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SEVERAL LIVES LOST,

And Great Damage Done by a Storm in Tennessee.

TULLAHOMA, Tenn., March 31.—
Several lives were lost in Friday's storm and the damage caused to property by the flood will amount to thousands of dollars. On the main line of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St.

Louis R. R., between Cortner station and Wartrace, the Duck River bridge, the Little Garrison bridge and several miles of track were washed away. No trains have arrived from Nashville since moon Friday. It will be several days before trains can get through to McMinnville and Sparta on the McMinnville and Sparta on the McMinnville away near McMinnville. At Manchester, the Stones' flouring mill on Duck River was carried two miles down the stream and is a mass of debris.

Our spring business has started in earnest. This has been by far the best month's business we ever had. Saturday's business, although it rained all day, beat all previous records of any one day. This shows how the clothing buyers of St. John appreciate good, serviceable, up-to-date clothing at mederate prices.

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TALK OF PROTECTION.

Free Trade Is Steadily Losing Ground in England.

LONDON, March 27.—The shadow of the coming budget hangs heavy and depressing over commercial circles. The withdrawais of merchandise from bond, which have assumed almost panic proportions, indicate how mercantile opinion is moving on the question of the new taxes. Wines, spirits, and tobacco are the features of the withdrawais, but at present the greatest run is on sugar. So great is the business done that the government, on an appeal of the merchants, has set aside extra wharfage to expedite the sugar passing strough bond. This is called "suffrage wharfage," for the stock set aside on it is free from possible increased duties.

Huge quantities of wheat are also coming in, and petroleum is one of the commodities which dealers are adding to their supplies. Bonded cabmen have never before had such a time for carrying general goods, and in consequence their other work has to be sublet.

discussion of measures that might tend to reduce the blighting load of taxa-tion. The chief proposal considered is that of a tariff on imports from for-

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The United Empire Trade League has practically declared for protection on a basis similar to that in force in the States, At a meeting the other day in the Westminster Palace Hotel the league unanimously passed resolutions urging upon the government and upon parliament the necessity of thoroughly reconsidering the existing financial system before the presentation of the budget with regard to the continual growth of expenditure and the increasing pressure of direct taxation.

The resolution further declared that true reform lay in the development of commercial intercourse upon a preferential basis between the various portions of the empire, and in giving a customs advantage in the United Kingdom to all products of the empire, the figure fixed being one-third of the duties levied, thereby following the example of Canada.

Sir Howard Vincent, who moved the resolution, declared the taxation of the foreigner was absolutely necessary to recover Britain's lost commercial prestige; that the foreigner was answerable for the loss of trade and the growing pauperism of the nation, and that Britain should possess the same weapon for negotiations abroad as that yielded by other nations.

He added that the evils of free trade were manifest and that protective measures should be adopted if commercial ruin is to be averted. Thus the will be seen the trend of opinion in favor of protection is rapidly crystallizing. The situation, in fact, is merely an endorsement of the plan that has made America the most prosperous among nations.

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among nations. With regard to Sir Howard's statement as to the growth of pauperism, a report by the Local Government Board is significant. It shows that there are within the metropolitan area 111,455 paupers, who are in receipt of relief, against 107,370 for the corresponding week a year ago—an increase that bears heavily on the purses of the ratepayers.

TWO FUNERAL PROCESSIONS

In Sight of Each Other, and Each Mourner Carrying a Rifle.

CHICAGO, March 31.—The Tribune's Whitsburg, Ky., special says: Two unique funeral processions were witnessed in Pike county on Sunday afternoon. There were 200 mourners, and every man carried a rifle across his shoulder.

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One was the funeral of two half-breeds, Thompson and his son Eph, who were killed in the quadruple tragedy of Saturday morning, the other victims being John Rutherford and Harry Watts. The Hathfelds were buried on the mountain side.

The other funeral was that of John Rutherford. Both were conducted at the same time and the two processions were in plain view of each other.

The Rutherford's are greatly wrought up over the killing of their kinsman, and it is likely that a feud which may eclipse the celebrated Hatfield-McCoy feud has just begun.

TOLSTOI'S CONDITION.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Private advices from members of Tolstol's immediate family say that the philosopher has been too much weakened by his late illness to ever regain even a shadow of his former health and strength, cables the St. Petersburg correspondent of the American and Journal. For three months, or longer, his pulse has been irregular and of late becomes weaker and weaker, while insomnia is adding to his other sufferings.

WE DON'T MIND.

BOMBAY, March 31—It is asserted here that the Russian subsidized steamer Korniloff, on her last visit to the Persian gulf, landed 60 riffes at Bender Abbas (a sea-port in Persia on the Persian Gulf at most northerly part of Strait of Ormuz.)

THE STR. ETRURIA.

LONDON, March 31.-An arrival as Queenstown reports sighting, March 25th the disabled Cunard line steamer Etruria. She was in tow of two tugs and a steamer was steering her. The Etruria was making but little headway.

