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HIS WAY IS NOT CLEAR

Premier Laurier Knows Not Yet What To Do About That Portfolio.

MANITOBA LIBERALS ARE DIVIDED.

Mr. Martin's Friends Do Not Propose to Have Him Left Out in the Cold.

Is Clifford Sifton Conferring With the Powers at Ottawa on the School Question?—New Regulations Regarding Bicycles Brought Into Canada by Tourists—Mr. Paterson's Appointment the Talk of Gossips—Field Gun Practice—Annual Report of the Superintendent of Insurance—Sam Barnett's Catering Pleased the Liberals in the Big Commons Building—Ottawa Topics.

Ottawa, Aug. 14.—(Special.)—From present appearances Mr. Laurier is not having a very easy task in selecting a Minister of the Interior. Mr. Sifton, Attorney-General for Manitoba, is still in the city, and it is generally conceded that he would make an excellent Minister of the Interior, but the course seemingly is not quite clear for Mr. Laurier. The Manitoba Liberals appear to be divided into factions, one set pulling against the other. Strong influence has been brought to bear on Mr. Laurier in favor of Joe Martin, and it is possible that even yet the Premier may have to take him, although Mr. Martin will be a bitter pill for the party to swallow. While there are not a few who admire Mr. Martin's belligerency, yet generally he is detested on account of his boorishness and uncouthness of manner; and while the official Liberals regretted the loss of a seat for Winnipeg, yet there were not a few who rejoiced that Joe Martin was out of the House.

The Government organ here gives currency to the rumor that Mr. Sifton's business here is connected with the school question, and that there is no immediate prospect of him or any one else being taken into the Government as Minister of the Interior.

So far as the Manitoba school question is concerned, the matter has not been taken up officially by the Government, although there have been informal talks amongst the Ministers. The question, however, cannot be staved off very long, as immediately Parliament meets explanations will be asked of the Government, and an endeavor made to elicit the policy they intend to pursue.

The Bikes of Tourists.

The Department of Customs has had prepared a form of application for permission to import bicycles (not new) when brought into Canada by tourists or others. The new regulation applies to cyclists who may come from Europe and who are not consequently members of the L.A.W. In the case of members of the League of American Wheelmen, no money deposit is required when a bicyclist brings his wheel into the country. All that he is required to do is to deposit his L.A.W. certificate at the nearest Custom House. In the case of tourists, either from Europe or the United States, if they be not members of the L.A.W. a deposit is exacted equal to the amount of duty upon the retail price of the bicycle. The new permit just out has to be filled in by the tourist, and when his wheel is re-manifested out of the country the amount deposited on it is refunded to the party who may have brought the wheel into Canada.

The North Grey Light.

Great interest is being manifested here in the result of the North Grey election. Many Liberals have wondered how it came about that Mr. Laurier chose Mr. Paterson as a member of his Government, when there were other good men available who had been fortunate enough to secure election on 23rd June. Among those were Mr. Lister, Mr. McMullen and Mr. William Gibson. It will be observed that The Globe has told these gentlemen some of the election frauds held out the hope that a portfolio will be theirs "some day." Mr. Lister, it is said, was very wrathy that he was turned down for Mr. Paterson, but what helped the present Controller of Customs was the fact that he was a business man, and it was to minimize the cry that there were too many lawyers in the Cabinet that led to the selection of Mr. Paterson over either Mr. Lister or Mr. Mills.

To Make Room for Mr. Mills.

Talking about Mr. Mills reminds one of the possibility of his securing a seat on the Supreme Court bench before Christmas, as it is definitely understood that Mr. Justice Gwynne will retire on the expiration of his present leave. If he does not manifest a disposition to step out it is not unlikely that he will be superannuated, whether he will sit or not.

Field Gun Practice.

A special militia general order issued this morning states that the annual gun practice of detachments from field batteries of active militia in Ontario and Quebec will be carried out at Laprairie, near Montreal, from August 31 to September 8. Detachments of "A" and "B" Field Batteries will arrive at camp at Laprairie on the dates given below and will remain for two days' practice. Each detachment will consist of from two to four combatant officers and twelve non-commissioned officers and gunners, six of whom at least must be non-commissioned officers. The dates are: Montreal, Aug. 31; Quebec and Shefford, Sept. 1; London and Welland Canal, Sept. 2; First Brigade, Guelph, Sept. 3; Ottawa and Durham, Sept. 4; Hamilton and Toronto, Sept. 5; Kingston and Gananoque, Sept. 7.

Detachments may arrange to arrive at camp on the evening before the above date or on the morning of the dates given.

