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THE STAR AND THE WORLD.

THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STORY OF "GRABBING A NEWSPAPER."

Messrs. Gregg, Hocken and Parr Handy at Mortgaging Other People's Property — Mr. William Bell Supplies $6000—Will W. F. Maclean Be Driven Out of Public Life?

The World does not often obtrude its own affair on the public, its readers. But as the relations of this paper, of W. F. Maclean and of The World Newspaper Co. to The Evening Star and to Thomas A. Gregg, H. C. Hocken and W. H. Parr have been the subject of violent attack on the part of The Star, and of Gregg, Hocken and Parr, who claim to be owners thereof, and therefore ought to assume the responsibility thereof, The World asks the indulgence of its readers this morning for the publication by us of some signed and other documents that may throw fresh light on the case. We claim that this is only fair to Mr. Maclean, because it has been alleged that he has acted dishonorably toward organized labor, that the workingmen of Toronto would execrate him, and that he would be driven from his seat in Parliament because of his conduct toward The Star and "the men who owned it," and "the men who made The Star." Here are a few sample statements made either in The Star or handbills:

[Evening Star, Monday, Dec. 12.]

A Treacherous Obstructionist.

To-day W. F. Maclean of The World came into this office with a bundle of notes which he wished endorsed. Because he was refused he stopped the printing of The Star on his press. He has put us to great trouble, but we will get out to-morrow all right.

[Handbill, distributed Dec. 12.]

To the Public.

Because William F. Maclean, M.P., of The World newspaper could not get the control of The Evening Star he this afternoon refused to print our paper.

Previous to this he tried to sell The Star to the Riordons and betraying the men who made it.

We will be able to get out one edition to-day, and have made arrangements for printing to-morrow.

This explains the reduced appearance of The Star to-day.

[From The Star of Tuesday, Dec. 13.]

THE TALE OF THE PAPER'S TROUBLE.

AN UNVARNISHED STORY OF THE STAB AT THE STAR.

The Reason Why Mr. W. F. Maclean Tried to Prevent the Publication of the Paper Yesterday.

The men who owned it [The Star] were willing to make any reasonable concession to him [W. F. Maclean] as recompense for the service which he rendered in printing the paper, but that would not do him. He wanted absolute control as would not only give him power to dictate the policy of the paper, but to treat *the men who made it and owned it* as mere employes. He was continually figuring how to accomplish this, but having aroused the suspicion of the owners of The Star he was met at every turn by stout opposition and could do nothing. The agreement which Gregg, Hocken and Parr made with Maclean was to exist for a period of five weeks only, at the end of which time *the owners* had power to act as they pleased.

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We know that we have tried to act squarely with all men with whom we have had dealings, and that reproach of no mean act can rest upon us.

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No feeling in The Star office when this thing transpired [the refusal of The World to print The Star] was simply blank astonishment. It came like a thunderclap, and staggered everyone from the proprietors down to the office boy.

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THEY WILL NEVER FORGET.

In labor circles there was a deep indignation, and many a vow was registered that the attempt to injure the paper which was their friend would never be forgotten.

And much more to the same effect.

A Counter Statement.

The reader is now asked to peruse the following:

1. When the trouble in The News office occurred T. A. Gregg was working in The World office as a night editor and had been so employed for six weeks or more. He brought Mr. Hocken and Mr. Parr, foreman and sub-foreman of The News before the trouble occurred, into The World office. The three of them urged Mr. Maclean to start an evening paper, or to run out an evening edition of The World.

As a newspaper man of some sagacity he saw there was an opening and that the opening was ma le, first, by the journalistic mistake of The News which had broken with the "labor vote" and whose support had made that paper; and, second, by the fact that the striking printers would have the sympathy of the labor party in the city. Mr. Maclean suggested that he would go into a deal and put all the resources of The World at the service of a new paper if these gentlemen would go in with him.

2. They all agreed and the following document was drawn up and signed:

Memorandum of Agreement

Made this second day of November, 1892, between Thomas A. Gregg, night editor; Horatio Hocken, printer; W. H. Parr, printer, and C. G. Maclean, president of The World Newspaper Company.

The several parties aforesaid have determined and agreed to procure laws of incorporation, incorporating them as a company for the publication of an evening paper in Toronto to be called The Evening Herald. The capital stock of the said company to be $2000, to be apportioned in paid-up shares of $10 each, as follows: Said T. A. Gregg 40 shares, said H. Hocken 40 shares, said W. H. Parr 16 shares, and said C. G. Maclean 104 shares, making 200 in all. Said letters of incorporation to be applied for forthwith.

But in order to allow of the immediate publication of the said evening paper, it is hereby agreed that the said H. Hocken shall act as trustee for the several parties and proceed at once with the publication of the said paper.

