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WARDEN STEPHENSON MISSING.

The King of the Kingston Road Has Disappeared

AFTER MAKING AN ASSIGNMENT.

Liabilities Will Exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars.

A Resident of Toronto and Vicinity For Sixty Years, He Becomes Financially Involved and Flies to Escape the Disgrace Which His Downfall Meant—Warden of York, Reeve of East Toronto, President of the Toronto & Scarboro Electric Railway, Magistrate of the Village and Prominent Man Generally.

Donald George Stephenson, Warden of the County of York, Reeve of East Toronto of Village, Justice of the Peace, President of the Toronto & Scarboro Electric Railway, Light & Power Company, member of Acacia Lodge A.F. & A. M., and of East Toronto Court I.O.F., general Pooh-bah of East Toronto and King of the Kingston-road, is missing, and many creditors are mourning his sudden exit.

His liabilities are roughly estimated at $50,000, while his assets, if they could be realized on, would probably reach two-thirds of that amount.

Warden Stephenson left East Toronto on Monday, July 16, saying that he was going to Orillia to look after his lumber interests. It had been known for some time that he was in deep water financially, but the announcement of his intended departure on a visit caused no comment, and nothing was thought of his absence until the villagers learned yesterday that he had made an assignment of his property to Mr. James Baird of Allan & Baird, barristers, of this city.

The Facts of the Assignment.

Before leaving on his ostensible visit to Orillia on July 16, Warden Stephenson had a conference with his bookkeeper, A. J. Thompson, and there and then the form of assignment was drawn up, Stephenson instructing his bookkeeper to fill in the date of the assignment for July 23, on which date he was to hand the document to Mr. Baird. It is a singular fact that Mr. Baird only returned from Atherley, three miles from Orillia, where he was summering, on the day that the assignment was dated. It is also significant that Mr. Baird was in Orillia on July 16, the day that Stephenson is accredited with leaving East Toronto for that town.

The assignment was handed to Mr. Baird Tuesday and was filed with the clerk of the court shortly before 12 o'clock yesterday.

The Missing Warden.

Warden Stephenson is probably known to almost every man in the county of York. He was born in a house at the foot of Church-street, Toronto, on April 2 1835, and is consequently 59 years of age. His father was the late George Stephenson, a native of Yorkshire, England, who died some years ago, but his mother is still a resident of Highland Creek.

Young Donald has had an eventful career. When eleven months old he was taken to Erin, county of Wellington, but two years later the family returned to Highland Creek, and it was here that the future warden received his education at the public school of the village. From the age of 12 to 19 he was employed in his father's sawmill and hotel at Highland Creek. Subsequently his father established him in business with James Nelson, now a retired grain merchant in Toronto.

An Extended Municipal Career.

Mr. Stephenson was first elected a councillor of No. 2 Ward, Scarboro, in 1863 and held the office until 1873, when he removed to Scarboro Junction to engage in the lumber business. In 1874 he was elected deputy reeve and in 1876 was chosen as reeve, which position he continued to hold for five consecutive years.

In 1884 he removed to East Toronto village, and for the past 10 years has been regarded as the father of the place, having been elected reeve when the village was first incorporated, and has held the position ever since.

The Village Pooh-Bah.

He had been associated with every improvement made in the village for the past decade, and was mainly instrumental in establishing the Toronto and Scarboro Electric Railway, of which he is president, although not associated with the active management. His stock in the company is about $1000.

Mr. Stephenson, who could call every Scarboro resident by name, was implicitly trusted, and it is believed that until within the past couple of years he never betrayed the trust reposed in him. People in a position to judge estimate that he must have been appointed executor of at least 400 estates during the last 20 years, doing as much business in that line as the average trust company.

Years ago he was known as the champion hop, step and jump man of the district, and later made himself solid with the bicyclers of the city by macadamizing the Kingston-road and putting it in proper shape for the "boys." It was this that won him the sobriquet of King of the Kingston-road, and incidentally secured the presentation of a handsome gold-headed cane from the bicyclers.

A Great Financier.

Stephenson, although not exactly a prince of finance, knew enough about commercial business to keep his head above water. No later than a few days ago, when Councilor Ben Morton of East Toronto went to the Imperial Bank and inquired as to the warden's standing, the manager told him that he was perfectly good and he should judge easily worth $50,000.

