



THE DAY'S DOINGS.

Chronicled and Summarized for Busy

Readers.

Subject for Electrocu and Broken for the Niaga anal — Death of General

Booth's Wife,

CANADIAN. Sir John has returned to Ottawa. It is reported that L. Taschereau will be Conservative candidate in Portneuf.

weeks.

C. W. Mason, who for the past year has been employed as bartender at the Bradley House, Prescott, committed suicide Saturday afternoon by taking a dose of laudanum. He is about 20 years of age.

J. E. Tinim, of Ridgetown, Ohio, or Erie, Pa., a cabinetmaker in search of work at St. Catharines, attempted to commit suicide at a hotel there on Saturday night by cutting his throat with a jack-knife. He is likely to recover.

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EVENING, OCTOBER 6, 1890.

EVILS OF BETTING.

Rumored Amalgamation of the Empire and Mail. The Panacea Proposed by the Church Report that May Have a Good Deal of Foundation.

A Hindoo Girl Married When Four Months Old.

Dr. Parker Preaching One-Minute Ser mons-Sacramental Wine-The Rou-manian Queen's Warm Welcome in England and Wales.

Toronto, Monday, Oct. 6.

The talk that the Mail and the Empire may come into closer relations is once more revived. It has been known for some time that there are too many large papers in Toronto for their own financial good, and that sooner on later the number would probably be reduced in some such way as that suggested. At one time the combination of the Globe and Mail was spoken of—the World starting the story. But there never was anything in it. There is less in it than ever, now, seeing that the Globe has been lately re-stocked by ardent Reform politicians, has secured Farrar as its principal leader writer, and established itself in a magnificent new building. The Globe is here to stay in its present shape and proprietary, and with its past and present politics unchanged. As for the Mail and Empire the case is different, and persons mutually friendly to both maintain that a modus vivendi might easily be discovered by which common business interests might be brought together without humiliation to either side.

Ex-Ald. Trees and daughter were thrown from a carriage while driving yesterday. Mr. Trees' arm was broken and shoulder dislocated.

The tenth anniversary of the Bond Street London, Oct. 6.—The Church Congress which has been sitting in Hull for the past week among other things discussed the evils arising from the betting spirit among all classes. The reverend gentlemen would make public betting an indictable offense; they would make the publication of bets illegal, and would prevent corporations from lettling out land for race courses. They would establish an anti-gambling league, and put down horse racing, and finally have nothing to de with bazars and never play whist for money. The evil of gambling, said one speaker, was involved in even sixpenny points at whist.

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Comments on the McKinley Tariff.

LONDON, Oct. 6.—The Standard, commenting on the probable effects of the McKinley tariff law, says: We need not fear the death or even the diminution of the English iron trade with America if we only imitate the avidity of the Americans to take advantage of every improvement in manufacturing.

educated Hiudoos are joining in a demand for the capsal of the barbarous law which permits such oursages. It is now 60 years since the burning of widows with their dead husbands was about more but more remains to be accomplished to relief the women from their degradation.

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Dublin, Oct. 6.—The Conference of the Irish Nationalists called by Mr. Parnell, was held here to-day. A deputation was chosen to visit America for the purpose of laying before the people of that country a plain statement of the situation of affairs in Ireland. John Dillon, Wm. O'Brien, Thomas P. O'Connor, Timothy Sullivan and Abraham Gill were appointed to form the deputation.

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One-Minute Sermons.

London, Oct. 6.—Dr. Parker, the well-known Congregationalist preacher at the City Temple, is now delivering a series of sermons lasting exactly 60 seconds each, by way of a strong contrast with his brother divines. Yesterday he devoted the whole 60 seconds to the subject of sacramental wine. He managed to get in 160 words before time was called. "It is high time," he said, "that intoxicating wine was banished from the sacramental service. It has driven men to their long abandoned habits of intemperance. I am also opposed to the use of the vile concoctions by which in some instances intoxicating wine has been displaced." This objection to the make-shifts of extreme teetotallers is not surprising, as a certain pastor is credited with the employment of zoedone for the purpose. The preacher concluded his oration by declaring in favor of plain water.

THE BIRCHALLS.

Some of the Statements Made by the Doomed Man.

nother Person implicated Mrs. Bir chall's Position Birchall's State-ment About Bis Wife.

According to the Globe's correspondent at Woodstock, Birchall, who is sentenced to die for the murder of Benwell, has made a number of half-statements and dropped hints and admissions, which, pieced together, form a tolerably coherent story. The value of the story, however, is discounted by the correspondent's statement: "He is such an enormousliar, however, that it would be unsafe to accept any statement he might make even with the rope round his neck, unless it were abundantly corroborated; and of course whatever he may say about what took place at the actual killing of Benwell cannot be substantiated by any ascertained or ascertainable facts." It would seem that he confesses directly that he took Benwell to Eastwood and beyond in the direction of the swamp. But as yet he resiolutely sticks to it that his was not the hand that slew Benwell. Yesterday he said, not for the first time since his conviction, that he could have made a statement to the jury as to his whereabouts and doings on Feb. 17 which would have established his guilt as an accessory.

Mrs. Birchall saw her husband for the first time since he was sentenced to death at 3:30 on Saturday afternoon. Birchall did not know of her coming until she reached the jail in a cab in the company of Mrs. West-Jones. The meeting between them was a sad one, of course. Mr. Cameron, the jailer, stood by. It is now necessary to prevent Mrs. Birchall from kissing or embracing her husband. To be blunt, this is done in order to prevent the possibility of poison being conveyed to the man whom the law has clastmed for its victim. The two ladies remained for a short time. Mrs. Birchall, who has been suffering intensely from nervous prostration, was completely broken down when she passed out into one of Hood's rigs and went off for a short drive with her sister,

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land. He declared, and the tears filled his eyes as he rose and grasped the bars of the cell door, that his wife was innocent both of the frand which he had perpetrated possible of the more hein 223, crime. "My wife," he said, with much warmth, "is a perfectly honorable woman. She knew nothing of what was going on. I deceived her. I lied to her. She believed all I said. If she found me out, or thought she had found me out in one lie I told her another. My word is of no weight now, but I tell you she is as innocent as a child of any participation in the affair. I mean that she had no hand in or knowledge of the swindling or of what happened after we got to the Falls. I hope I shall be believed in this; it is the truth."

Mrs. Birchall has aged greatly. Dr. Ivy has been attending her lately, but the weightiest part of the care falls, of course, upon Mrs. West-Jones, who is a courageous and loyal sister.

There are now four applicants for the position of hangman—one from Waterloo county and three from Toronto.

prices which of from \$5 to and all trim-