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EVIDENCE CROPPING UP

IN SUPPORT OF THE WORLD'S UNVARNISHED STATEMENTS.

Serious Allegations Against the Health Department—Shocking Revelations in the West End—The Filthy Lanes—Disgusting Dairies—"Deadly" Streets.

The World having put its hand to the plough will not look back. There shall be no mincing matters as to the disgraceful state of portions of the city. Evidence is daily cropping up of official remissness, red-tape formalism and household surroundings not fit for beasts.

We are credibly informed that the half has not been told of lack of conveniences, yards reeking with garbage, deficient drainage, and houses with no drainage whatever. On this point will be found statements subjoined and a serious indictment of the Health Office. The evils of impure milk, filthy dairies, percolated sewage, putrid cesspools, polluted water are detailed and loudly call for prompt and effective action.

The World Congratulated.

Letters of thanks are numerous for The World's outspokenness on this subject, which we need not assure our readers was taken up from a desire to lay the axe to the root of a crying evil. The outbreak of disease is more or less directly attributable to this lamentable state of affairs sanitary, and the hour has come for vigorous action.

Corporate Bodies Move Slowly.

Fortunately there is no increase in the epidemic. Increased activity is being shown in purifying back yards, and there has been a great demand for disinfectants. But is it for the Council to move in the matter. The City Fathers should show their paternal care for the health of their constituents and leave no stone unturned to purify unwholesome localities. Meantime the question is being asked "What is the Provincial Board of Health doing?"

Friendly Societies and the City's Health.

The various benevolent and friendly societies in the city are taking a deep interest in the subject of the city's sanitation. The question affects all such organizations in a most direct and vital manner. A high death-rate and excessive sickness cause a heavy drain on their funds and increases alarmingly their assessment levies. At the meetings of several of these bodies since the subject has been taken up in The World the question has been keenly discussed. The invariable opinion of members of these societies is that The World is doing a great public good by the manner in which it has boldly grappled with the question.

A Case in Which the Health Department Has Been Remiss.

We stated pretty plainly in yesterday's World that the Health Department was deficient in some parts. As an example we point to a case in which the Department has not done its duty. Fully two months ago, after a remonstrance in our columns, Dr. Canniff declared three houses at the corner of Elliott and Hamilton-streets to be unfit for human habitation. In one of those houses four children had died of diphtheria. Notwithstanding the time that has elapsed since they were declared unfit for habitation, they are still inhabited.

One of a Hundred Filthy Lanes.

A lane at the back of Temperance Hall and Hill & Weir's printing establishment has been in a filthy state all the summer. At times several loads of manure and filth have been lying there literally reeking in the hot sun. Rotten garbage has been plentiously strewed about. This has been permitted although public attention has been called to the case several times. These are not the only examples we could cite of remissness on the part of the Health Department, nor is this filthy lane in the rear of Adelaide-street the only one of its kind. Such specimens of neglect, as the readers of The World well know, are legion.

Much Good Has Already Resulted.

An eminent physician told The World yesterday that the articles on the sanitary affairs of the city had already done incalculable good. They had awakened public feeling, they had caused heads of households to pay great attention to the sanitary condition of their houses, and landlords had already begun to examine the sanitation of their property. To his own personal knowledge since the first World article on this subject appeared steps had been taken to abolish privies on several properties and disinfectants were being extensively used by owners and occupiers. All these things assisted to check disease already existing and to prevent further outbreaks.

Shocking Revelations—"Deadly" Streets.

In certain districts of the West and Northwest of the city, the sanitary condition is shockingly bad and the violation of sanitary laws outrageous. There are cottages with privies which have only been emptied once in three or four years, where the liquor is constantly escaping and saturating the floor. When one of the floor boards is raised there is a mass of greenish-looking filth, from which a sickly smell emanates. There are houses with privies and no cesspool. All filthy water has to be thrown in the back yard or down the privy, grossly aggravating the evils of a privy. In one case a tenant dug a hole in his yard, used it for filthy water, and soon diphtheria was raging in the neighborhood. Some time ago an owner of property on Sorauren avenue, who has all his own property well drained lost some of his family through diphtheria. Through his persistent complaints certain street sewers were opened, and almost every one was found to be blocked. To the surprise of the workmen and others the decayed entrails of animals were found in the sewers. In answer to inquiries on this point it is alleged that certain butchers kill calves and lambs on their premises, putting entrails, etc., down their sinks and then turning the hose on the sink.

In connection with this it may be stated here that in the houses of four butchers in this part of the city there have been typhoid cases.

There are certain streets known as "deadly" where the neighbors expect a funeral daily, and are seldom disappointed.

Hon. G. W. Allan's Endorsement—He Gives a Good Pointer.

Editor World: I am glad to see at least one paper trying to shake people out of their apathy as regards the sanitary condition of the city.

