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FROM FAR ACROSS THE SEA

STATEMENT BY GLADSTONE AS TO THE FRANCHISE BILL.

It Must Precede the Redistribution Measure—The Cholera at Paris—German Officers in the Chinese Army.

LONDON, Nov. 17.—In the house of commons this evening Gladstone said the government desired to pass the franchise bill without delay. They cannot enter into any understanding with the opposition unless they receive adequate assurance that the bill be passed this autumn. In that case the government are ready to make the main provisions of their redistribution bill the subject of friendly communciation, or they stand ready to introduce the bill into the house forthwith and prosecute it with all possible speed. They will make it a vital question with the government to see that the bill be carried early next year.

Referring to Gordon's recent letter to Wolseley, Hartington said all that was important in the letter had been published. He hoped the newspapers would exercise discretion in printing news from the Soudan, so as not to make public information useful to the mahdi.

Childers, chancellor of the exchequer, proposed that the financial deficit of the year, amounting to £2,000 000, be met by adding a penny on the pound to the income tax. The proposal was adopted.

Sir Charles Dilke denied the reports of cholera in England.

In the house of lords this evening Granville, in reply to Salisbury, said the government intended that the passing of the franchise bill must precede the passage of the redistribution bill.

THE CONGO AND THE NIGER.

Conference at Berlin as to the Control of These African Rivers.

BERLIN, Nov. 17.—Bismarck in a speech at the opening of the Congo conference alluded to the high, beneficient and pacific aims the conference had before it. It had for its object the solution of three main questions: free navigation with freedom of trade on the Congo river; free navigation of the Niger river; the formalities of the valid annexation of the territory to be observed in future on the continent of Africa. Negatively the conference would not concern itself with the present questions of sovereignty. The chancellor hoped that the labors of the conference would result in a further increase of peace and good will among nations.

Malet, the British commissioner, echoed the sentiments expressed by Bismarck, and accepted the points proposed as the basis for discussion with the following reservation: England was willing to see principles of free navigation, etc., extended to the Niger, but expected that surveillance over the exercise of those principles would not be made the business of an international body; that it was the duty and privilege of England, as she was the chief, if not the sole proprietary power on the Lower Niger.

Portugal has drawn up a memorandum to the conference insisting on her right to the Congo, and declaring that Portuguese treasure and blood had been freely spent to maintain order on the Congo for the benefit of the commerce of all nations. Portugal admits the principle of freedom of passage along the great African rivers, and has no intention of establishing a restrictive tariff. She would merely exact taxes from the trade sufficient to the liberty and safety of person and property.

JOHN BRIGHT'S HOBBY.

He Predicts the Downfall of Monopoly as the Result of Universal Free Trade.

LONDON, Nov. 17.—John Bright in a lengthy letter favoring free trade argues that since its adoption by England the price of food and the hours of labor have diminished, while wages have doubled. He says that although trade in England is momentarily depressed, the depression is far greater in protectionist countries, like Russia, France and America. He concludes by saying that the recent overthrow of the party of protection and monopoly in America may prove to be a great blessing, and when England and America have embraced the policy of free industry the whole fabric of monopoly throughout the world will totter to its downfall.

German Officers in the Chinese Army.

LONDON, Nov. 17.—The Chinese government has arranged for English and American vessels to run the French blockade of Formosa. Thirteen Germans have arrived at Tiens Tsin to serve in the Chinese army, and forty-two more are expected. 30,000 Chinese soldiers crossed the Yangtse river going southward, near Poyang during October. All the boats in the neighborhood are impressed into the service to convey troops across that stream.

The Bundesrath Transacts Business.

BERLIN, Nov. 17.—The Bundesrath has rejected a resolution adopted by the reichstag abrogating the law which permits the government to intern or expel priests engaged in the unlawful exercise of ecclesiastical functions. The Bundesrath passed a resolution providing that only master workmen who are members of guilds shall be allowed to have apprentices.

The Plague at Paris.

PARIS, Nov. 17.—From midnight Sunday to 6 o'clock this evening there were seven deaths from cholera in the city and thirteen in the hospitals.

French Tax on Bread Renewed.

PARIS, Nov. 17.—The municipal council has passed a resolution temporarily renewing the tax on bread.

CABLE NOTES.

News has been received that at the last moment the crofters resolved to submit unconditionally.

Several estates offered for sale at Dublin at auction by order of the land courts remain unsold. The bids were few and small.

The recent supplementary elections resulted in the choice of twenty-two socialists-democrats to the German reichstag against nine in the previous parliament.