Lieut.-Col. Wilson, R.C.A., has been appointed camp commandant, while Capt. O. Pelletier will act as camp adjutant.

Field Batteries not in the foregoing list will perform their annual practice at local headquarters.

Comparative Efficiency.

A return of comparative efficiency for the field batteries which performed their 12 days in camp in June, this year, showed that none of them touched the Ottawa battery, which was at that time only allowed eight days. The Guelph battery scored 510 points to the Ottawa battery's 519, Toronto 509, Welland Canal 477.

In the matter of militia equipment, it is learned that something has been done towards securing a new outfit, but nothing definite, and it is said that a modification of equipment, known to the force here as the invention of Surgeon-Major Oliver of Halifax, may have a chance of being selected.

Mr. Fitzgerald's Annual Report.

The annual report of the Superintendent of Insurance has been issued. During the year 1895 the business of insurance in Canada was carried on by 35 companies. Of these, six were Canadian, 21 British and eight American. The cash received for premiums during the year in Canada has amounted to $[illegible]82, being greater than that received in 1894 by $232,013. The amount paid for losses was $4,993,750, which is greater than that paid in 1894 by $404,387. The gross amount of policies, new and renewed, taken during the year by fire companies was $667,639,048, showing an increase of $14,049,620 over the amount taken in 1894. The increase in the amounts of insurance taken in 1895, as compared with 1894, among Canadian companies, is $9,005,528. Among British companies there is an increase of $1,527,809, and among American companies there is an increase of $3,516,283.

The Death List.

The total death list rate was 11.092 in 1895, compared with 10.340 in 1894. The total amount of policies in Canada, taken during the year 1895, was $44,341,198, which is less than the amount taken in 1894 by $5,184,059. The Canadian companies show a decrease in 1895 of $760,692, whilst in 1894 they had an increase of $580,927. The American companies have a decrease of $4,543,789, while in 1894 they had a decrease of $3,495,122; and the British companies have an increase of $123,422, whilst in 1894 they had an increase of $246,361, the total decrease in 1895 being $5,184,029.

Opening of the House.

The Governor-General will arrive in town on Monday or Tuesday. The preliminary proceedings at the opening of Parliament on Wednesday will not, as usual on such occasions, call for his presence. Deputy Governor Sir H. Strong will preside. The Speaker, having been elected, will present himself to the Governor-General on Thursday, and Parliament will be opened with the customary Speech from the Throne.

General Topics of Interest.

Dominion Statistician Johnson is seeking information regarding the public libraries of Canada. He has issued a circular calling for the number of volumes to be found in each; also classes of books, and the position that each institution occupies in regard to financial support, whether it is dependent upon subscription or endowed.

Sam Barnett of Toronto has secured the House of Commons restaurant for the coming session. He has managed it well for the past two or three years. He will have the Senate restaurant as well.

The Journal says the Ottawa Liberals, who were applying for the Commons restaurant, are going to make a protest to Mr. Edgar when he reaches here against Mr. Barnett's appointment. Toronto is sometimes called "Hog-town," but verily in matters of Government pap Ottawa seems to be wanting everything.

The Free Press (Liberal) says the Q.C. list was considered by Sir Oliver Mowat, whose able report to council against the document brought about its cancellation by order in council.

The Cabinet had another three hours' whack at the estimates this afternoon. The Prime Minister took up his residence at 267 O'Connor-street to-day, and will occupy it with Madame Laurier through the session. Madame Laurier arrived in the city last night.

Messrs. Hugh J. Ryan and F. B. McNamee, the two well-known Government contractors, are in town today on business with the Government.

Mr. Rudolphe Lemieux, member-elect for Gaspe, is here.

Word was received to-day that the Hon. L. P. Pelletier, the new Speaker of the Senate, will be in the city on Monday.

A party of car accountants of New England railways was in the city today, seeing the sights.

A deputation consisting of Dr. Brisson, Messrs. Marsar, Drolet and Perreault of Montreal, were introduced to the Premier this afternoon by Mr. Prefontaine, M.P. They represented the Colonization Society of Montreal, and are seeking their annual grant.

The funeral of John Lowry, guardian of No. 7 Fire Station, who was killed on his way to a fire on Wednesday, took place this afternoon. Interment was with Masonic honors. There was a very large attendance.

The Minister of Trade and Commerce is looking into the question of trade between Canada and the West Indies and Australia. Since 1891 there has been a systematic effort on the part of Canada to build up trade with the West Indies, but results so far have not been encouraging. This is held to be due to the difference in freight rates as between Canadian ports and New York, plus the rates for internal transportation in Canada to the seaboard.