Stephenson carried two bank accounts, one at the Imperial and the other at the market branch of the Dominion.

His liabilities at these two banks will reach $30,000, but it is understood both banks are fully secured.

Carried His Ledger in His Head.

Stephenson's papers were examined by the assignee yesterday, but little could be made of them, as he carried most of his business in his head.

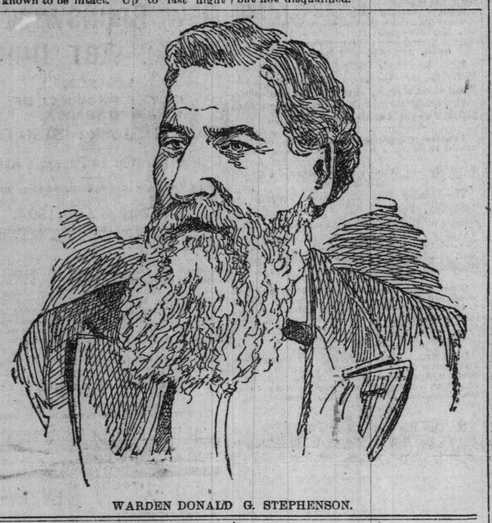
It is known, however, that Edward Taylor, or Jones of Scarboro, is liable to the Dominion and Imperial Banks for $7925, his name being attached to seven notes in these institutions. There is an interesting story in connection with these notes. Job Jones, a bachelor, but Taylor's putative father, died some years ago. Shortly before his demise he summoned Stephenson to draw up his will. Jones had decided to leave his property, a farm valued at $10,000, to his nephews. Stephenson induced him to leave the farm to his son. Young Taylor, or Jones, was naturally grateful to Stephenson, and when he subsequently requested the young man to back his notes, Taylor cheerfully did so, and Stephenson discounted them. Taylor has continued to accommodate Stephenson for three or four years, thinking that the notes were met as they matured, whereas Stephenson has renewed them. Instead of being on Stephenson's notes for $300 or $400 as he expected, Taylor now finds that he is liable for nearly $8000. As he is not generally credited with being worth more than one-half this amount, the banks will probably have to look elsewhere for the sum owing them.

Mr. Chapman's Experience.

"Captain" James Chapman is also financially interested in Stephenson's departure. On Feb. 17 last he made a note for $400 in favor of Stephenson, payable in four months. This note, the making of which was witnessed by J. D. McGill of this city, was met when it matured on June 17 last, but there is still a note of $300 signed by Chapman (his mark) in the bank. Chapman claims that he never signed the note and tells various stories as to how his signature became affixed thereto. One of these tales is that he lodged an information against a certain party for disorderly conduct at Brotherson's Hall and the information turned out to be a note. The story that he tells to-day, however, is that he attached his signature to what he supposed was a letter to Mr. James Baird, since named as the assignee, and that the note is the outcome.

And There Are Others.

Among the other creditors who mourn the departure of the warden are J. Jones, who is said to have given Stephenson accommodation to the extent of $4000 or $5000 without security; Joseph McClure, and the Palmer estate. There are also a few estates of which the missing man had charge and which have not as yet been settled up, and which may or may not have been straightened out. The Martin, Boyd, Fraine, Galloway and Margaret Jones estates, of which he was appointed executor, are known to be intact. Up to last night but one case had been discovered where the warden is supposed to have resorted to unlawful methods to raise funds.



WARDEN DONALD G. STEPHENSON.

Made Considerable Money.

When Stephenson removed to East Toronto (then York Station) in 1884 he established a lumber yard and purchased considerable property from Mr. Benjamin Morton. This he sold off in lots, and having established a lumber yard he sold the purchasers of lots the material with which to erect their dwellings. For years he made considerable money, and finding no difficulty in discounting his paper, whatever its character, at the bank, he became imbued with the idea that he was fated to be a millionaire and indulged in rash speculations. When pressed for money he applied to his friends in the village for help, and his appeals were met with a ready response, Councillor Ben Morton advanced $600, which is still owing, and others various amounts.

Had a Wad of Bills.

Finding that he could not weather the financial storm which hovered over him he decided to flee to escape the disgrace which failure meant, and collecting together all the cash he could he decided to levant. The night before his disappearance two residents of the village saw him in his office in Main-street counting over a large roll of bills. This sum he is supposed to have taken with him in his flight to Mexico, which, according to current rumor, was the Republic he started for.