The said H. Hocken and the said W. H. Parr on the part of each and both of them agree to procure that the printers recently locked out by The News Printing Company shall give their services toward the publication of the said paper for five weeks for their striking allowance.

The said H. Hocken agrees to act as business manager for the said paper at a salary of $20 a week until the paper is fully organized under the letters patent.

The said T. A. Gregg agrees to take the position of editor of the said paper at $25 a week until the afore-mentioned organization under the charter.

The said W. H. Parr agrees to act as foreman of the news room until the said organization.

And the said C. G. Maclean on behalf of herself and on behalf of The World Newspaper Company agrees to find the type and all the plant for the publication and printing of the said proposed paper and to allow all the work therefor to be done in The World building, and by and with the plant of the said World Newspaper Company, and to pay all charges in the production of the said paper for five weeks in the nature of stereotyping, reporting, editing, gas, power, presswork, telegraphing, ink and other such incidentals. The paper bills and the cost of distributing the paper to be paid out of the sales of such paper if sufficient.

And the said parties heretofore mentioned and whose names are subscribed hereunder agree each and everyone with the others, to stand loyally together in the undertaking of establishing such an evening paper, and to do all in their respective powers to that end.

(Signed), THOMAS A. GREGG.
H. C. HOCKEN.
W. H. PARR.
C. G. MACLEAN.

H. Goss,
Witness as to the above signatures.

The name Herald was the name first chosen, but on the day of publication it was found that there was a Herald in the city, and The Star was substituted. Mr. Hocken never drew any salary; he was in receipt of the striking allowance; Mr. Gregg drew his $25 weekly.

3. The World asks the reader to re-peruse the last paragraph of this agreement put in Italics.

4. That agreement was made on Nov. 2, and The Star made its appearance on Thursday, Nov. 3.

5. Within a week after the first appearance of The Star Mr. Maclean instructed Mr. J. A. Macintosh (M., M. & M.) to procure letters of incorporation for The Star. The nominal capital was made at $2000 in order that the letters patent could be procured forthwith. A company under $3000 can be incorporated in a week; one over it takes six. When the papers were presented to Messrs. Gregg, Hocken and Parr, the first objected and said he would see his lawyer. He took the papers away and never returned them, though asked repeatedly to do so. His answer was one of delay, "wait till the five weeks are up" and the like.

6. The five weeks were up on Dec. 7, and before that date Mr. Maclean asked for an understanding. He was met with an evasive reply. Nevertheless, he determined to live up to the agreement above printed.

7. On the last day of the five weeks, on Dec. 7, Mr. Maclean called Parr, Hocken and Gregg into his office and said: "You are buying a press, a dress of type, in either of which things you have not even consulted me, though you have signed to stand loyally one with the other, what do you mean?" Gregg replied: "You stand in with us equally; we all each own a fourth, and we are not going to give you control." Mr. Maclean replied: "I am willing that a company of any capital you like be formed and we'll take up our share pro rata, and that you three be directors as against two elected by us, and that yearly agreements with each of you to be employed by the company be executed, and that the paper be an exclusively labor one as far as its policy is concerned. All I ask is that two directors be allowed to represent us on your board and be free to convince any one of the other three, if they are able, as to how such a labor policy be carried out."

8. That did not suit these gentlemen, and when the subsequent events came forth the reason therefor is plain. Mr. Maclean then said: "There is a serious misunderstanding somewhere; we will either buy or sell. I'll take $2000 for The World's 52 per cent. in The Star or I'll give you $600 apiece ($1800) for your 48 per cent." After some further haggling the offer of Mr. Maclean was accepted and this agreement drawn up:

H. Hocken, on behalf of himself and his associates, agrees to purchase the interest of C. G. Maclean and of The World Newspaper Company in The Star for $2000, $250 cash to be paid to-day [Dec. 7]; $150 one week from to-day, viz., Dec. 13, and the balance of $1500 in 10 weekly payments of $150 each. The said H. Hocken and his associates to pay the amount due to the editorial staff of The Star for last week and this week up to to-day, and also the telegraph bills owed up to to-day, say $175, and also the account of the Central Press Agency for stereotyping to date, say $200, leaving the amount due the said C. G. Maclean and The World Newspaper Company in the neighborhood of $1750, less the said $150 for editorial staff, and $200 or so due Central Press.

The title and deed to pass on completion of this contract. The World to agree to print The Star for four weeks for $30 a week use of press and power and to pay all wages and also to pay Central Press Agency for stereotyping. The said Hocken also agrees to print from World paper supplied at 4 cents a pound. 60 pounds to 1000 sheets, 7 columns, as long as World press is used. (S'gd.) HORATIO C. HOCKEN.

