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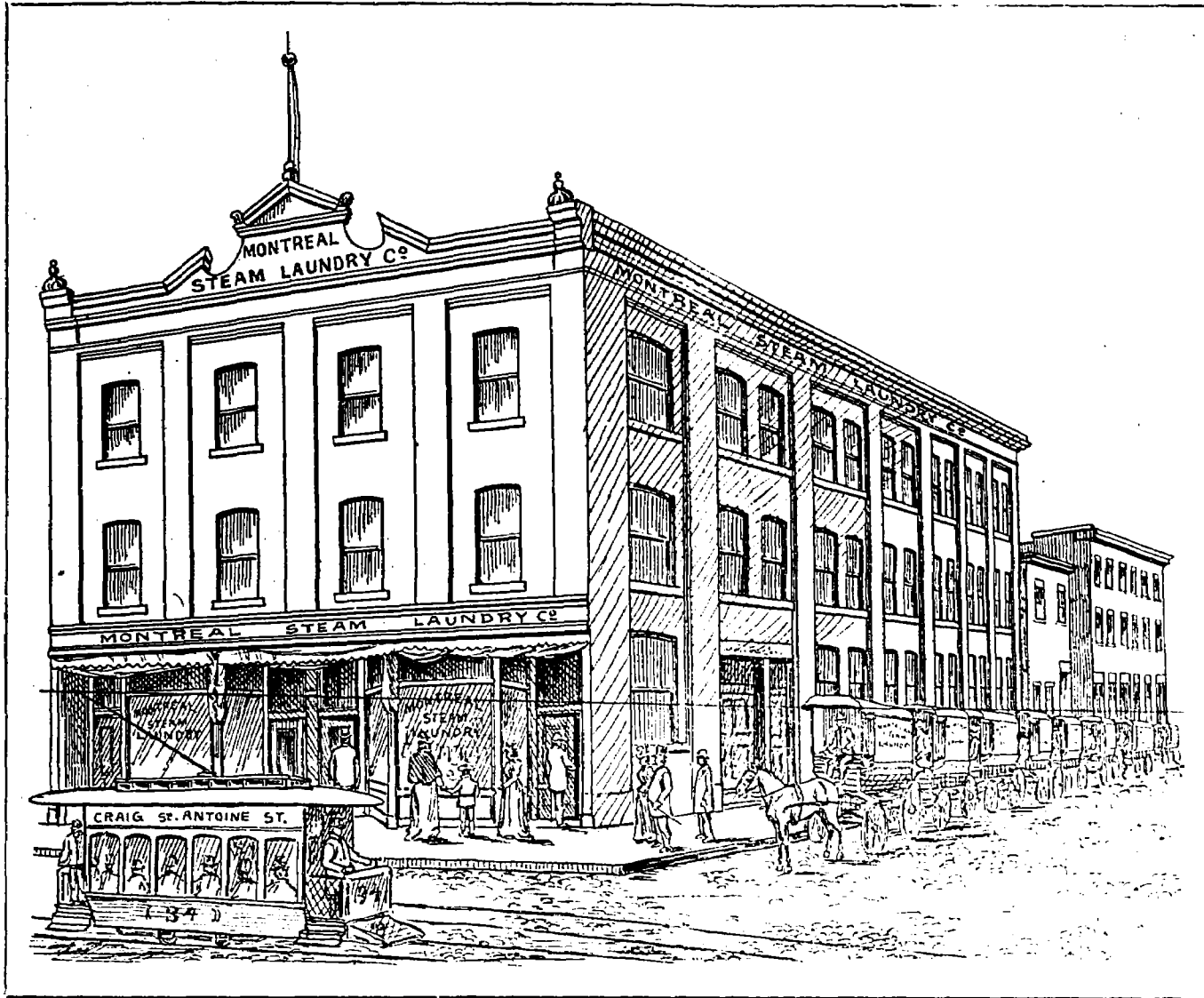
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THE KAISER'S MESSAGE.

It Was An Expression That Should Not Be Taken Too Seriously.