Apropos of the subject, I send you an extract from Mr. Froude's book on the West Indies, lately published, describing the state of the harbor at Havana, which ere long may not be altogether inapplicable to the harbor of Toronto:

The water, which outside is pure as sapphire, has become filthy with the pollutions of a dozen generations. The tide, which even at the springs has but a rise and fall of a couple of feet, is totally ineffective to clear it. The hot sun's rays stream down into the thick black liquid. Horrible smells are let loose from it, when it is set in motion by screw or paddle, and ships being up at mooring buoys lest their anchors should disturb the compost which lies at the bottom.

If our present system of drainage is continued we shall soon come to the same condition of things. G. W. ALLAN.

Sept. 27, 1888.

The Wonderful Efficacy of Scientific Sanitation.

In a paper which was read a few weeks since before the Association of Sanitary Inspectors at Brighton, Mr. Edwin Chadwick, a veteran leader of sanitary reform in England, gives some astonishing facts in regard to the saving of life which has been achieved through the agency of the partial and imperfect sanitary reforms which have been from time to time adopted, largely through his influence. A few figures are all that can be given in a paragraph, but even these tell a wonderful tale. It is not long since the death rate in London was 24 in 1000; it is now but fourteen or fifteen. A quarter of a century ago the death rate in the Guards was 20 per 1000; it is now 6½ per 1000. In the home army it has been reduced from 17 to 8. Germany, however, shows still better results, her army death rate being but from 5 to 6 in 1000. In the large district schools of the Poor Law Unions, the chief diseases of children, measles, whooping-cough, typhus, scarlatina, diphtheria, are "practically abolished." The death-rate of those children who come in without developed disease upon them is now less than 3 in 1000, a result which may well be called "extraordinary," seeing that the death-rate among children of the general population is more than three times as high. The process by which this result has been reached, even with children of the lowest type, bears unequivocal testimony to the wonderful efficacy of scientific sanitation. In one institution in which the old death-rate was "the common outside one of twelve in the 1000," thorough drainage first reduced it to eight; thorough washing from head to foot in tepid water brought it down considerably lower and better ventilation in the rooms and separate bedding arrangements in good beds completed the process of reduction to three. But Mr. Chadwick is far from satisfied with what has already been accomplished. He boldly maintains that had the sanitary reforms been carried out in London according to the plans prepared, the death rate might now have been reduced to 12 in 1000, and that the delay of the Metropolitan Board of Works has cost a yearly loss of between 35,000 and 36,000 lives. Such arguments and statistics, in addition to other effects, set in a striking light the terrible responsibilities devolving upon the municipal authorities in all our towns and cities. The lives of the people are evidently in their hands to an extent not hitherto realized.—The Week.

A Brisk Demand for Disinfectants.

Drug store keepers are doing a great trade in disinfectants, and certainly an effective, moderately priced, and easily handled disinfectant is an article which householders would welcome and use largely. All common sense people believe that prevention is better than cure; but by freely using disinfectants evil is alike prevented and remedied.

The Filthy Surroundings of Many Dairies.

Editor World: If the neat and cleanly housewives of this city could witness the disgusting and filthy surroundings that are connected with the milk that is consumed in their families from day to day, they would shun the lacteal fluid that is delivered to them as the pure and unadulterated product of healthy cows, as they would a pestilence. Some of the dealers keep their milk in the same building with their horses. It is a well known fact that milk is one of the greatest absorbents that we have in connection with our food supply. Frequently we have seen milk loaded on to waggons for a morning delivery that had been alarming effluvia from reeking piles of horse offal during an entire night.

Mothers, is it any wonder that the snow white coach of death with its nodding plumes is seen so frequently at your doors, when your darlings are being continually fed on such food; milk that contains the noxious and invisible particles from putrifying animal or vegetable substances? The very germs of death itself could not be worse.

Not long since a number of persons living on the same street in the west end of this city became seriously ill, and the symptoms pointed to poison of some kind. Medical men were called in. It was noticed that those who had not partaken of milk in the different families were quite free from illness. The doctors' suspicions were aroused; a sample of milk was secured that had been left at one of the houses that day; it was analyzed and found to contain a deadly poison. It was found that the afflicted ones all used milk supplied by the same dealer.

If the health officers were to inspect all the places in the city where milk is handled they would find many of them to be cesspools of filth and corruption. Careless handling and filthy practices are not confined to the dairies.

Many of the farmers who produce milk for city consumers seem to compete to see who can ship the dirtiest cans, the worst strained, and the nearest to being soured without actually being so. Yes; a class of milk if not actually sour when it reaches the Union Station, the dirt it contains and the neglect it has suffered at the hands of a slipshod farmer soon cause it to be unfit for use.

