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NUMBER ONE ONCE MORE.

HOW HE IS ALLEGED TO HAVE ESCAPED TO NEW YORK.

A Member of a London Volunteer Corps—Trial of Six More Members of the Armagh Assassination Society.

DUBLIN, March 26.—The Freeman's Journal states that the correspondence between the Home office and Mr. Lowell, the United States minister, resulted in the former abandoning all hope of securing the extradition of the person known as "No. 1." The Journal declares that No. 1, whose name is Tyner, was in Dublin until the first day Carey was examined at the hearing of the conspirators. He then managed to reach Bremen by way of Hull. From Bremen he proceeded to Havre and thence to New York. He was a member of one of the London volunteer corps.

BELFAST, March 26.—The trial of six more members of the Armagh Assassination society began to day. Judge Lawson presides. Murphy in opening for the crown dwelt strongly upon the circumstance that when Burns arrived in Ireland at the end of 1880 to organize the assassination society he displayed the American flag from his lodgings at Cross Maglen. The evidence of an informer will be introduced by the prosecution for the purpose of showing that the murders were planned by the society, and documents supporting this charge will be produced.

Heavy Failure in the Paper Trade.

PITTSBURG, March 26.—C. P. Markle & Sons, the largest paper manufacturers in Western Pennsylvania, have assigned; liabilities, $400,000; assets, nearly a million. Heavy failures in the west, a general depression in trade and unprofitable investments were the cause. It is officially stated the failure was precipitated by Capt. Cassius Markle, one of the firm leaving the city on Thursday night and taking $60,000 to $100,000 of the firm's money, leaving the bank account bare and no fund to meet maturing obligations. On Thursday he drew $12,000 to meet the pay rolls at West Newton, Markleton, and their coke works in Westmoreland county. This he took with him. After investigation it was deemed advisable to make an assignment.

CHILDREN WITH FIREARMS.

A Series of Fatal Accidents Near Chicago.

CHICAGO, March 26.—At Lawndale on Sunday two children of John Herschey were shot and mortally wounded by one of their brothers in sport.

At Racine this afternoon a son of John May, aged 11, fired a revolver at his brother and sister aged 8 and 5. The girl was killed and the boy fatally wounded.

At Lacrosse last night Louis May fired a musket ball into the head of a companion aged 17 under the impression the gun was not loaded.

England's Own Attitude.

LONDON, March 26.—The Daily News considers as preposterous the report that the government sent a menacing note to Washington in regard to the utterances and writings of the Irish dynamite party in America. It says the United States government's attitude of indifference at the ravings of these men is the same as that which England always adopted towards exiles taking refuge in this country.

Aid for Ireland.

BUFFALO, March 26—A Waterbury, Conn, special to the Republic, says: "To-morrow the Rev. Mr. Walsh, Treasurer of the American Land League, will cable for the relief of the distress in Ireland $6,600 received since Wednesday. Bishop Logue, of Donegal, writes that were it not for the substantial aid sent from America the people would die of starvation."

A Comedy that Became a Tragedy.

LACROSSE, March 26—In the armory here yesterday Louis May placed a supposed empty shell in his rifle and pointed the gun at Frank Mahar, who assumed a tragic attitude with his hand on his breast. An instant latter a bullet went through Mahar's head, killing him. Mahar was the favorite candidate for a West Point cadetship. Both are aged 17.

Ocean Steamship Officials Arrested.

NEW YORK, March 26.—Irving and Chief Officer Barrett of the steamship Republic were arrested to-day in a suit for $25,000 damages brought by Dowse, a stowaway rescued from the wrecked steamer Glamorgan, and detained on the Republic on suspicion of being implicated in the Phœnix Park murder. The prisoners were bailed in $5000 each.

That Bonded Whiskey.

WASHINGTON, March 26—The secretary of the National Distillery association has urged the acting secretary of the treasury to take action looking towards the modification of the Canadian regulation prohibiting the importation of bonded whiskey in packages less than a hundred gallon. The acting secretary will refer the matter to the secretary of the state.

The Cigar Makers.

MILWAUKEE, March 26.—At a meeting of the cigar makers last night a committee reported that the manufacturers would not grant an advance of a dollar per thousand. The men determined to strike May 1st. Letters from New York, Chicago, and Philadelphia state strikes will undoubtedly follow there.

How Does He Know?

VIENNA, March 26.—The Presse asserts that Parnell in an interview at Paris gave his word of honor that three of the ten men recently hanged in Ireland were innocent of the crimes for which they were executed. The Presse also states that Parnell said he had no hope that the Gladstone government would succeed in pacifying Ireland.

The Largest Cattle Transaction Known.