The creditors will have considerable real estate to levy on. The lumber yard conducted by Stephenson is estimated to be worth about $2000 and he has unencumbered real estate to the assessed value of about $19,000.

The family formerly resided at Scarboro Juction, but of late have occupied a palatial residence in Gerrard-street, the handsomest dwelling east of the Don, erected at a cost of $12,000, but the property belongs to his only son, George, the well-known bicycler, who also owns the building in Main-street in which the grocery which he conducts is located, as well as the stock.

The disappearance of the warden was as much a surprise to the family as to the residents of East Toronto. His wife, formerly Miss Lucy Heron, daughter of William Heron of the lake shore, Scarboro Township, whom he married in 1866, is left behind with five daughters and the son George.

Notes.

Donald Stephenson is a striking-looking man and when once met would be readily recognized again. He stands over six feet high and weighs about 235 or 240 pounds. His face is quite ruddy, denoting a well-fed man. He is round-shouldered, with auburn hair inclined to curl. He wears a Chicago boot.

On the 13th June last the annual dinner of the Warden was given at Victoria Park, when Mr. Stephenson entertained about 250 guests, and spared no expense to provide for the enjoyment of those who attended. The cost of the dinner was in the neighborhood of $150.

Assignee Baird positively declined, when interviewed last night, to furnish any particulars as to the assets and liabilities of the Warden, but The World's information as contained above can be relied upon as being substantially correct.

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CANADIAN AWARDS NOT READY.

The Medals Will Not Be Delivered Until October—Prof. Robertson to Marry—Ottawa Notes.

OTTAWA, July 25.—The Citizen this morning announces that Miss Ryckman, B.A., of Toronto Collegiate Institute, formerly a resident of Ottawa, when her father was pastor of the Dominion Methodist Church, is to be married during the coming autumn to Prof. Robertson of the Central Experimental Farm.

Mr. J. S. Larke received a letter from the bureau of awards at the World's Fair that the 1163 medals won by Canadians will not be delivered before the end of September or the beginning of October. This will prevent Mr. Larke from carrying out his intention of distributing the medals at the Toronto Industrial and other fairs.

Sir Adolphe Caron, Hon. W. B. Ives and Mr. Fred White, Comptroller of the Northwest Mounted Police, will sail from Rimouski for England on Sunday. Sir Adolphe is going over on private business, but if he happens to be in England at the time of the banquet to be given to the delegates to the recent Colonial Conference he will, no doubt, represent Canada at it. The visit of Hon. Mr. Ives and Mr. Fred White is understood to be in connection with the purchase of guns and magazine rifles for the Mounted Police.

Lord Aberdeen left this afternoon for a few days' salmon fishing on the Metapedia.

Hon. J. F. Wood is acting Controller of Customs during the absence of Hon. Clarke Wallace.

Whiteway Disqualified.

HALIFAX, N.S., July 25.—A despatch from St. John's, Nfld., says: Judgment in the Trinity election case was delivered today. Whiteway and Bond were unseated and disqualified. Watson was unseated, but not disqualified.

HAPPY CHINEE, HAPPY MARY!

Pong Jung and Miss Beatty Kiss and Make It Up.

Pong Jung, the Chinaman from the Ambitious City, is not to be fooled twice—not if he knows it. Tuesday he told the police how Mary Beatty of 40 St. Paul-street, this city, had secured various sums from him "under promise of marriage," but had failed to keep her part of the contract, and had eluded his almond eye on the not over crowded streets of Hamilton. The loss of his money did not prey on his mind as much as the loss of his Sweet Marie, and yesterday morning Pong came from his washtub under the mountain to Toronto to locate his truant sweetheart. He was successful. Mary kissed her sallow skinned lover, promised to make out the wash bills in future, and the happy pair left for Hamilton on the noon train.

Montana Strike Leaders Under Arrest.

BUTTE, Mont., July 25.—Eleven of the leaders of the Union Pacific strike of Lima, Mont., have been brought to Butte by a United States marshal under arrest for conspiracy and obstructing the mails. Warrants are out for 16 men in Butte.

No Union Labor on the Atchison.

TOPEKA, Kas., July 25.—The Atchison, Topeka & Sante Fe Railroad receivers have taken steps to forestall strikes by doing away with the employment of union labor.

