The Lapoint Murder Trial

The Trial Lasts Nearly Four Days and Results in the Jury Unanimously Bringing in a Verdict of Acquittal on the Ground of Insanity.

Last week, as we went to press, the Lapoint murder trial had only fairly commenced, the evidence that had then been taken being that of the Crown to prove the murder. The defence made practically no objection to the charge of the killing of Moore and the wounding of the other parties shot at by the prisoner.

At the close of the case for the Crown, Mr. Hutcheson outlined the course proposed to be adopted by the defence: that they would endeavor to prove that for over a year the prisoner had shown very strong symptoms of insanity, and that he had actually

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been examined by physicians who had practically decided that he should be confined as a lunatic, but, hoping he would in a measure recover under the care of his friends, he had been allowed his liberty.

The defence then called some forty witnesses, who all testified as to his strange and peculiar actions from the time that he was taken ill at a corn-cutting at a neighbor's in the fall of 1894. The strongest evidence in the prisoner's behalf was given by his sister, Mrs. Lee, and her husband, who gave very clear and candid evidence as to his peculiar actions since his sickness above referred to. The defence also called a number of medical experts, notably Dr. Clark, Medical Superintendent of the Insane Asylum of Toronto, who had been present in court and heard the evidence of the witnesses for the defence. He was also asked by the Judge to make a personal examination of the prisoner, the Judge adjourning the court for a couple of hours to allow him to do so. After the examination, Dr. Clarke stated that he had no hesitation in stating that he considered the prisoner insane at certain times, and described his particular form of insanity to be that known as paranoia.

A number of other medical experts were called, and the Crown put in some evidence in rebuttal. The addresses of the counsel for and against the prisoner occupied a couple of hours each and the Judge's charge about half an hour. The jury were not more than half an hour deciding upon their verdict.

Lapoint paid no more attention to the verdict of the jury than he had to the evidence. He will be taken to the insane ward of the Kingston penitentiary, where he will be confined to await the action of the Government in his case. It is not likely that the other charges of shooting will be pressed.

WOODBINE.

TUESDAY, May 26.—Farmers in this locality are busy removing their line fences, which means a further extension to our boundary line.

Mr. F. Stevens and Miss K. Flood of Athens registered at Wayside View cottage on Sunday.

Dr. Giles of Athens paid our village a professional visit last week.

Miss Lugarda Brown is visiting friends in Lyn.

Mr. H. Moore and lady passed through our village on Saturday en route for McIntosh Mills.

A number from here took in the sports at Charleston yesterday.

Our school is closed to-day, owing to our teacher, Mr. Fred Ritter, being on a business trip to Kingston.

Mr. Clifford Mott of Addison is visiting his uncle, Mr. Peter Ducolon.

TREVELYAN.

Quite a number went from this neighborhood to celebrate the Queen's Birth day at Charleston, while a few more went to the Limestone City where there is something more to be seen than a noisy crowd.

Mr. Henry Thorpe we are informed intends taking a two months vacation shortly, perhaps home to England.

What happened the Wexford correspondent last week? He must have been on his bike or on his beat.

We wonder if the Prescott Messenger has thawed out any since the trial of Lapointe for his misdeeds on the 9th of March last.

Wedding bells will ring in St. Luke's church on the 26th inst

Our gracious Queen would feel very much honored if she knew how full of calamity-water some of her loyal subjects were on the 25th.

The Belcher made a round trip in half a day. She left light-house point at 12.30, arriving at Charleston at 3.30 and home some time in the night.

The young man that offered to sell his pretty farm, so as to keep his intended like a lady, and has no other livelihood or business, must foresee another dry summer, or he is very kind hearted.

The Scott Act holds good in Junetown yet. Anybody subjecting themselves will be bound in holy bonds for life.

Since our good old chieftain departed, the times seem to have got harder and drier. We wonder if there could be a remedial for it.

Mr. Daniel Ladd has a new device to prevent fowls from setting. You make them stand half a day in a bucket of water; time to be extended in case of a bad attack of "set."

Visitors:—Mr. J. Gavin and daughter of Warburton; Mr. C. Ralph of Clear Hill; Mr. J. Shennoc of Brockville; Miss A. Hickey of Frontenac; D. Hefferman, Charleston.

The farmers in some sections suffered greatly the past winter owing to the shortage of the hay crop last season. In order to prevent a repetition of the circumstances they are planting this season about ten to one more acres of corn than usual. The present dry weather is favorable to the growth of corn.

A REMINISCENCE.

To Mary M. Middleton, Madrid Springs, N. Y. Compiled by a relative.

I'm sitting on the old lawn, Mary,
Where we played when we were young,
Picking summer blossoms, Mary,
When the birds from the thorn-tree sung.