FORT WORTH, Texas, March 26.—On Saturday 75,000 cattle were sold by J. Kard and Harold Brosto, the Franklin land cattle company of New York for $2,000,000. This is perhaps the largest transaction in cattle that ever occurred in this country.

Raised at Last.

MT. FOREST, Ont., March 26.—The blockade is raised. The first train since March 6th on the G. T. R. reached here Saturday. The T., G. & B., closed since the same date, is not yet opened.

MRS. VANDERBILT'S BALL.

The Mechanics' Institute Event of the Season in New York.

NEW YORK, March 26.—The fancy ball given to-night by Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt in her new house on Fifth avenue was the most brilliant and picturesque entertainment ever held in New York. Gilmor's band furnished the music. The costumes were unique and striking. The hobby horse quadrille was one of the features. The horses were of life size, covered with the hides and attached to the waists of the wearers, whose feet were concealed by embroidered hangings. Abram S. Hewitt appeared as King Lear. The costumes of his daughters attracted much attention. The Duc de Morny, Christine Nilsson, and many other prominent persons were present. The ball had been the subject of discussion in society circles for some time and threw sociology, foreign travel, and even coeducation far into the shade. The star quadrille was a brilliant success. Eight feminine stars of great brilliancy and magnitude were on this occasion visible to the naked eye, of which two were manve—a tint hitherto unknown in astronomical observations—two cardinal, two blue, and two the golden yellow. The gentleman astrals were habited in plush, and their claim to be ranked among celestial bodies was indicated by a diamond star on the left shoulder.

A TORONTONIAN IN TROUBLE.

Being Hard Up, He Forges a Stranger's Name.

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 26.—Edward A. Manley, a young man arrested a few days ago on a charge of forgery, was arraigned this morning in the police court and pleaded not guilty. The prisoner stated that he was a printer and came to Buffalo from Toronto a week ago. He had no funds and pawned his coat and other articles for money to buy food. Finally as a last resort he picked up a city directory and found the name of J. P. Allen and signed a check. He said he did not know Allen and never saw his name before. He was committed for trial.

PREPARING TO LEAVE.

Sir Charles Tupper Selling Out—His Probable Successor in the Cabinet.

OTTAWA, March 26—The residence of Sir Charles Tupper, on Vittoria avenue, has been purchased by Allan Gilmour, jr., for $16,000. The greater part of his furniture has been shipped to England. Sir Charles has not yet sent in his resignation, but it is said that he will do so after he has made his explanations in the house on the progress of the Canada Pacific railway. The names of Messrs. Ritchie and Daly, of Halifax, are mentioned as his probable successors in the cabinet.

CANADIAN TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

A large wholesale house in Quebec city is reported in trouble.

The Canada Temperance act was voted on yesterday in McKellar township and resulted in a tie.

Diptheria is prevalent in Nicolet, Que. Some fatal cases have also been reported in Quebec city.

If the costs in the celebrated orange case of Beaudry v. Grant are not paid on Tuesday next the goods of defendant's sureties will be seized for the same.

The music of The Fisherman's Daughter, a new opera by Mr. W. Macdonnell of Lindsay, has just been completed, and we hope to see it brought out in Canada before long.

Hon. James Mitchell, survey-general in the New Brunswick government, was re-elected for Charlotte county yesterday by acclamation. The cabinet is now complete.

Mr. W. J. Anderson, manager of the Bank of Montreal, Brockville, has been promoted to London, Ont., and Mr. John Hogg, manager at Stratford, will succeed Mr. Anderson.

Yesterday morning in Hamilton James Enright, a crazy man, ran out on the street in his shirt and attacked a priest and a man named William Keys with the top of a self-feeding stove. He was arrested. Keys is badly hurt.

A fire in the picker department of the Stormont Cotton Manufacturing company's mill yesterday morning was extinguished after causing a loss of about $3000. The mill is insured in the Royal and the Mills Mutual. The loss was principally caused by water.

The court of appeal at Montreal has reversed the judgment for G. L. Rolland against the Citizens' Insurance company for $6000. The court held that as part of the burned goods were in an adjoining house not described in the policy the plaintiff could not recover.

The full text of an order-in-council, issued by his excellency the Governor-General, relative to that destructive disease among sheep known as "scab," is posted up in the several Montreal markets. The disease has assumed such dimensions in the county of Laprairie and adjoining counties, that the government has found it necessary to stringently take the subject in hand, with a view, if not of eradicating it, at least of confining it to its present limits.

FOREIGN CABLE NEWS.

The pope has consented to be represented at the coronation of the czar.

Another bottle containing explosive material has been found near the quirinal, in Rome. Several arrests have been made.

