

LONG PRICE FOR SHORT HORNS.

Sixty-two Head Sold for \$20,000 Yesterday.

For W. D. Flatt's Victor of Dalmeny \$950 Was Paid.

Auction Sale of Fancy Cattle at Stock Yards Pavilion.

A Hamilton despatch says that nearly \$20,000 was realized at the combination sale of shorthorn cattle held at the Stock Yards Pavilion yesterday.

- Sea Shell, Imp.—Mrs. M. Marr, Goderich, \$110. Sea Weed, Imp.—Thos. Bingham, Ryckman's Corners, \$300. Vanda, Imp.—W. H. Easterbrook, Freeman, \$90. Byres' Queen, Imp.—H. F. Berlin, Muningo, \$375. Carnegie, Imp.—T. L. Pardo, Cedar Springs, \$350. Diamond—T. Douglas, Strathtroy, \$365. Magistraud, Imp.—T. Bingham, Ryckman's Corners, \$825. Old Lancaster, C. Heintz & Son, Freeman, \$600. Proud Gift, Imp.—J. T. Gibson, Lenfield, \$375. Front Creek King—E. C. Eckford, Albaton, \$170. Victor of Dalmeny, Imp.—E. G. Stevenson, Detroit, Mich., \$950.

SUNSET LIMITED TRAIN HELD UP.

Trainmen Overpowered and Express and Mail Cars Robbed.

Salina, Cal., Jan. 25.—The news has just been received here that the Sunset limited train on the Southern Pacific, which left San Francisco at 6 p.m. last night, was held up by robbers between Paso Robles and San Ardo.

EXPEDITION CHECKED.

Col. Younghusband Meets Incontinent Reception at Gura, Thibet.

Chumbi Valley of Sikkim, British India, Jan. 25.—The general staff of the British expedition to Thibet, accompanied by a mountain battery, has returned to Chumbi. They report that Colonel Younghusband with officers, visited the Tibetan camp at Gura and met with an incontinent reception. Up to the present there has been no hostile act on the part of the Thibetans.

SYMPATHY FROM KING.

Sends Message Expressing Regret at Callam Disaster.

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—His Excellency has caused the following message to be sent to the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia: "Ottawa, Jan. 12, 1914.—Am pleased by His Excellency to transmit to Your Honor the following telegram, beginning: His Majesty has sympathy for the bereaved relatives of the victims of the Callam disaster in British Columbia, and desires you to convey to bereaved relatives expression of his own deep sympathy and that of His Majesty the Queen."

A CHILD'S WRITING.

Done by One of Three Killed by Father.

Hudson, N. Y., Jan. 25.—A school slate with a child's writing on it was an interesting piece of evidence in the inquest just completed by Cooper Lusk into the murder of the three Phillips children by their father, Josephus Phillips, at Hollowell, on Christmas Eve. After crushing in the heads of his two daughters and his son with an axe, Phillips went into a neighbor's barn and hanged himself, so there was nobody left to tell the details of the crime. The three children were Loda, 15 years old; Carrie, 10, and Frank, 11 years.

PRESENT FOR ONTARIO.

Late Colin Cameron Left Over \$1,000 for the Province.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—The will of the late Colin Campbell, of Iroquois village, Dundas county, contains a paragraph not only curious, but unique. So convinced was Mr. Campbell of the Government's ability to control the purse-strings of the Province, and to conduct its affairs with success, that he decided to leave part of his wealth to them. It is not infrequent that men of wealth desire to escape the succession duties. Mr. Cameron, however, was apparently fearful lest the Province should not obtain from his estate as much as it was entitled to. The clause in question is as follows: "If the succession duties from my estate should not amount to \$2,000, I bequeath to the Treasurer of the Province of Ontario, to be used towards the expenses of the Government of said Province of Ontario, such sum of money as will equal the difference between said succession duties and two thousand dollars; that is, said succession duties and said bequest shall together amount to \$2,000."

CRAZY MOTHER CUT OFF HER LITTLE BOY'S HEAD.

Case for the Prosecution Closed in the Trial of Mrs. Bechtel as Accessory to Murder of Her Daughter.

Paterson, N. J., Jan. 25.—Mrs. Arthur Oswald was arrested to-day on a charge of murdering her eight-year-old son yesterday at her home in Oakland. She is believed to be insane. Since she came from Germany she had lived in New York City until about a year ago, when her husband moved to Oakland, as he had obtained employment with the E. C. Potter Company, Pompton Lake. Being used to living in a big city, she did not like the quiet life of Oakland, and had often asked her husband to return to New York. He finally gave up his place at Pompton Lake, and yesterday went to Jersey City, to seek employment there. On his return late last night he found the house in darkness. He opened the door with his latch key and after striking a match, walked into the dining room. There he was horrified to see the headless body of his 8-year-old son lying on the floor. The head lay near the boy's foot. Near the head lay the body of his pet dog, which Mrs. Oswald had been feeding in another room with her young baby in her arms. She was sitting sootily to the infant and when he appeared to recognize him. When asked about the murdered boy, she did not seem to understand what was said to her. Near the bed her two other children, a boy and a girl, were sleeping. The authorities were notified, and Mrs. Oswald was later placed under arrest. In the room in which the boy and the dog were killed, everything was scattered with blood.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