The more there is known of the South African trouble with Germany, the more difficult it is to explain the Emperor's interference on any theory but his somewhat youthful desire to express his admiration as a military man of the bravery of the Boers. It has to be remembered that he is chiefly known in politics for his indiscretions of speech. Ever since he has ascended the throne he has been saying, nearly every week, about somebody or some matter, things he had better have left unsaid. The Germans have long been uneasy about these eccentricities, and could only hope that they would not some day plunge them into a disagreeable foreign complication. That they have not done so sooner is surprising. Then, too, there is a good deal of the journalist about him. He evidently likes to see himself in print, in some startling way, and he has great reverence for his own observations on human affairs, and it must be admitted that the Boer episode was a very tempting opportunity for a talkative man. So that, on the whole, we still think, as we thought in the beginning, that though it may be well to let him hear the rattle of "a flying squadron," it is not necessary for the British to take him too seriously. The more completely the authorities at home and in Cape Town are exonerated from all complicity with Jameson's attempt, the more likely it seems that the Emperor's despatch was simply thoughtless. He, probably, had no more reflected on its probable effect on the money market than Mr. Cleveland on the probable effect of his message. And then one of the characteristics of these reckless talkers is that they think that, however ill-advised their deliverances may be, they will "do good" to somebody—that is, make him reflect on his evil ways, or stop him in some downward course. There is no end to the conceit of what we call a "gas-bag."

one. It need not be pointed out that the argument that a valuable property should be permanently destroyed in order to provide temporary work for any number of persons, is as unfounded as it is immoral.

The committee cannot but deplore that the proposal to invade the precincts of our most precious public domain has been supported, only by arguments and suggestions, which appeal to the most unfortunate elements of our civic life, and tend to arouse those racial and social questions, which are a standing menace to the general welfare. The race cry, in particular, has too often been raised successfully to obscure the real merits of the question at issue. A vigorous attempt is being made to effect this end in the present case, and the committee earnestly hope that you will use your influence to insure a fair and unbiased consideration of this question.

The arguments on which the Park Preservation Association base their objections to the proposed desecration of the park are too familiar to need repetition, and the committee are confident that a fair appreciation of their views will result in their being maintained.

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Montreal, 27th December, 1895.
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DOWN IN VENEZUELA.

A MIXED CONDITION OF THINGS NOT EXACTLY ELEVATING.

Venezuelan despatches put in a charming light the kind of Government this country is asked to go to war to extend over 40,000 British subjects. There is a revolution going on, of course; there always is. That is the way all elections are held and Presidents chosen in Venezuela. But President Crespo, who, himself, got his office by a revolution, has issued a decree affirming that this revolution is particularly heinous, on account of pending international complications; that it is, in fact, treason, and that all persons caught in it will be shot out of hand. Eminent lawyers in Caracas say the decree is illegal. This will make it Crespo's painful duty to shoot the eminent lawyers, too. The jails are already overflowing with political prisoners, and the school buildings are now being used as prisons. This will not check the great work of Venezuelan education, as the

students are all enlisting for the war, anyhow. An awful suspicion is abroad that the "Illustrated American," Guzman Blanco, is in England arranging a little treaty of his own, with his pockets full of British gold. This report was a hard blow to the patriots, who are usually in the fix of the Georgia tree silver patriot, certain that "we've got the gold bugs down unless they buy us up." But a shrewd counterstroke was made by asserting that the \$100,000,000 in gold, which the United States are now trying to borrow, was all to be passed on to Venezuela to aid her in her war against England. This aroused tremendous enthusiasm for "the immortal Monroe," and "the busts of Washington, Monroe, Cleveland and Bolivar were entwined with rare flowers." And yet there are those who say that republics are ungrateful.—N. Y. Post.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

The St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum acknowledges, with many thanks, the receipt of the following articles: B. Tansy and friends, 15 turkeys and 15 geese; A. McGillis, 5 turkeys, 7 geese; D. Furlong, 2 geese and celery; M. Burke, 2 turkeys; Brown & Bros., some lamb; T. Wright, fresh pork; T. Christie, a barrel of apples; J. Barry, a barrel of apples; C. Brown, a barrel of mixed biscuits; J. Luing, 3 boxes of mixed biscuits; S. J. Scott, buns; J. J. Milroy, a large case of oranges; Dr. J. McDonald, candies; Desforzes & Latourelle, candies; Shea & Bros., 14 dozens of buns; 1 piece of goods from Quilting Company.

