matter for once. I intend doing another here next Tuesday night about 10 o'clock. I will give you a sample of my work on me. I shall have check trousers on and black coat and vest; so look out. I have done one, not yet found out, so keep your eyes open. Yours, JACK THE RIPPER.

The Pope Never Meddles.

BOSTON, Dec. 3.—In refutation of the cablegram published a few days ago stating that Cardinal Gibbons was instructed to inform the Irish Men, Harrisonites, that election on the ground that Catholic interests in America would be safe under his administration, a special to The Boston Post, from Rome, Dec. 2, says: The Vatican firmly denies the statement. The report as reproduced here caused a painful impression. The Vatican declares that the Pope never interferes in national politics.

The Life Current.

Deprive the vegetable world of moisture and it pales, withers and dies; the human system becomes parched, and desolation pervades the landscape. Deprive the human system of pure blood and health is impossible. Disease insinuates itself, the skin becomes charged with repulsive humors, the lungs loaded with foreign secretions, fever, pain, and unless specific aid is rendered to renew to healthy action the liver, the great blood-purifying gland, will Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will restore the flow through every avenue, restoring every organ to vigor. All druggists. 24

Russo-Persian Relations Strained.

BERLIN, Dec. 3.—The Cologne Gazette declares that the diplomatic relations between Russia and Persia threaten to become strained almost to the point of breaking, owing to the accusations of England in Persia from a military standpoint as well as commercially. It is asserted that the Shah has refused an exequatur to a Russian consul at Meshed, where an English consul has long been stationed.

Corns cause intolerable pain. Holloway's Corn Cure removes the trouble. *Try it* and see what an amount of pain is saved.

Whitby's Drill Shed.

WHITBY, Dec. 3.—Col. Otter was here this afternoon inspecting the new fair grounds of the Ontario and Durham Exhibition Association, who want the drill shed moved to their grounds from the present situation, where it is getting into bad repair. They offer to bear half the expense. Col. Otter will aid in furthering the proposition to a successful issue and likes the big exhibition as a site for next year's camp.

Grant & Co., Pork Packers, Ingersoll.

Mara & Co., grocers and wine merchants, 280 Queen-street west, 4th store west of Beverley-street, are now occupying the next store west of them to sell the above firm's celebrated sugar-cured hams, breakfast and roll bacon, tenderloins, sausages and all other meats usually kept in a first-class provision store. Grant & Co.'s meats rank very high in the English markets and no finer have ever been sold in the Dominion. They also keep in stock poultry and the finest dairy and creamery butter in 1lb. rolls, 10lb. tins and tubs. ed

From Police Blotters.

James Henderson of Barrie was arrested at Union Station last night on a telegram from the Chief of Police of that town, who wants him on a charge of larceny.

John McCarthy, 48 Wickson-avenue, is at Headquarters on a warrant for assaulting his wife.

Detective Davis, after a hard chase, caught John O'Neil, a well known character, on Lumbard-street yesterday afternoon, the charge against him being the theft of a brown melton overcoat he was wearing.

Detective Inspector Stark left for Halifax last evening to bring back Barnett when he lands from the Liverpool steamship.

The Gold Points and La Intimidads are beyond all comparison the best 5c and 10c cigars on the market. No retailer's stock is complete without them. The trade and jobbers only supplied wholesale at

Spilling Bros., 115 Jarvis-street.

Suspected of Villainy.

VIENNA, Dec. 3.—An Irridentist has been arrested at Vienna while en route from Rome to Trieste, upon suspicion of having designs upon the life of Emperor Francis Joseph.

Hooper & Co., druggists, new branch store, 358 Spadina-avenue, is now open, fully stocked and equipped with all the latest additions in pharmacy, and under their own personal supervision. 246

The Estimates.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The Secretary of the Treasury has transmitted to Congress estimates of the appropriations required for the Government service for the fiscal year ending June 3, 189 They aggregate $23,437,488, which $3,0 ,300 less than the estimates and $3,5 more than the appropriations for the current fiscal year.

HAMILTON'S ART SHOW.

THE EXPOSITION FORMALLY OPENED BY LORD STANLEY.

Places of Interest in the Ambitious City Visited by the Vice-Regal Party—Departure of Their Excellencies for the Capital.

HAMILTON, Dec. 3.—Lord and Lady Stanley, accompanied by Capt. and Mrs. Bagot and Capt. McMahon, Senators Turner and Sanford, Adam Brown, M. P., Alex. McKay, M.P., Mayor Doran, Lieut.-Col. Gibson, M.P.P., George Roach, Major Moore and Ald. Thomas, started from Highfield at 9.30 this morning on a tour through the city. The first place visited was the Queen Victoria School, where Chairman Wm. Bell and other members of the Board of Education were presented to Their Excellencies, and Mr. W. C. Morton, headmaster of the Queen School District, in a very appropriate speech welcomed them. A class of the children sang "God Save the Queen," and Lord Stanley then said a few words in reply to the tokens of welcome. Miss Rosy O'Donnell presented Lady Stanley with a magnificent basket of cut flowers. On behalf of the senior pupils Miss Mabel Kittson gave to Her Excellency a small branch of orange tree, bearing half a dozen beautiful ripe oranges, grown by Mr. Kilvington of this city. The children had their whole hearts in the visit, and as the visitors were going from class to class ringing cheers were given.

The Canada Life building was the next place visited. Managing Director A. G. Ramsay received the visitors in person, and showed them the many beauties of the company's offices. Lord Stanley was particularly interested in the wonderful mechanism of the burglar-proof safe.