The Pall Mall Gazette says Lord Rosebery differs from the cabinet on several vital points and refuses to subordinate his convictions to his ambition. He declines a cabinet portfolio.

Inquiry into the case of Rev. Mr. Buel, the American who escaped from an insane asylum in London and paid a visit to Lowell, U. S. minister, shows that Buel is a harmless lunatic.

BLAINE AND THE BAPTISTS.

The Plumed Knight Discussed at a Meeting of Ministers.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—At a meeting of the baptist ministers to-day Rev. Dr. Justin D. Fulton read an essay on the New Opportunity. He said catholic institutions received money from the state and the only way to stop this distribution of state funds was for protestants to take all the money they could get. He said all ignorant people became catholics and the entire religion set up one man in Rome and looked and depended upon this man, and that every priest in the world was subject to his call. Fulton affirmed that the pope was constantly surrounded by persons of intelligence, who kept pushing him forward until all the followers of his religion stood in awe of him. Fulton alluded to the "Rum, Romanism and rebellion" speech of Rev. Dr. Burchard's, and said he thanked that gentleman for having courage enough to tell that to Blaine. He accused Blaine of being in league with the catholics of this city, and of corresponding with Cardinal McCloskey, who, he said, had pledged to Blaine the catholic vote of the city.

Dr. F. R. Morse, moderator, said: I must say I do not agree with any one of the numerous statements of Dr. Fulton, and I sincerely hope this conference will not disperse without having repudiated his entire essay. He has no right to make the charge that James G. Blaine is allied to catholicism. No matter what may be said of Blaine, he believes in christian marriage and family purity. I must ask that Dr. Fulton withdraw his statements unless he can support them with sufficient proofs.

Dr. Fulton said: I'll give my proofs.

Wait a few minutes, said the moderator.

That's it, said Dr. Fulton. You ask for proofs and then shut my mouth.

Rev. Dr. Hiscox said he believed the republican leaders were corrupt and he coincided in Fulton's statements.

Dr. Sheldon said he could not agree with any portion of the essay, that Burchard had no business to give vent to such an expression and in the first place ministers had no right to visit Blaine with political intentions. It was not their place to do so. He believed all persons should keep within the bounds of common sense and that Burchard's speech was entirely out of place.

Rev. Drs. Hutchings and Morse, of Brooklyn, made similar addresses. Dr. Fulton finally read a number of statements from newspapers in support of his essay. The moderator informed him these publications proved nothing. The discussion was allowed to drop and the conference adjourned.

THE B. AND O.

A Prosperous and Powerful Railway Company—Statement of Its Affairs.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 17.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad was held to-day. The annual report shows the net earnings of the main stem and branches for the year $7,760,000; the profit and loss account shows an increase for the year of $1,940,000; the surplus fund representing invested capital derived from net earnings and not represented by stock or bonds amounts to $47,703,000. The report says the work on the new line between Baltimore and Philadelphia progressed rapidly during the year and unless the severity of winter prevents further work the entire road between Baltimore and Philadelphia will be in operation in July. The policy of the company in owning and operating express, telegraphs, sleeping and parlor cars, elevators, etc., continues satisfactory. The telegraph system of the company represents 6806 miles of poles and 47,417 miles of wires in the acquisition, of which there has been expended during the fiscal year $20,000,000.

Broken Out Again in Two Places.

WEST POINT, Ga., Nov. 17.—Willis Green recently eloped with and married Miss Henderson, a lady of fine family. Green has a wife and three children in another part of the state.

UTOPIA, O., Nov. 17.—L. B. Utter, merchant, has eloped with Mrs. Barr, of Fesbery. Mrs. Barr took $1,000 of her husband's money. Utter has a wife and three children.

FARMINGDALE, L. I., Nov. 17.—The residents were excited to day over the alleged elopement of Mrs. Elizabeth Bayles, aged 70, widow of a farmer, with John Bannon, a young pedlar with whose appearance she had been smitten. It is said the parties went to New York and were married. Mrs. Bayles deeded all her property to Bannon.

An Alcoholic Explosion.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—A fire this evening gutted the premises at 177 Pearl street, occupied by B. S. Depool, dealer in spirits, Westheimer & Co. and Landman & Bernheim, tobacco dealers. Two firemen had reached the second story, when an explosion of alcohol occurred, precipitating them to the floor below, seriously injured. Loss $40,000.

A Cowboy's Musical Weapon.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 17.—The first national convention of cattlemen opened to-day. A band of cowboys in full frontier costume played several selections. The leader wielded a silver-mounted derringer a foot long as a baton.

New York Cheese Market.