St. Bridget's Home acknowledges, with many thanks, the following donations: B. Tansy and friends, 15 turkeys and 18 geese; D. Furlong, 2 geese and celery; P. Wright, fresh pork; T. Christie, 1 barrel apples; J. Barry, 1 barrel apples; Desforzes & Latourelle, candies; Shea & Brother, 10 dozen buns.

A TOKEN OF APPRECIATION.

THE MEMBERS OF ST. PATRICK'S CATECHISM CLASS AND THEIR DIRECTOR.

It has been usual, for years past, for the pupils of St. Patrick's Catechism class to give some evidence, each New Year, of their appreciation of all that Rev. Father Martin Callaghan has done for their advancement and success. On the last Sunday of the old year, when the usual catechism lessons were over, the teachers and pupils filed into the large hall adjoining the presbytery, and there presented their beloved spiritual director with a handsome, gold-mounted ebony cane, two volumes of ecclesiastical history, and Messman's translation of the commentary on the Bible, by Cornelius Lapide, in six volumes. The presentation was accompanied by addresses read by Miss Mary Christy and Mr. W. Pang. It is needless to state that Rev. Father Callaghan was pleasantly surprised, and that he expressed, in his usual eloquent and able manner, his deep appreciation of the marks of affection and gratitude just manifested. Apart from Father Martin's numerous occupations and important duties, the care of this successful class has fallen to his share, and we are confident that in no work is his heart more firmly fixed than in this one. It is a great consolation for him to feel that the fruits of his zealousness are so abundant and rich. We trust that for years

to come the Catechism class will continue to flourish and that he may be spared to continue as guide and advisor to all these young and promising children.

MGR. CORRIGAN SUSTAINED.

New York, Jan. 8. The Herald carries the authority of Archbishop Corrigan, within the last few days, fully vindicated by the receipt from Rome of a document reaffirming the decision of the propaganda that the Archbishop did not err in removing Dr. Burtis from the parish of Epiphany. In addition to this the Archbishop was directed to inform the signers of the monster petition for the reinstatement of Dr. Burtis that it was finally closed, and any further appeal would not receive consideration.

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THE POPE AND IRELAND.

Most Rev. Patrick O'Donnell, bishop of Raphoe, and Monsignor Kelly, the rector of the Irish College in Rome, held an audience with the Holy Father on Dec. 16. The Pope was most outspoken in his warm affection for his faithful Irish children in every part of the world, and most sympathetic with their sufferings at home in Ireland. He declared himself their unchangeable friend, and said the love of his paternal heart was poured out in blessings on the faithful race which, despoiled itself, could sympathize with a despoiled Pontiff, and which in its generosity would not allow Christ's Vicar to want the means of effectively discharging the functions of his exalted office. His Holiness expressed the consolation he felt at hearing how religion flourished in the diocese of Raphoe, and gave his apostolic blessing a second time to the beneficiaries of the new cathedral at Letterkenny.

Subsequently Dr. O'Donnell and Monsignor Kelly had the pleasure of presenting to His Holiness Mr. John Dillon, M.P., Mrs. Dillon and Father Dillon, of St. Isidore's. The warmth of the reception and the many blessings accorded by His Holiness to this distinguished Irish family must have been gratifying to them beyond expression. Kneeling at the feet of His Holiness, Mr. Dillon expressed in a manner worthy of a devoted son how he and his colleagues were ever ready to do their utmost to promote the interests of religion and vindicate the rights of the Holy See. The Pope blessed him tenderly for this declaration, and with pathetic appeal exhorted him to be the champion of holy church in the fulfillment of her divine mission. Special mention was made of the education question.

Later on the prelates and the Dillon family were received most graciously by Cardinal Rampolla, Secretary of State, with whom they had the honor of a long audience. His eminence, speaking of Irish affairs, expressed his concern for unity and friendship among Ireland's representatives. "Exhort you specially to promote unity, my dear Mr. Dillon," said the cardinal, "carrying in front the banner of Catholic truth, and giving the Church of God the great advantage of the united force of Catholic support." His eminence concluded by graciously saying he would be glad to welcome Mr. Dillon often again to the Eternal City.

Himself blow—When struck by an idea.