Saturday to Monday at Hotel Louise, Lorne Park, $2.50.

Park Concert.

By permission of Col. Hamilton and officers the Band of the Queen's Own Rifles, under the direction of Mr. John Bayley, will play the following program in Riverdale Park on Thursday evening, July 26: Priests' March, Mendelssohn; overture, Banditen Streiche, Suppe; valse, Roses from the Ball, Docker; Gavotte, Kaiserin, Hertel; La Serenata, Melodia Valacca, Braga; Euphonium solo, Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep, Rollinson (Mr. Smith); Polonaise, Masken, Faust; Coconut dance, Hermann; Quadrille, Oh! Mr. Porter, Williams; March, All Take a Drink, Carter.

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Sudden End of a Bank Manager.

MONTREAL, July 25.—J. Murray Smith, manager of the Bank of Toronto here, died suddenly this morning.

Mr. Murray's death occurred at his summer residence, Beaurpaire. He went to bed perfectly well and woke at midnight in a fit, froth and blood coming from his mouth. He died before the doctor arrived. Heart disease was the cause. He leaves a widow, four daughters and one son.

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THE SENATE WILL STAND PAT

AND SEND BACK THE BILL WITHOUT INSTRUCTIONS.

This Decision Reached by the Democrats in Caucus—In the Chamber Louisiana Senators Stated They Would Oppose Any Change in the Sugar Schedule—The Bill May Be Sent Back To-Day.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—To-day's debate in the Senate on the question of agreeing to the request of the House of Representatives for further conference on the tariff was not so exciting or of as interesting a character as was the debate on the first three days, and there was not an allusion made, except a very remote one, to the President's famous letter to Mr. Wilson. There were three speeches made, the longest by Senator Caffery (Dem., La.) and two short ones by Senators Daniel and Hunton (Dems., Va.).

A Modified Sugar Bounty.

Mr. Caffery's speech was in advocacy of his motion to have a modified sugar bounty paid for 1894 and in favor of a fair revenue duty on sugar. Failing in getting such protection for the sugar interests of Louisiana, Mr. Caffery declared "more in sorrow than in anger" that himself and his colleagues would be forced to antagonize the bill and to part the ties which now bound them to the Democratic party.

Favors Taxing Coal and Iron Ore.

The speeches of Senators Daniel and Hunton were called out by a desire to correct an error in the report of Mr. Gorman's speech of Monday last, which represented them, with Senators from four or five other states, as being so inimical to the House bill that they would have voted against it. Mr. Daniel declared that he had named no conditions to command his vote and that, whether the bill as it would be finally fixed in conference suited him or not, it would have his support. Mr. Hunton expressed himself in favor of the proposed duty of 40 cents a ton on coal and iron ore, and of 40 per cent. ad val. on sugar, as fair revenue duties, and hoped that there was patriotism enough in the Democrats of both Houses to "give and take."

A motion was made by Mr. Quay so to amend the motions of Senators Vilas and Gray as to put sugar on the free list. The whole matter then went over until tomorrow without action.

THE BILL WILL BE SENT BACK.

And Without Any Instructions to the Conferees.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—If the action of to-day's Democratic caucus is obeyed tomorrow will witness an end of the Senate debate on the conference report on the Tariff bill and the measure will go back to conference without instructions. After a debate running over three hours yesterday and upwards of that time to-day, Mr. Jarvis' resolution that the bill be sent back without instructions was agreed to unanimously, although at no time did Mr. Vilas give the assurance to the caucus that he would not press his motion to strike out the differential duty on refined sugar. His final statement to the caucus was that he would take the matter under careful advisement and decide it in his own mind in the morning. A Senator who described the situation to a United Press reporter said the impression the rest of the caucus got was that Mr. Vilas would confer with the President and be guided by what he advised.

Then the resolution that the bill be sent back to conference without instructions was agreed to and the caucus adjourned.

Talked Sugar.