UTICA, N.Y., Nov. 17.—5170 boxes of cheese sold at prices ranging from 11⅛c to 11⅞c, the bulk at 11¾c. 500 on private terms; 550 consigned.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

J. G. Abel of Scranton was killed on the Lehigh Valley railway yesterday.

The safe of the Texas express company at Bryant, Tex., was robbed of $10,850.

Sheriff-elect Black was called to his door at Blossom Prairie, Tex., and killed.

The headquarters of the salvation army of America have been established at Cleveland.

A fire yesterday destroyed three blocks of business houses at Millbank, Dak.; loss $150,000.

The New York canals will close Dec. 1, provided Jack Frost does not get his work in ahead of them.

At Macon, Ga., Col. Beck and his son were killed by John Stubbs and his brother in a quarrel about a debt.

Geo. Schwennecke, alias Augustus Gregory, who lately robbed hotel guests of $16,000 at New York, was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment.

Sarah Smith of Baltimore, fearing that her husband would lose his position as postal clerk when Cleveland gets into the White house, fatally cut herself with a razor.

REDUCTIONS ALL ROUND.

A PERIOD OF DEPRESSION IN UNITED STATES FACTORIES.

Cutting Down Wages and Lessening the Hours of Labor—Hundreds Out of Employment—A Bad Time to Strike.

Notices were posted in the Cumberland, Md., coal region yesterday by all the companies that on Dec. 1 the price of mining will be reduced from 50 to 40 cents per ton.

Orders for a reduction of trackmen's wages on the Buffalo division of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railway from $1.10 to $1 a day have been received.

The Cleveland rolling mills started up yesterday, giving employment to over 3000 men.

The Old Colony and Mount Hope iron companies at Somerset, Mass., have posted a notice of a reduction of 10 per cent. in wages. This is the third reduction in two years. Manufacturers say the over-stocked market, caused by the competition of the mills of the middle and western districts, has forced them to shut down or make a reduction. The employes will accept.

A large number of employes of the East River ferry company at Long Island City have been discharged.

Six hundred men in the Singer sewing machine works, Elizabeth, N.J., were laid off Saturday. Five hundred more will be discharged this week.

Between three and four hundred employes of the Brantford lock works at New Haven, Conn., struck yesterday owing to a reduction of ten per cent in wages.

Two hundred miners, employed by the Colorado coal and iron company at Denver, struck yesterday. These miners took part in the recent general strike, and only returned to work Thursday.

The wire-drawers of Oliver & Roberts, Pittsburg, who struck several weeks ago against 15 per cent. reduction, returned to work yesterday, accepting a cut of 10 per cent. The striking miners resumed work at O'Neil, Walton & Woods' mines yesterday. It is expected all the mines along the river will be in operation at a reduction this week.

The employes of the Standard nut company at Pittsburg, on strike over a month against a 15 per cent. reduction, have decided to accept 10 per cent.

The Eagle cotton company of Taunton, Mass., have notified its employes of a reduction of 7 per cent. on Nov. 24.

Trouble in the Church.

FALL RIVER, Nov. 17.—The trouble between the new pastor of the catholic parish of Notre Dame de Lourdes and certain members of the parish will likely lead to the criminal prosecution of the ringleaders of the opposition. The priest has been driven from the parsonage, the control of which is claimed by a lay society, and the collection of church contributions is taken out of his hands.

A Detroiter Killed by a Policeman.

DETROIT, Nov. 17.—A tragedy was enacted at 3 o'clock Sunday morning in the alley bounded by Croghan and Lafayette streets and McDougall and Elmwood avenues. Patrolman Thomas Holland shot and instantly killed Edward Bates in his own yard. There were no witnesses to the shooting, which the officer claims to have been accidental.

Our Old Friend Flemming Free.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Flemming and Loring, who became notorious a year ago and acquired two or three millions of property as promoters of a scheme for dealing on margins on the board of trade, and who were convicted of using the United States mails for fraudulent purposes, were released from jail this evening, having been pardoned by President Arthur.

Preparing for the Presidency.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17—It is believed that Cleveland will resign the governorship before January 1, so as to let Governor Hill pass upon the work of the entire session of the legislature. It is understood that Cleveland will not consider the matter of his cabinet until he resigns the gubernatorial office.

He Denies the Sin Part of It.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Nov. 17.—Professor Moss, president of the university, admits he indulged in dalliance with the assistant professor of Greek, a beautiful and highly connected young lady, but denies that any sin was committed.

Arrested Far From Home.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 17.—McPhun, alias Bryce, arrested yesterday on a charge of forgery in Calcutta, admits a forgery to the amount of $100,000 on the Calcutta tea company of which he was the director.