The trees of the orchard, Mary,
With blossoms are fragrant again,
And the old spring near too, Mary,
Still flows as freely as then.

How we welcomed the whipoorwill's coming
To the orchard to warble its song,
As we sat by the window pane, watching
The fire-flies dashing along.

But the days of our youth are gone, Mary,
Which with health and pleasure were blest,
Since then I have learned to know, Mary,
How sweet to the weary is rest.

Cold are the wintry storms, Mary,
That have swept the landscape since then,
But no oftener than springtime with gladness
Crowned the earth with verdure again.

How like to the dawn of the springtime,
When our hearts are rejoicing again,
And we say, as in triumph o'er illness,
"The sunshine comes after the rain."

If thus joyfully singing in spring, Mary,
Or hushed in a winter of woe,
Let us trust and keep patiently saying,
"Tis meet, blessed Lord, to be so."

Then in the eternal spring, Mary,
Outstripping all winter and woe,
We'll appear in the glory He giveth,
Like the plants from under the snow.

SPRING VALLEY.

MONDAY, May 25.—Maple Grange has closed down its butter apparatus for the present, and has resumed the manufacture of cheese.

The farmers in this section are strongly praying for rain. Perhaps some of their prayers will never rise higher than their lips. One thing is certain, however: we will get the rain when it comes.

Mr. N. B. Hayes has completed his pump and carriage works. He has also extended the blacksmith shop in connection therewith, now occupied by Mr. Charles Darling, who will fill all orders promptly and efficiently. Mr. Hayes intends fitting up his factory with the best machinery procurable for the business.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Hayes of Unionville were the guests of Mr. Alexander McDougall last week.

Your correspondent recently paid a visit to Brockville, and as a result is of opinion that Hon. Mr. Wood will be elected by a large majority. Cluff is not in it.

A Strong Endorsation.

The Gananoque Reporter has the following to say about Mr. W. H. Fredenburgh, the Liberal candidate for South Leeds: "He has been a life-long resident of the Riding, and nearly every elector is familiar with his features, as well as being fully informed as to his character and business ability. He is a man who is personally without reproach. In all his business career as lumberman, merchant, miller, vessel-owner, and other branches of commerce, he has dealt in a just and honorable manner with all, so that the competence he has secured is but a fair reward for his industry and frugal thrift. In the public positions he has held in the municipality in which he resides, the same course was followed. He aimed to work only for the benefit and prosperity of those whom he represented, and had no sympathy with nor complicity in any job, or irregular proceeding.

His opinions on public matters are very pronounced, and based upon long experience and an intelligent observation of circumstances. His forecast of effects and influences are generally borne out by experience, as has been practically demonstrated in many instances. He was one of the few men in extensive business who saw far enough to perceive the fallacy and injustice of the N. P., and when so many were drawn off by the glittering delusion he remained steadfast in his view that no general good, but a positive public injury, must be the only result of trying to make a few men rich at the expense of the tax-payers. He has now the satisfaction of seeing the bulk of those business men turn their backs upon the one-sided device and return to those who advocate a safe and equitable commercial policy.

Mr. Fredenburgh will prove a valuable assistant to Mr. Laurier, and his election will prove a credit and a benefit to South Leeds."

Road Making.

The road-grader purchaseed from the West-Wheeled Scraper Co., of London, Ontario by the Council of the Front of Leeds and Lansdowne, was given a trial on Wednesday last on the River road, crossing the farm of Councillor Cross. There were over one hundred persons present. The piece of road selected was stiff, hard clay, the hardest that could be found. Three teams were used. With one or two exceptions it was the unanimous verdict of those present was that it was a perfect success. The Council were of the opinion that it fulfilled the conditions of the guarantee fully. The piece of road of about 40 rods was nicely graded and turned up, banks and hills cut down and levelled. It was easily operated and handled the earth rapidly. It will without doubt save many dollars to the municipality.

The above clipping from the Gananoque Reporter may be further explained by saying that the company manufacturing these road-graders put the machine before the Council of Front Leeds and Lansdowne on trial, the guarantee being that it would give perfect satisfaction. The Editor of this paper has seen these road graders work and is fully convinced that it would pay the corporation of Athens to procure one to put the streets in proper condition for being macadamized. There is not more than thirty or forty rods of the five miles of streets in Athens that are in a proper condition for putting on broken stone. One of these road-graders, with two teams and two men to work them, will do more grading in one day than the same number of men and horses will do in a week, and there is no possible comparison between the two jobs as to finish. We would recommend the village council to ask the manufacturers of these road machines to put one in on trial, as we feel confident that there are not half a dozen ratepayers in town who would object to the purchase after seeing the work done. We understand that the price is about $250, which could be divided over two years and not be felt in the taxes.