The proposed addition to the detective force of London will take the form of a political police, similar to that at Berlin and Paris.

The lodgings of the editor of the chief socialist newspaper at Prague was searched yesterday. A number of socialist works were seized.

The treaty of commerce between Germany and Mexico has been submitted to the bundesrath. It secures the safety of the retail trade, and freedom of property owned by Germans in Mexico from forced loans or war charges.

All Church Members Challenged.

BUFFALO, March 26.—Thomas Waldron (Brother Frank), a Roman Catholic priest, charged with indecent assault on Hattie Carr, aged nine, was brought up for trial to-day. The jury is not yet completed. Counsel for prosecution said no one belonging to any religious denomination should be on the jury, and challenged all church members.

Earthquake Shock near Mount Etna.

CATANIA, March 26.—Three earthquake shocks accompanied by rumblings have been felt at Biancavilla, a town on the declivity of Mount Etna. There is a great panic among the inhabitants. They are building huts in the open country, fearing the town will be destroyed. The prisoners in jail have been removed to a place of safety.

THEOLOGY IN COURT.

INGERSOLL ON THE DEITY IN THE STAR ROUTE TRIALS.

The Judge's View of the Matter—Quite a Lively Scene—The Doubting Bob Greatly Excited.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 26—T. W. Dorsey was in court for the first time since the beginning of the present star route trial, and Col. Ingersoll called him to the stand. Merrick inquired if Dorsey regarded an oath as binding upon his conscience.

Dorsey (fiercely shaking his finger at the gentleman) answered that an oath was as binding upon him as upon Merrick. He regarded it as binding upon his conscience.

Merrick asked if, in taking an oath, witness had in mind the effect of failure to observe it upon his future state of reward and punishment.

Instantly Ingersoll was upon his feet. "I object. Sit down," said he to Dorsey, and then proceeded to pour out an impassioned address. He objected to the perpetration of this monstrosity of the dark ages. The country has passed that point. In nearly every state, in every civilized state, every man was allowed to testify whether he believed in future punishment and a personal God or not. The government had taunted the defendant for a year for not taking the stand, and when he came here they sought to prevent his testimony because he did not believe in their Jehovah. He admitted in many states the gentleman could not testify; that Humboldt (who knew more than all of the states) would have been allowed to testify if [illegible] not brother had been murdered be[illegible] his own. So with Tyndall and Hu[illegible] his eyes. states a man [illegible]. But in these could go [illegible] who beat his wife testify. [illegible] upon the stand and allow[illegible] did not believe his honor would [illegible] such a proceedure.

Merrick replied that the religion of nineteen centuries needed no defense from him. He was acting under the rules of the law. He desired that the court and jury should know what weight to attach to his testimony when he invoked the Supreme Being. His witnesses were under the obligations of personal honor and integrity, but in addition they had an obligation—that they invoked the justice of heaven and the wrath of men if they falsified.

Ingersoll said that if there was another world, and he had acted badly in this, he would expect to fare badly there, and so he would expect to fare well if he acted well here. He regarded the truth as the most sacred of all obligations. If he was on the stand and all he held most dear was at stake, still he would be compelled to express the belief that he did not believe in a personal deity, and there were many excellent, generous people of that belief. In the dark ages the people were so given to lying that nobody was expected to tell the truth unless they were scared. Merrick had quoted the law. Thelaws were not always right. Many people believed many laws to be wrong. They had such laws under the old inquisition with its thumbscrew and racks and fires and other monstrosities. He hoped the court would not entertain the proposition.

The court said with men not in official positions it was a private matter as to what they thought of the law. If they undertook to violate it they were responsible. The judge was not at liberty to say he liked this law and disliked that, or would administer this one and ignore that. They were not made by the court and it could only apply them. The court would not go into the thelogical question. It was unnecessary. The act of March 15, 1878, made the defendant a witness. That settled that point. The only question of competency was whether Dorsey was a defendant when the new law was introduced, and without limitation said "Defendant shall be a witness. No other competency was required." The other view the court would not pass upon. It would not go into the theological view nor beyond the law of 1878.

Merrick inquired the necessity of swearing witnesses under this view.

The court replied, "So that he may be punished for perjury if he does not tell the truth."

Merrick acknowledged the answer was sufficient. The oath was then administered and Ingersoll began his examination. The witness was agitated and in instances scarcely waited for the conclusion of a question before answering.

A trustworthy person says the grand jury has agreed upon a presentment against Brady and ex-Senator Kellogg on a charge of conspiracy in connection with the star routes.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

Sixty-five deaths from smallpox occurred in New Orleans last week.

