

NEWS OF THE DOMINION.

The Milling Firm of Sir William Howland and Company of Toronto Falls.

Temperance People Protest Against a U. P. R. Employee Being Dismissed.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—The grain and flour milling firm of Sir W. H. Howland & Co. is now in course of liquidation and will be soon wound up.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—W. W. Smith's dismissal from the C. P. R. service was the subject before a meeting of the representatives of the various temperance organizations to-day, including the Dominion Alliance, Royal Templars, Good Templars and W. C. T. U.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Hon. Edward Blake, in replying to the president of the judicial committee of the privy council to the death of Sir John Thompson, said: "Perhaps your lordships will allow me, as a resident of Canada, to say how grateful I am that your lordships have thought fit to say a word upon the very tragic event which has occurred and to assure you that I believe the inhabitants of the Dominion will, without distinction of party, receive with gratitude the expression of sympathy with a grief which they feel in common."

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Olga Netherole, who is drawing only fair audiences at the Grand Opera house, was carried off the stage quite ill at the close of the performance on Tuesday night.

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—The severe storm which overtook this city early on Wednesday evening and continued yesterday morning will leave its marks for many a day to come from the Battery to the river.

London, Dec. 28.—The parliament buildings, was last night looking at an unprotected electric lighting apparatus in the library when he slipped and fell in.

Lang, recitation, comic, Mrs. McNeil and piano, and Dr. Sahl and Mr. Sahl; Leroy; vocal duet, Mrs. E. Wilkes; recitation, Mr. Col. duet, Master Noel Lang; G. Lang, song, Miss Lily Ly.

Charlotteville, P.E.I., Dec. 28.—Theo. L. Chappelle, one of the most prominent residents of this city, dropped dead in Carmody restaurant last night.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Lady Thompson, Miss Thompson and her oldest brother arrived here to-day, and are stopping at the Windsor. To-night they leave in company with Lord and Lady Aberdeen in the private car of the general manager of the Intercolonial railway for Halifax.

Lindsay, Ont., Dec. 28.—Fire last night gutted Patterson's dry goods store and damaged the stock of the adjoining store east, owned by Kerr. The Simpson house was also damaged by fire and water.

Fortune Hunters Flocking to South Dakota.

Custer City, S. D., Dec. 28.—Just now Keystone seems to be the coming gold camp of the west. People are flocking from all directions until every house in town and all the stables and sheds are filled.

Cable Dispatches.

Lord Randolph Churchill Spends a bad Night—Other Items.

London, Dec. 28.—Early this morning the coffin containing the body of Mrs. Astor was removed from the Astor residence, Cliveden, and placed on board the train for Liverpool, where it will be transferred to the steamer Aurania.

A Calcutta dispatch says that the legislative council has passed bills amending the act of 1894 by adding cotton yarns and fabrics to the list of imported articles dutiable at five per cent., and levying five per cent. excise upon goods manufactured in India.

A dispatch from Rome says the Pope has completed the text of his American encyclical.

The officers of the cruiser Detroit returned to Naples last evening. Prior to their departure they were received by the Italian minister of marine who expressed regret that the brevity of their visit prevented them from visiting the

naval depot of Italy. The Detroit sails for China to-day.

The steaming Ancharia from New York for Glasgow, arrived in the Clyde to-day. She reports having fallen in with the Sarnia from Halifax with her rudder gone. The Ancharia towed the Sarnia for two days but had to abandon her owing to the tempestuous weather. When the Ancharia left the Sarnia, they were 130 west of Tory Island.

America's Pension System.

A "Pensioner" Who Scorned Eighteen Thousand Dollars.

Fort Smith, Ark., Dec. 28.—Judge Parker yesterday sentenced John M. Taylor to five years in the house of correction at Detroit for perjury and presenting false claims against the government. Taylor is white-headed, sixty years old and blind. For twenty years he has drawn a pension of \$72 a month for total blindness caused by a gunshot wound received in the war. He was never wounded and his blindness was the result of sickness two years after the war. He drew \$18,000 fraudulently as a pensioner. He pleaded guilty and claimed the fraud was planned by a pension attorney. He had a wound in the breast caused by a blister applied in the army.

BURNS REBUKED.

Objections to Courtesies Being Shown Him by Miners.

Pittsburg, Dec. 28.—In opening to-day's session of the joint convention of operators and miners of the Pittsburg railway coal district, Col. Rand, the well known operator, in a speech rebuked "Labor Agitator Burns" for his recent utterances and objected to the courtesy of the convention being extended to Burns, who was in the lobby. Burns was subsequently admitted to a seat in the convention by vote. John McBride, president of the United Mine Workers, growled the condition of the miners to-day was worse than prior to the April strike.

Now Thawing.

Streets of New York Running with Water and Slush.

New York, Dec. 28.—The severe storm which overtook this city early on Wednesday evening and continued yesterday morning will leave its marks for many a day to come from the Battery to the river. The avenues of traffic were heavily covered with snow, followed by a steady downpour of rain the whole resulting in miniature rivers and lakes, in wading through which goshawks were of little or no protection. The cable cars, despite the frequent use of snow plows, were often stalled, and on all horse car lines the teams were doubled. The streets leading to the various freight depots were jammed with numberless carts and trucks. The shipment of freight was in consequence seriously delayed. The temperature at midnight was 11 degrees and the wind was blowing from the northwest at a fifteen mile gait. The wind at Sandy Hook, which had reached a velocity during the day of 32 miles an hour, was blowing 30 miles an hour. The highest velocity reported was from Block Island, 60 miles an hour. At White river, Canada, 34 degrees below zero is reported.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 28.—A veritable blizzard came upon this state last night and to-day. At various places the temperature marked 12 to 16 degrees below zero, and a light snow fell late last night. The mercury dropped 34 degrees in 24 hours, and it is growing colder.