Last winter the writer saw the farmer's hired man "pailing a cow," as he termed it. The hired man in question was a direct importation from the slums of London, England. He did not appear to have as good an idea of cleanliness and decency as a lot of swine we noticed in an adjoining hog pen. The milker neglected to cleanse the cow's udder. His hands were soon covered with a suspicious-looking substance; it mixed with the milk as it flowed into the pail; said milk was put into a can and shipped to us as the pure and unadulterated. I watched the disgusting performance of the milker for a time and thought it my duty to mention the matter to his master. Finding his employer in another part of the building I called his attention to it. With a laugh and a leer he remarked "a little dirt would do us city chaps good."

Now, Mr. Editor, I have pointed out some of the abuses in connection with the milk supply. I would like you or some of your many readers to suggest a remedy.

A SUFFERER FROM BAD MILK.

SMALLPOX IN BUFFALO.

Fatal Case at the Hospital—Seventeen More Cases Discovered.

BUFFALO, Sept. 27.—Miss Ida Abraham, aged 27, died of smallpox at the quarantine hospital to-day. Two persons suffering from the disease were found yesterday in a house on the east side occupied by two Polish families. A case developed this morning in the family of Crier Ellinhorps of the Superior Court. Two more concealed cases were found on Shumway-street this afternoon. The house-to-house inspection has proved a wise measure, but it has revealed the spread of the pest to an extent not anticipated, seventeen cases having been discovered where the existence of the disease was unknown.

Yellow Fever's Victims.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Sept. 27.—The Board of Health to-day reported 131 new cases, 91 negroes and 40 whites, 8 deaths. Total cases, 2368; total deaths, 237.

The Disease Spread by Refugees.

DECATUR, Ala., Sept. 27.—Miss Mamie Jones died to-day. No new cases since noon yesterday. There are suspicious cases at Hanceville, Hartsell and Madison, all Decatur refugees.

Prof. G. W. Blish, of the Blish Institute, Boston, will appear in Readings on Oct. 15th at Association Hall.

Presidential Election Bets.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Sept. 27.—Two bets on the election were made here yesterday. Edward Bingham, a well-known betting man, offered to put up $500 even on Harrison two weeks ago, but found no takers until yesterday, when twelve Democrats formed a syndicate and put up the money.

An offer by Subway Commissioner D. L. Gibbens to put up $500 even on Cleveland was snapped up at once by F. W. Hayden, proprietor of the Woodruff House, the leading hotel of Watertown.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 27.—There is very little betting on the election here, and the bets made are quite small. "Hack" Quinn, the well-known Democratic politician, has put up $250 on Cleveland against an equal sum posted by John Jamieson, a well-known grocer, who backs Harrison. On an average, however, the Democrats are offering odds of $100 to $70 on Cleveland.

ELMIRA, Sept. 27.—Betting here on the national ticket has been slow, but to-day Hugh Baldwin, of Waverly, made even bets of $100 each with William Knox, of Tioga, and George Bevins, of Chemung, that Cleveland would not carry New York.

Youmans' New York fall styles in silk and felt hats. Grant & Co., sole agents, 77 King st. east.

Of Course He Does.

MONTREAL, Sept. 27.—Henry F. Moore, agricultural editor of The London Times, has returned from a tour of the Northwest. He thinks very highly of the country, both for wheat raising and cattle ranching. He will contribute a series of letters to The Times.

Smoke the old reliable brand, "Cable," over a quarter of a century in the market. Demand larger than ever.

The Texas Trouble.

RIO GRANDE CITY, Tex., Sept. 27.—Sheriff Britto, of Cameron County, with 80 men, the Deputy Sheriff of Hidalgo with 45 men, and the Sheriff of San Patricio County with 30 men, have arrived. No further trouble is expected unless Garza dies.

THOSE RIOTOUS ITALIANS.

TWO ADDITIONAL MILITIA COMPANIES CALLED OUT.

The 58th Met by an Armed Force—An Engagement Feared To-Day—The Rails Torn Up and the Track Obstructed by the Infuriated Laborers.

MONTREAL, Sept. 27.—The riotous Italian laborers and the militia in Compton County are now face to face and a conflict is expected at any moment. On arrival at Sawyerville, the troops, composing 225 infantry of the 58th Battalion and two troops of cavalry, were met by 200 Italians in a body apparently armed to the teeth. Several times during the journey the train bearing the soldiers was delayed by rails being removed by the rioters, but these gaps were covered by marching.

The situation is so threatening that two additional companies of militia have been called out and about 150 of them will go up the line to-morrow to guard the international boundary and if possible prevent the rioters crossing into the States.