Rain has fallen in California and considerably improved the crop prospects.

Conversation was carried on by telephone on Sunday between New York and Chicago, a distance of 1900 miles.

The ice in the Hudson is fast disappearing and it is confidently expected navigation will be resumed this week.

Seven hundred men have agreed to resume work in the New Jersey steel and iron works at reduced wages.

Two feet of snow has fallen at Greensboro', N.C., in the past twenty-four hours, and at last reports it was still snowing.

C. O. Lamotte, of the Savannah Morning News editorial staff, was drowned below the city yesterday by the swamping of his boat.

Of a hundred and fifty million dollars worth of wheat imported into Great Britain last year a hundred million dollars worth was from the United States.

Cornell memorial church, N. Y., was dedicated by Bishop Simpson on Sunday. It had a debt of of $23,000 but the whole amount was subscribed at the meeting yesterday.

Catherine McCann, a boarding-house keeper at Chicopee, Mass., has sued Father Healy for $10,000 for libel. The priest denounced her place and she claims ruined her business.

The Congregational club of New York gave a dinner to the Malagasay envoys last night. Resolutions were adopted expressing sympathy with the Malagese in their trouble with France.

A movement is afoot among the puddlers of Pittsburg, Pa., to reorganize the order of the sons of Vulcan and withdraw from the amalgamated association. It is stated three thousand puddlers are ready to take this step.

Three feet of snow had fallen at Henderson, N.C., on Sunday and yesterday. This was unprecedented. There is no abatement in the storm. The telegraph lines are down. At Kittrelb the houses fell under the weight of snow.

The trustees of Cornell university yesterday authorized the establishment of a course in electrical engineering on the opening of the new physical and chemical laboratories in September. A very extensive collection of apparatus has been received for the purpose.

THE NEW COURT BUILDINGS.

Waiting to See What the County of York Will Do.

The special committee of the city council to consider the proposals which had been made relative to joint action with the county council of York for the erection of a new court house, met yesterday. Ald. Walker presided, and the other members in attendance were the mayor and Ald. Blevins and Saunders. The following report was unanimously agreed upon:

Your special committee appointed to consider, amongst other matters, the erection of a new court house for the county of York and the city of Toronto, beg to present their first report.

1. That notwithstanding the fact that the council for the county of York has, on former occasions, refused to consider the proposition of erecting a building in the city, to be called the city and county building, in which full accommodation should be made for all the courts and officials, as well as for the different departments now required for both the county and city councils, your committee again respectfully suggest that it is desirable that such a building be erected upon a new site, to be selected under the provisions of the statutes in that behalf.

2d. In the event of the county council still refusing to enter into negotiations for the erection of such a building [illegible] committee would recommend [illegible] your of a court house [illegible] the erection of such a [illegible] proper in the city, affording [illegible] accommodation only as may be required for the various courts provided for under the statutes on that behalf, and the officials connected therewith, such accommodation to be ample, and in every way suitable, proper regard being had to the wealth and population, and probable future growth and requirements of the county and city.

3d. That the location of the new court house, and the proportion of the cost of the site and building, to be paid by the county and city respectively, if not mutually agreed upon, be determined under the provisions of the statutes in that behalf.

4th. That the share or proportion to be assumed and paid by the county and city respectively for the cost and maintenance of such court house, and all other matters connected with the same, or arising out of the connection of the county and city for judicial purposes, if not mutually agreed upon, shall be determined from time to time under the provisions of the statute in that behalf.

6th. That when erected such court house shall be under the control of a joint committee of the county and city councils.

6th. That competitive plans for the proposed new court house be called for by advertisement, with full details and estimates of cost of erection and completion.

7th. That application be made at the next session of the Ontario legislature for any legislation required to carry out the details of this report. D. WALKER, Chairman.

LOCAL NEWS PARAGRAPHED.

Archbishop Lynch is improving.

There will be no fire hall erected on Fennings street.

John G. McKilligan, an old Globe employee, now of Winnipeg, is in town.

James Bethune, Q. C., has returned from England and was in court yesterday.

Arthur Fisher, for years an advertising agent of the Globe, died recently in England of softening of the brain.

Dr. Canniff, of this city, yesterday had an interview with the minister of agriculture at Ottawa, in relation to the subject of vital statistics.

The order of railway conductors held a very successful ball in Albert Hall last evening. About one hundred and fifty couples were present.

H. L. Cleveland of the Fay Templeton Star opera company is in town arranging for a season of three nights comic opera at the Gardens, beginning on April 2nd.

W. H. Judson, of this city, said to be intoxicated, fell off the Hamilton and North Western Station platform at Hamilton last night and broke his leg. He was taken to the hospital.