9. The Star went out of The World building that night and next day Mr. Maclean went over to Hocken and asked him an accounting, "so that the amount due The World could be settled and a 'title and deed' 'pass' to them on completion of the contract." Mr. Hocken said he was too busy to ascertain what was the amount due to the staff, due for telegraphing, and due for stereotyping. He was asked on Friday and on Saturday, and he was still too busy. On Monday Mr. Maclean insisted on a settlement, and after another haggle Hocken admitted that under the agreement $1277 was due The World. "Then sign these nine notes covering that amount, coming due on the dates indicated in the agreement, complete the agreement and let the title pass." But he would not. "Then," said Mr. Maclean, "you do not intend to carry out your undertaking [Mr. Maclean by this time knew of the chattel mortgage referred to later on], and I'll not print the paper until you do, nor have any 'title and deed' made out to you." He came back to The World office and stopped the press, just about to start on that day's edition.

A Startling Discovery.

10. Yesterday Mr. Maclean and his solicitor, Mr. George Lindsey, searched the County Court records for the facts of a chattel mortgage put on the commercial lists two days ago. They found the following startling information:

That on Monday, Dec. 5 (three days before the expiration of the original five weeks' agreement of Nov. 2, and two days before Mr. Maclean agreed to sell The World's interest in The Star to Hocken and his associates) the three of them had deliberately placed a chattel mortgage for $6000 on The Star without consulting C. G. Maclean or The World, or W. F. Maclean, representing The World interest of 52 per cent.

11. Here are the salient paragraphs of the mortgage in question: Dated Dec. 5, '92.

"Between T. A. Gregg,
H. C. Hocken,
William H. Parr,
To William Bell of Guelph, for $6000.

"For $2200 at four months from Dec. 1, 1892, and eight notes of $500 each, four at five months and four at six months.

"And the mortgagors assign to the mortgagee as part of this security the name Evening Star and the sole right of such name in the publication and issue of a newspaper in the city of Toronto and County of York.

"And the mortgagors and each of them also assign to the mortgagee all book accounts and debts which are now owing to them or any of them, or which may hereafter during the continuance of this mortgage be owing to them or any of them.

"Also they mortgage to the mortgagee all the books of account and all accounts, the circulation and advertising lists, printing and advertising contracts now and which may hereafter belong to the mortgagors in connection with the said business, and join the present and future assets of all kinds and good-will of The Star business."

12. The reader will again please re-peruse the last paragraph (the one in italics) of the agreement of Nov. 2 (printed above) and also the last sentence of the first paragraph quoted from The Star of Dec. 13, viz., "The agreement which Gregg, Hocken and Parr made with Maclean was to exist for five weeks, *after which time* the owners had power to act as they pleased." There was no such termination of the agreement provided, and three days before the five weeks were up these three men (including Mr. Hocken, who occupied the responsible position of "trustee for the *several* parties") had mortgaged the property for $6000 and deposited the money to their credit.

13. Mr. William Bell, who is president of the Traders Bank of this city, was in town yesterday. He said that when he advanced the $6000 he was given to understand that Gregg, Hocken and Parr were the sole owners of The Star and that The World or anyone connected with it had nothing to do with it other than the printing of the paper. That being so it therefore follows that as far as Mr. Bell is concerned the $6000 was got from him *under false pretences*, if it was not blackmailed out of him, and if he wishes to protect himself, his reputation and his money he will take such steps as the law allows him in circumstances of this kind.

14. What steps The World Co. will take in the case will be decided on the advice of eminent counsel in criminal law. As far as the money interest of The World is concerned, Mr. Lindsey yesterday took out a writ on behalf of The World, and by special leave of Mr. Justice Rose he was authorized to serve notice of a motion to be made before him to-morrow on behalf of The World Co. against Gregg, Hocken and Parr for an injunction:

To restrain the defendants or any of them from doing anything which may destroy or interfere with the plaintiff company in participating in the active management of the trading business of the publication of the paper known as The Evening Star, and from restraining the plaintiff company in the exercise of and enjoyment of the rights as a partner, according to the agreement between the plaintiff company and the defendants, dated the 2nd day of Nov., 1892, or any other agreement, and to restrain the defendants from applying or apportioning the partnership funds for any other than the purposes of the partnership, and from getting in the assets of the partnership or making improper use of the partnership property;

And for an accounting of the partnership between the plaintiff company and the defendants;

And that a receiver and manager of the trade and business of the newspaper published at Toronto, known as The Evening Star, be appointed.