The rioters appear to be acting upon the presumption that the men working on the railway have the same right of lien as the men have in certain states of the Union. The ring leaders have educated them up to this idea, and have incited them to obstinate resistance. In the pourparlers that the officers of the company have had to try and effect a reconciliation the interpreters are strongly suspected of treachery and bad faith to such an extent as to give an entirely different version from that intended to be conveyed. In talking with the officers, the Italian walking bosses reiterate that they don't want to do any serious damage or commit any depredations.

At Hall's Stream, near the point where the railway passes the line into the States, the Italians tore up a piece of track over a culvert and piled on ties and construction wood to a height of some six feet above the track, and put three red flags up as a warning of danger ahead. A construction train loaded with iron rails was stopped in the vicinity of this work of destruction. At this point an American crew, numbering some forty or fifty men, have been at work laying rails. They were stopped twice by the Italians at the beginning of the week, but yesterday they became determined to continue their work, and have procured arms from Stanstead, on the other side of the line, so that if they are molested by the Italians they are resolved to keep on, even if they have to resort to their arms to defend themselves.

The chief contractor for the road is Enoch G. Sweet of Woonsocket, R. I., and he will suffer most, after the men, by the absconding of the contractors, who leave fully $50,000 indebtedness behind them. Mr. Sweet is prepared to take the men on again and pay them, but they will not hear of it.

An engagement is expected on Friday morning. At any rate to-morrow will settle the affair. Lieut.-Col. Houghton, the commander of this district, leaves one way or the other for the scene of the trouble to-morrow morning.

Solid Comfort.

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THE INTIMIDATION CASE.

Disagreement and Discharge of the Jury.

Arthur Lowry, a striking plumber, had his trial continued yesterday in the Court of General Sessions on a charge of intimidation, the complainant being James H. Pape, one of the imported men. The case was not given to the jury until 6 o'clock, and after retiring for two hours they failed to agree and were discharged.

Ladies' perfect-fitting seamless garments at Grant & Co.'s, 77 King-st. east. A call solicited.

AFTER BROKER BAXTER.

Sergeant Detective Reburn Will Hurry Him Back to Toronto.

The arrest of Broker James Baxter, of Montreal, has been entrusted to Sergeant Detective Reburn, who left for that city to execute it by the G. T. R. train for the east yesterday morning. He proposes to secure Mr. Baxter's person immediately on his arrival, and return with his prisoner to Toronto with as little delay as possible.

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The Second "Quiet Day."

Yesterday was the second "Quiet Day" at Trinity College. The Bishop of Chicago continued the proceedings. Holy Communion was celebrated in the morning and the remainder of the day was spent in prayer and meditation. The Bishops of Toronto and Niagara were present both on the opening day and yesterday. To-day the proceedings will be of a similar nature.

Wycliffe College.

It is proposed to hold a convention of all the graduates of Wycliffe College, on the 2nd, 3rd, 5th and fifth of October. For four days those ministers who have gone forth into the field will meet together for the purpose of prayer, consecration, counsel, and earnest deliberation within the walls of Wycliffe College. Invitations have been sent to the Diocesan College of Montreal, and the Huron Theological College in London, for representative clergymen to attend. The first day, October the 2nd, will be spent as a "Quiet Day," i. e., a day wholly given up to prayer, meditation, and spiritual exercises. The Rev. F. H. DuVernet will conduct the order of the day.

Caution to Smokers.

We beg to call the attention of the public to the fact that the market is being flooded with cheap cigars, packed in fancy boxes, which are foisted upon the public to the detriment of the consumer. The quality of our celebrated brands, "Cable," "Mungo," "Madre E' Hijo," and "El Padre," have been, and always will be maintained, and we would advise the public to insist upon having them, if they wish to obtain value for their money. We do not manufacture a cheap article, and we pride ourselves upon the superior quality of our make. Our sales in the years 1886 and 1887 were more than the total amount of cigars manufactured in the cities of Toronto and Hamilton combined, as shown by the government books of the Inland Revenue Department, thereby demonstrating that our brands have lost none of their original merit, but on the contrary are increasing in public favor. S. Davis & Sons, the largest cigar manufacturers in the Dominion. x

Prof. G. W. Blish, of the Blish Institute, Boston, will appear in Readings on Oct. 15 at Association Hall.

Dineen's Fur Opening.

Ladies are invited to-day to the opening of our large Show Room which is exceptionally stocked with all the new London and Paris fashions in seal mantles, dolmans, ulsters, newmarkets, wraps and short walking jackets; circulars with fur linings are also shown in a variety of shapes with silk dolmans trimmed with all the most fashionable trimmings. Fur capes and collars in otter, beaver, sable and other fashionable furs. A walk through Dineen's fur establishment will repay any one. It is at the corner King and Yonge-streets.

Tress & Co.'s fall styles in felt hats now open at Grant & Co.'s, 77 King-st. east.

Buried in a Mine.