With Neatness and Despatch.

BELLE PLAINE, Kan., Nov. 17.—During a political dispute in a billiard room Town marshal Walden shot into a crowd, killing a man named Crouch. The mob hanged Walden to a rafter of the house.

Another Distinguished Arrival.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Henry Newhouse, chief collector for the Western Union telegraph company, is alleged to have gone to Canada with a large sum of money belonging to the company.

A Folly of Old Age.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Col. Ezra Taylor, 71 years of age, well known here, eloped with Mrs. Anne Fitzgerald, a giddy young thing of 46 winters, and married her in Toronto.

Two Brigands Bagged.

ATHENS, Nov. 17.—Two of the brigands who murdered and robbed two employes of the French Laurium mining company were captured and 41,000 francs recovered.

Flames at Fargo.

FARGO, Dak., Nov. 17.—The Continental hotel was burned early this morning. The guests and inmates escaped, but most of their effects were destroyed; loss $75,000.

Rough on Rats Would Have Done It.

CONYERS, Ga., Nov. 17.—Sue Townsend attempted suicide with laudanum, pistol, knife, and morphine, but was not successful.

He Ought to Have Rejoiced.

SAN ANTONIO, Nov. 17.—J. W. Herring, carriage manufacturer, killed himself with poison because his wife eloped.

The Terrible Tramp.

EASTON, Pa., Nov. 17.—The Lehigh valley is overrun by tramps. Fourteen were arrested here Friday.

SIR JOHN'S NEW HONOR.

The Queen Makes Him a Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath.

LONDON, Nov. 17.—The queen has, at Mr. Gladstone's request, conferred upon Sir John Macdonald the grand cross of the order of the bath, in recognition of his eminent public services. He goes to Sandringham to visit the prince of Wales next Saturday.

The most honorable Order of the Bath is said to have originated in the time of the crusades. The ribbon is of crimson, the motto, *Tria juncta in uno*, (three joined in one). It is made up of military knights and civil knights grand cross, K.G.B.'s; a second class military knights and civil knights commanders, K.C.B.'s; a third class military and civil companions, C.B.'s. Sir John Macdonald was in the second class, and he has been raised to the first rank, he is now a G.C.B. Of the civil knights grand cross there are twenty-four, the Earl of Dufferin being the one last created. Of these, eighteen, including Sir John, are members of the privy council and are, most of them, eminent for service to the state.

There is no doubt the conservative party in this country will be delighted at the honor which they claim is thus done their leader, and the Mail, in its evening edition of yesterday, had a double-leaded article full of rejoicing.

The World's opinion is simply this: as long as Canada is a colony and the premier of this country is regarded as an imperial officer, or as a servant of the queen, then the queen has the right to confer and the servant the liberty to accept such distinction. We would prefer, however, to see no imperial honors accepted by Canadians.

DENOMINATIONAL DISTINCTIONS

One of the Greatest Drawbacks to the Success of the Christian Church.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—The evangelical alliance of the United States met to-night for the first time since the international conference at Copenhagen, Denmark. A large number of clergymen were present. Rev. Dr. Philip Schaff, fraternal delegate of the American alliance to the conference, spoke of the cordial reception tendered to the American delegation by the members of the foreign alliances and said the satisfactory character of the conference had produced much good. He thought one of the greatest drawbacks to the success of the christian church to-day was its denominational distinctions.

Professor Weidner, of Illinois, delivered an address upon the religious condition of Sweden.

DOMINION DASHES.

R. Legatt has struck a coal oil well at Newboro.

The postoffice at Regina is open an hour on Sundays.

Port Arthur's population is 6097, an increase of 4000 this year.

Woodstock boasts of building operations to the value of $150,000.

New Brunswick will send geological specimens to the New Orleans exposition.

George Wilkinson, aged 23, committed suicide at Conestoga, Waterloo, last week.

A salvationist named Bristol has skipped from Brantford, mourned only by his creditors.

Twenty-two failures in the dominion last week as compared with thirty-two the preceding week.

The merchants of Embro have formed themselves into a board of trade. E. G. Cody is president.

The other night a thief entered the house of Andrew Small, Caradoc, and purloined $185 from a bureau drawer.

The Lincoln county council has adopted a memorial to the Ontario government for the abolition of tax exemptions.

A resident of Guelph has purchased ten carloads of turnips at twelve cents per bushel, and shipped them to Philadelphia.

T. Smith showed the St. Catharines Journal a fine bunch of large and well ripened strawberries which he gathered off his berry patch Saturday.