15. The World for the present leaves the matter here. W. F. Maclean, on behalf of himself and The World Newspaper Company, assumes responsibility for all the foregoing and asks the public to read the signed documents as above printed and to reserve any condemnation of him for his conduct until he have opportunity of further justifying himself if that be necessary. But he thinks that any threat of Thomas A. Gregg to have him execrated by the workingmen of Toronto and to drive him out of political life, and especially out of East York, will prove ineffective. And Mr. David Creighton, as managing director of The Empire, will please take notice that he and his company who own the presses which printed an irresponsible attack on W. F. Maclean in The Star of Tuesday will be held responsible therefor, and for any other attacks of a similar character that may proceed from his pressroom. The reason why no such attacks were made in yesterday's Star is that, as we believe, Mr. Creighton refused to print any more such attacks, and that he compelled The Star people to leave out a lot of other objectionable matter from Tuesday's paper and held the press back for two hours until a new and modified plate was made. That was the true reason of the delay in Tuesday night's issue.

SIR JOHN THOMPSON'S VISIT.

The Board of Trade Banquet Will Not Be Political—The Premier and the Young Conservatives.

Mr. Frank C. Cooke, secretary of the Committee of the Young Men's Liberal-Conservative Association, has received the following telegram from Sir John Thompson:

Am very grateful for the invitation conveyed by your letter and telegram. Will reply definitely in a day or two. Meanwhile, please observe that Board of Trade is not a banquet given to Ministers, nor will it be the occasion for political speeches, so that it will not interfere with a political demonstration such as you propose.

(Signed) JOHN S. D. THOMPSON.

It is pretty well understood that Sir John will accept the Young Conservatives' invitation, and that the banquet will be a great demonstration in honor of the new Premier.

MAY I USE YOUR TELEPHONE?

Certainly, If You Drop a Nickel in the Slot, You May.

The practice of dead-heading has grown to such an extent that the Telephone Company is placing small iron boxes at all drug stores and other prominent retail places for the purpose of checking this unauthorized use of the telephones. These boxes have the following notice:

This telephone must not be used unless 5 cents is put in this box. Bell Telephone Company.

It is being left to the people using the instruments to pay the small amount charged.

SIX MONTHS EACH.

Two Toronto Convicts Who Got Away From the Penitentiary.

At the Kingston sessions yesterday Henry Reid and George Johnston, alias Samuel Jarvis, sentenced in Toronto to six years for burglary in 188', pleaded guilty of attempting to escape from the Penitentiary and were sentenced to six months' additional imprisonment.

Marriage Dramas to-night.

A Prompt Beneficiary Organization.

{16 Harbord-street,
{Toronto, Dec. 13, 1892.

To Messrs. William Ray, Treasurer; David Adair, Secretary, and Charles Colger, Regent, of Maple Leaf Council, Royal Arcanum, Toronto:

DEAR SIRS,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt from you of $3000, being the full amount of the beneficiary certificate in the Royal Arcanum Benefit Society held by my late brother, Mr. R. R. Clarke.

My brother was insured in five companies and societies, and I have much pleasure in stating that your association has been the first to meet the payment accruing on his death. On behalf of his orphan children (as whose trustee I have received this money) I most sincerely thank you and all the officers of the order, and particularly of Maple Leaf Council, for the great courtesy and promptitude with which this claim has been considered and paid. I trust that your order may meet with all the success which such a mode of transacting business deserves, and that it may long continue to afford to its members so reliable a means of providing for those they leave behind them.

Believe me, gentlemen,
Faithfully yours,
E. F. CLARKE, M.L.A.

Hurry up, girls, and get your proposals placed. The year is fast drawing to a close. If you wait much longer you will have to wait for him to propose. This is your year; take advantage of it. If he hasn't all the money he would like to have tell him there's many a good fellow has gone to C. F. Adams Company and got all the Furniture and Carpets and Curtains and Blankets and Stoves, etc., they have required to make a start with or even to continue with and to add to and renew with, and got them on credit too and did very well. Just a little payment every week or so and the thing is done. How many homes have been made comfortable in that way it's hard to tell. But we know they might be counted by the thousands. All kinds of nice furniture always on hand. Any amount of Holiday Goods, Secretarys, Music Cabinets, Parlor Cabinets, Book Shelves, Fancy Tables, Hall Racks, Hall Chairs, Hanging Lamps, Gas Fixtures—that's a new line added—China Tea and Dinner Sets, Stoves, Ranges, Self-Feeders, etc. C. F. Adams Company, the Home Furnishers, 175-179 Yonge-street. C. S. Coryell, manager.

Another Half Million.

"Board of Trade" Envelopes, and they are better than the last, 85 cents per thousand. H. M. Blight, 51 Yonge-street. 246

Marriage Dramas to-night.

Christmas will soon be here again, and people are already wondering what they will get for presents. Nothing gives more satisfaction than a tastefully framed picture. As usual Matthews Bros. & Co., 95 Yonge-street, have a good supply of water colors, etchings, etc. Call and make your selections early. e

Marriage Dramas to-night.

No Funds for the Work.

Street Commissioner Jones has received instructions to shut down all work owing to the want of funds. Mr. Jones says he has 300 men at work on repairs and street cleaning, besides 100 scavengers, and these will have to be kept on.