Mr. W. H. Howland has issued a circular directing attention to the need there is for a home for aged and indigent persons of both sexes in this city. A meeting is called for Wednesday at Shaftesbury Hall to consider the matter.

Judge Morrison opened the civil assizes yesterday. This being the first appearance of the judge since his trip to Europe, Mr. H. W. H. Murray congratulated his lordship on his recovered health. The judge expressed his thanks.

The safe in the carriage works of Robert Elder, 24 Soho street, was blown open on Sunday night. The crackmen evidently understood their business and made a complete wreck of the safe. But they only got $10 for their trouble.

THE THEATRICAL WORLD.

The agent of Salmi Morse has been in Cincinnati thirty days trying to arrange for the production of the Passion Play. The trustees refused to let him have the music hall there.

Daniel K. Russell, formerly well-known in theatrical circles all over the country and the first husband of Ada H. Isaacs Menken, died at St. Louis on Sunday. He had been a mendicant for years.

Mrs. Langtry has done one commendable thing at least since landing in this country. While at Toronto, Canada, the other day, she hunted up the neglected grave of a brother, who died in a hospital there in 1870, which she intends to beautify.—New York Truth.

The business manager of Wm. Horace Lingard states the latter skipped from San Francisco, leaving the company to take care of themselves. It is claimed he left several unliquidated bills. The engagement in 'Frisco had not been successful. It is said he paid the salaries of his company up to the end of their engagement.

A sweeping theatrical bill has been introduced into the House of Commons in England, where it seems certain to pass. It proposes to repeal all existing acts, to relieve the Lord Chamberlain of his duties and the Middlesex magistrates of theirs in connection with licensing music and dancing halls, and to place all the theaters and entertainments of whatsoever kind under the Home Secretary for licensing, order and regulation.

Wagner's death has caused an admirer of the great composers to compare the ages at which they died. Franz Schubert lived to be only 31, Bellini attained 33 years, Mozart 35, Mendelssohn-Bartholdy 38, Carl Maria von Weber 39, Schumann 46, Donizetti 49, Adam 52, Mehul 54, Beethoven 56, Halevy 62, Bach 65, Wagner 69, Flotow 70, Meyerbeer 72, Glack 73, Handel 74, Sphor 75, Rossini 76, Haydn 77, Cherubini 81, Auber 87. The average life of the famous composers has been brief, and their labors have borne earlier fruition than has been the rule in other fields of artistic effort.

MONTREAL BLUE MONDAY

FAILURE OF AN IMPORTANT HARDWARE FIRM.

Several other Houses go Under and Others Expected to Follow—Big Collapse in Quebec.

MONTREAL, March 26.—To-day has been a blue Monday here in commercial and financial circles from the number of failures reported, all of which fall less or more on local banks and city importers. The collapse of Snowdon & Co. took people by surprise this morning, as the firm was one of the safest in the city in the hardware line. The cause as stated arose from losses in Winnipeg and the non-receipt of remittances from customers in the west generally. There is no statement prepared yet, but the liabilities are not expected to exceed $100,000, if they are so much.

The failure of Gibb, Laird & Co., wholesale grocers of Quebec, will fall heavily on firms here. The bill of a [illegible] firm was dishonored by the [illegible] Saturday. [illegible] insolvents for $2500 on and [illegible] this firm is also of old standing and [illegible] was formerly represented here by a branch. Their liabilities are expected to be very large.

Thevian Freres, of San Remi, Que., have failed; liabilities $22,000, due here.

F. J. Bernstein, clothier here, assigned today, with liabilities of $8000.

Two more failures, one in Ottawa and another in Quebec, are reported, and most of their liabilities are due here. The feeling is that other crashes are impending.

The Huntingdon sulphur and copper mines company is being liquidated, under an order of the supreme court of Scotland, which gives protection to all the creditors.

QUEBEC, March 26.—The liabilities of Gibb, Laird & Co., wholesale grocers, whose reported failure was telegraphed early in the day, are said to be in the vicinity of $100,000. The assets are nominally $80,000. Mr. James G. Ross and the Union and Quebec banks, are the principal creditors. The former is fully secured.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Chapleau is expected in Ottawa tomorrow.

The Princess Louise is expected to return to Ottawa next week.

Mr. Torquay, the newly elected member for Muskoka is in Ottawa.

Madame Albani—Gye, the Canadian cantatrice, received a great welcome in Montreal last evening.

Postmaster-general Howe was the first member of a Washington cabinet to die in office since 1869, when Secretary of war Rawlins died.

