

SERIOUS RIOTS IN BELFAST.

THE POLICE COMPELLED TO CALL OUT THE MILITARY.

The streets cleared with fixed bayonets after repeated encounters between Orangemen and Police. The latter were compelled to call out the military.

Belmont, April 25.—As a rule, as the streets are cleared, there is an increase of the bitter feeling between the Orangemen and Nationalists.

More Catholics were driven away from Queen's Island last night and this morning by the Orangemen, the total number ejected exceeding 500.

The Riots Continued. The leaders of the Unionists publicly condemn the rioting, and the members of Parliament from Belfast have signed an appeal in behalf of peace and tolerance.

Grand Master Kane has issued a half-hearted appeal to the Orangemen to "stand steady" until their leader blows the trumpet, when all over 16 years of age are to prepare for battle in behalf of faith and freedom.

A Presbyterian Appeal. Moderator Lynd of the Presbyterian Church, Ireland, has appealed for tolerance on behalf of the members of the Ulster Presbyterian, and the Ulster Defence Union, and several Orange lodges have passed resolutions condemning the rioting.

Five persons arrested for having been engaged in the riotous scenes of yesterday were committed to the local court and sentenced to pay fines.

The Riots Continued. The rioting in the streets continued late this afternoon and early this evening. Repeated encounters between Orangemen and police resulted in 20 arrests.

Attempts at Rescue. While the police were talking their prisoners to the station the rioters surrounded them twice and tried to liberate the men, but were driven back after hard clubbing.

Dispersed With Bayonets. Later the crowd packed Peter Hill for blocks and refused to be budged by the police, who after making several charges called the military.

Two companies of infantry responded and cleared the streets of the rioters.

The Outlook For To-day. It is reported this evening that more troops have been sent to Belfast, as more serious riots are believed to be threatening for to-morrow.

A manifesto has been posted in the Catholic quarters of the city appealing to the Nationalists to hold aloof from riotous demonstrations and to depend upon Mr. Morley for the execution of justice.

DIRECTIONS TO THE POLICE. Mr. Morley says they must give every protection to Catholics.

London, April 25.—The House of Commons to-day Home Secretary Asquith read a telegram sent by John Morley, Chief Secretary for Ireland, to the military and police authorities directing them to give every possible protection to Catholics and friendly Protestant workmen engaged in economic work.

JUDGE MANNEN'S ILLNESS Causes the Hearing on Arbitration to Adjourn for a Week.

Paris, April 25.—Owing to the illness of Lord James Hannen, one of the British members of the Arbitration Tribunal of Arbitration, the tribunal has adjourned for one week.

A Fire in St. Thomas. St. Thomas, April 25.—About 12:30 this morning a fire was seen in the attic of Michigan Central Y.M.C.A. Rooms. The firemen were promptly on the spot, but could not get at the flames, which destroyed the entire building, also damaging bally Midgley's clothing store and the Masonic Hall. Loss about \$8000. The building was owned by W. E. Isard; insured for \$3500; contents also insured.

ONLY TAKEN AT A DISCOUNT. U.S. Silver Certificates Not Worth Their Face Value in Toronto.

United States silver certificates will be received on deposit at a discount of 1 per cent.

This notice was posted in the Imperial Bank yesterday and the other banks by Canadian banks in more than 200 cities in relation for the way in which Canadian silver always has been treated in the gold, and Canadian bank notes, also of the same description, have been treated in the United States. Our silver has been refused by American storekeepers and hotels and our bank bills ignored in the same manner. A matter of fact, they have been as good as dead.

The Reason Why. Dr. Sheard says that over 70,000 \$50 bills of typographical paper are in Toronto \$47,000,000. The people of Detroit are large consumers of the celebrated Stroud mineral water from Mt. Clemens, Mich., and one of the most prominent physicians in Detroit writes that "those who regularly drink Stroud will keep their system in such condition that they need have little fear of contracting typhoid, scarlet fever or diphtheria."

Yesterday's Fires. A gas jet setting fire to curtains at Mrs. Burton's residence, 414 Ontario-street, caused a loss of \$15.