Nearly the entire time of the caucus was taken up in discussion of the sugar duty. Senators Caffery and Blanchard of Louisiana again announced their intention to vote against the bill if any change were made in the sugar schedule. Senator Smith (N.J.) made a vehement speech, in which he warned Mr. Vilas that he was trifling with a weighty subject when he talked of changing the bill which had been the result of so much hard work in the Senate and which had only passed by a very slim majority of one vote. Mr. Smith said that the number of senators who had been opposed to the income tax had been induced to vote for the bill because the schedules relating to the industries of the great states they represented had been arranged so their shops would not be compelled to shut up or their workmen thrown out of employment. Because that had been done they had consented to swallow the income tax and given their pledge in caucus that they would stand by the party.

The absence of Senators Murphy and Irby from the caucus was alluded to as an indication that the bill had lost ground since it passed the Senate.

Rumor That the House Will Pass the Bill.

Among the reports current in the House to-day was one that the Democratic leaders of the House and Senate had agreed to bring in a joint resolution adjourning Congress on Saturday, Aug. 4. This, it was said, would result in expediting the work in conference on the Tariff bill, so that whatever report might be agreed upon by the conferees must necessarily be passed within the next 10 days. There is apparently no doubt that the House is now willing to accept any fair report on the Tariff bill which may come from conference. It is asserted that in the Senate bill was brought before the House it would pass by a large majority with scarcely an hour's debate.

A SLAP AT GORMAN.

The Maryland Democracy Sustain President Cleveland.

BALTIMORE, July 24.—Queen Anne's County, a stronghold of Maryland's Democracy, the native county of Senator Gibson and formerly a firm supporter of Senator Gorman, in convention gave the Maryland Senator a hard slap. The convention held to elect delegates to the district Congressional Convention adopted resolutions demanding that "the nominee of the district shall accord President Cleveland his full support and shall be sound on tariff reform, as the people are not disposed to tolerate nominees who will not actively support true Democratic principles."

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LOOKED LIKE A SLAUGHTER HOUSE.

A Convict "Paddled" at Elmira Till Blood Ran Down His Legs.

ELMIRA, N.Y., July 25.—Investigation of charges of cruelty against Superintendent Brockway of the Elmira Reformatory was continued to-day. One of the witnesses, a former inmate of the institution, testified that Brockway "paddled" him several times. "He paddled me," said the witness, "till the blood ran down my legs." Conway has been in a bad way physically, having had trouble with his kidneys, which resulted in an operation being performed upon him at Bellevue Hospital, New York.

After being paddled the old trouble returned, and Conway states that it was brought on again by the bath-room treatment. "When I was up to the hospital I asked Dr. Wey why he let Brockway paddle me in the condition I was in. He said I must not mind a thing like that; it would give me a good appetite for breakfast.

"The following Wednesday I was paddled again. After the beating I was sent out to the shop, where I fainted. Then I had hemorrhage. The floor was all covered with blood. When Dr. Wey came in the next day he said it looked like a slaughter house."

There was considerable disturbance between counsel engaged in the examination, which reached a climax when Judge Gilbert, for the prosecution, addressed Mr. Ivins of the defence and said: "Mr. Ivins, I think you are the most infamous scoundrel I have met."

THE AIR LINE RAILWAY.

Mr. Moberly, C.E., on the Proposed Toronto and Collingwood Line.

The following letter, which has been received by the Mayor, will be read at the meeting of the council this morning:

COLLINGWOOD, Ont., July 23, 1894.

His Worship the Mayor, Toronto:

SIR,—In view of the coming convention and discussion on the deepening of the St. Lawrence Canals, I would beg to ask that at the same time consideration should be given to the Toronto and Collingwood Air Line Railway. I would call your attention to the fact that every project now in operation, in course of construction or contemplated, except the Air Line Railway, has as its object the diversion of trade from Toronto, whereas the Air Line, forming a link on the shortest possible route from the head of the lakes to navigation on the Atlantic and terminating and discharging in Toronto, would have the effect of centralizing a trade there that now seeks the seaboard by other routes, and this would be the case whether the St. Lawrence canals were deepened to 20 feet or only to 14 as at present proposed. This latter depth, giving water for cargoes of 100,000 bushels, would enable Toronto to open up a trade with the Maritime Provinces, where the grain might be transhipped and return cargoes of coal, etc., obtained.

Besides the grains and their products seeking export by the St. Lawrence there is the enormous amount that will always be exported by way of the ports of New York, Boston and Portland, and added to this is the still larger amount required to feed the great population of the Eastern States, and all of which can reach its destination quicker and cheaper by way of Toronto and through Ogdensburg, Oswego and Rochester than by any other route either in existence or contemplated, as grain by this route should be landed in Toronto from Chicago, Duluth or Fort William, including all charges, at under two and a-half cents per bushel.