Marriage Dramas to-night.

Personal.

J. W. McLaughlin, Bowmanville, is at the Walker House.

Rev. F. H. Hartley, Apsley, is at the Walker.

Rev. J. Mackie, Kingston, is staying at the Walker.

George G. Goodman, Parry Sound, is at the Queen's.

W. H. Wilkeson, Napanee, is staying at the Queen's.

James M. Irwin, Peterboro, is at the Queen's.

Mrs. R. M. Stewart and Miss Gillies, Hamilton, are at the Palmer.

Dr. Hare, Rev. D. C. McDowell and H. B. Taylor are registered at the Palmer.

A. E. Morgan, Oshawa, registered at the Palmer yesterday.

D. W. Karn and Dr. Douglas, Woodstock, are staying at the Rossin.

H. L. Ebbels, Port Perry, is one of the late arrivals at the Rossin.

W. J. Williams, Galt, is at the Rossin.

Mr. Joseph Duggan of The Hansard staff was in town last night on his way to St. Louis, where his brother is head of the Missouri Rubber Co.

Rev. Dr. Macrae of St. John, N.B., and Mr. Robert Murray of Halifax of The Presbyterian Review are in town. Rev. Dr. Macrae is the guest of Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, and Mr. Murray is staying at the Rossin.

John Charlton, M.P., is staying at the Rossin House.

Mr. Charles M. Bowell, son of Mr. Mackenzie Bowell, is staying at the Walker. Mr. Bowell for the past several years has been residing in the United States, being connected with the Customs Department of the Northern Pacific Railway.

Marriage Dramas to-night.

MURDER OF ARCHIE CAMMILL.

HE AND HIS WIFE LIVED ON UNFRIENDLY TERMS.

His Brother-in-Law, the Suspect, Has Surrendered Himself—The Young Son's Evidence Contradicted That of His Mother's—The Autopsy of the Body Shows a Straight Case of Murder.

PORT ARTHUR, Ont., Dec. 14.—The inquest on the body of Archie Cammill, who was shot Monday night, was opened yesterday before Coroner Beck.

Dr. Macdonald performed the autopsy, which revealed the fact that deceased was shot in the right side just above the nipple.

The wound was an awful one, being 3 1-2 inches in diameter, descending nine inches from the right nipple to the spinal column, and the second and third ribs shot away.

The evidence taken proves a straight case of murder, and James Rowe, a brother-in-law of the murdered Cammill, is generally looked upon as the guilty party. He was in company with the deceased on the fatal night, and they had quarreled.

Mrs. Prynn, the first witness called, swore that Cammill and his wife lived on unfriendly terms.

Other witnesses swore that they saw a man, whom they believed to be James Rowe, run from the house.

Charlie Williams, a 10-year-old son of the deceased, was examined at some length. The boy had evidently been carefully schooled, as it took some time to get full particulars from him. His evidence contradicted that of his mother's. Mrs. Cammill, who is the principal witness, was examined at length. Her evidence was very unsatisfactory. Judging by appearance she is a woman whose moral responsibility is not great.

The inquest was postponed till Friday. James Rowe, who is believed to have fired the fatal shot, and who disappeared immediately after the murder, returned to town this evening and surrendered himself to the authorities.

NOT TO KILL.

Merely to Cause a Stampede Among the Non-Union Men.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 14.—The story of the selection of the poison alleged to have been used in the execution of the Homestead plot was learned to-day from an authoritative source.

As has been stated, the design was not to cause the death of any of the non-union men, but to produce such an epidemic of sickness as to create a panic among them and thus effect a stampede from the works.

A prolonged discussion ensued among the conspirators as to the kind of poison to be used, and it was finally decided to consult a druggist. The conspirators reported that they wanted to disable a pugilist so that he could not win a fight in which he was engaged.

They were asked if they wanted the drug to act quickly or otherwise. It was stated that they preferred something that would affect gradually so as not to arouse suspicion.

The conspirators were told that a certain preparation could be made that would gradually undermine the strength, and if persisted in would knock the victim out in three or four days. The formula of the preparation was obtained and it is said the ingredients were found in the samples of coffee and soup which were analyzed by the chemists of the company at Braddock, Homestead and Duquesne.

ON HIS DEATHBED.

James G. Blaine's Disease Is Now a Strength-Sapping Malady.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The following despatch from Washington has been received:

James G. Blaine is now on his deathbed. The strength-sapping malady from which he has suffered for so long a time has assumed a form which warns his family and friends of a speedy termination.

The disease attacked his lungs a short time ago and its course has baffled the skill of his physicians.

The visit of Dr. Janeway of New York to Mr. Blaine is indicative of the extreme anxiety of the family.

"Very much better," was the reply given this evening at the family residence to the inquiry about the health of Mr. Blaine.

Ladies.