Her majesty yesterday attended the baptism of the infant daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Albany. She was wheeled to the chapel in a chair. After the baptismal ceremony she received the guests.

Although Folger's illness is abating there are grave doubts of his ever being able to accustom himself to the climate of Washington. The probability that he will resign is considered very great.

LATEST SPORTING NEWS.

Opening of the Chicago Billiard Tournament.

CHICAGO, March 26.—The balk line billiard tournament began to-night. The Music hall was crowded. In the first game Vignaux beat Daly by 600 to 412. Vignaux's best run 161; average 20. Daly's highest run 45; average 16 29-30.

The Sportsmen's Convention at Ottawa.

OTTAWA, March 26—The sportsmen's convention called to decide on the necessary changes in the game laws, met to-day in the city hall with a good attendance of delegates from Ontario especially, and the other provinces as well. Much general discussion took place, but the meeting was very harmonious and all working for one end. Motions to the effect that the Ontario and Quebec governments be petitioned to amend the game acts at present in force so as to prevent spring shooting and make the close season extend from Jan. 1 to Sept. 1 in each year in the said provinces, also that the dominion government be asked to prohibit the exportation of game of all kinds from the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, and that a committee of seven be appointed to wait on the government for this purpose. Both motions were carried unanimously.

The convention also decided that it would be wise to try and induce the dominion government to prevent the exportation of game, or otherwise place a heavy export duty on game. Also to get the Ontario act amended so as to impose a fine, say from $50 to $100 for killing moose, elk, deer or cariboo for their skins alone. They also favored the forming of an Ontario sportsmen's association for the protection of game and to secure from time to time most effective legislation for that purpose. They decided also to try to induce the Ontario government to appoint paid game-keepers for each county where game abounds, to protect game and prosecute offences.

The Manitoba Turf Club's Inaugural Meeting.

At a meeting of the executive council of the Manitoba Turf club in Winnipeg on the 21st instant, in addition to other business transacted, the program for the summer meeting was decided upon. The capital stock of the club is $100,000, and they offer the following purses for competition. The races last for four days, commencing June 28:

FIRST DAY.

Purse $300—for three minute class; purse $200—for running race, Manitoba and Northwest bred ponies; purse $400—2.32 class; purse $300—pacing race, free for all horses owned in Manitoba prior to May 1, 1883.

SECOND DAY.

Purse $400—for 2.40 class; purse $300—running 1¼ mile dash; purse $500—for 2.26 class; purse $500—pacing free for all.

THIRD DAY.

Purse $400—for 2.35 class; purse $400—running, half mile heats 2 in 3; purse $700—trotting, free for all; purse $300—running, hurdles 1½ miles, 5 hurdles 3 feet 6 inches high each.

FOURTH DAY.

President's cup, value $200—trotting under special conditions. Purse $400.—Running mile heats 2 in 3 for horses owned n Manitoba prior to May 1883. Prairie park cup.—Value $200—Running mile dash, owners to ride. Purse $400.—Trotting free-for-all horses owned in Manitoba prior to May 1, 1883.

The last day's events are for Manitoba owned horses only.

The entries will close simultaneously with the balance of places on the northern circuit. Arrangements have been made with Canadian customs to allow foreign horses to be entered free of duty upon bond being given, bond to be filed with the collector of customs, Winnipeg.

The club engineer is now considering estimates for extensive improvements to the track, which are to be completed in time for the summer meeting.

THAT TERRIBLE GAS

Nearly Kills Four French-Canadians in the St. James Hotel—Their Suffering.

On Sunday four French-Canadians from Ottawa, named Joseph Jelepont, Doxite Jelepont, Edward Berthiamme and Joseph Charbonneau, arrived in the city and put up at the St. James hotel. They all retired to a double bedded room for the night. Yesterday morning one of the servants noticed a strong smell of gas coming from the room, and gave an alarm. The men did not answer the knocks, and the door had to be broken open with an axe. The four lumbermen were found insensible, two of them being on the floor. It was with the utmost difficulty that they were resuscitated. The men suffered a great deal of pain. They say that Charbonneau turned off the gas, but it is supposed he turned the cock round too far and thus [illegible] passage again. They had [illegible] opened the door. [illegible] a narrow escape.

The [illegible] as Richard III.