The decree of Gen. Weyler prohibiting the importation of leaf tobacco from Cuba into the United States has caused a great deal of alarm among American dealers. This is an outcome of the Spanish war in Cuba. This it is said will throw about 100,000 cigar makers in the U. S. out of employment and the price of a good Havana will be beyond the reach of ordinary mortals.

LOCAL SUMMARY.

ATHENS AND NEIGHBORING LOCALITIES BRIEFLY WRITTEN UP.

Events as Seen by Our Knight of the Pencil.—Local Announcement Boiled Right Down.

Rev. Mr. Healey and family, of California, are visiting at the Methodist parsonage, Athens.

Miss Mary Livingston and Miss Ketha spent Monday with friends in Kingston.

Mr. W. H. Fredenburgh, Liberal candidate for South Leeds, and Mr. Charles Whitworth of Westport are in Athens to-day.

Mr. Gordon Steacy continues to improve in health, and during his convalescence will spend most of the time at Charleston Lake.

On Monday last Mr. M. B. Holmes drove to Inverary (back of Kingston) to be present at the marriage of his brother's daughter, which took place on Tuesday.

Miss Emma Connor and Miss Maggie Kyle, of North Augusta, spent the 25th in Athens, the former the guest of Mrs. K. E. Redmond and the latter the guest of Mrs. A. Dobbs.

Cheap Bicycle for sale: One highest grade American make safety bicycle, pneumatic tire, high frame, new saddle and cyclometer. Price $45. Apply at Kinch E. Redmond's residence, Athens.

CASH.—$8000.00 worth of crockery china and glassware at Bankrupt prices Sale continues for a short time only —T. W. Dennis, Tea Store and China Hall, Brockville, Ont., nearly opposite the Revere house.

The plague of apple worms is still with us. For the past few days they have gathered in great clusters on the boles of shade trees, from which many quarts of them have been dislodged and buried or burned. Their evil effect on the apple crop of this year and next will be serious.

While many of our citizens went to Charleston to "celebrate" on Monday, quite a number remained at home and spent the day pleasantly. Among the latter are to be numbered the pupils of Miss Stevens' department in the public school, who, at the invitation and under the supervision of their teacher, held a pic-nic in Taplin's grove which was in every respect a pronounced success.

"'Tis not in mortals to command success," but in the matter of fishing Mr. H. Elvidge alway strives to do the next best thing—to deserve it. On Monday he dropped his "phantom" in the waters of Charleston and diligently pursued his favorite pastime, and with such skill that when the picnic party with which he was enrolled was ready to start for home he was able to exhibit nine fine salmon as evidence of his Waltonian prowess.

Last week our Trevelyan correspondent said that the football club of that place would like to play a match with the High School Juniors at the Ballycanoe picnic. Since the item was published several of the Juniors have been anxiously enquiring for the date of the picnic, so it will probably be not at all difficult for the Ballycanoers to have their wishes gratified in this regard. We think the date of the picnic has not yet been fixed, but will probably be arranged shortly after the return of Rev. Father Kelly from Kingston, which will be on Saturday next.

On Friday evening last several Athenian ladies demonstrated in a pleasing way their ability to entertain. The Council chamber of the town hall was by them swept and garnished, the floor waxed, dressing rooms erected, etc. and thither at their invitation about thirty couples wended their way. The night was suited to the event, the floor as near perfection as it could be brought, the refreshments just what were most desired, and the music discoursed by Mr. and Mrs. DeWolfe was superb. The event was in every respect a success--a delightful and welcome break in the social routine that usually characterizes the month of May.

The Day We Celebrate.

Athens was nearly depleted of her citizens on Monday last. A few left per the B. & W. at 10 a. m., on an excursion to Westport. The majority of the people, however, wended their way to Charleston lake for a day's sport and recreation. Every boat, whether public or private, was pressed into service, while the steam yachts of H C. Phillips, W. G. Parish and the Misses Addison had steam up nearly all day, and scudded from point to point, carrying passengers and their friends to the many places on lake and island where picnic parties were being held. Nearly every island and cottage was occupied by pleasure-seekers. The two hotels, Cedar Park and Harbor View, each was filled to overflowing, there being nearly 300 rigs in the Park stables and almost as many in Harbor View. The day was all that could be desired: cool, and with just enough breeze to give the water a lively motion, giving the many boats a gentle rocking, seductive enough to woo gentle sleep to those who had nothing to do with the management of the boats. Fishing was largely indulged in, and some good catches are reported. A party of young folks occupying Camp Lookout, the island residence of R. D. Judson & Son, Athens, caught eleven nice salmon in a couple of hours' trolling. The manager of Cedar Park Hotel had advertised a number of sports, such as boat race, climbing greasy pole extending out over the water, and an exhibition of fireworks in the evening. A large dancing platform, under the management of Charles Flood, had been erected just outside the Cedar Park grounds, and an excellent orchestra engaged, but the lads and lassies did not patronize it to any extent, and the enterprise was a failure. The boat race was called on at 2 p. m., and five boats entered for the purse offered. Thos. Foster took first, Ed. Currie second, and Kelsey third. The prize for climbing greasy pole was awarded to Truman Darling, who with another young man, gave an exhibition of slack rope walking on the lawn at Cedar Park during the afternoon. Everything passed off smoothly until about six o'clock, and the old timers at Charleston began to hope that for once the record would be broken and that the day would pass off without a row or scrap of any kind. Unfortunately, it was not to be so, for there were a series of rows and scraps, which brought disgrace on the day and place.