W. G. Gerald, Assistant Commissioner of Inland Revenue, is at present inspecting the Ontario distilleries. He will be in Toronto to-morrow.

THAT HOT WAVE.

It Was Ten Degrees Cooler in New York Yesterday—Red Hot in Oklahoma Just Now.

New York, Aug. 14.—The weather in this city to-day is about 10 degrees cooler than it has been for the past nine days. The conditions are cloudy with showers, and fewer prostrations and deaths are reported.

The total number of deaths from heat here yesterday was 36, which is a marked falling off from the record of the previous two days. The total number of heat prostrations was 144, or less than one-third of the number for the previous day.

Guthrie, Oklahoma, Aug. 14.—After a slight drop of temperature for 48 hours, the hot wave started in with renewed vigor yesterday, and the temperature reached 100 degrees in the shade. There were several prostrations, but none fatal. The city water supply is short. Lawns and flowers are burning up and cotton and late corn are being damaged.

Vencedor a Winner.

This does not refer to the speedy American yacht which is attracting so much attention at present, but to the latest production in turn-down collars—"Sword's Vencedor"—a perfect hot weather collar, full range of sizes just received; also 15 dozen semi-negligee shirts, soft body, two collars and cuffs detached. There were received too late for the Civic Holiday trade, and will clear at $1, regular $1.50. All outing goods going at prices which are sure to clear them out, making room for fall goods, which are arriving. Sword, 55 King east.

The genuine Tonka Smoking Mixture is delightfully cool and fragrant. Try a 10 cent package or 1-2 pound tin.

Pember's Turkish Baths. 75c. 129 Yonge.

Rare Business Opportunity.

The old established manufactory and planing mill on the southwest corner of Queen and George-streets, with machinery and plant, in complete running order, is offered for sale or lease on very easy terms. J. L. Troy, 5 King-street west. 6

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We are showing some elegant things in bath robes, mats and towels, just what you want in that line always, at Treble's, 53 King-street west.

TARDIVEL'S CRANK IDEAS.

A Quebec Editor Who Is Fighting Against the Progress of Freemasonry.

NO LIBERAL CATHOLICISM WANTED.

The Coming International Anti-Masonic Congress of Trent.

One of the Editor's Supporters Writes That French Canada Is Doomed Because People Persist in Having Business Transactions With Heretics—An Item of News That Would Have Created No Surprise in Spain About the Time Columbus Discovered America.

Montreal, Aug. 14.—The most pronounced religious and political crank in Canada is P. J. Tardivel, editor of La Verite, at Quebec. He is an able writer and perfectly sincere in his convictions, yet this same man, to be perfectly at home, should have lived in Spain about the year Columbus discovered America. Mr. Tardivel believes it to be a sin for a Catholic to buy butter and cheese from a Protestant grocer. He has figured out that French-Canadians are about half Freemasons, and that such liberal-minded men as Cardinal Taschereau and a great many more of the best prelates and priests in the province are in danger of utter damnation. This strange man, with a few others, founded what was called the Catholic Circle of Quebec, and although the Cardinal Archbishop refused to receive them at his Palace on New Year's day they have a few adherents in the district of Quebec, their latest feat being the political destruction of Hon. Mr. Angers. Now a convention will take place, to be called the International Anti-Masonic Congress of Trent, and all the cranks in this province are being asked to contribute in order to have Mr. Tardivel represent them on the floors of the congress. A gentleman from the Quebec district has sent the editor of La Verite ten dollars, and tells the latter that he is one of the few who believe in the progress that Freemasonry is making in this province.

"The fact of the matter is," he adds, "our dear country is overrun by that pest called Liberal Catholicism, while secret societies flourish very hard. The separation of the Church and State is practically, if not formally, admitted, and everywhere the false doctrine is proclaimed that the priests should not mix up in politics."

The writer deplores the fact that Freemasonry has taken the place of the Church in directing the people. In fact the donor clearly points out that French Canada is doomed because her people persist in having business transactions with heretics, and concludes as follows: "I will not refer to the influence Freemasonry exercises upon our political life, our railways and upon journalism, the thing is too plain to be denied.

"Therefore, my dear Tardivel, there is a great deal of work to be done. Courage and bon voyage."

The Mover of the Address in Reply.

Mr. Rodolph Lemieux, M.P. for Gaspe, was telegraphed for yesterday by Hon. Mr. Laurier and invited to move the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne. Mr. Lemieux is a fine French speaker, and is one of the most pronounced anti-Tarte men amongst the Premier's supporters from this province.