DANBURY, Conn., Sept. 27.—At the Tilly Foster iron mine at Brewster, N. Y., Andrew Dirkin, while unloading a car of ore, was buried by the debris and so seriously injured that he will probably die. Four laborers who were working with him were slightly injured.

FIRES OF A DAY.

An Early Morning Blaze at Cobourg—The Losses and Insurance.

COBOURG, Sept. 27.—At 2 o'clock this morning a fire broke out in the workshop of Geo. M. Stephens, situated in the rear and adjoining his furniture store. A heavy wind was blowing at the time and the flames soon spread to other storehouses and sheds, but the main building and the greater part of the north side of King-street were saved. These are the losses: Field & Bro., drygoods, on outbuilding $200, insured for $100 in British America, on stock $600, insured in Royal and Guardian; Geo. M. Stephen, on rear building $1000, insured in Ætna for $600, contents, total loss, insured for $1000 in Liverpool, London and Globe, main building damaged $500, insured in Lancashire, furniture and musical instruments in main building damaged by fire and water to the extent of $500, insured in the Ætna.

Fire at Lindsay.

LINDSAY, Sept. 27.—About 3 o'clock this morning a frame blacksmith shop, owned and occupied by Alex. Culkin, was discovered on fire. The fire rapidly spread to his frame dwelling adjoining, but through the efforts of the fire brigade was prevented from spreading further. The blacksmith shop and contents are a total loss. Insured in the Royal Canadian for $300; loss about $1200. House partial loss; insurance, $500 in the Royal Canadian. Loss about $200. Cause of fire unknown.

Port Ryerse Mills Burnt.

PORT RYERSE, Sept. 27.—The Port Ryerse mills, belonging to Harris & Co. of London, and run by W. H. Summerfelds & Son here, together with all the contents, were burned to-day about 1.15 p.m. The fire was first noticed in the office and is supposed to have originated from the stove. The Great Northwestern Telegraph Company's office and the post-office were badly scorched, but were saved after considerable exertion. The loss sustained by Summerfelds & Son is $2600, with a small insurance on the stock.

Look out for Blish at Association Hall on Oct. 15th.

Bismarck's Toast.

BERLIN, Sept. 27.—Prince Bismarck made an address on Saturday at the harvest festival at Schonau. He congratulated the people upon the results of the harvest after a bad winter and a wet summer. Referring to the deaths in the Royal family, he said: Gloomy days have given away to bright sunshine. We can look with pride upon the present Emperor. He is every inch a soldier, and will fight bravely if Germany should ever be attacked, but he loves his subjects too much not to do his utmost to preserve peace. Those among you who were with me in France in 1870 know what a harvest time can be when an enemy is at hand. There is little left then for the tiller of the soil. Let us, therefore, to-day think of our Emperor, and give him a thundering "hoch" under Kaiser, hoch hoch." All drank the toast. The Chancellor remained for some time chatting pleasantly with those around him.

See East's Illuminated G. T. R. Baggage Train, the best thing yet, showing the superiority of East's Unbreakable Trunks—336 Yonge-st.

The Whitechapel Murders.

LONDON, Sept. 27.—Medical authorities here, referring to the statement that a man representing himself to be the sub-curator of the English Pathological Museum, called upon the coroner and told him that before the recent murder of women in Whitechapel an American visited him and asked him to procure certain anatomical specimens from female bodies, for which he was willing to pay £20, express the opinion that the man was a student who was practicing a hoax on the coroner. They say it is easy to procure the desired specimens for £5 each after inquests have been held upon the bodies of paupers. They think it unlikely that an American would come to England to procure such specimens when they could be bought in the United States.

Hot Air Furnaces, of our own make, guaranteed to give satisfaction. Call and estimate. Wheeler & Bain, King-street East.

Postponed Until Next Court.

At the General Sessions yesterday, the Wilson-Jarvis appeal case was traversed until next court, Judge McDougall on account of being a Police Commissioner not desiring to try the case and Judge Morgan being too busy. James Lynch and Walter Keller, charged with assault on Policeman Duncan, were remanded until the next session, as also the appeal case of McMath v Parkdale, and the Stratton appeal case against the Police Magistrate's conviction for the illegal practice of medicine. Alfred Packham's trial for stealing registered letters was traversed until next session, bail being granted in two sureties of $750 each.

A Hurricane Expected.

"Oh! here comes a hurry-cane," said the school boy when he caught sight of the master hastening towards him, red in hand, and knew that in another moment a performance would be playing about his back. Now if the boy had come to A. White, 65 King w., and had his underwear of natural wool there would not have been the squall that immediately followed, but the boy could have taken the wigwin and waited till the clouds rolled by.

A Ferry Boat Smashes Things.