The Honerites have begun the erection of a church at Lanark.

Ex-Mayor Cowan, Gananoque, is getting quite smart again.

Wanted at Once.—A smart young girl to learn the dressmaking trade.—Apply to Miss Byers, Athens.

Dr. Chamberlain, Inspector of Prisons and Asylums, had a pleasant visit with friends in Athens last week.

Holiday rates at Brockville Business College for all who enter during the month of July. Write for particulars.

Miss Ethel Arnold and Miss Stella Scovil went to Westport on Monday to spend the day with Miss Marie Reynolds.

The prize list of the Unionville fair will be finished and distributed to the members this week, and the Frankville fair list commenced.

Cures, absolute, permanent cures have given Hood's Sarsaparilla, the largest sales in the world and the first place among medicines.

A government license has been issued to the Supreme Court of the Independent Order of Foresters to conduct life and accident insurance on the assessment plan.

The Kemptville Advance is threatened with a liberal suit because of an alleged incorrect report of a meeting held by Rev. W. M. Palmer, evangelist, at Oxford Mills.

B. Loverin, Sec'y, and John Forth, director, of Unionville fair spent Friday last in Brockville looking after special prizes for the fair. They were very successful, having secured a large and valuable list.

Messrs. Howard White and Thomas Price, who left Brockville Business College a few days ago, have secured positions in New York city as stenographers. As a Training School Brockville Business College is not surpassed.

On Sunday morning last, at the request of the W. C. T. U., Rev. J. M. Hagar, M. A., pastor of the Athens Methodist church, delivered a sermon on Sabbath observance. The topic was an important and seasonable one, and, it is to be hoped the practical address of the reverend gentleman will not be without its effect.

Walker's Uncle Tom's Cabin Co. showed in Athens on Thursday evening last. There was a very large audience, the seating room in their big pavilion being all taken up. Some changes in the personnel of the troupe have taken place since they showed here a year ago, and the generally expressed opinion was that the play was disposed of in a good deal better form than on the previous occasion.

Following are the names of commissioners from the Presbytery of Brockville to the General Assembly in Toronto next month: Revs. James Stuart, Prescott; James Eadill, Bishop's Mills; John M. Macalistar, Iroquois; John F. McFarland, South Mountain; Mark Danby, North Augusta; Messrs. James P. Fox, Winchester; Wm. Kilgour, Morrisburg; James Cumming, Lyn; James Lanskail, Brockville; Jas. W. Gilroy, South Mountain.

A Big Egg.

The Mercury has not hitherto this season been called upon to record anything in the way of eggs of an unusual size. But this week, Miss Jessie M. Delarge, of Bagot, left at the office a hen's egg measuring, round the long way, 7½ inches, and round the middle, 6⅝ inches. The weight is 1½ ounces, so that ten such eggs would weigh close upon a pound.—Renfrew Mercury

NOTE:—We Refer our respected confere of the Mercury to the egg item in the Reporter of April 22nd. That egg measured 7x8 inches and weighed 4½ oz. Then again on May 13th another lot of 6 eggs were left at the Reporter office that weighed 17 oz. Try again, Brother Smallfield. We listen for any of our cotem's to go one better on egg stories than the Reporter.

A Welcome Home.

We are heartily glad to know that Rev. Father Kelly, the good priest of St. Denis' Church, has recovered from his recent illness and will return home on Saturday next, 30th inst. He will be met at Mallorytown station, on his arrival by the 2 p.m. train from Kingston. by his parishioners, as well as by many other friends, both Protestant and Catholic. From thence they will accompany him to the parochial residence, Ballycanoe, where they will accord him a right royal welcome, and will present him with a well-filled purse. Rev. Fr. Collins, Trevelyan, has kindly consented to receive and acknowledge any subscriptions sent to him for the filling of the purse. —COM.

Village Council.