A BULL FIGHT.

The Goaded Animal Turned on His Tormentors,

and Amid American Cheers Tossed and Gored the Mexican

EL PASO, Texas, March 31.—The usual Sunday bull fight at Juaritz, Mexico, was accompanied by a somewhat unisual feature, the goaded animal turning the tables on the matador. Several bulls had been brought into the arena, but the amusement they furnished was rather tame from a Mexican standpoint. There were many Americans among the spectators, who were somewhat disgusted with the brutal show as horse after horse was gored by the tormented builts while the picadors and matadors escaped acathless.

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This was all changed, however, when Jarligo, the premier matador was preparing to thrust his long double-edged sword into the heart of the fifth bull which had faced him. It stood in the centre of the arena bleeding from many wounds. Suddenly the bull made a quief lunge forward. So unexpected was the attack that the fighter was unable to make the customary side-step. He was caught on the bull's horns in the middle of the body and tossed about like a toy balloon. Before he could be resqued Jarligo's ciothing was literally stripped from his body and his right leg and hip were everly lacerated. It probably will prove his last bull-fight, as it is not thought that he will be able to step into the ring again as a matador. As the bull tossed the man high in the air, receiving his body on its horns only again to toss it up, the Americans among the spectato's cheered for the animal loudly, which called forth storms of hisses from the Mexicans present, and for a time it looked as though there would be a collision between the two races. tween the two races

A TORONTO MAN.

Advocates a Dominion Veterans' Association and a Decoration Day.

To the Editor of the Toronto Globe: For a number of years there has existed in Toronto veterans' associations for two of the columns that served in the Northwest during the rebellion of 1885. Now these are happily combined in one Northwest Field Force, 1885, Association, with present ineadquarters in Toronto. In attempt was also made to Induce the Veterans of 1866 to join in one Decoration Day, but after some In Torons of attempt was also made to induce the Veterans of 1805 to join in one Decoration Day, but after some negotiations the scheme fell through. We have now associations of those who served the empire in South Africa, and we have comrades serving on the west coast of Africa and other parts of the world, and no doubt we shall soon see monuments erected in different parts of the dominion to commemorate the memory of our gallant brothers who have fallen in the cause.

Year after year we of the 1885 association find gaps in our ranks, and miss many familiar faces. In the case of the 1866 and 1870 veterans this must be even more apparent, and the question comes, when they are gone, and when we are gone, who will keep alive the memory of the gallant lads who fell, and who will decorate the monuments?

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Many of us have discussed this matter, and we are agreed that the best way to preserve this patriotic custom would be to form a Dominion Veterans' Association, with headquarters in Ottawa, and to include all veterans who have seen active service in Canada or any portion of the empire. His Excellency the Governor-General is already a member and hon, president of the Northwest Fleld Force, 1885, Association, having served in that campaign himself, and no doubt if one association, anch as I have suggested was organized for the whole dominion he would give us his gracious assistance We have also an energetic and capable minister of militia, whose assistance

would give us his gracious assistance We have also an energetic and capable minister of militia, whose assistance be relied on, and with Colonel Macdonald, Lord Aylmer, Colonel Cotton, Lieut, Colonel Cartwright and others at headquarters, we should be sure that a dominion association was well and efficiently run.

I would propose that the Dominion Veterans' Association should form branches in every province and suitable centre, and that the government of Canada should appoint one suitable day, made a public holiday, as Decoration Day. It might be May 24 or some other suitable day, and the local branches should one and all parade and decorate the monuments in the cities and towns that have been erected to the memory of our fallen comrades, in whatever campaign they gave up thier lives, whether in 1866, 1885, South Africa, East Africa, West Africa or elsewhere when fighting for the empire.

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In this way, whether we present members live or die, the memory of those who fell will always be kept green and patriotism stirred up in the hearts of the young. Our passing away would in no way interfere with the annual parade of the Dominion Veterans' Association.

C. GREVILLE HARSTON, Late Brigade Major, Northwest Field Force and Treasurer of the N. W. F. F., 1885, Association. Toronto, March 24.

HNHAPPY CONEY ISLAND

NAME YORK, March 31.—Coney Island was plunged into gloom by the announcement that a wave of reform will sweep over it. A circular letter bearing the police commissioner's signature has been read to the members of the police force, calling for volunteers to assist in the work.

LAWYER PATRICK,

Convicted Murderer, Secretly Married in His Cell in New York.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Albert T. Patrick, convicted last week of murder in the first degree for plotting the death of millionaire Wm. Marshal Rice, and now awaiting the death sentence, and Mrs. Addie M. Francis have become husband and wife in the matron's room of the Tombs, according to the American and Journal. A pen stroke did it, despite all measures taken to prevent.