Francis Locke of Belmont, was badly hurt by an infuriated bull. His brother William managed to knock the beast down with a pump-handle, or he would have lost his life.

W. A. Abercrombie of Picton, mail clerk at the Grand Junction railway and formerly clerk in the Kingston postoffice, has been arrested at Belleville for stealing letters.

Robert McQuaig, arrested at Hamilton on a charge of stealing $64 from a fellow-boarder at Brantford, has been honorably acquitted, the theft having been committed by another party.

The latest phase in connection with the Laval affair is that Rev. Mr. Hamel has returned from Quebec, and has determined to modify his decision as regards the expelled law students.

Frank Garl, the young man who peppered Charles Weiss of Detroit with duck shot at Peche island a few weeks ago, because Weiss insisted in hunting near the island, has been fined $50 and costs.

The marine department states that the government investigation into the charges against the captain of the steamer Saguenay shows that they were unfounded, and he is exonerated from all blame of the steamer being burned at Murray Bay.

Honoring a Fenian Suspect.

CORK, Nov. 17.—Fitzgerald, the fenian suspect acquitted on the charge of complicity in the Tubbercurry case, arrived to night. An immense concourse of people greeted him. The horses were unharnessed from the carriage, which was drawn through the streets. A torchlight procession with bands escorted him to a hotel.

Not Allowed to Land.

RIO JANEIRO, Nov. 17.—The steamer Matteo Bruzzo, which left Montevideo with cholera on board, has arrived here. The authorities refuse to receive the steamer. It is stated during the voyage that ten persons died from the disease. The Brazilian government will supply provisions required by the steamer to continue the voyage to some other port.

Joe Murphy.

This old Toronto favorite appeared to a big house last night in the Kerry Gow. The piece is better played than ever, the support good all round, and Mr. Murphy a show in himself. His songs were received with great applause. This play will run to-night and twice to-morrow, matinee included.

Steamship Arrivals.

At London: Grecian Monarch from New York.

At New York: City of Chicago from Liverpool.

At Glasgow: State of Indiana from New York; Phoenician from Halifax.

At Halifax: Nova Scotia from Liverpool.

At Philadelphia: Nestorian from Glasgow.

A DAY IN THE DOMINION.

GARNER THE FENSE GATHERED IN BY HAMILTON OFFICERS.

How Rose the Forging Law Student Was Captured—Two Persons Drowned at Port Elgin—A Quibble For Life.

HAMILTON, Nov. 17.—George Garner, the man in whose house here the trunks full of furs, etc., stolen from Toronto, were found, and who escaped, was captured at Fort Erie last night by Chief Stewart and Constable McMahon of the Hamilton force. They had watched him on the American side for two days, and nabbed him as he came over on the boat. They brought him here this morning.

Detectives Doyle and Reid arrested a man named John Elliott this morning, on complaint of a resident of Halton, who charges that Elliott stole timber to the value of $200 belonging to him.

Rev. Dr. James has announced his intention of placing his resignation as minister of Knox church before the presbytery at its next session. A member said there had for some time been differences between Dr. James and some of the congregation, and the minister was too strict and expected too much of his congregation.

HOW ROSE WAS ROPED.

The Woman in the Case Betrays His Whereabouts to the Police.

ST. THOMAS, Nov. 17.—As was already telegraphed, Robert Rose, the Ingersoll law student and forger, was arrested at Buffalo Saturday. Carrie Roberts, "the woman in the case," arrived in St. Thomas Friday and was interviewed by Chief Fewings, when it was learned that Rose was to meet her in Buffalo on the arrival of No. 2 express in that city at 3.40 a.m. No. 2 express leaving St. Thomas at midnight had two passengers from that city, Chief Fewings and an Ingersoll gentleman interested in the case. There were also on board the woman Roberts and Detective Donavan of Buffalo, who had a prisoner named Smith arrested for the larceny of a gold ring. On arriving in Buffalo Chief Fewings remained inside the car for some time, and on emerging observed the woman Rose and Detective Donavan engaged in conversation. Rose was immediately arrested and placed in a Buffalo police station, $1280 in money, a loaded revolver and two tickets for New York being found in his possession. He was dumbfounded at his arrest, but said nothing. Another loaded revolver was found in Rose's room at the hotel where he stopped. He stated he was to have been married to the woman Roberts on Saturday, and had engaged a minister to perform the ceremony. Rose will remain in Buffalo until the arrival of the necessary extradition papers.

A Double Drowning at Port Elgin.