Charged With Bigamy.

A laborer named Elijah Barnum was before the Police Court, charged with bigamy. The accused, it appears, was married 13 years ago to a woman named West, and the couple having parted Barnum was once more married some six years ago, both women being still alive. He at first admitted the charge, but subsequently changed his mind and pleaded not guilty.

Mr. Jeannotte Sues a Priest.

Mr. H. Jeannotte, ex-M.P. for L'Assomption, has taken an action against Rev. Mr. Proulx, ex-Vice Chancellor of Laval University, and at present parish priest of St. Lin. The plaintiff charges that a defendant with having told his flock that Mr. Jeannotte was a liar and a nobody. A lively trial is anticipated.

A Pleasant Little Tale.

People of discriminating taste will find an embarrassment of riches in the display of new and unique neckwear at Quinn's. Aside from the sterling quality of the silk, these neck fixings lend a charm to the appearance rarely produced by any other garment. For individuality of design, exclusive style and superior workmanship, our bow ties at twenty-five cents eclipse anything in the trade to-day.

The Toronto Railway Co.—Where to Go on Saturday.

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The Rossland Record says that Mr. Lilgegran has found another ledge on the "Grand Prize" mine. Mr. Lilgegran, whose energy and knowledge are of the first order, is pushing his work as rapidly as possible, and has sent a first shipment of ore, which is being analyzed.

Excursion to St. Catharines, Falls and Buffalo Tickets at S. J. Sharp's, 78 Yonge-street.

One more chance to visit the above places at the extreme low rate of 75c, $1 and $1.50 on Aug. 18th, 1896.

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The Fall Show of the Bentinck Agricultural Society will be held at Hanover on 17th and 18th September next.

MR. PRINGLE WAS AN AGNOSTIC

And the Church of England Diocese Was Worked Up Over an Erroneous Report—Rector Jarvis' Letter.

Napanee, Aug. 14.—(Special.)—The late Allan Pringle, the well-known Liberal correspondent of The Globe, was a pronounced agnostic. In the report of his funeral service the other day it was stated that the choir of the Anglican Church here took part in the service. This created surprise. The Beaver, in its issue to-day, contains the following letter, which explains itself:

The Rectory,
Napanee, 12th August, 1896.

To the Editor of The Beaver:

Dear Sir,—I regret that, owing no doubt to a misapprehension, the statement was not corrected in your last issue that the choir of St. Mary Magdalene's Church was present and officiated at the funeral rites of the late Allan Pringle, Esq., conducted as they were by the editor of Secular Thought, a professed agnostic. I cannot allow the church and choir to be placed before the public in a false position, and though the action may seem somewhat invidious, I am compelled to make the correction, not only to put myself right, but also in obedience to the request preferred by the authorities of the diocese.

Yours truly,
Arthur Jarvis.

OLD WOMAN'S TRAGIC DEATH.

Fell From the Third-Storey Window of the House of Providence Last Night.

Eliza Brown, a 90-year-old woman, who was an inmate of the House of Providence, Power-street, fell from a third storey window of that institution shortly before 9 o'clock last night and was instantly killed.

The old woman had only been an inmate a month or so and very little is known about her or where she came from. She was very feeble and it is supposed that while sitting on the sill of the window, which is in her sleeping room, she overbalanced and fell a distance of about 30 feet.

Coroner Johnson has issued a warrant for an inquest on Monday, but it is hardly likely that it will be held. It is not supposed that it was a suicide, as the police of No. 4 division knew nothing of the occurrence up to 1 o'clock this morning, nor was the Coroner aware of the facts of the case.

DR. NANSEN'S RETURN.

The Scientific Successes of His Observations are Said to Have Been Magnificent.

Vardoe, Norway, Aug. 14.—Dr. Nansen, whose return from the Arctic regions was announced yesterday, says the Fram drifted with the ice in a westerly direction to 84 degrees and he expects the vessel will eventually arrive at Spitzbergen. He adds that wherever they penetrated they found the ice broken. In consequence of the scarcity of dogs with the expedition, Dr. Nansen was compelled to turn back at 86.15. He says that with a sufficient number of dogs and canoes the Pole would have been reached. The land voyage was most arduous, but extremely valuable scientific rules were obeyed. In the autumn of 1895 Dr. Nansen reached the north coast of Franz Josefland and built a stone house in which he lived the whole winter. The Jackson-Forsyth expedition arrived at Franz Josefland during the following spring.

The Jackson Expedition Safe.