The Air Line Railway, built, equipped and operated as set forth in the prospectus I had the honor of submitting to you last fall, would pay at least 10 per cent. on the capital invested, and if it were heartily endorsed by the business men of Toronto there should be no difficulty in obtaining the capital necessary to build it ($2,500,000) without asking aid from either municipalities or Government.

As the Air Line Railway is the only project that can materially and beneficially affect the interests of Toronto by centralizing a large trade and making it a distributing point, and at so small a cost, I would beg of you to give the subject your most earnest attention. I have the honor to be, your obedient servant,

FRANK MOBERLY.

THE ACKSTON GETS SIX YEARS.

A Former Toronto Business Man Convicted of Larceny at Windsor.

WINDSOR, Ont., July 25.—Alfred Theackston, alias Thackaray, who married a Miss Renaud of Detroit a few months ago in this city and got $900 and some jewelry from her, was brought into the Police Court for sentence this morning. Theackston plead for mercy, claiming he was under the influence of liquor when he married the girl and that he was formerly a respectable and responsible business man in Toronto, but drink ruined him, and that it was impossible for him to restore anything, as he had not got it to restore. Magistrate Bartlett said the crime is one of the meanest and most contemptible that has ever been brought to my notice. I am strongly of the opinion that your marriage with this woman was only a scheme to get her money, and you must have part of it yet, otherwise now, as it was impossible for you to have spent it all since that time. He then sentenced Theackston to serve six years in the Kingston Penitentiary.

SHOT FATHER AND SISTER,

Under the Impression That They Were Burglars.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 25.—John Collins, a gardener residing in the outskirts of Cunningham, thought he heard thieves in his garden early this morning and with his daughter Maggie, 16 years old, arose and went out to investigate. The closing of the door awoke Mrs. Collins, who aroused her son Willie, telling him burglars were trying to get in. The boy got a Winchester and going out mistook his father and sister for burglars and shot them both. The father will die; the girl was seriously injured.

AT IT STILL.

Another Rearrangement of Prices at W. & D. Dineens'.

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Athlete Cigarettes—more sold of this brand than all other cigarettes combined.

BRITAIN WILL NOT MEDDLE

IN THE CHINA-JAPAN TROUBLE UNLESS COMPELLED.

Native Opinion is That an Amicable Settlement Will Be Reached—Meantime Japan is Concentrating Her Troops Near Seoul and a Battle is Regarded as Imminent.

LONDON, July 25.—The Shanghai correspondent of The Central News says: Numerous rumors of further fighting at Seoul are current here, but none can be confirmed. The Coreans continue to menace the Japanese at the Seoul garrison. Intelligent native opinion here is that there will be an amicable settlement in which the Europeans will have no share.

The Chinese arsenals and arms factories are busy night and day. The officers of Chinese gunboats are filling the numerous vacancies on the vessels with seamen attracted by generous bounties. There is a strong impression at the Japanese Legation here that fighting is in progress in Corea, although no official notice to that effect has been received. The officials at the Chinese Legation have heard nothing of the reported sinking of a Chinese transport by a Japanese vessel. They say that their information indicates an important improvement in the situation, and they are hopeful that peace will be restored if it has been formally broken.

It is understood that the British squadron in Chinese waters has been ordered to defer its cruise northward.

Will Not Interfere Unless Necessary.

The Central News also says: Great Britain has informed China and Japan that in case they infringe upon her interests she will take whatever steps she may deem necessary, but otherwise will not interfere in the present dispute. Important cablegrams were sent this evening to Admiral Freemantle, commander of H.M.S. squadron in Chinese waters.

Intervention of the United States.

The suggestion that the United States might intervene in the Corean difficulty has excited much interest here. A despatch from Shanghai says: "American residents here suggest the interference of the United States as the readiest solution of the problem, but the European residents do not regard the suggestion as serious."

12,000 Chinese Troops Landed.

SHANGHAI, July 25.—It is reported that 12,000 Chinese troops, who sailed on July 20 with other warships, have been landed in Corea. This report, although unconfirmed, has been received with satisfaction by the foreign residents of Shanghai. If the facts be as stated they say the Japanese, who must have known of the expedition's plan to land, refrained from attack because they had become more amenable to the pacific counsels of the treaty powers.