The Athens village Council met on Tuesday evening as a Court of Revision. All the members present except Mr. Holmes. The following changes were made in the assessment roll for 1896:

W. G. Parish, assessment reduced $200 on income. Charles Stevens put on as tenant of John Chick for lot 11, Block M., in place of Mary Williamson. Geo. Webster put on as manhood franchise voter, domiciled at John Webster's. Mrs. Eliza Bullis, changed from tenant of Mrs. Nancy Botsford to tenant of Clarence Hawks for lot 8, block F.

The assessment roll was then finally adopted and the Clerk instructed to make the changes on the roll as per resolutions of Court of Revision.

The Council then took up village business and the Reeve reported that, in company with Mr. Karley, he had visited Mrs. James Kilborn and Alvin Judson concerning the right of way across their property for the extension of Sarah street from Main to wellington. They had looked over the properties, and, taking into consideration the increased value to the rest of the property owned by the residents in that locality, had come to the conclusion to recommend that this Council do not purchase the land required, as it would be establishing a bad precedent to commence to buy land for street purposes, and believe that the owners of the property lying in the vicinity of the proposed street would be benefitted enough to make it an object for them to combine and pay the small amount asked for the land required.

Mr. Redmond, agent for the Copp Bros.' Champion Road Grader, appeared before the Council to advocate the desirability of the Council purchasing one of these machines for village purposes. No action was taken.

The Council then adjourned till next regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 1st. B. LOVERIN, Village Clerk.

Mr. Rob't McLean of North Augusta was in Athens this week, the guest of Mr. J. A. McLaughlin.

A bread famine prevailed in Athens on Monday, the pleasure-seekers having taken with them every loaf in sight.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blanchard and family of New York are in Athens this week, guests of Mr. A. W. Blanchard.

Trinity church, Lansdowne, will hold a mammoth picnic at Pine Hill about the 10th of June. Full particulars will be given through posters to be issued in a few days.

The building committee of the Athens Hornerite church are rushing work on the building The foundation wall is laid and the sleepers for the first floor are being laid on this week.

The Athens Woollen Mill is prepared to work up wool into rolls, yarn or cloth, or pay as high a price for wool either in cash or trade as any place in this county. Call and be convinced. 3

GLOVES FOUND.—On Saturday evening in front of Gamble House a pair of kid gloves, with a silk glove inside one of them. Owner can have same by paying for this ad. Apply at Reporter office.

The Montreal Conference of the Methodist Church will meet at Stanstead, Que., on Thursday, June 4th. The ministers will meet on Tuesday, the 2nd, and the Stationing Committee on Friday evening, May 29th.

The Spanish caravels which came over during the World's Fair and were presented to the United States by Spain have been given to the Field Museum and will hereafter float in the lagoon directly in front of the museum building at Chicago.

Mr. G. A. Merrick, Toronto, formerly of this office, is a member of the Queen's Own Rifles, and as the regiment was quartered in Kingston on the 25th, Mr. Geo. Moore took advantage of the occasion by wheeling to that city to renew acquaintance with his former ship-mate. G. A. M. is said to "pretty quite a lot" when dressed in his natty regimental togs.

Mr. M. B. Holmes, President of the L. & G. B. K. A., received an order last week from James Fletcher, Esq., Professor of Entymology at the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, for a number of colonies of thoroughbred Italian bees, to be shipped to the Experimental farms at Brandon, Man.; Indian Head, N. W. T.; and Agassiz, B. C. They went forward by express on Saturday.

We are in receipt of a news letter from an occasional correspondent at Sheldon's school house giving (if the correspondent's version is correct) an account of a disgraceful scene which took place at the school house during church hours on May 17. While desirous of allowing our correspondents every latitude in recording the events of their several neighborhoods, we have no desire to aid in casting contempt and ridicule on any body of people met together for the purpose of religious worship, and would prefer that the matter be relegated to the participants' consciences, hoping they may be so ashamed of their conduct as to prevent a recurrence of the disgraceful scenes said to have been enacted in the little unpleasantness referred to.

Officers Elected.

On Thursday last Brockville Cheese Board elected the following staff of officers:

President—J. B. Wilson.
1st Vice President—A. Gray.
2nd Vice-President—M. K. Evertts.
Sec.-Treas.—C. J. Gilroy.
Salesman—R. G. Murphy.
Auditors—T. H. Percival and H. Brown.

It is probable that a room in the Gallena block will be secured for meetings of the board.

There were registered 2,059 white and 388 colored cheese, and of these 413 white sold at 7⅜c. For colored, 6¾ was bid, but no sales were made.

Death of L. M. Shipman, of Lyn.