London, Aug. 14.—The Jackson expedition is safe at Franz Josefland. The Windward left Tromsoe on June 10 to take supplies to the Jackson expedition, and not to bring the men back as was generally believed and currently reported. The Windward is understood to have accomplished her task, and presumably found Dr. Nansen with the Jackson party. News of the treatment in commercial transactions with heretics, and concludes as follows: "I will not refer to the influence Freemasonry exercises upon our political life, our railways and upon journalism, the thing is too plain to be denied.

"Therefore, my dear Tardivel, there is a great deal of work to be done. Courage and bon voyage."

Mrs. Nansen Got the News.

London, Aug. 14.—The wife of Dr. Nansen, the Arctic explorer, confirms the report that her husband has arrived at Vardoe on his return from the Arctic regions.

A Magnificent Success.

Stockholm, Aug. 14.—A despatch from Christiana to The Unserland says that Prof. Mohn, who is now at Vardoe, states that the scientific successes of Dr. Nansen's expedition were magnificent. Several unknown islands were discovered and their positions determined. Dr. Nansen, the despatch adds, will leave Vardoe on Monday.

CHASING THE YAQUIS.

United States Regulars Are On Their Trail—Other Companies Protecting Americans at Nogales.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Gen. Wheaton, commanding the Department of the Colorado, telegraphs the War Department that two companies of regulars from Fort Huachuca, Arizona, have been sent to Nogales, Arizona, adjoining the Mexican town of the same name, and another company from the same fort has gone to Kershaw, where they will look for the trail of the Yaquis and endeavor to overtake the fugitives. The companies at Nogales will protect the American section of the town, and it possible assist in the capture of the depredators.

A Boston Man on War.

Rev. Dr. Scott F. Herskey of Boston, who is occupying the pulpit of Cooke's Church during the vacancy of the pastor, will preach a sermon tomorrow morning on "War." The late diplomatic difficulty between the United States and Great Britain might easily have proven a cause for war, in the opinion of Dr. Herskey, who is a member of the Board of Directors and Vice-President of the American Peace and Arbitration Society. This society, like one in England, seeks to substitute a high court of arbitration which is to have final settlement of all frictions between the two great nations. The proposed discourse will be of great interest to all who long to see permanent peace established among the leading powers of the earth.

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WINNIPEG PEOPLE ARE ANGRY

Because The Mail Said Manitoba Would Have No Wheat for Export This Year—Mr. Martin Still on Deck.

Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 14.—(Special.)—Friends of Joseph Martin, evidently with authority, declare positively that Mr. Laurier has promised Mr. Martin the portfolio of the Interior. They say Mr. Laurier told Mr. Martin to go and find a seat and he would give him the vacant Cabinet position.

The Manitoba creameries have just begun their shipment of butter to China and Japan, and are likely to build up a big and profitable trade.

Winnipeg people are indignant over The Mail and Empire's statement that Manitoba will have no wheat for export this year. Members of the Grain Exchange ask The World correspondent to say there will be from twelve to fourteen million bushels of wheat for export.

Andrew Maher, railway laborer of Portage la Prairie, while drunk, fell asleep on the railway track. A passing train cut him to pieces.

Mr. Maxwell, M.P. of Vancouver, and Nicholas Flood Davin, M.P., are here en route to Ottawa.

Hon. Hugh John Macdonald, M.P., leaves for Montreal in a few days. He will attend the Conservative caucus at Ottawa. He may take a hand in the North Grey election.

At a meeting of the Liberals held at Portage la Prairie, strong resolutions were passed urging Mr. Laurier to appoint Joseph Martin as Minister of the Interior.

TO FIRE KICKERS OUT.

Members of the Democratic National Committee Not in Sympathy With Bryan Must Go.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Despatches from New York to the effect that Senator Jones, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, had declared open war on those members of the National Committee not in sympathy with the election of Mr. Bryan, and had determined to oust them and substitute men more zealous in the cause, attracted a great deal of atention about headquarters to-day. While there was no one present authorized to speak for the chairman, there was a general opinion that the reported position he had assumed was the only one he could hold, and that it was absolutely essential in order to bring the party machinery in working harmonious condition. Senator Faulkner, chairman of the Congressional Committee, took the ground that the chairman had the authority to oust such men as declined to follow the behests of their party and substitute others, and that he had acted for the National Committee, which was the sole representative of the National convention, and the only organization that lived over from one convention to another. Should Chairman Jones be found to find that the policy he has outlined meets with too much opposition, he could easily accomplish the same result by appointing the men from the states in "rebellion" to places on the Executive Committee, places on the Executive Committee, which will have the active management of the campaign.