[illegible] crowded house last night at the Grand shows that Toronto can appreciate an occasional dose of heavy tragedy almost as well as it does the lighter and more superficial plays and operas that for the most part occupy the boards of our theatres. Although the weather was slushy and uninviting, a very large audience assembled last night to witness Shakespeare's ever welcome Richard III. as portrayed by Thos. W. Keene. Mr. Keene in his presentation of Richard lent great force in making the whole play an animated and really attractive piece of acting. The best presentation of this character that has been seen in Toronto was undoubtedly that of Barry Sullivan two or three years ago, who exhibited such power and massive dignity in his acting that the audience was fairly carried away, as those who heard him well remember. Mr. Keene's Richard stands at some distance from that of the great English's actor's, but it nevertheless possesses the charm of eliciting the hearers' continual attention and his not unfrequent and hearty approbation. He was called before the curtain at the end of every act, and his listeners seemed highly appreciative of Mr. Keene's powers in presenting the whining dissimulation, the courage, the pessimism and the terrible disorder of the guilty king's mind. The audience contained not a few who had gone to the theatre learned in Shakespeare, some with book in hand, ready to criticise, with strict severity, the star's pretensions to the rank of a great actor. These critics may, perhaps, have some faults to record, but they must also admit, at the same time, that Mr. Keene displayed many histrionic virtues, and presented on the stage a bold conception of the character he represented. The support was efficient, and the play was put on the stage in good style. To-night Mr. Keene will give his impersonation of Hamlet, the Dane.

Marine Notes.

The schooner Eliza Quinlan that went ashore last fall off South Marysburg has not sustained any damage during the winter, and preparations are now being made to get her off.

A Kingston man has gone to Montreal to secure the powerful tug John Young, and she will do duty on the lakes this season.

The schooner Jennie Scarth has been sold to a St. Catharines firm.

The lakes are full of ice indicating that the opening of navigation is near.

The City of Dresden crossed the Detroit river yesterday, the first arrival of the season in Canada.

Salsbury's Troubadours.

Of Salsbury's Troubadours, who appear at the Grand opera house on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the New York Mirror says: "Monday evening Booth's theatre was crowded to greet Salsbury Troubadours in their new musical novelty by Bronson Howard, called Green Room Fun. The composition met with instant favor, due in a great measure to the clever acting of the people engaged in its delineation. The farcical incidents, grotesque situations, pertinent colloquialisms, songs and dances, kept the house in a roar of laughter from beginning to end. Green Room Fun is as fresh, bright and attractive as any entertainment which has visited New York since last summer."

The Separate Schools.

The value of property in the city liable to assessment for the support of these schools is $4,563,967. This sum assessed at two mills in the dollar, the same as the assessment for public schools, will give a school tax of $9,127. The board, however, needs $16,000 or $17,000, and consequently their assessment must be placed at four mills in the dollar in order to raise that amount.

The Eichberg String Quartette.

The concert to be given by these gifted young ladies promises to be a very successful and brilliant one. The advance sale of tickets began this morning and the plan this evening shows a promising prospect. Of their instrumentation both in solo and ensemble, the press of other cities speaks in most glowing terms, and as Miss Carrie Mason is a Toronto favorite, we predict a very full house.

Bank Buildings.

The Dominion bank has bought the stone building on Yonge street adjoining the bank, and their architect has received instructions to prepare plans for the conversion of the new purchase into further accommodation for the bank.

Molsons bank has secured the Cawthra house, at the northeast corner of King and Bay streets, and will fit it up as a banking house.

The Vestry Meetings.

The reports presented at the vestry meetings last night were, on the whole, satisfactory. Most of the old officials were re-elected.

"Buchupaiba."

Quick, complete cure, all annoying kidney, bladder and urinary diseases. $1. Druggists.

Seth Green, superintendent of the state fish establishment, is seriously ill.

Skinny Men.

"Well's Health Renewer," restores health and vigor, cures dyspepsia, impotence, sexual debility. $1.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMSHIPS

Date.	Steamship.	Reported at	From
March 26	Servia	New York	Liverpool
March 26	City of Richm'd	Queenstown	New York
March 26	Germanic	Queenstown	New York

THE WEATHER BULLETIN

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, TORONTO, March 27, 1 a.m.

Probabilities—Lakes—Northerly to northeasterly winds; fair weather, with light local falls of snow; stationary or slightly lower temperature.

THE TACTICS OF TRADE.

SHOULD RAILWAY COMPANIES BE CONTROLLED BY COMMISSIONERS?

Opinions of the Board of Trade Merchants and Railway Men at Loggerheads. Another Meeting to be held Thursday.

A meeting of the Board of Trade was held yesterday afternoon. Present, H. W. Darling, President; P. D. Conger, G. M. Rose, G. A. Chapman, T. O. Anderson, J. D. Laidlaw, W. B. Hamilton, W. [illegible] ham, W. D. Matthews, [illegible] J. Gooderham, Earls, G. B. S[illegible] W. Thompson, J. [illegible] Smith, W. Townsend, R. Jaffray, [illegible] Robbins, A. M. Smith, A. B. Lee, W. Gooderham, M. Thwaite, E. Trout, R. Whyte, H. Blain, M. Piper, J. Y. Eby and W. W. Elliot.