The news of the sudden death of Luther M. Shipman, a well-know resident of the township of Yonge, near Lyn, cast a gloom over the entire community where he was known. He had been in poor health for a couple of weeks, but was able to drive down to Lyn on Saturday last. On Sunday afternoon he was taken seriously ill and he died Monday evening. He was in the 62nd year of his age and was born and has always lived on the farm on which he died. He was the only surviving brother of Nelson Shipman, who lives on the old homestead. He leaves a widow, who was a Miss McDonald, of Caintown, one son, Joel A., who married a daughter of Charles Johnston of Elbe Mills, and three daughters, Mrs. H. Young and Mrs. Geo. Purvis, Brockville, and a younger daughter, who resides at home. Mr. Shipman was a very popular man in his neighborhood, having served in the township council and as assessor of the township for years. He was a member of the A. O. U. W., of Lyn, under whose auspices the funeral is taking place at 1:30 this (Wednesday) afternoon, from the family residence to the Presbyterian church, Lyn. The writer, for many years a warm, personal friend of Mr. Shipman and family, adds his mite to the universal sympathy extended by the entire community in this sad hour of bereavement.

WASHBURN'S CORNERS.

TUESDAY, May 26.—The many friends of Mr. John Morrison, who has been ill for a long time, are exceedingly sorry to hear that he is daily expected to pass away.

Mrs. Elizabeth Churchill is spending a few days in this settlement, on her return from the east, where she had been attending the funeral of her daughter, Mrs. Ann Johnston.

Farmers are busy planting their corn, and last night's rain was much needed,

FAIRFIELD EAST.

THURSDAY, May 21.—Farmers in this section have finished sowing, and are speedily putting in their corn.

A gentleman known as "Tommy McGhee" is around calling on his friends

Mr. S. Kendrick, who has been ill for a few days, is now convalescent. He highly recommends Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills.

Mr. Anson Manhart has the misfortune to have a very sick horse.

A young man from near here is feeling very jubilant over the fine, large sturgeon he caught. It weighed 115 pounds after being dressed.

CHANTRY.

TUESDAY, May 26.—We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Davis upon the arrival of a young son

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Smith accompanied by Misses Bert Chamberland and Ida Knowlton drove to Perth to attend the celebration yesterday.

H. C. Smith is having an addition built to the Grand Central factory, which addition he purposes using as a butter factory.

The Junior football team of Chantry and Harlem played a match game with the Portland team at Harlem, on Saturday. The home team was successful.

Death Through the Kidneys.

Hardly any organs of the human system play a more vital part than the Kidneys. A derangement of these, even to a slight degree, will lead to trouble that is likely, if not stayed, to prove fatal. There is only one way for the system to be rid of this disease, and that is by trying a medicine that will act specially, and is a specific for kidney disease. This is the strong factor in the great South American Kidney Cure. It is prepared specially for these organs, is radical in its banishment of disease located here, and rich in healing powers necessary to complete restoration.

NEWS TOPICS OF A WEEK

Important Events in Few Words For Busy Readers.

The Busy World's Happenings Carefully Compiled and Put Into Handy and Attractive Shape For the Readers of Our Paper—A Solid Hour's Enjoyment in Paragraphed Information.

THE FIRE RECORD.

McCulloch & Co.'s woollen mills at Rapid City, Manitoba, were destroyed by fire Friday.

THE RELIGIOUS WORLD.

Bishop DuMoulin will be consecrated on June 11.

The convention of the Women's Baptist Mission Society has been concluded at Chatham.

POLITICS—DOMINION.

Mr. Leclerc will oppose Mr. Laurier in Quebec East.

Mr. Ouimet, ex-Minister of Public Works, has been sworn in as a Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench in Montreal.

TRADE AND COMMERCE.

A dividend of 10 per cent. has been declared by the liquidators in the Commercial Bank of Manitoba, which makes an aggregate of 80 per cent paid to the creditors.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

The Mount Forest waterworks by-law for $4500 was voted down.

The assessment of Toronto Junction has been reduced to less than $2,000,000, a total which would require a rate of 40 mills in the dollar to meet the expected liabilities.

THE WORLD OF WOMEN.

The Queen started for Balmoral Tuesday, and the Prince and Princess of Wales and party left for Sandringham on Saturday.

The dress in which the Duchess of Marlborough was presented is said to have cost £2000, while the jewels which she wore exceeded £10,000 in value.

SCIENTIFIC.

Dr. Langheld's anti-microbicon has been introduced into several German hospitals, with the best possible results, in the treatment of consumption

One of the most successful mining men of Colorado is said to be Court James Portales, a member of a famous old German noble family, who has been in the west about twelve years. He is a skilled metallurgist.

THE AGRICULTURAL WORLD.

Two degrees of frost were reported from London Friday morning. The damage was slight. It was somewhat colder at Collingwood, and reports show damages in that district.

Wheat was weaker in Chicago Saturday. The poor export demand resulting from the excellent crop reports from all over Europe and the small interest outsiders manifest in the market are operating against higher prices. July wheat closed 1-4c easier at 60 5-8c.