Preparing to Attack Seoul.

SHANGHAI, July 25.—Advices from Seoul say the Japanese military commander at that place is concentrating his troops with the intention of attacking the Chinese and Corean troops, who are entrenched just outside the city.

A Battle Imminent.

LONDON, July 25.—A vaguely worded cablegram from Yokohama stating that the Japanese troops in Corea are marching against the Chinese position and that a battle is imminent is interpreted here to mean that the main force of the Chinese troops is south of the Chemulpo.

The Japanese legation here say there are only about 200 Chinese troops in Seoul, while there are between 5000 and 6000 Corean and about 6000 Japanese soldiers there.

Japan Does Not Desire War.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—An official of the Japanese legation said this afternoon, concerning the reported landing of 1000 Russian troops at Gensan, that it was extremely improbable because Russia would have no interest in landing troops there except to take part in some hostilities. In view of the fact that Russia has tendered her good offices to China and Japan for the settlement of the present controversy, it does not look from this official's point of view as if Russia would attempt such an invasion. He was amazed at the report published that the Corean King had been kidnapped by the Japanese, and said it was ridiculous, for the reason that Japan was not making war against Corea. He added: "In the event of war between Japan and China the ports in China and in Corea where the United States and European powers have received certain concessions by treaties, would unquestionably be respected and left outside of the limits of hostility."

He concluded by saying: "Japan has made three distinct propositions to China for the settlement by arbitration of this matter. She has done everything possible that a self-respecting nation consistent with honor could do. Every proposition that has been made to China has been ignored, and it is clearly apparent that China is urging the Coreans on."

Thinks Japan Had Little Cause to Interfere.

BERLIN, July 25.—The Cologne Gazette says the treaty concluded in 1885 between China and Japan empowers both governments to demand that the King of Corea maintain a force of troops sufficient to guarantee public safety and also to employ foreign officers to organize the Corean army. At the same time both parties to the treaty agree not to send their own officers to organize the Corean army. Beyond the contention of Japan that the King of Corea has not attended to the maintenance o. public order the terms of the treaty do not afford any grounds for Japan's interferencef

Russia Cannot Remain Indifferent.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 25.—The Novoe Vremya says Russia cannot remain indifferent to the fate of Corea and ought to side with China against Japan or else localize the war, the results of which show what measures it will be necessary to take to strengthen Russia's political and commercial interests in the east.

Gravity of the Collisions Exaggerated.

LONDON, July 25.—In the Foreign Office the absence of information that hostilities have begun in Corea is regarded as ground for hope that the gravity of the reported collisions there has been exaggerated. The members of the Chinese legation profess to believe that the reported encounter between Japanese soldiers and the Corean guards were merely an isolated street fight and not a part of an important movement. Both the Japanese and Chinese Ministers affirm that their reticence is due to the fact that they have received no advices, but it is known that voluminous cablegrams have been coming to both throughout the day.

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BOLD DASH FOR LIBERTY.

From Police Headquarters a Prisoner Makes His Escape and Eludes His Hot Pursuers.

At noon yesterday George Chapman, alias John Ryan, made a bold and so far a successful dash for liberty from Police Headquarters. Ryan made his escape while Inspector Stephen was supervising the removal of the prisoners from the police cells to the jail van. Prisoners are supposed to follow one another from the cells to the door leading to the lane in the rear of the station. Ryan varied the usual custom by darting through the main door, down Court-street to Church, to Wellington, to the market, where he jumped into a wagon and started east as fast as the horse could go.

A horse and wagon answering the description of the one taken by Ryan was brought to Police Headquarters at 7 o'clock last night by some boys who found the rig in George-street.

He Has a Bad Record.

Ryan appeared in the Police Court yesterday morning on the charge of stealing a bag of feathers, the property of Chaney & Co., 234 King-street east. He was arrested by P. C. Bond (57) at 4.30 yesterday morning after a vigorous resistance. As Bond was on his way home, off duty, he noticed two men in a lane in the rear of King-street acting in a suspicious manner. Upon investigation the men started to run. Bond grabbed one of them, who proved to be Ryan, and after a severe struggle landed him at the police station. The constable received several hard kicks and had his right hand badly injured.

