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London, Tuesday, Oct. 6, 1896.

The New Minister. It is now well understood that Hon.

Clifford Sifton will be the Minister of the Interior in the Laurier Ad-

Mr. Sifton is only in his 36th year, has for a considerable time been ranked as one of the ablest minds in the Government of Manitoba. Mr. Sifton belongs to a well known Methodist family, which came from Tipperary, Ireland, and settled in London township, where he was born. He was educated in the schools of this city, and at Cobourg University, taking a high place in his classes, Thus the people of this neighborhood have a more than usual interest in the selection of this talented young statesman to take so high and important a place in the councils of the nation. He is one of themselves. who, by his force of character, and undoubted talents, has thus early attained deserved eminence.

The new Minister was first returned to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba at the general elections of 1888 and was sworn in of the Executive Council and made Attorney-Generad in April, 1891. He was re-elected on his appointment to office and still holds the confidence of his North

Simcoe, he having been elected in both ridings. It is said that Mr. Daly, late Minister of the Interior, will contest the seat with the new Minister, but it is not probable that the ex-Minister can succeed in face of the strength of the Government candidate, and of the indisposition of constituencies to elect Oppositionists. Brandon will give the new Government and the new Minister of the Interior a chance.

Four weeks from today the United place. The candidates doubtless wish that the contest ended tomorrow. It wearing.

Not Coal. But Anthraxolite. Some months ago the report was sent out that anthracite coal had really been discovered in Northwestern Ontario is revived. Dr. A. R. Gordon, a lecturer at Toronto University, has just returned from Algoma. He says the coal is in general use in the village of Chelmsford, where it is not only utilized in furnaces, but for household purposes as well. Dr. Gordon says that not only is it a good sample coal, but the deposit is very large. He saw the nen at work on the vein, and saw the ground, to heat their drills. The deposit is located near Sudbury, and only six miles from the Canadian Pa-

Despite these statements, the Mining Bureau, which has fully investigated the alleged deposits, asserts that the mineral which has been discovered in Balfour township is not enthracite coal. It is known as anthraxolite, and is mixed with a large proportion of quartz. It has not, it

as a fuel. for the Province if anthracite coal were discovered within its bounds, the more especially in those localities where iron, gold, silver and nickel deposits are found. To be able to smelt the oars with cheap fuel, found at the pit's mouth, would be great

It is disappointing to find that the deposit is not real coal, as reported. No one would rejoice more than the director of the Mining Bureau if such a discovery were made, but geologists do not hold out hopes that this addition to our great mineral wealth

has great faith in the Territories, as well as in the Pacific Province. He

A Long-Continued Strike.

The Ottawa correspondent of the Toonto Telegram announces that Hon Clarke Wallace did not attend a single Government caucus during the recent

Mr. Wallace, it seems, is still at loggerheads with Dr. Montague. It was pretty strongly insinuated by Mr. Wallace, during the exposure of the "conspiracy" last winter, that the member for Haldimand had scarcely been acting the part of a friend. Dr. Montague hit back hard, promising to take his share in the dissemination of the story about the anonymous letters that Dr. Montague was accused of

writing, and which he denied. Montague last winter solemnly assertbeen heard of since. But the rupture, naturally enough, continues, and Mr. Wallace has given it out to his friends that while the great anonymous letter mystery remains unsettled he will not play around the cellar door of the Op-

Washington, and has begun his duties as apostolic delegate to the United States, in succession to Cardinal Satolli. There is some prospect that his supervision may extend to the Catholic population of Canada.

The Duties on Oil.

The Hamilton Herald professes to be bewildered because The Adver-Mr. Davin, Sir C. H. Tupper, and their associate Conservatives to have t declared that there shall be no was very properly resisted by the new Government, and by the entire Lib-

Our contemporary professes to believe that The Advertiser stands not by its own principles in regard to the question of tariff. Such anxiety vertiser is in favor of a tariff for revenue. So long as we must have a large revenue, to pay for current expenses and to provide interest on the enormous public debt piled up by the late Government, duties must be colwill send Mr. Sifton to Ottawa is lected on coal oil as well as upon other commodities of general donkind we have always supported.

are those who hold different views. Then, to jump up and demand the abolition of taxation on any one article, or any half-dozen articles. when a careful and comprehensive investigation into the whole tariff is promised, was, to our mind, the most charlatan of all proceedings, especially when it was indulged in by a body of men who, in recent years, had upheld a tariff in which the duty on oil was considerably higher. The term preposterous used by Premier Laurier in characterization of these opponents of the new Administration, was scarcely strong enough.

The Hamilton Herald has discarded its old press. It celebrated the starting of a newer and faster machine by authority make the arrest. issuing a sixteen page Saturday paper. The Herald is well managed.

Gladstone.