THE DEAD.

Dr. Macintyre, principal of the Presbyterian Ladies' College, is dead.

Dr. Wm. McN. Jones, principal medical officer of the quarantine station at Vancouver Island, is dead.

Mr. Robert McNorton of Ailsa Craig was scalded in an explosion on the steamer Rhoda Stewart on Lake Huron and died soon after.

Mr. Thomas Fred S. Kirkpatrick, brother of the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, who was in the Civil Service for the past twenty-three years, died in Ottawa.

RAILROAD RUMBLINGS.

A project is on foot to build an electric road from Hamilton to Alberton, through Ancaster.

A freight train on the Grand Trunk Railway left the track near Oshawa on Tuesday night. A man, who, it is supposed was stealing a ride, was found dead in the wreck. Upon the body were found a temperance pledge signed "J. R. Cook," and a kit of shoemakers' tools.

Mr. Fitzhugh of Montreal, representing Mr. Hays, the general manager of the Grand Trunk Railway, said that there was no truth in the report that men are being dismissed from the locomotive shops because the Grand Trunk in future intended having their engines built in the United States.

POLITICS—IMPERIAL.

There seems to be little hopes of a reconciliation between the Redmondites and the Dillonites, and the Irish party is more hopelessly split than ever.

At a meeting of the anti-Parnelite members of the House of Commons it was resolved to make an earnest effort to bring about a reconciliation with the Parnelites and to reconstruct a united Home Rule party.

From 4 o'clock on Thursday afternoon until 1.30 Friday afternoon the Imperial House of Commons sat in continuous session and at last passed the Agricultural bill, and adjourned until June 1. During the long session the provisions ran out in the restaurant, and the proprietor and waiters had to make forays on the neighboring provision shops to obtain food for the hungry members.

THE DARK CONTINENT.

Mark Twain has been lecturing to crowded houses in Johannesburg.

A despatch from Cairo says that a death from cholera is reported among the Egyptian troops at Tourab.

Two of the liberated Johannesburg Reform prisoners were unable to pay their fines and the Randers forthwith subscribed the amount, Mr. Barney Barnato heading the list with a large amount.

The gaol at Pretoria, where the Johannesburg reform prisoners are confined, is in a most unhealthy condition.

Sir Hercules Robinson, Governor of Cape Colony, and Sir Graham Bower, Imperial Secretary, have sailed for England.

Mr. Chamberlain, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, presided at the South African annual dinner. In his address he expressed regret at the small progress which had been made towards the reconciliation of the Dutch and English in South Africa.

FOR MEN OF WAR.

The British warships Cordelia and Mohawk have arrived at Newfoundland.

CASUALTIES.

Leo, the five-year-old son of Mr. W. J. O'Leary, fell in the river at Peterboro and was drowned.

There was a very heavy storm off the English coast Friday, and there was much damage done to shipping.

Elmore B. Featherstone, of 191 Shaw-street, Toronto, was drowned in the lake by the capsizing of a sailboat.

Robert Armstrong, a laborer, died in the hospital at Ottawa as the result of injuries he received by falling from a scaffolding.

Geo. Bennett of Eden, near Tilsonburg, was killed while engaged in splitting stumps, by being caught in an opening, which closed on him.

Kabul, which will greatly improve her strategic position along the line of advance towards Cabul.

Lieut.-Col. A. H. Macdonald, commanding the Guelph Garrison Battery, is about to retire after 25 years' service. He will be succeeded by Lieut.-Col. Nicoll.

It is stated positively in Washington that the Uruan difficulty has not yet been settled, nor any indemnity been paid to Great Britain by the Venezuelan Government.

The news from Crete is of the gravest character. The Turkish troops in the district of Spakia are surrounded by insurgents, and the latter are being aided by the inhabitants.

It is stated that the filibustering steamer Laurada, bound for Cuba, has on board three cannos invented by Josef C. Ferrauli of Montreal, which are of such a deadly character that they could annihilate an army in a few minutes.

POLITICS—FOREIGN.

President Cleveland has signed the Acts to authorize the construction of a bridge over the Niagara river from Lewiston, N.Y., to Queenston, Ont.

The British, French and Russian Embassies at Constantinople have each received cheques of ten thousand pounds as indemnity for the outrages in Jeddah in May last.

The Corliss amendment to the United States immigration bill which renders all contracts, with aliens to perform labour in the United States nul and void, was agreed to in the House of Representatives.

In the United States House of Representatives on Friday a resolution was introduced providing that if no invitation be received by the United States within six months to send representatives to an international congress to consider bimetallism, then President Cleveland is to extend to other nations an invitation to a congress to be held in Washington next year.

SUICIDES.