PORT ELGIN, Nov. 17.—A heavy sea was running to-day when two men and a boy ventured out to lift nets, and had made two trips safely in a yawl, but the third time the boat was capsized, throwing all out. It is thought two of them became entangled in the net, as they were never seen to rise again. The third, a man named Barner, managed to get hold of the boat, but when rescued was in a very low condition. The names of the drowned were Alvin Shoemaker and Robt. Strong, a boy aged 14 years. Shoemaker leaves a wife and three children.

A Quibble for Life.

QUEBEC, Nov. 17.—One of the grounds urged by Mrs. Boutlet's lawyers for a reconsideration of the government's refusal to grant a commutation of sentence is an alleged defect in the sentence. It is now claimed that the judge sentenced the unfortunate woman "to be hanged until she be dead," without signifying in the usual phraseology that the hanging was "to be by the neck."

Promising Immigrant Boys.

OTTAWA, Nov. 17.—Three immigrant boys were sentenced to one year each in the reformatory for stealing various articles at different times.

At the police court this morning a man named Paquette was sentenced to eighteen months in the penitentiary for stealing a watch.

Struck it Rich.

VICTORIA, B.C., Nov. 17.—News has arrived from Kitsim Kalim river, an affluent of Skeena river, between Aberdeen and Lorne creek, that prospectors have made a rich gold strike, taking out as much as $5 to the pan. Some splendid specimens have been brought down.

Shot in the Arm.

COBOURG, Nov. 17.—Two young men, Hornbeck by name, were fooling with a revolver, when the proverbial accidental discharge occurred, the bullet being lodged in the arm of one of them midway between the elbow and the wrist.

Found Drowned.

BATYSVILLE, Nov. 17.—Louis Chevalier, aged 18, left this place Saturday evening in a small bark canoe for home, five miles distant. Sunday morning he was found drowned four miles from home with the canoe floating near him.

The Scott Act in Carleton.

OTTAWA, Nov. 17.—To-day was the last day for the filing of a counter petition in regard to the testing of the Scott act in Carleton. That the act will be carried by a small majority is the general impression.

Fatal Fall Down Stairs.

CHATHAM, Nov. 17.—A farmer named John Lewis, living four miles north of Chatham, was instantly killed last night by falling down stairs in his residence and breaking his neck.

A Gentleman of Culture in Trouble.

MONTREAL, Nov. 17.—Alex. Prudhomme, an employe of a Boston firm, has been arrested here on a charge of stealing and of bringing stolen goods into Canada.

Attempted Suicide.

John Nicello, formerly an employe at St. Michael's college, attempted to commit suicide a short time ago by jumping off the Weston bridge. He received severe injuries, and was taken into custody. Yesterday morning he was brought before Police Magistrate Denison and sent to jail to undergo a medical examination. Nicello has for some time been laboring under the delusion that there was some one laying for him to take his life, but it seems that he would rather take it himself.

THE TORONTO ART COMPANY FRAUD

The Promoter of the Enterprise is Willing to Abandon it.

A stylishly dressed lady came into The World yesterday and asked for the city editor. She had a paper in her hand, with the article on the Toronto Art company marked. She said that she was married, that she lived in Toronto, that she was the Toronto Art company, that she was trying to make a little money out of it, and that if it was wrong she would abandon it. She left to go home, said she would soon return with all the papers, but was not seen again. In her place, however, she sent a lawyer, who admitted that the thing was fraudulent and brought with him over thirty letters, the catch by the morning mail, said his fair client wished to give it up, and was willing that The World should take the letters, open them and return to the senders any money that was in them. The World declined the position, but anyone who has sent money to the concern if he call at this office the name will be given of the lawyer, who will refund the amount. When The World's article appeared the postoffice authorities tied up box 711 and would not give up the letters until the promoter of the Toronto Art company gave up her identity and address.

When the lady and the lawyer were asked to explain the process they did it in a circle: We advertise for people who want work; we answer them by saying that if they send us a dollar we will send them instructions how to make the pictures we wish them to paint, and for which we are willing to pay 60 cents each; with the instructions we offer for another $1 25 to send them a sample picture, so that they may learn the easier; it is these pictures that we give 60 cents for that we sell for $1.25—in short, the dupes paint the pictures to catch the other dupes, and thus the circle is complete. But the thing hardly ever goes beyond the first dollar. Since The World has taken this thing up we have received similar circulars that have been sent from a dozen other cities where the swindle has been worked.

Osgoode Literary and Legal Society.