Buy your Christmas presents at Bonner's We have the largest stock of gents' initial white silk handkerchiefs in the city at prices, from 50c. up for gents' sizes; also gents' silk umbrellas from $1 up. We have opened up four cases of gents' neckwear suitable for the Christmas trade. Gents' four-in-hand ties, only 25c; gents' made-up scarfs, only 25c. You must see these goods to appreciate them. Bonner's, corr Yonge and Queen-streets. 246

All Report Progress.

The members of the Metropolitan Methodist Church, who assembled in the Sunday school room last night, were greatly pleased to hear from the different departments of church work of the success with which they were meeting. There were reports from the pastor, the Sunday school, the church classes, the Board of Stewards, the pew stewards, the choir, the Women's Missionary Society, Epworth League and the Jarvis-street mission.

Ready For Christmas.

We all know that the Christmas season is a trying one for the ladies. Their affectionate hearts will not permit the day of gifts to come and go without the bestowal of some kind remembrance upon their dear ones. Some gifts are safer than others. A lady would have to be very sure of sizes or preferences to buy some articles of men's apparel, but with a slender knowledge of a man's peculiar notions she might buy some of those soft delicious Japanese silk mufflers, or a few of quinn's peerless Christmas neckties, either being especially acceptable to the masculine mind.

Coming To Toronto.

The Grand Trunk Railway Company are contemplating the removal of the machine shops in connection with Engineer Hobson's department from Hamilton to Toronto. Fifteen men are employed in these shops. The crossing frogs and switches are manufactured in Toronto, and the object of the removal is to concentrate the works here.

Ouija, the Mysterious Talking Board and parlor game.

Don't Be Without One.

If you want a cheap overcoat made to order and guaranted to fit, you can get what you require from $10 up. Johnson, the English tailor, 799 King-street west, gives you good workmanship, low figures and your overcoat on a short notice. Give him a call, it will pay you. e

Mysterious Ouija, a parlor game. For sale at all Fancy Goods Dealers.

Knights of St. John Officers.

The R.C.U. Knights of St. John met last night and elected the following officers: President, F. J. Harrington; Vice-President, P. J. Mulqueen; sec.-treas., T. Chadwick; Trustees: J. P. Mallon, J. B. Green, T. K. Haffey.

Marriage Dramas to-night.

Grenadiers' Sergeants' Smoker.

The Grens' sergeants held a most successful smoking concert last night in their messrooms, Queen-street west.

This is more than game or toy;
It gives amusement, mirth and joy,
Yet wise men their minds employ on Ouija.

KILLED ON HIS WAY FROM SCHOOL.

Run Over By a Rig—He Dies Two Hours After Being Taken Home.

A 6-year-old schoolboy named Henry Russell was run over and fatally injured at noon yesterday in Sumach-street by the delivery cart of Morgan J. Kelly, wine merchant, Gerrard and Sackville-streets.

The little fellow was on his way home from school and was chasing a companion across the street, when the accident occurred. He died at 2 o'clock.

The World saw Mr. Kelly last night. He said: "I was driving south on the right-hand side of the street. In front of me and near the middle of the road was a coal cart going at a walk in the same direction. When a little below St. David-street two boys ran across the street in front of the vehicles. One boy got across all right, but young Russell stood still as if paralyzed right before my cart. My horses was only jogging along, but before I could pull up one of the wheels ran over the boy. If he had been one of my own boys I could not have done more to save him. The little fellow jumped up and he did not seem to be much hurt. He told us where he lived and we took him home. When a couple of hours afterwards Dr. Cleland told me the boy was dead I was dumfounded. I immediately notified Coroner Duncan and he referred me to Coroner Aikins."

Mr. Kelly keenly feels the sad event and has notified the parents that he will bear all expenses.

Dr. Cleland is of opinion that internal injuries were the cause of death, there being no external marks or bruises.

The boy's father is James C. Russell and he lives at No. 8 Rosin-avenue.

Coroner Aikins has decided that an inquest is unnecessary.

Marriage Dramas to-night.

AN IMPORTANT CIRCULAR

Issued by Secretary Blake of the Citizens' Industrial Association.

Mr. J. N. Blake, secretary pro tem of the Citizens' Industrial Association, has issued an open letter calling attention to the meeting of the Executive Committee at No. 40 King-street, for the purpose of permanent organization. The plan to be adopted for the formation of a permanent bureau is such that subjects may be dealt with rapidly. Applications of manufacturers desiring increased capital will be carefully investigated, manufacturers desiring to locate in Toronto will be aided in every way, the advantages of Toronto as a manufacturing centre extensively advertised, and the question of establishing new industries, especially iron, nickel, steel and brass industries, considered.

The Select Committee and officers appointed at the public meeting have freely given their services to this cause without remuneration.

Indian Corn Mills.