Stephen Griescheiner of Jersey City, drew out of the bank and burned his savings of $3,600 then suicided, leaving his wife and children destitute.

A young Toronto domestic servant named Frances Galloway, 21 years of age, made a desperate attempt on Saturday to end her life at the home of her parents, 1,190 Bloor-street west. About 4 o'clock she gave her mother a letter addressed to a young man of her acquaintance, and asked her to send it to him. Shortly afterwards Mrs. Galloway went into the girl's bedroom, and was horrified to find her stretched on the bed, in an apparently dying condition, with stains around her mouth which betrayed the cause of the trouble. She alarmed her husband, who at once went for medical aid, and Dr. C. W. Dumble, 1,004 Bloor-street west, was quickly in attendance. His prompt treatment relieved the sufferer and probably saved her life from the effects of a dose of nitric acid, which it was found she had swallowed.

CRIMES AND CRIMINALS.

A verdict of manslaughter was returned last night by a coroner's jury against Mrs. Costello, Toronto, in connection with the death of an infant on her "baby farm" last Saturday

Minnie Allen, now in prison at Waupun, Wis., claims that she killed Montgomery Gibbs, a Buffalo lawyer, for which crime Sadie and Clarence Robinson are now suffering. Minnie Allen (nee Clarke) says she was born in Owen Sound, and passed part of her life in Toronto.

At the Lapointe murder trial at Brackville, Dr. Clark, of the Toronto asylum, and other medical witnesses, gave it as their opinion that Lapointe was insane, and incapable of distinguishing between right and wrong.

At St. John's Nfld., the grand jury has found a true bill against the Commercial Bank directors.

News has just come of a brutal lynching outrage which took place on Wednesday night in the township of Wilmot, about ten miles from Waterloo. A married woman was decoyed from her home by a false message, seized by four disguised men, stripped, beaten, tarred and ridden on a rail. Two arrests have been made in connection with the affair.

PURELY PERSONAL.

Archbishop O'Brien of Halifax has been elected president of the Royal Society of Canada.

Mme. Sara Bernhardt, the French tragedienne, sailed from New York for Europe on Saturday.

The Macdonald Club of Kingston will hold a memorial service in honor of the dead chieftain on June 5th.

By heraldic proclamation in Moscow yesterday, and on Saturday and again Monday, the date of the Czar's coronation was fixed for Tuesday.

The daughter of General Roly, lately deceased president of the Haytian Republic, is at present in Paris for the purpose of perfecting herself in the French language.

It is stated that the Mikado contemplates a tour of Europe and America.

The prince of Wales is going to pay a visit to Mr. William Waldorf Astor at Clivedon in June.

No Offer to Ian Maclaren

London, May 22.—The Rev. Dr. Watson "Ian McLaren" is now on a lecture tour in Ireland, but it has been ascertained that no offer has yet been made to him of the pastorate of the Broadway Tabernacle. Therefore the matter has not come under his serious consideration.

Mr. Watson goes to America in September on a lecturing and preaching tour, and will deliver several lectures at Yale University.

It is deemed improbable that he will definitely settle in New York, as it is known that his wife is strongly opposed to such a change.

Mrs. Dyer Indicted.

London, May 21.—Mrs. Annie Dyer, the baby farmer, who with her son-in-law, Albert E. Palmer, was recently arrested as leading for the murder of a number of infants, some of whose bodies were found in the river, was formally indicted for murder in the criminal court, Old Bailey, to-day. Mrs. Dyer was judicially declared insane a few days ago.

How to Get Rid of Flies.

The following plan of ridding the kitchen and dining-room of flies is a good one: Take a small stove shovel, heat it red-hot, and pour on it a few drops of carbolic acid, having previously closed the doors and windows. In a few minutes open the room and the flies will be found to have entirely disappeared. Only a faint odor of the fumes of carbolic acid will remain.

A Daughter of Italy.

There is not a more popular woman in Italy than the Princess Giuseppina di Linguaglossa, the daughter of ex-Premier Francesco Crispi. Though only 23 years of age, she has busied herself in every movement for the alleviation of the downtrodden feminity in her

CRISPI'S DAUGHTER.

native land. She finds pleasure in accompanying her philanthropic mother to factories to inspect the work of women and to encourage the wage-workers.

The Princess is also her father's idol. In his stormbeaten career he knows of no one to console him better in his sorrow and during the bitter persecution of his many enemies than his affectionate daughter. An accomplished musician and an agreeable reader, she helps to brighten the declining years of this venerable and conscientious statesman.

The Princess is a beautiful, slender brunette, of medium height and perfect contour. Her husband, Prince di Linguaglossa, is devoted to her. Crispi has recently presented his daughter with a fine castle and grounds near Naples caled the "Villa Lina."

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