Many Felt Sore.

New York, Aug. 14.—It is said that nearly all the Southern and Western men who came to New York to attend the meeting of the Democratic National Committee and the notification meeting, have left for home very much disgusted with the treatment they received from New York Democracy. Many of them, it is asserted, declared before going that they were in favor of letting New York go by default in this campaign and devoting their energies to the West and South. It is further stated that they made urgent appeals to Senator Jones to refuse to establish even a branch headquarters in New York.

TIMELY SUGGESTIONS

For Comfort During the Remainder of the Present Hot Spell.

"All the world's a-wheel," and the ladies, of course, are not behind in their adaptation to this wonderful fin-de-siecle mode of transit. The great outcry against the tremendous devastation which the bicycle is causing among all sorts of trades and businesses is only a momentary wail. People will soon begin to see that the wheel is here to stay, and will accordingly devise ways and means to meet new conditions. One firm has done so already, Messrs. W. & D. Dineen, at the corner of King and Yonge-streets have secured a large stock of ladies' bicycle hats, just purchased in New York by Mr. W. Dineen. These hats are the latest worn in New York, and may be had in any of the fashionable shades. Ladies, this is a splendid opportunity to complete your wheeling costume, by selecting a hat to match your dress so do not miss it. With its customary vigilance, this King and Yonge-street firm is already buying in New York its fall goods, and, as these will soon be arriving, tremendous slaughtering of the summer stock of straws and felt hats has commenced. Why not wear a nobby straw hat throughout Exhibition time? Most of us remember the sweltering humidity that usually characterizes those two weeks, so important to our city. The camping season is now in full swing and do not forget that greatly reduced prices at which holiday-makers may secure their yachting, tennis, camping and all sorts, sizes and shades of summer sporting hats or caps at Dineens'.

Play Pillow-dex, the most exciting and laughable new game ever invented. In two sizes at 25c and 50c each. The Harold A. Wilson Co., 35 King-st. W.

The Dominion Telegraph Company.

The shareholders of the Dominion Telegraph Co. held their 27th annual general meeting yesterday, President Thomas Swinyard in the chair. The report, as presented in another column, was unanimously adopted, and Mr. Thomas Swinyard re-appointed president, Sir Frank Smith vice-president, and Mr. Fred Roper secretary and treasurer. A pleasing feature of the meeting was the presentation to President Swinyard by his colleagues of a very valuable service of silver plate.

"Salada" Ceylon Tea is restful.

Summer Reading.

Seats of the Mighty, by Parker; The Master Craftsman, by Besant; Joan of Arc, by Mark Twain; Damnation of Theron Ware, by Frederick; Houseboat on Styx, by Bangs; Dr. Nikola, by Guy Boothby; Dorothy Marvin, by Snaith; A Humble Enterprise, by Ada Cambridge, at The Harold A. Wilson Co., 35 King-street west.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 204 King W. Evg 50c.

Messrs. Wm. McGill & Co. beg to say that they are taking American greenbacks and also Silver Certificates at par in payment for Coal and Wood or on account thereof.

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A good truss properly fitted for $1 at The S. E. Chandler, Son & Co., Ltd., 108 110 and 112 Victoria-street.

HIS BODY IN A CESSPOOL.

An Aged Woman Accused of Killing Her Invalid Partner.

THE HEAD DETACHED FROM THE TRUNK

And the Remains in a Fearful Condition When Found.

A Hard-Working Railroad Carpenter, Whose Health Had Broken Down, Was Left to the Care of His Wife and, Not Having Been Seen Since September, the Neighbors Became Suspicious—Investigation in Her Cellar Led to the Ghastly Discovery.

New York, Aug. 14.—Mrs. Phebe Wilson, an old resident of Flushing, L.I., was arrested yesterday on suspicion of having murdered her invalid husband and hidden his remains in a cellar cesspool for many months.

The woman's arrest followed soon after the discovery of the badly decomposed body which, headless and almost fleshless, was found in a noisome pool under her kitchen. She denied guilt, stoutly at first, afterward hysterically, but the evidence against her seemed so strong that no hesitation was manifested in taking her into custody, and all formalities were waived.

The crime, if crime it be, is the most brutal and cold-blooded in the history of that district.

Edward Wilson, a hard-working railroad carpenter, after over forty years' toil, rendered helpless by acute inflammatory rheumatism, became dependent upon the poor bounty of his wife, whom he had supported to the best of his ability.

His Wife Received Him Coldly.