- Deloraine, Man., Conservatives have nominated Samuel Hughes for the Commons. The Aetatic labor bill passed its second reading before the Transvaal Legislative Council. Dr. Mohor, of the Orillia Asylum will be promoted to the vacancy at the head of the Brockville Asylum. The officers of the Toronto garrison, have settled on Feb. 3rd as the date of their dinner to Sir Frederick Borden. It is reported that France will not support Russia in the event of war, and the latter is inclined to give way to Japan. The Imperial Labor Federation, organized at Manchester, is opposed to taxation or food until the empire is able to produce all that it needs. Greater Britain will be asked to contribute towards the Newman Memorial Church, at Birmingham. The Aetatic labor bill passed its second reading before the Transvaal Legislative Council. The Berlin correspondent of the Standard says negotiations between Canada and Germany are not likely to be concluded until Britain's fiscal fight is over. A despatch from Rome says that the congregation has appointed Cardinals Rampolla, Segna, Cavagnari and Gennari to codify the immense mass of canon law. HOPEFUL OF PEACE. But Japan Will Fight Rather Than Forego China's Rights. London, Jan. 25.—The Westminster Gazette this afternoon voices official and general opinion on the far east crisis, saying: "We believe the chances of peace are at this moment more favorable than they have been for some weeks past." The Associated Press learns that even Lord Lansdowne who has been consistently pessimistic, yesterday took a hopeful view of the situation and expressed the belief that war would be averted. His opinion was based on the conditions outlined in these despatches yesterday, namely that Russia is willing to concede practically all Japan's demands, that she cannot see her way to make a treaty with Japan recognizing in black and white China's sovereignty over Manchuria. Describing this, however, as a pessimistic view, he declared to-day that Japan would rather fight than forego an actual treaty admission by Russia to China's sovereignty over Manchuria. The diplomats here, though differing in view as to the outcome, all agree that the dispute is not likely to be settled without another depressing period, which is expected to occur when the war party in Japan raises its inevitable objections after the receipt of the pending Russian reply against any settlement except by recourse to arms.

SERVICE ON THE GRAND TRUNK.

General Manager Hays Reply to Criticism.

Heavy Expenditure in Making the System First-Class.

Branch Lines Will be Looked After Better in Future.

The criticism which the Grand Trunk Railway has received because of its service in western Ontario, and particularly on the branch lines, is replied to by Mr. Chas. M. Hays, second Vice-President and General Manager of the Company, in the following letter. Mr. Hays says: "With-out wishing to enter into a controversy over the situation or prolong its discussion through the press, but because of the fear that silence on the part of the management may be taken as indifference to the welfare of our patrons, or an unwillingness on our part to recognize that there still remains room for improvement on the part of the railway, I will ask you to read the following statement, a short statement from the standpoint of the Grand Trunk Railway, relative to the complaints in regard to unsatisfactory service on lines in Ontario."

WRITING ON THE WALL.

London Chronicle on Recent Liberal Victims. London, Jan. 25.—The return of a Liberal Labor candidate in the Gathewald by-election by a majority of 1,205 is hailed as a great victory for free trade, particularly as the local industries had suffered from foreign dumping. The Chronicle this morning has a picture of Mr. Chamberlain, with the heading "The Modern Balaazar" and "the writing on the wall represented by the recent Liberal victories." The Standard says the electoral calculations of the Tariff Reform League are ludicrously at fault. There is no sign whatever that the constituencies endorse the demand for a fiscal revolution. The imperative duty of the hour is to rally to the support of Premier Balfour's policy and repudiate the wedge of secession. We construe his meaning to be that a preferential policy is not to be treated as an item of the official programme and still less as a Unionist test. The Bishop of Hereford has written a letter denouncing the "Birmingham gospel" (Mr. Chamberlain's proposals) as all in the interests of the rich and without mercy for the poor and needy. It would mean a debasement of public life, and it is the burden of duty of every Christian minister to oppose it.

THIBET TO FIGHT BRITISH.

Mad Mullah's Forces Meet With Serious Reverse.

Calcutta, Jan. 25.—Reports from the British expedition to Thibet indicate that the Thibetans are likely to show fight. The native priests declare they will appeal to Russia if the advance continues. Mad Mullah Surprised. Aden, Arabia, Jan. 25.—Advices from Somaliland say that Kenna's Somali mounted infantry surprised a body of the Mullah's forces on Jan. 17, in the vicinity of Elbaada, killing forty spearmen and capturing 2,000 camels and thousands of sheep.

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