HAMBURG, Dec. 14.—Another mill has been started in this city for the purpose of grinding Indian corn exclusively. This is the third mill now running here which grinds nothing but Indian corn from America.

The new mill is owned by Carl Engel & Co. The establishing of these mills is due to the efforts of Mr. Charles J. Murphy, the special agent of the United States Agricultural Department, who was sent to Europe to introduce Indian corn and to point out the various methods of preparing it.

A Strike Off.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 14.—The strike which was inaugurated among the moulders at Morris' foundry a week ago has been unsuccessful and declared off. The men struck because one of their number was discharged for neglecting his work.

"OLD PROBS" MAY MOVE.

Revival of the Rumor That the Observatory Is to Go to Ottawa.

The rumor is again revived that the weather observatory will shortly be removed from Toronto to Ottawa.

Deputy Minister of Marine Smith was in the city a few days ago, his visit, it is understood, being in connection with the proposed removal.

SHEPPARD WILL BE OUR MAYOR.

Mr. E. E. Sheppard of Saturday Night has decided to contest the mayoralty against Mr. Fleming. He is getting his friends together, and the indications are that, both on his own merits and the weaknesses of the Fleming administration, he will defeat the present occupant of the civic chair by a substantial majority.

A Trembler at Athens.

ATHENS, Dec. 14.—A sharp earthquake shock was felt here to-day. Damage slight.

Marriage Dramas to-night.

Buyers of Pictures.

The second day's sale of Mr. and Mrs. Reid's pictures took place at Oliver, Coate & Co.'s auction rooms yesterday. The proceeds of the sale will in all amount to over $3500. Among the chief buyers were: Messrs. Philip Jamieson, Dr. Moorhouse, George, Newberry, Mitchell, Terry and others. Mr. Philip Jamieson purchased "The Clock Cleaner" for $325. Mr. George bought "Lullaby" for $310. "A Country Cousin" and "Sweet Sixteen" were purchased for $250. The smaller pictures were sold for good figures.

Marriage Dramas to-night.

The adage tells us that for the want of a horseshoe nail a battle was lost. For the want of attention at the proper moment many a costly watch has been lost. If there is anything ever so slight the matter with your watch take it at once to Frank S. Taggart & Co., 89 King-street west, Toronto.

If you try Chivrell's new place, corner Yonge and Richmond, you will never regret it.

If you wish to pay double price for your pictures be sure to attend all the auction sales, but if you want good pictures at very proper prices, select from Matthews Bros. & Co.'s choice and varied stock of proof etchings, engravings, etc. ed

A Wise Plan.

Every man who has a wife and family, or others dependent upon him for support, certainly should make provision for them in case of his death.

By taking out a Compound Investment Policy in the North American Life Assurance Company such provision can be made. 246

Marriage Dramas to-night.

Local Jottings.

The annexation meeting called for last night in Richmond Hall did not eventuate.

L. Goldsmith & Co., cigar manufacturers of Yonge-street, have assigned to George Evans.

Three cases of diphtheria and two of scarlet fever were reported at the Medical Health Department yesterday.

An employe of the Kemp Manufacturing Company was brought to the General Hospital suffering from a severe cut in his arm.

George Dearborn, a carter, was caught between the wheels of his own and another vehicle yesterday morning and was badly bruised.

Grand Trunk Constable Moss arrested William Hanley, 153 Niagara-street, last night for strolling on property alleged to belong to the G.T.R.

The sub-committee re Menzies' charges yesterday met and formally sent on to the Executive the joint report of experts Mason and Lee.

The sale of fancy and useful articles which was opened in the Y.W.C. Guild, McGill-street, on Tuesday, will be continued for a few days longer.

The Health Department will on Friday raise the quarantine on the dwelling-house at 168 North-avenue, in which the recent smallpox cases developed.

At 8.30 p.m., at 131 Denison-avenue, owned and occupied by Mr. Donnolly, there was a small fire, caused by a lamp exploding. The damage was put down at $35.

James A. Pope, the postoffice official who shot himself Monday night, still lives at the General Hospital in a critical condition. He is suffering a good deal and the bullet has not yet been found.

The City Engineer was yesterday interviewed by two deputations of citizens, who wanted an extension of the street car service into Rosedale and a loop line via College-street and High Park-avenue.

Assembly 5746, K. of L., Bookbinders, held a concert in Victoria Hall last night in aid of the sick benefit fund. The hall was filled to the doors and doubtless a handsome augmentation to the fund was realized.

Delightfully refreshing and a joy forever—Taylor's White Rose perfume. 246

A MURDERESS OF MANY BABES

HER PUNISHMENT IS BUT A YEAR'S IMPRISONMENT.