He was carried back to his home in September last, after he had been obliged to give up his position on the New York & Northern Railroad on account of his physical disability. His wife received him coldly and made no attempt to conceal her annoyance at having to provide for him during the remainder of his natural days. More over, she took him in and allowed it to be understood by her townsmen that she would take care of him as best she could.

The day Edward Wilson was lifted into the dingy little two-storey frame house at No. 94 Pine-street, that day he disappeared from the face of the earth. Never since has he been seen by any of his kind, save only his wife, until yesterday, when his mutilated body was dragged from the black water of his own cellar by Inspector Roff.

Rightly to understand the enormity of the crime of which she is suspected, it must be borne in mind that Mrs. Wilson is about 55 years of age, had been the wife of the man for nearly 40 years, and so far as could be learned, had always borne a good reputation.

The mystery deepens when it is noted that no wound was found upon the body, say, rather the skeleton, for only enough flesh remained upon the face and trunk to make possible the identification of the remains as those of Edward Wilson. The head was detached from the body, but whether it had been cut away immediately after death, or eaten off by the action of the water, not even the most skilful physician in Flushing could say. No cause of death was revealed by the autopsy.

History of the Mystery.

The history of the mystery is interesting, and altogether out of the ordinary line of criminal work.

A few days ago the following letter was handed to Constable Slavin:

"Dear Sir,—Will you please investigate the mysterious disappearance last September of Edward, better known as 'Pony' Wilson of Pine-street, Flushing.

"He was sick and unable to leave his bed at that time. Mrs. Wilson confronts every enquiry at the house with contestable stories, and will not give his address. If alive, where is he?

"Citizen."

Imediately upon the receipt of this letter Constable Slavin began an investigation.

He visited Mrs. Wilson and asked for information of her husband.

"He is with his relatives in the east," said the woman, holding the door of her house in such a manner that Slavin could not well enter without forcing his way.

Slavin piled her with many further questions, but all he could elicit from her was the statement that Wilson was "in the east, she couldn't say just where, and she didn't know when he would return." So he interviewed the neighbors, and from them he obtained much more satisfactory information.

Heard Strange Sounds.

They told him they had at one time heard moans and groans coming from the Wilsons' home, and that those sounds plainly were not uttered by Mrs. Wilson. The bedridden husband, they said, had not been seen since the preceding September, and there was nothing to prove that he was still alive further than that of his wife's statement. Furthermore, they informed him, Mrs. Wilson had long ago refused to admit any one to her house on any pretext, and that, they hinted, looked very suspicious.

Inspector Roff went to the Wilson home about 9 o'clocq yesterday morning and told Mrs. Wilson he wished to inspect her premises. She was feeding her chickens and cats in the back yard and appeared to be much annoyed by the Inspector's intrusion.

A Horrible Discovery.

He found the place encumbered by large quantities of refuse, which, however, did not account to him for the odor that seemed to come from the house. He traced this to the cellar and said he must go downstairs.

Mrs. Wilson protested that her cellar was clean, but Roff, who was looking for something more than mere rubbish, persisted.

Roff groped his way down the cellar stairway, closely followed by Mrs. Wilson. He found everything reeking with filth and warned her she must institute a thorough reform at once.

Roff pulled down the pile of boards that covered the pool, and as fast as he did so, Mrs. Wilson tried to replace them unobserved.

Finally he struck something that made him start. With the crook of his stick he brought it to the surface. Then he fell back, almost overcome.

"Never mind that; it's only rubbish the rats have caried into the cellar," said Mrs. Wilson, anxiously.

Roff drove her out of the cellar, and turned her over to a man he had stationed outside. Then he returned to the cesspool and dragged his find out of the water. It was a headless body.

The left foot, too, was missing, and there was little flesh on any of the bones. Plainly it had been in the water for a long time.

The arms were bound tightly to the sides with several coils of three-quarter of an inch rope.

Inspector Roff found the head after much trouble, and by the light of the candle recognized it as that of Edward Wilson, whom he had known for many years. There was little of the face, but the grey mustache and the general outline of the features made him positive in his identification.

Around the neck was tied a single coil of the same rope which bound the body. It had eaten into the flesh, and was almost hidden by a coating of slime.

Just as she was, in a wretched gown and enormous slippers, Mrs. Wilson, trembling and woefully frightened, was hurried off to Justice Smith's office and delivered to Constable James Stanton, who took her to the Town Hall and turned her over to the jailer.

ACTIVITY IN ROSSLAND.

Two Important Strikes of Fine Ore Have Just Been Made—The Stock Market is Very Active.