ST. THOMAS, Sept. 27.—The ferryboat Clara started to tow a Cleveland schooner down Pine river when the schooner crashed into the bridge, totally wrecking it and carrying away her jibboom. She then ran into the stern of the steambarge Bessie, smashing her after stanchions and causing about $100 damage. The city has libeled the schooner for $5,000 damages, and it is presumed that her owner will in turn seek damages from Hon. C. McElroy, who owns the Clara. The schooner was laden with brick.

Health cannot be maintained without good digestion. Try Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum as an effectual remedy for indigestion. Sold by all druggists and confectioners everywhere, 5 cents.

Arrested Charged With Murder.

STRATHROY, Sept. 27.—A young man has been arrested near Sarnia on suspicion of being concerned in the murder of the old man Robinson in Adelaide. The ground of suspicion is that he described to a number of people the circumstances of the finding of the body at least two days before it was found, and when taken before a magistrate he said he had heard the story at a logging bee. Inquiries in all possible sources have failed to confirm the statements.

To Recover on a Policy.

The case of Tripp v. Western Fire Assurance Company occupied the attention of the Civil Assize Court all yesterday, and is not yet finished. It was an action to recover $1000, alleged to be due on a policy on goods destroyed when the schooner Guelph was burned in 1882 in the harbor of Quebec. The case was first heard in 1884, when a non-suit was ordered. The Court of Appeal, however, ordered a new trial, which is the one now in progress. The defence is that no money passed from the plaintiff to the defendants and therefore there was no binding agreement, and in any case the amount claimed is in excess of the loss.

Stahlnecker Whitewashed.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—The committee investigating the charges against Representative Stahlnecker, of New York, has resolved unanimously to report to the House that it has found the charges against the accused to be unsustained.

Phineas T. Barnum, the Showman, said that the public liked to be humbugged and would pay for it, and it is a fact. They will go on King-street and other down town places and pay $24 for an ordered suit such as we get up to order for $17 at the British Arms clothing store, 221 Yonge-street, corner Shuter-street. R. Baker & Company. 1356

BARLEY AND SUGAR BEETS

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE CHATS WITH THE WORLD.

The Fall Exhibitions Very Satisfactory—Magnificent Roots—Excellent Spring Wheat—Increased Interest in the Larger Shows—Agricultural Experiments.

The World's industrious young man went up to the corner of Queen and Yonge-streets yesterday afternoon and paid his periodical respects to Ontario's Minister of Agriculture.

The Minister was looking rubicund and pleasant, just having returned from several excursions ever the country to attend fall exhibitions.

"What about fall exhibitions," said the young man, "how do you find them?"

"I find them very satisfactory. The display of agricultural products is varied and fine samples are shown. Down in Peterboro they have some magnificent roots and also excellent spring wheat."

"Do you find any changing characteristics in these fall fairs."

"I think there seems to be an increased interest in the larger shows. I think there is an increased attendance both of exhibitors and spectators. I am inclined to think that the drift of feeling among the farmers is to centralize, to have fewer shows on a larger scale. I think this feeling is very marked."

"What about the Provincial Exhibition?"

"I am personally of opinion that the continuance of the Provincial as a purely agricultural exhibition would be of advantage to the farmers. But the difficulty is that all the larger cities have their own exhibitions and their own grounds. The only rights now reserved to the Provincial exhibition are in the London grounds. The act passed during the last session of the House gives the right to hold a Provincial exhibition at London once every 4 years, beginning with 1889. The difficulty then is, the Provincial can not be maintained with its present prize lists unless it can find access to some of the other larger cities. I am not inclined to think that the Legislature would be willing to grant the money sufficient to increase the prize list."

The Minister said that enquiries had been made of him as to the advisability of introducing the two rowed barley into the Province generally with a view to catering for the English market, also, he had been asked to make enquiries into the sugar beet question—whether it was not possible to cultivate this crop in Ontario. He was going to investigate both matters, but he had not much faith in the sugar beet for Ontario. Experiments had already been made in Tilsonburg and Quebec and both had failed. He intended, however, to get some seed from France and have experiments made at the Guelph farm.

THE MODEL SCHOOL.

Alterations and Improvements make it What its Name Implies.

The additions and alterations at the Model School which have been in progress some time are now completed, and the institution will open on Monday morning at 9.30 for old pupils, and at 1.30 p.m. for new comers. The World has already given a full account of the improvements, which have been very extensive. There are now nine divisions, with a Kindergarten class and a hall for drill, calisthenics, etc., which measures 50 by 67 feet, with a height of 20 feet. By the improvements made boys and girls will have separate forms above the first class. The fittings are all of the best description and special attention has been paid to sanitation. The old sheds have been removed, the fence between the school and Departmental grounds has been taken down, and thus a splendid play ground is obtained, as well as giving the public a good view of the beautiful grounds.