The regular meeting of this society was held Saturday evening, when a large number of members were present. J. H. Bowes, B.A., read in excellent style an interesting essay on the subject: Shakespeare as a lawyer. A debate then followed on the subject: Resolved, that the Ontario court of appeal should be constituted the final appelate court in local matters, the affirmative being supported by Messrs. O'Flynn and Douglas, and the negative by Messrs. Dowdell and Carson. The president gave his decision in favor of the affirmative. Mr. Cassidy, a young Winnipeg barrister, and formerly an active member of this society, made an able and eloquent address, pointing out the advantages of attending a society such as this, to which socially he attributed much of his success.

Our Story.

The World begins this morning the publication of a short story by Henry James, the popular American writer. It will run for about ten days. It is well worth reading.

"Many Happy Returns of the Day."

New York Truth: To Rev. Dr. Joseph Wild, born in England, Nov. 16, 1834.

PERSONAL.

Ald. Allen of Kingston died Saturday.

Hon. John Carling, Ottawa, is in the city.

Wm. Crouch, London, Eng., is at the Rossin.

D. Guthrie, Q.C., Guelph, is at the Queen's.

Frederic Houde, M. P. for Moskinonge, is dead.

The Nun of Kenmare has arrived at New York.

W. Lount, Q. C., Barrie, is at the Rossin house.

S. J. Dawson, M.P., Port Arthur, is at the Queen's.

Rev. Canon Norman of Montreal is at the Queen's.

Edward Martin, Q. C., Hamilton, is at the Queen's.

Hiram Walker of Walkerville is stopping at the Queen's.

Hon. R. W. Scott, Ottawa, is stopping at the Queen's.

Rev. J. Robertson, Winnipeg, is at the Walker house.

D. Creighton, M.P.P., Owen Sound, is at the Walker house.

Hon. Charles Clarke, M.P.P., Elora, is at the Walker house.

Amos Rowe of the Winnipeg Times is registered at the Queen's hotel.

A. Hugel, mayor of Port Hope, and Rudolph Hugel are at the Rossin house.

Rev. B. F. Austin, principal of Alma college, St. Thomas, is at the Walker house.

The duke of Sutherland will soon visit this country. He is a great admirer of machinery.

Miss M. E. Braddon in private life is Mrs. Maxwell, and owns up to have reached the mature age of 56.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ogle are in Glasgow and send The World a batch of papers from the city on the Clyde.

Ex-Governor and Madame Cauchon have gone to Quappelle, where they will live on Joseph Cauchon's farm.

The December Century will contain a contribution from Mark Twain, "An Account of the Famous Grangerford-Shepherdson Feud," with illustrations.

A. M. Dodge, one of New York's heavy millionaires, has just returned from a shooting tour in the Muskoka lakes and is stopping at the Queen's.

U. S. Grant was the youngest president. He was not 43 when first inaugurated. Franklin Pierce was only 47 and Grover Cleveland will be in his 49th year when inaugurated.

Justin McCarthy boasts that he has done much of his literary work with a type-writing machine. This shows that there is machine-made prose as well as machine-made poetry.

The Century's war series was begun by a confederate contributor, General Beauregard. In the next number General Lew Wallace of the federal army will write of Fort Donelson.

William Warren, for years Boston's favorite character actor, has been placed on the committee for examination of the students in rhetoric and oratory by the overseers of Harvard.

In the Montana cattle towns a shave, a glass of whisky and a newspaper all cost the same—25 cents. When a man only has a dollar he usually goes without the shave and the newspaper.

Marie Valerie, youngest daughter of the emperor of Austria, has written a comedy which will be produced at the Imperial theatre at Vienna Wednesday. Valerie will perform the part of the heroine.

Wm. McNabb and Wilton Morse left Toronto yesterday for Buffalo on their way to Texas, where they propose going into the sheep ranching business. A large number of their friends gave them a hearty send off.

W. H. Smith, the great London newsdealer, has become rich enough to be one of the largest landed proprietors in England. He is a member of parliament and as ex-first lord of the admiralty he enjoys the distinction of being the original of Sir Joseph Porter in Pinafore.

How the Printer Was Pleased.

From the Aylmer Express.

We might enlarge, but it is sufficient to say that the hall was very comfortable, the audience enthusiastic and the performances on both nights generally satisfactory, with the printer's bill settled promptly and no grumbling.

STREET CARS ON SUNDAY.

THE QUESTION BROUGHT UP IN THE CITY COUNCIL.

The Court House Site—Address to Sir John—Bad Brick in a Sewer—In Session Until 1 This Morning.