At 8:30 an alarm from box 163 gave the brigade a run to Gladstone-avenue. Four rough cast houses, Nos. 31, 33, and 35, owned by William Croft, 37 Colborne-street, were damaged to the extent of \$1000. The origin of the blaze is attributed to boys, the premises being vacant.

Toothache.—When suffering from toothache try Gibbons' Toothache Gum.

Technical School Board. The Technical School Board met last evening. Vice-President Ingle in the chair.

Several recommendations from the teachers, principally referring to the work of the school for the coming year, were referred to the Management Committee. Among them was a request for an appropriation of \$250 for the purchase of manual apparatus. The examinations for the current year are now in progress.

THIRTEENTH YEAR

WHO IS THE NEW OFFICIAL?

A SUPERINTENDENT OF NEGLECTED CHILDREN.

Yesterday Was Children's Day in the Ontario Legislature. Hon. Mr. Gibson's Bill for the creation of a Superintendent of Neglected Children.

The young woman who from the ladies gallery thrust her feet through the iron railing and about 1000 impressions of our provincial legislators wondered yesterday afternoon why a huge bouquet of yellow, red and white roses decorated the Provincial Secretary's desk.

It was from the Children's Aid Society and bore the motto, "An expression of gratitude from the little children of Ontario, with the 'no-quotation,' 'Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these ye have done it unto me.'"

A number of philanthropic ladies, Humane Society workers and benevolent people generally, had been busy for several days in the galleries as they listened to Hon. Mr. Gibson, the children's champion, speak for the little ones who are in need of protection.

This measure, the cream of child legislation in England, United States, Australia and New South Wales, proposes very radical changes. It divides itself into four sections, the first treating of the prevention of cruelty to children, the second of the care of neglected and dependent children, the third of the custody of children apprehended in their own homes, and the fourth of the custody of children in temporary quarters.

It is a long and important bill, and the Ontario Legislature has never before passed a bill of such magnitude.

Drastic Measures. The second section is probably the most drastic. It authorizes the appointment of a superintendent of neglected and dependent children, some of whose duties are to assist in establishing children's aid societies, inspecting industrial schools and shelters, and visiting the homes of the children.

It also provides for the removal of a child from its home if it is found to be in need of protection, and for the appointment of a guardian for the child.

With such a measure before him and such a subject Mr. Gibson had every reason to be eloquent. But Mr. Gibson's oratory, although it lasted until 6 p.m., did not flow into rhetorical and effusive periods. It took rather the form of a thorough and elaborate explanation of each clause of his bill. He took an interest in the bill, and emphasized the influence of environment on the child.

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BYING INLET WIPED OUT.

Swept by Fire During Last Week's Gale—Many Families Homeless—Heavy Losses to Local Lumbermen.

Bying Inlet, April 25.—Word was received here this morning that Bying Inlet North had been swept by fire during the storm that raged on Friday last.

Messrs. Barton & Bros. of this town, who have been in the lumber business for many years, were the heaviest sufferers. The mill, together with about 6,000,000 feet of lumber, docks and boarding houses, etc., are a total loss.

The report says a large number of families are without food or shelter. The steamer "Theodore" is expected to arrive here with supplies of provisions for the sufferers.

Owing to Bying Inlet being so far from any telegraph office it is impossible to obtain a report. The loss is estimated at \$200,000. TWO MEN CREMATED.

In a Quarter-Million Dollar Fire in Chicago. CHICAGO, April 25.—The First Regiment armory at 16th-street and Michigan-avenue was destroyed by fire early this morning.

It is known that two men lost their lives in the flames. They are John Nelson, a colored porter, and a colored waiter, name unknown.

Two negro waiters were taken out of the third story and removed to St. Luke's Hospital. It is thought they are fatally burned.

The loss will amount to \$250,000 and the insurance \$40,000. The loss to property is placed at about \$215,000. The armory was insured for \$1,000,000 by the Citizens' Fire and Marine Insurance Company.

The armory was used for the storage of arms and munitions. The fire was caused by a short circuit in the electric wiring.

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