Mr. Kivas Tulley, of the Public Works Department, has been the architect, and in view of the great improvements carried on he may well be proud of his work. The contractor was Mr. Henry Martin, and the desks and seats are from Messrs. Stahlschmidt & Company, Preston, through Mr. George Bostwick, of Toronto.

The Vokes Comedy Company.

Commencing on Monday Rosina Vokes and her talented company will appear for a week at the Grand Opera House. Her repertory contains the old favorites and some attractive additions. Rosina is a great favorite with Toronto play-goers, and will be most ably supported. The box office opens this morning.

Mara Co.

Grocers and wine merchants, 280 Queen-st. west, have a very large stock of 2, 5 and 7 year old rye whiskey, Taylor's celebrated Kentucky rye whiskey, guaranteed 15 years old, also one of the largest stocks in the Dominion of port and sherry wines. Goods expressed to any part of the Dominion. Send for catalogue. 135

At the Police Court.

The Police Magistrate investigated 30 liquor cases yesterday, most of which were adjourned. Thomas Boylan and Edward Burns were fined $50 or three months, and Patrick J. Boylan $50 in each of two charges. Edward Burns was charged with having tampered with witnesses. This case was adjourned.

A Human Cannibal.

HAMILTON, Sept. 28.—John Jackson, a powerful looking man, was charged at the police court to-day with assaulting and wounding Walter Crofton. It appears that a disgraceful and most brutal fight took place between the parties last night on Locomotive-street. Crofton claimed that Jackson bit a piece out of the portion of his left ear, and otherwise disfigured him. Jackson did not escape altogether. He had one of his fingers almost bitten off, and his face bore several scratches. By consent the case was adjourned until to-morrow morning, Jackson being released on $400 bail himself and one surety in $400.

To Test the Veto.

MONTREAL, Sept. 27.—A decisive step was taken to-day by Burroughs & Burroughs, advocates, to test the competency of Magistrate Barry to decide the questions raised in the pleadings as to his own jurisdiction and the validity of his own nomination, they having in an action pending in the new court served a petition of recusation upon the magistrate.

An Echo in Echo.

MONTREAL, Sept. 27.—Beauchamp, the merchant who was caught in the act of dressing persons for telegraphing at yesterday's election in Montreal East, has been admitted to $500 bail and efforts are being made to settle the matter out of court.

Evening Classes.

The evening classes in connection with the Canadian Business University, Public Library Building, re-opened last Tuesday evening with a larger attendance than at any former period. The teachers who have charge of the day classes also take charge of the evening classes, which meet every Tuesday and Friday at 7.30. The manager of the college, Mr. C. H. Brooks, spent several weeks last summer visiting and inspecting some of the leading American Colleges and gained some very valuable information, which will be put into practical operation at once.

Ohio Miner Crushed in a Shaft.

MASSILLON, Ohio, Sept. 27.—John Hatter, an employe of the Ridgway coal mines near here, was crushed to death while attempting to cross the shaft at the bottom of the pit instead of going around by the manway. The large cage descended upon him.

Besieged By Burglars.

WAYLAND, Sept. 27.—A remarkably bold burglary was perpetrated at Perkinsville last Saturday night. A number of burglars broke into Dr. Foit's drug store, and drilling a hole into the safe demolished it with powder. The doctor, who lives near the store, heard the explosion, and going out of his front door was confronted by a man with a pistol, who fired at him. The doctor retreated into the house and started out of the back door, when he was confronted by another man with a pistol. He concluded to stay indoors till morning.

THAT POSTOFFICE THIEF

Is Said to be an Exaggerated Entity—No Cause for Public Alarm.

The World yesterday interviewed the Postmaster on the subject of an item in an evening paper of the day previous, alleging that an uncaught thief was stealing money letters. Mr. Patteson admitted having seen the article and said he had forwarded it to the Postmaster-General. It was in his opinion a monstrous exaggeration and calculated to do harm.

"I can't conceive," said he, "who gave the information; but that is likely to be the subject of official inquiry. It of course defeats the end of justice by putting the thief, if there be one, on his guard. Publicity of this kind enables some who would evade just payment of small accounts to say they posted the amount. It disturbs the confidence of the public in the postoffice and does no commensurate good. I think the man guilty of imparting these particulars to the press should be expelled from the service."

"I do not believe that there is any amount of dishonesty now prevalent in the postoffice. On the contrary there are very few complaints of missing letters."

"The public who wilfully expose our clerks and carriers to temptation which would be avoided by the registration of money letters, deserve the loss I think. Among 150 men it would be odd if one black sheep did not exist. A man who has once tasted of the forbidden fruit is apt to go on till the inevitable hour of detection comes. It seems that they become 'possessed' as it were and cannot refrain. There is no need for the public to feel any uneasiness."

MRS. HOWES' SLAYERS.