Ryan has just finished a year in the Central Prison for highway robbery.

TRAMPLED TO DEATH.

A Rochester Man Meets Instant Death Beneath Horses' Hoofs.

ROCHESTER, July 25.—Wilson Soule drove up to the Rochester clubhouse at 10 o'clock to-night, and as he was about to relinquish the reins a man on horseback came riding by and in some way frightened Mr. Soule's team. Mr. Soule jumped to stop his horses, but was knocked to the pavement and trampled to death by them. Mr. Soule was 41 years of age.

Stepped on a Nail—Died of Lockjaw.

HAMILTON, July 25.—The 11-year-old son of George Curtis, an employe of the Sanford Manufacturing Company, died yesterday in agony from lockjaw caused by stepping on a rusty nail a week ago.

Drowned in the Grand River.

BRANTFORD, July 25.—When bathing in the Grand River last night Elgin Snider went out into too deep water and was drowned.

Her Shroud a Sheet of Flame.

ST. LOUIS, July 25.—Augusta Koch, 71 years old, wearied by her nearly three-quarters of a century on earth, to-day wrapped herself in a coal oil-saturated sheet as a shroud, set fire to it and perished. Her remains were frightfully burned.

Pulled the Trigger With His Toe.

BUFFALO, July 25.—At Belmont village, Frank Chambers, aged 50, took a double-barreled gun to bed with him Sunday night, placed the muzzle against his right eye, and pulled both triggers with his toes.

DISAPPEARANCE OF MR. DERWENT.

A London Mystery Which Baffled Scotland Yard.

Some most sensational events happen in real life, and if they find their way into books of fiction they are none the less true and none the less interesting. In fact, they are often more interesting after being polished up by a skilful author. "The Disappearance of Mr. Derwent" is the title of a new novel, for sale by John P. McKenna, Bookseller, 30 Yonge-street, which is now creating considerable stir. A man disappears from the bosom of his family and the mystery which surrounds this disappearance is too great even for the wily sleuth-hounds of Scotland Yard. The end of it, however, but not until the author has roused the intense interest of the reader.

List of Band Concerts.

The following program of band concerts has been arranged by the Park Commissioner and chairman of the Parks Committee, the evening concerts being from 8 to 10, and the afternoon (marked *) from 2.30 to 5:

July 26	Queen's Own	Riverdale
July 28	Army and Navy	Island Park
July 30	Highlanders	Bellwoods
Aug 1	Queen's Own	Queen's Park
Aug 3	Highlanders	Gardens
Aug 4	*Highlanders	Reservoir
Aug 6	Grenadiers	Riverdale
Aug 7	Highlanders	Clarence-square
Aug 8	Queen's Own	Exhibition
Aug 9	Grenadiers	Island Park
Aug 13	Queen's Own	Queen's Park
Aug 16	Grenadiers	Gardens
Aug 18	*Grenadiers	Exhibition
Aug 21	Queen's Own	Riverdale
Aug 24	Grenadiers	Queen's Park
Aug 25	Army and Navy	Island Park
Aug 30	Queen's Own	Gardens
Sept 3	Highlanders	Queen's Park
Sept 6	Highlanders	Riverdale
Sept 11	Queen's Own	Bellwoods
Sept 14	Grenadiers	Queen's Park

Physicians Recommend It.

Prominent physicians recommend Sprudel mineral water for those who are troubled with dyspepsia, biliousness and stomach troubles. William Mara, sole agent, 79 Yonge-street.

Debs' Trial Adjourned.

CHICAGO, July 25.—The Debs and other contempt cases were abruptly adjourned today until Sept. 5.

Messrs. Debs, Howard, Keliher and Rogers of the A.R.U. are at liberty under bail pending the hearing of the various cases against them. They gave $7000 bonds each, covering five new indictments.

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The Hamburg-American Steamship Line are now carrying steerage passengers from New York to Southampton and all principal railway stations in England or Scotland at the very low rate of $10. Passages should be secured early, as these low rates may continue but a short time. Tickets and all information may be obtained at W. A. Geddes' Ticket Agency, 69 Yonge-street.

Toronto Island Guide, 32 pages, maps, photographs, 10c.

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DEATHS.

FRENCH—At 137 Bond-street, on Wednesday morning, July 25, Eugene McLean, infant son of John M. and Helena C. French,