Rossland, B.C., Aug. 14.—(Special.)—The Miner of to-day reports two important strikes, one on the Silver Bell group in the south belt, where six feet of ore were opened, averaging nearly fifty dollars, the other on Heather Belle, situated on Sullivan Creek, ten miles north of Rossland, where an immense body of ore was found at a depth of only twelve feet, assaying about fifteen dollars.

The stock market is very active here this week, owing to the highly favorable progress of the mines.

The Hall mines smelter at Nelson has closed ore contracts with the Nickel Plate, Crown Point and Kootenay and Columbia.

CLEVELAND DECLINED.

The President Was Invited to Bryan's Ratification Meeting in New York—His Letter Not Made Public.

Washington, Aug. 14.—On what appears to be excellent authority, it is asserted to-day that President Cleveland was invited to attend the Bryan notification meeting in New York and declined by letter. This letter has not yet been made public. Further than this, it is said that he has notified the leaders of the Democratic sound money movement that he is in part, if not altogether, in sympathy with their position. It is understood, however, that Cleveland does not favor the selection of an independent ticket at Indianapolis, but prefers that the convention decide that every sound money Democratic voter use his own judgment in casting his vote, either for McKinley or Bryan. It is added by men who ought to know Cleveland's position that he favors a strong sound money platform at the Indianapolis convention, one which will denounce the Populist planks in the Chicago Democratic platform, believing that an arraignment of these planks from beginning to end is necessary in order to give the voters of the country an idea of the course they should pursue at the polls. Some even hint that Cleveland, if he finds it necessary, will not object to placing an independent ticket in the field. His only purpose, it is said, is to prevent the Democrats from casting their votes for Bryan, rather than McKinley.

WOULD BLAKE TAKE IT?

What John Dillon Says About the Proposal to Make the Canadian a Privy Council Judge.

London, Aug. 14.—The suggestion that Hon. Edward Blake would be nominated by Hon. Mr. Laurier for the Canadian seat on the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council arouses much interest in the Irish Parliamentary party. John Dillon said today that he did not believe that Mr. Blake had been approached on the subject, and it is a mistake to suppose that Mr. Blake is under a pledge to a party not to accept any position of emolument from any British Government. No doubt Mr. Blake's great abilities would do honor to the Privy Council, Canada and the Empire, but Mr. Blake having put his hand to the plow for the regeneration of Ireland, he is not likely to turn back until success is attained. Mr. Blake has shown much zeal lately to ensure the success of the coming Irish convention in the belief that it will heal the dissensions and make the Irish party again united.

THEY FOUGHT WITH KNIVES.

An Aged Couple in Michigan Found Horribly Cut and Dying.

Owosso, Mich., Aug. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. George Russell, an aged couple, who live alone, were found with their throats cut and in a dying condition at their home this morning. The old man claims his throat was slashed by a masked man while he was in the kitchen. Mrs. Russell will say nothing about her assailant, but says she was attacked while asleep in bed. Russell was found in an unconscious condition on the floor of his bedroom upstairs, while Mrs. Russell was found on the first floor. Both were fully dressed and covered with blood when neighbors entered the house this morning. These neighbors say that the old couple were quarrelling nearly all night. It is believed that they assaulted each other with knives during their quarrel. Physicians say both will probably die.

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Shot a Prisoner of War.

Havana, Aug. 14.—Bernardino Rodriguez Estevez, a prisoner of war, was shot at Matanzas yesterday.

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BIRTHS.

DOYLE—On Aug. 10, at Neola, Iowa, to Dr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Doyle, a daughter.

DEATHS.

LETTAU—On Friday, Aug. 14, at 340 George-street, Lisette Lettau, in the 73rd year of her age.

Funeral on Saturday at 4 p.m. to St. James' Cemetery.

Rochester, N.Y., papers please copy.

MERRY—At her late residence, 31 Pembroke-street, Harriet, relict of the late Martin Merry, aged 63 years.

Funeral on Saturday at 2.30 o'clock to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

THREE THUGS ABROAD

Have the Hamilton Highwaymen Changed Their Base of Operations

AND STARTED WORK IN TORONTO?

After Holding Up a Bicyclist in the East They Stop a Man With a Rig,

Who Proves to be County Constable Burns—They Ordered Him to Get Out and Give Up His Valuables—They Then Attacked Him and a Fight Ensued—He Held One Man Till Help Arrived—The Brutal Fellow Now at Police Headquarters Gives the Name Alex. Barry of Hamilton.

Three desperadoes made things very lively for a short time in East To