The St. James' Gazette thus refers to Mr. Gladstone and his recent wonderful speech at Liverpool in denunciation of the Turkish Sultan:

"So far as physical vigor is concerned, Mr. Gladstone bore the speech wonderfully. He stood with an arm leaning on the barrier fronting the platform, but his gestures contained much of his old fire, and he brought nis fist down on the red-baize-covered railing with the old vigor which has so often shaken the brass-bound box the House of Commons. He spoke for an hour and a quarter, and sat down apparently unspent, though the last part of his speech was not so audible as it might have been. For a few moments the effort appeared to have left the old gentleman slightly dazed, but this quickly passed away, and he drove away from the hall retaining all his usual readiness to bow

Is there today an eighty-seven-yearold statesman in any other country of which as much can be said?

St. Nicholas for October, which is splendidly illustrated, has a long list of good things-verse, pictures and text, all calculated to endear it to the young people of the family who watch for its coming, and welcome the swift flying months because each brings its treasure house of delight. A story of Robin Bood in the current issue is a pleasant tale of the Lin-coin woods. New York: The Century Company.

The Arena for the month gives considerable space to argument on the financial question of the hour. Senator J. T. Morgan discusses "Silver-a Money Metal;" Senator J. P. tion of silver would do for the re-public; and Prof. Parson's theme is "Free Silver vs. Free Gold." Wm. Howe Tolman writes of "Municipa" Reform," and trenching on another branch of the reform question is Rev. G. D. Colman's "Religion of Jesus Christ in Its Relations to Christianity and Reforms." Ernest W.Clement has discovered some Japanese elements in Bulwer's "Last Days of Pompeii," and the editor, B. O. Flower, shows us the peril of encouraging the persecuting spirit. Mrs. E. Q. Norton answers the ten ob-Mr. Gi Mercer Adam, the wellanown Canadian author, formerly of
Foronto, now resides in Chicago,
where, besides other literary labor, he
doing great work as editor of

dent occurred at the Idlewild Hotel on Saturday, which resulted in the dry, who has boarded at the Idlewild for some time, on Saturday morning vishing to adjust something on the wall of his room, stood on a chair, While reaching up the chair slipped and he was thrown violently down, his side striking heavily against the end of a trunk. Several of his ribs were broken, one of them penetrating his

lung, and causing intense agony. Little hope of his recovery was entertained from the moment that the extent of o'clock death relieved his sufferings The deceased was a well-known citi zen, and for some time kept a carpet weaving store in this city. His son is member of Parliament for West

Chatham. Ont., Oct. 6.-At Dent, village three miles southwest of Mer-lin, Saturday night, Peters' mill was Solomon Gray, a mill assistant, was killed, and the proprietor, George Peters, was badly injured. The building was completely wrecked. Gray was found 25 yards from the mill, terribly mangled, but still alive. Peters will The two men were working together in the mill, and it is sup posed that they allowed the water in the boiler to run too low. Gray leaves a wife and three children.

DIED IN JAIL.

James Gamble of Watford Slashes Hin

self With a Knife. Ont, Oct. 6.-Sunday morning at his home James Gamble, of Watford, attempted to commit suicide but was caught in the act, after inflicting some dangerous wounds with a knife. He was brought to the jail here, and yesterday morning was found dead in his cell. Coroner Stanton was notified, and a jury was summoned to investigate. The man was subject to epileptic fits, and it was during one of them that he tried to kill himself.

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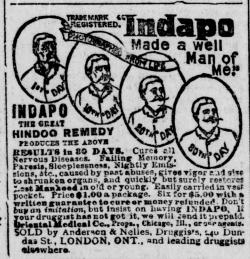
Regarding the Arrest of Benj. Vanzant.

at Chatham. Chatham, Ont., Oct. 6 .- A decision of wide interest was given in the police court yesterday morning, when the adjourned case against Benjamin Vanzant was reached. It will be remembered that a Division Court warrant for contempt of court was issued against Vanzant, and placed in the hands of Bailiff Theo. Nelson for execution. Nelson was unable to effect the arrest, and he handed the warrant over to County Constable McGregor. When McGregor attempted to arrest

Vanzant the latter pulled a revolver and threatened to do McGregor injury if he persisted. Vanzant was afterwards arrested, charged with carrying angerous weapon and with obstructing a peace officer in the dis-

charge of his duty. On the first charge he was convicted, the sentence imposed being two months in jail. On the second charge, O. L. Lewis, counsel for Vanzant. justified in resisting arrest by Mc-Gregor, who was not qualified to exe-cute the warrant. It was held by Mr. Lewis that under the Division Courts Act the bailiff was the only man with authority to execute that warrant. Magistrate Houston held that Lewis' position was sound, and dismissed the charge against Vanzant on the ground that McGregor had no





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