A True Bill for Murder Returned Against Phillipine and Trafton.

ANDOVER, N. B., Sept. 27.—About noon today sixteen of the Grand Jury came into court with a true bill for manslaughter against Phillipine and Trafton, charged with the killing of Mrs. Howes, seven of the jurymen remaining in their room. The Attorney-General declining to assume the responsibility of accepting such a verdict, the jury retired and after hearing further testimony returned a true bill for murder. The trial was fixed for to-morrow morning. No bill was presented against Day, charged with counselling the killing.

An Elopement of 18-Year-olds

HAMILTON, Sept. 27.—Frederick Meinke endeavored to prevent his daughter Louise, a smart, bright-eyed and rather good-looking girl of 18, from keeping company with Powell Hoffman, who about a year ago went to board with Mr. Meinke. After Hoffman had been there a few months he began to pay attention to Meinke's daughter Louise, but as the girl was young her parents did not think anything about it. Things went along smoothly until Sunday evening, when Hoffman was told that he would have to get another boarding house. He immediately packed his trunk and took his departure but before going he saw Louisa, and they decided to skip as soon as they got a chance. Last night was hardly the kind of a night that a romantic lover would select in which to elope with his beloved, yet about midnight young Hoffman ascended a ladder by which he could reach Louise's room and carried her little trunk down to the door. Then Louise quietly stole out of the house, and away they went. Mrs. Meinke was rather surprised when she got up this morning and discovered that her daughter had vanished. On inquiries being made at the station it was learned that Hoffman and the girl took the 2.30 train for Detroit. Mr. Meinke followed the couple to Detroit, and will make is very interesting for Hoffman if he catches him.

Conspiracy of Union Pacific Employes.

DENVER, Col., Sept. 27.—A conspiracy among certain employes of the Union Pacific railway to swindle the company has been discovered. It is said an agent in Colorado has pocketed the proceeds of 200 cars of coal within the last year by making false returns, reporting the coal as used in locomotives. Conductors and agents have also been engaged in a conspiracy to steal tickets. As many as sixteen tickets have been held out by one conductor on one trip and returned to the station agent again, placed on file, and the proceeds divided.

A Society Event at Hamilton.

HAMILTON, Sept. 27.—At the Palace Rink last night the public wedding arranged by Col. Mallory came off as advertised, the high contracting parties being Mr. Solomon Hart and Miss Jane Peters; and the officiating clergyman, Rev. Dr. Walker, of the Baptist Church. The ceremony was enlivened by the Harmony Club's singing "When Them Bones Shall Rise Again," "Peter Ring Them Bells," "Come Along Moses."

Found Dead.

HAMILTON, Sept. 27.—There was some excitement in Dundas this morning when the body of Mr. Patrick Traut was found at the foot of the slackway leading to the Grand Trunk Railway station. Deceased was watchman in the employ of the Grand Trunk Railway Company a great number of years, and was a faithful and honest employe. He was about 65 years of age and leaves a wife and three children.

A Tramp's Last Ride.

CHENOA, Ill., Sept. 27.—An unknown man was killed at this station about 6 o'clock this evening. He tried to board a Chicago and Alton freight train and fell between the cars and was run over and killed. His head was severed from his body and both arms and legs were cut off. There was nothing on his body to identify him.

Miners Demanding Increased Wages.

LONDON, Sept. 27.—At a conference of miners held at Manchester, at which 250,000 miners were represented, it was decided to strike Oct. 29, unless the demand for an advance of 10 per cent. in wages is acceded to. It was also decided not to accept the advance unless it is made general.

One Gambler Stabs Another.

There is trouble just now between two of Toronto's sharpest gamblers. Their names are Fred Haskins and William Nelter, known as "Billy Crone." The quarrel took place on Monday night outside the Palmer House. From words the gamblers came to blows, and Crone, finding that he was getting "licked," drew a knife and slashed Haskins across the face with it, inflicting a dangerous wound, the knife blade reaching the tongue and penetrating it badly. Crone walked away, while Haskins was conveyed to the office of Dr. W. H. Graham, 170 King-street west, where the wound was stitched up. Haskins last night was able to leave his room for the first time since the stabbing. The police are investigating the affair.

Steamship Arrivals.

Date.	Name.	Reported at	From.
Sept. 27	Schiedam	New York	Amsterdam
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The Allan mail S. S. Nova Scotia, from Baltimore for Liverpool, via Halifax and St. Johns, arrived out on Thursday.

The Allan mail S. S. Caspian, from Liverpool for Baltimore, via St. Johns and Halifax, sailed from St. Johns at 5.30 a.m. on Thursday.

The 465 oxen per S. S. Grecian were landed at Glasgow without loss.

At the Hotels.

A. McKay, M.P.P., Ingersoll; D. Allison, Superintendent Education Province of Nova