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The arrangements were so perfectly made, so secretly planned and so cleverly executed that not until the marriage was completed were Patrick's guards cognizant that it was even intended. The fact that commissioner of correction Hynes had declared his opposition to a marriage between the prisoner and the woman who has been so faithful to him during his long incarceration, and the exhausting tension of the long trial, made the Tombs officials more alert to prevent a marriage in the prison. The marriage is said to have been accomplished, however, while the patron was present. The latter, however, was so much preoccupied with attending to the linen and other duties that she was unaware what was going on.

Mrs. Francis, accompanied by her attorney, her sister and Patrick's father, called at the Tombs and asked for a conference with the prisoner. He was escorted to the matron's room and after a few minutes the guard is said to have stepped outside. It is said the wedding contracts were then signed by Patrick and Mrs. Francis in duplicate. Under a law enacted by the legislature a year ago a marriage is lawful when the signing of the contracts is witnessed by two persons.

LIFE'S TRAGEDY.

Monoton Man and Woman Dead, Leaving Two Small Children.

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MONCTON, March 31.—Mr. and Mrs.

Harry Gallagher both lie dead in their home on Elm stret this morning, leaving two helpless children. They were a young married couple about 35 years of age. Yesterday forenoon Mrs. Gallagher, who was not in very good health, was taken suddenly ill and rehealth, was taken suddenly ill and returning to her room died a few hours later, despite medical skill. Last evening Mr. Gallagher, who was foreman shunter in the Intercolonial Railway yard here, expressed fear that he would die, and about ten o'clock while conversing with friends in regard to his affliction he showed signs of collapse. He was given stimularts and raillied temporarily, but gradually became worse until his death at an early hour this morning. An inquest will be held.

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Mrs. Gallagher was a Miss Bolye, daughter of Francis Boyle, of Bloomfield; while Mr. Gallagher was a son of Michael Gallagher, I. C. R. section foreman at Passekeag. He has two brothers, J. W., station agent at Coldbrook, and Michael, living at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gallagher's parents and friends have been notified of the sad affair, and some of them are expected here this morning. It is probable that the husband and wife will be buried together at Bloomfield, although the funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

CHURCH UNROOFED.

Two Persons Killed, the Preacher and Many Others Injured.

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 31.—A Wellsburg, W. Va., report received late last night, says:—The storm which visited here yesterday amounted to a calamity. The historic Franklin M. E. church, four miles east of this place, is in ruins, its venerable pastor is seriously injured, two members of its congregation are dead and several others wounded. The Rev. Mr. Allshouse had reached the peroration of his serfnon when suddenly the gable end of the church was blown in. The falling timbers and debris struck him and fell all church was blown in. The falling timbers and debris struck him and fell all about him. The congregation was panic stricken. Many had reached the outside and others were yet in the edifice when the gale lifted the roof and it fell among the people. The dead and injured are: Estella Brady, 16 years, neck broken, instantly killed; Robt. Gist, 10 years, internally injured, died while being taken home; Tey Allshouse, cut about the head, seriously injured; Melvin Harvey, gashes in head, arm broken; Russell Gist, wounded about head and body. Many others were injured, but not seriously.

HAMPTON SENSATION.

Rumor That Florence Bennett and Sister Have Skipped.

(Special to the Star.)

HAMPTON, March 31—It is rumored that Florence Bennett, who laid information against her father for criminal assault, cleared out this morning on the early train, accompanied by her states and works. THE KAISER'S YACHT. NEW YORK, March 31—The German Emperor's yacht Meteor III. left Shoot-er's Island at 10.30 o'clock this morning for a trial trip at sea. It was under-stood that if the trip was successful the yacht would proceed at once to

FRENCH ELECTIONS. PARIS, March 31.—At a council of the ministers this morning President Loubet signed a decree fixing the gen-eral election for April 27.

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REVOLUTION THREATENED.

WASHINGTON, March 31 .- A cable gram was received at the Colombian legation here today from the minister of foreign affairs at Caracas, entering a positive denial of the report that there had been a change of government in Colombia. The minister adds that everything is quiet in the interior of Colombia and the government is unchanged.

THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, March 31.—Probabilities for Maritime Provinces—Unsettled to-day, a few scattered showers. Tuesday, strong winds or gales, southeasterly to southwesterly; showers. WASHINGTON, March 31.—Eastern, States—Rain and snow this afternoon or tonight; colder in interior. Tuesday, fair brisk to high winds.

IRVING AND TERRY

LONDON, March 3i.—The Atlantic Transport line steamer Minneapolis, which sailed from New York March 22 for this port, arrived at Plymouth to-day. Sir Henry Irving and Ellen Ter-ry, who are passengers, remained on board and will land at London tomor-row.

COLOMBIAN AFFAIRS.

KINGSTON, Pa., March 31.—Large numbers of Haitien refugees are ar-riving here, in consequence of the poli-tical upheaval at Haiti. They say the situation is serious and that trouble is certain to occur soon.

NORWEGIAN LABORERS COMING.

CHRISTIANIA, Norway, March 31.— Laborers to the number of 2,000 are be-ing hired here for railroad work in Canada by an American congressman.