The aldermen commenced business at 7.30 last night and rounded the last lap in their evening's career about one o'clock this morning. The chairman of the court of revision handed in a presentment of the work of the court. The increases in this years assessment foot up to $96 000 and the reductions $251,020, thus making the assessment $68 974,084. The aldermen divided sharply on the court house site question. Ald. Turner captained the opposition to the lot at the head of Bay street. The objection of his followers to building the structure here was that the aldermen had not the faintest idea of what the cost would be. Mayor Boswell spoke in favor of the Bay street block. The council by a majority of two rejected Ald. Turner's resolution binding the aldermen to delay until a report was received from W. G. Storm about the probable cost of the building and also the possibilities of using St. Lawrence building as a city hall. Ald. Harvie and Turner were the two western members who voted with the minority, and all the members were in place. As objection was made the bylaw to appoint arbitrators only passed its second reading last night.

Ald. Farley's motion appointing himself, Ald. Woods, Harvie and Barton a committee to wait on the street railway people to induce them to run street cars on Sunday from 9 30 until 2 o'clock, and 4.30 until 9 30 was burked, as the council without a dissentient voice demurred at suspending the rules for this purpose.

Ald. Hunter and Hastings exhibited samples of soft brick taken from Mr. Godson's part of the Garrison creek sewer. The works committee will look into the matter.

The Doig valve contract muddle was referred to the waterworks committee.

At the instance of Ald. Shaw, Ald. Turner, Smith, and Mayor Boswell, were appointed to draft an address of congratulation to Sir John A. Macdonald, to be presented when he visits the city. Addresses to Mr. Mowat was also proposed, but the members of the council were too sleepy for work when this came up.

James Somers, son of the county master, won the race for the vacant clerkship in City Clerk Roddy's office. The council adjourned at 12 45.

STRATTON'S DOGS.

A prominent officer of the inland revenue department who lives on Spadina avenue is dreadfully afraid of burglars since the recent housebreakings in the west end, some of the sufferers being relatives of his. So he has taken precautions: he has one dog chained to the newel of the staircase and another at his bedroom door, which he also secures by revenue stamps, so that in the morning he can see therefrom if an attempt has been made on the door.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING.

To think my company could be swindled out of $3500—J. W. Langmuir.

And me the solicitor—J. D. Edgar.

It was a clear case of trust and loan company—The Public.

If Gladstone is a Grand O.M., I'm a Grand C.B. Sir John.

But it's your M.P. that gives you your grip—The Canadian People.

HIS MAJESTY'S BIRTHDAY.

Col. George A. Shaw flew a flag over his real estate office yesterday. When asked the reason he said:

It's the king's birthday.

What king?

The king of the Sandwich islands, and I'm his consul in Toronto.

A CANTICLE OF CHROMOS.

Poor fellow mortals of the sad
Vain grotesque genus "homo,"
With horror hear the latest fad,
The "journalistic chromo."

Good John Ross R. is there because
He built the children's home, oh!
And Deacon Cameron always was
Deserving of a chromo.

Oh, sad! that Yankee blades so keen
Our harvest fields should so mow,
And worthy citizens look mean
In every vulgar chromo.

—*The Doctor.*

SIR JOHN MACDONALD, G. C. B.

Chorus of Ministers:
Over the bright blue sea
Comes Sir John Macdonald, G. C. B.,
Wherever he may go—
Of course the Globe is certain sure to know—
Shout o'er the bright blue sea,
For now Sir John is made a G. C. B.

Sir John Macdonald, G. C. B., sings:
When I was a lad I served a term
As junior clerk to an attorneys' firm,
I kept the books and I read some law,
And was just about as sharp a clerk as e'er you saw.
I made my name, and the great N. P.,
And her majesty has made me now a G.C.B.

Chorus of Ministers:
He's made *his* name, but wouldn't we
Like to tickle up our surnames with a G. C. B.?

Sir John:
When a very young man into parliament
For the Limestone city I was duly sent,
I worked like the dickens in my country's cause,
And I had a deal to say about the different laws;
So I very soon climbed to the top of the tree,
And now I'm decorated with the G. C. B.

Chorus of Ministers:
And we'd like to climb to the top of the tree,
And we might be decorated with the G. C. B.

Sir John:
At the risk of being thought to be an awful bore,
I'd state that in the order there are twenty-four;
Lord Dufferin is one of the twenty-three
Who are holders of the G. C. B. as well as me—
But of those who hold it you will all agree
The greatest is Sir John Macdonald, G. C. B.

Chorus of Ministers:
Of all who hold it? Yes, we all agree,
The greatest is Sir John Macdonald, G. C. B.

—*J. A. F.*

Cold Winds and Snow.

Increasing northeasterly winds; mostly cloudy weather with local falls of snow turning to rain in some localities, followed by cold north and west winds to-night.