The Ladies' College.

The party was next driven to the Wesleyan Ladies' College. The young ladies and the faculty of the institution received Their Excellencies in the music room, which was prettily decorated with British and Canadian flags, evergreens, etc. The welcoming chorus was Prof. Ambrose's national hymn, May God Protect Thee, Canada. Rev. Dr. Burns delivered an address of welcome which was as gracefully rendered. Miss Marion Burns, the daughter of the principal, presented Lady Stanley with a basket of flowers and Lord Stanley with a buttonhole bouquet.

At the Meriden Britannia works, the next place visited, a "welcome" arch was erected in front of the main entrance, and the building was gayly decorated with flags and bunting. The vice regal party was received by Mr. Parker, the manager of the works, and Mr. Millard, the assistant manager. Lord and Lady Stanley spent about twenty minutes here.

A short visit was paid to the city hospital, where Dr. Beemer, the resident physician, was waiting to do the honors. Their Excellencies, after registering their names in the visitors' book, visited the men's ward, where stopping at the bedside of a sick patient and saying a few cheering words to each.

Loretto Convent's Welcome.

An elaborate welcome awaited Their Excellencies at Loretto Convent, where Ald. Kavanagh was in waiting together with Rev. Father Heenan, V.G., Rev. Chancellor Keough, Rev. Father Madigan, Rev. Father McIntosh, the Superior and Sisters. The decorations of the large class-room into which the Vice-Regal party were ushered were superb. A canopy with beautiful decorations and superb seats had been prepared for Lord and Lady Stanley. When the visitors had arrived a joyful song of welcome was sung, Miss Slater playing the piano and Miss Nelligan the harp. When the music ceased Miss Herald, one of the senior pupils, stepped forward and said:

May it please Your Excellencies: We thank you most cordially for the amiable courtesy which has conferred upon us the great honor and the esteemed privilege of receiving within our Convent halls such noble and distinguished visitors. Memorable shall this day be in the annals of our convent. Lord Stanley, and not less memorable shall it ever remain in the happy hearts which have participated in its joyous events. Sincerely do we hope that your most gracious and noble lady will have no reason to lament their sojourn in our western clime, but that health and happiness may be the bright attendants in every passing hour.

Lord Stanley replied briefly and in a highly complimentary strain.

Drill Hall and Fire Halls.

The Hess-street school was the next in order. Head Master Cruickshank and his assistants and the scholars were all ready for their distinguished visitors. The main staircase was filled with the little folks, who burst out with God Save the Queen as the vice-regal party entered, and followed up the national anthem with the song Mine Own Native Land. After Their Excellencies had gone and expressed their delight at the exercises there was an exhibition of the fire drill. The 750 children in the school were all outside the doors in one minute and fifteen seconds after the alarm was sounded.

The last places visited were the fire stations—Central and chemical. The Chief received Their Excellencies and his men showed them a lightning hitch. Then they were shown through the station and examined the workings of the alarm system. After visiting the chemical station the party withdrew and an alarm was sounded, the department turning out in an incredibly short time.

This concluded the round of visits at about 1.30 o'clock, when the Governor-General and party proceeded to Inglewood, the residence of Mr. John Stuart, for lunch.

Opening the Exposition.

When the Governor-General, Lady Stanley and suite arrived at the Art Exposition in the Drill Hall this afternoon, they were greeted by a brilliant assemblage of ladies and gentlemen waiting to receive them. On the south balcony the Band of the 13th Battalion played the National Anthem as the Vice-Regal party entered. They were immediately conducted to seats on the dais erected in the centre of the side, where they were welcomed in a speech by Col. Gibson, M.P.P., President of the Art School. Mr. Gibson pointed out the fact that to the ladies and not to the Art School was due the credit of carrying out the great exposition. The Governor-General responded in a brief but appropriate speech declaring the exposition opened. He was also introduced to Mesdames Brown, Charlton and Osler, the Presidents and Vice-Presidents respectively of the Ladies' Committee. Mr. Adam Brown, M.P., followed with an address on behalf of the ladies. This ceremony being over, the Vice-Regal party was conducted through the art department and the various booths. The booths with their several lady attendants presented an enchanting appearance and one that will not soon be forgotten.

Up to 11 o'clock this morning many of the ladies connected with the Art Exposition in the Drill Hall, assisted by several workmen, were busily engaged bringing order out of chaos, and putting the finishing touches to the several attractive features of the exhibition. It is difficult to give anything like a bird's-eye view of the many pretty things on exhibition or of the fine works of art, but as far as this city is concerned, never in its history has such a showing been made of rare and valuable pictures, of the highest artistic merit. Larger collections may have been shown, but none so meritorious. In regard to the extent of the collection it may be mentioned that there are one hundred and twenty-one oils, fifty-two water colors, three pastels and sixteen engravings.

Notes.

The Moorish booth, or Cafe Chantant, is the largest in the building.

The Chateau d'Or, a chaste and beautiful open booth of white and gold, the roof supported by eight pillars, is one of the features.

Next to the Puritan stronghold, an attractive New England kitchen, is the Romany "tan" or kiosk tent romantically situated.

The Taberna Libraria, or book stall, is dressed in severe yellow and black, and a row of solemn owls peer down from the eaves.

The Marpole inn represents an old English hostelry in the coaching days.

The yacht Vera presents a fine appearance, decorated with the 30 or 40 championship flags won by the successful Hamilton yachts during the past two years.

It is probable that the exposition will be kept open longer than was originally intended.

The Lieutenant-Governor, Hon. Mr. Ross, Min