Shown to Be Guilty of Suffocating 111 Children—The Bodies Found Buried in Her Cellar—The Powerful Influence of Former Patrons Caused the Light Sentence.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 14.—The midwife Bodwarska in Lodz, tried for having murdered more than 100 babies, has been sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

Great indignation has been caused in Lodz by the lightness of the sentence. The woman was shown to be guilty of suffocating 111 children, whose bodies were found buried in her cellar.

As she had been at work at this kind of thing for nearly 20 years there is little doubt that her victims number in the hundreds.

She was saved from the full penalty of her crime by the powerful influence of some of her former patrons.

COLLIERY EXPLOSION.

It is Expected that Over Fifty Lives Have Been Sacrificed.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—An explosion occurred to-day at the Ramfurlong Colliery, Wigan, and not less than 56 lives have been lost.

Despite the efforts to extinguish the flames, the fire spread to the engine house at the head of the air tunnel. This stopped the pumping of air into the mine and added greatly to the peril of the men in the pit. The fire was not subdued until 5 o'clock this afternoon.

Some time after the bodies of 20 of the miners, who had been suffocated by the noxious gases generated in the mine after the explosion, were brought to the surface by the rescuing parties.

Though the work is extremely dangerous, the exploration of the workings is continued in the hope that some of the miners in the pit at the time of the explosion have reached places of safety where they are awaiting the approach of the rescuers.

Manager Hutchinson of the Ramfurlong Mine went down into the pit with one of the last rescue parties. In his anxiety to make a thorough search for the men he remained below too long and was overcome by smoke. He was brought up apparently lifeless and was revived with difficulty.

In the main roads the bodies lie in twos and threes as they seem fell. Large sections of roof galleries have collapsed. Amid the ruins were found mangled bodies and half-burned limbs. The ruins have blocked many parts of the mine, and therefore the men searching for bodies are unable to give any definite idea of the number lost.

Several miners who were just alive when found died on their way to the surface or shortly after being taken from the car. One rescue party reached the surface half suffocated by the heat and smoke caused by the fresh outbreaks of the fire.

The rescued miners believe that the explosion was caused by sparks from the engine house, which is said to have caught fire a few minutes before the explosion. Men were sent through the mines warning the laborers, and many of those nearest the shaft escaped.

The miners who worked further from the shaft tried to rush through fire and smoke and were suffocated in the effort. The work of rescue will be continued through the night, although there is little hope that more men will be taken out alive.

CURRENCY QUESTION.

British Delegates Blamed for Its Not Being Settled Long Ago.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 14.—At the International Monetary Conference Sir Guilford D. Houldsworth protested against the obstructions offered by the British delegates at this and previous conferences. But for the action of the representatives of Great Britain this currency question would have been settled long ago.

Sir Guilford declared that the situation in Great Britain had greatly changed since Nov. 22, the date of the first meeting of the conference, and suggested that the conference adjourn for a few weeks to enable the British Government to reconsider the whole question.

He gave as the reasons for the change in the situation in Great Britain the statement in favor of bi-metallism made by Archbishop Walsh of Dublin, the resolutions adopted by the agricultural conference held a few days ago in London and the petitions forwarded to the Government by various chambers of commerce.

BALFOUR SAYS

The Conservatives Will Support Any Firm and Energetic Foreign Minister.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The National Union of Conservative Associations reaffirmed by a large majority at the meeting yesterday the motion of Col. Howard Vincent in favor of a preferential tariff within the Empire.

Mr. Balfour's speech avoided all reference to the question.

The Times says that the resolution will prove as futile as the similar motion five years ago.

Before the adjournment of the Conservative Conference at Sheffield to-day the Right Hon. J. Balfour, Conservative leader in the House of Commons, said that the Conservatives would support any firm and energetic foreign minister, no matter what his politics.

The condition of international strain in Europe was at present so great that it would be folly to anticipate confidently an indefinite future of European peace. Unless the Imperial force should be kept at the highest possible efficiency, the time might come when a British foreign minister would be powerless to forcibly support the national honor. Mr. Balfour was greeted with great and cordial applause.

The Conservative Conference at Sheffield has adjourned. A resolution was adopted in favor of measures to remedy the depression in the agricultural industry in Great Britain, provided such measures should involve no increase in general taxation.

The conference exhibited great enthusiasm, especially in denouncing Irish Home Rule.

To See About It.

LONDON, Dec. 15. — The Chronicle's Vienna correspondent says that according to information from a semi-official source the United States immigration regulations will form the subject of an international exchange of ideas, and the European powers will probably make representations on the subject to the government at Washington.

Davitt to Retire.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Daily Chronicle says: Michael Davitt's intimate friends state that he will not re-enter Parliament.

Marriage Dramas to-night.

Satisfied With Him.

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—It has been definitely decided that there will be no opposition to Hon. J. J. Curran, Solicitor-General, in Montreal Centre.

**No more suffering from indigestion. Adams' Pepsin Tutti Frutti is an absol