A communication was read from Henry M. Paint, stating that on the suggestion of the special committee of the house of commons appointed to consider the question of interprovincial trade, Mr. Paint had moved that a select committee be appointed to take into consideration and report how inter-provincial trade may be best promoted, the earning and enlarged traffic of the Intercolonial railway be further increased by products from Ontario and Quebec east to the maratime provinces and Newfoundland and by returning freight. Mr. Rose moved that it be laid on the table. Carried.

The following were elected new members of the board: A. Telfer, W. C. Matthews, James Simpson, Donald Mackay, Frank M. May, Geo. McMurrichy, D. S. Playfair, John S. Davidson, R. H. Gray, George Hutcheson, C. E. Brush and S. E. Brush.

The question of establishing a railway commission as favored by Mr. McCarthy's bill was next taken up.

Mr. Gooderham said that it would be just as rational to appoint a commission to instruct merchants how to conduct their business as railway men, and who ever would be so foolish as that?

Mr. Jaffray said that if a commission have the power of fixing the rates of tariff to be exacted from the public by railway companies then they also have the power of confiscating these railways. Merchants should not deal with such an important question as this on such general statements. There is one clause in the bill which taxes the railway companies 4 cents a mile for the maintenance of this commission. It is absurd to remove the legislation of railways out of the hands of judge and jury and place it under the arbitration of such a tribunal as this commission. There isn't a man around the board of trade who would favor the appointment to the office of commissioner of any of the Ottawa men who are working for the position.

Mr. Thomson said that a railway commission such as the one named would be a very costly affair, and that men placed in that position might act very injuriously to the railway interests of the dominion. No one is better able to arrange freight tariff than the railway companies themselves. They can settle their own disputes, and failing in this, can refer to the governor in council.

Mr. Chapman said that Canada had granted large sums as bonuses to the railway companies, and notwithstanding this they had not acted with justice towards the public. It was on this account the commission was sought.

Mr. Elliott said that a railway commission does not make, but merely administers, the law. If they see that railway companies do not act with fairness between individuals, then it was their duty to step in and see that justice be obtained. True it is that the merchants of Montreal have petitioned against the establishment of the commission, but this is quite natural, since the railway companies have always favored the Montreal merchants with better rates than merchants of other towns, and if this commission were established it would prevent this.

Mr. W. D. Matthews thought that the formation of this commission was all a farce, that the commissioners would draw their salaries, and that was all they would do.

Mr. Elliot, in reply to Mr. Jaffray's statement that a commission to regulate the affairs of merchants might as well be established as one to regulate the affairs of railway companies, said that there was no analogy between a railway commission and a mercantile one, since if a customer were not satisfied with one merchant he could deal with another, but with railways this was impossible.

The following resolution, moved by Mr. Geo. Chapman and seconded by G. B. Smith, was adopted: "That the bill be referred to the council of the board of trade to report at a meeting of the board to be called for Thursday next."

BRANDON THE BLEST.

There was a very interesting story of Brandon the Blessed told in the city yesterday, namely, that the swell club that had been started there had became bankrupt, and that one of our banks had been let in for a modest fifteen thousand therewith. Regina has not yet started a club.

A NEW WATER SUPPLY.

The city engineer and other officials were surveying Conger's lake yesterday with a view of drawing the city's supply therefrom, in case the lake or bay should give out. It is very deep and very dirty, and covers the whole of the sidewalk in front of the coal office. Somebody should get a squirt-gun and pump it out.

THE WORLD WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

Who says grace at the up-stair meal in the Hotel de Robertson.

If there is a cot for the editor in the lay out.

Why the Telegram has taken to quoting The World.

If the Queen's Own was getting up a grand lottery when the Fenton crusade opened.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING.

I'm the father of a judge—Wm. Macdougall.

Our ribbon cost more ($32) than our papers and periodicals ($18.75)—The Argonauts.

England's greatest premier took his bed in his breakfast for the first time last month—Rev. G. M. Milligan on energy.

I'm now a full-fledged "sargent." How nobby I must look with my cross-belt and stripes—P. Mc. of Co. K.

RODODAKTULOS—THE ROSY-FINGERED MORN.

The night blows outward
In a mist,
And all the world
The sun had kissed.

Along the golden
Rim of sky,
A thousand snow-piled
Vapors lie;

And by the wood and
Mist-clad stream
The Maiden Morn stands
Still to dream.

—Huron in the Varsity.