Deaths by freezing in western Nebraska among the destitute farmers are almost certain to occur.

Beats Boiling Oil.

A System of Torture That Was Popular in Morocco.

It is the Sultan's barber who has the responsibility of administering the torture. The guilty one is brought before him in some public place, preferably the market place, securely bound with cords. Taking a razor, he makes four deep incisions, reaching down to the bones and corresponding with them in direction, in the palm of each hand, then forcing back the fingers and separating as widely as possible the lips of the bleeding orifices he stuffs them full of salt. Then he closes the mutilated hand and places the end of each finger within the corresponding one of the gaping wounds, and that this barbarous arrangement may remain intact until death comes to release the sufferer he tightly sews over all a sort of close fitting glove of wet cow skin, which will shrink and harden as it dries. When this is done the criminal is returned to his dungeon, where he is generally supplied with food in order that the torture may be contracted as long as possible. From the first moment of the punishment, to say nothing of the unspeakable agony, he knows that this horrible pain will never be taken off, that his fingers will grow into the wounds and stiffen there and never come forth, that there will be no living being to say a word of consolation to him, that neither day nor night will bring relief to his torments or end his shrieks of anguish. But the worst of all, it seems, does not happen for some days; until the nails growing within the hand, cut their way deeper and deeper into the mutilated flesh. Then the end is close at hand; some die of tetanus, others succeed in dashing out their brains against the wall.—Frank Leslie's Weekly.

Law Intelligence.

Sing Deo, the Chinaman who stole the goods from Russell, McDonald & Co.'s store on Douglas street, came up for speedy trial in the supreme court this morning and pleaded guilty. He was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

AGAINST SECRET SOCIETIES

Catholics to be Admonished Not to Join the K. of P. and I. O. O. F.

Decree Forwarded to Bishops for Circulation Throughout Their Dioceses.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.—Bishop Curtis has issued the following letter to all the priests in the diocese of Wilmington:

"Rev. Fathers: As soon as practicable you will read on Sunday, at least once, the following documents, and you will, I am sure, to the very utmost of your ability, endeavor to procure from all whom the decree of the holy see may concern a prompt and loyal obedience to this decree. When Christ speaks through his vicar and in such words there can be no question as to the purpose of the utterance. A Catholic, excuse himself how he may, will not conform himself to a pension attorney. He had a wound in the breast caused by a blister applied in the army."

"Most Reverend and Illustrious Sir: Your excellency cannot fail to know that the archbishops set over the various ecclesiastical provinces of the republic of the United States of America have, in more than one of their assemblies, taken counsel with respect to the societies which have grown up in the aforesaid republic, namely: The Odd Fellows, the Sons of Temperance and the Knights of Pythias; and you must be also aware that the aforesaid bishops unanimously decided that the whole question as to the societies should be submitted to the judgment of the apostolic see. His holiness therefore committed this question to the Most Reverend Satolli and the inquisitors general. These in general conference held on Wednesday, June 29, 1894, confirmed a decision previously made as to the aforesaid societies, and decreed that all ordinaries through the United States must in every way strive to keep the faithful from becoming members of any of the said societies and must not fail to admonish their people to that effect, and that any thus admonished must be debarred from the sacrament should they fail to abandon or keep aloof from the said societies. This decree has holiness carried into effect. Meantime I beseech Almighty God to bestow all benefits and blessings. (Signed) Cardinal Monaco. Rome, Aug. 20, 1894."

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Seattle Suffers Again.

Moran Brothers' Foundry Destroyed by Fire.

Seattle, Dec. 28.—The Moran Brothers Company foundry on Railroad avenue, between Norman and Charles streets, was the scene of a disastrous fire Thursday night. Owing to the nature of the property damaged and the unpropitious time for making a thorough investigation, a close estimate of the loss cannot be given. It is safe to say, however, that the figures will be in the neighborhood of \$25,000 or \$30,000 if the valuable machinery in the foundry came through without serious injury. The fire was handled well from all points of view, and especially in that of the pattern shop at the south end of the building, which was saved, thus preserving between \$50,000 and \$75,000 worth of property. Before the department arrived good work was done by Otto Weidert, ex-captain of truck company No. 1, and Watchman P. J. Sharkey with the foundry house, in preventing the flames from reaching the south end of the building. About 80 men will be thrown out of work temporarily.

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tion as the adviser of the Chinese government. While the announcement is made that the Japanese minister here approved of the appointment, it is recognized in diplomatic circles to mean that the minister voices the opinion of the government at home and that the matter had been the subject of correspondence.

Mr. Foster has had an extended diplomatic career, having, in addition to being secretary of state in President Harrison's cabinet, represented the United States at the court of Spain, and was more recently one of the United States counsel in the Behring sea arbitration at Paris. The immediate effect of his appointment will be to delay the beginning of peace negotiations. The state department officials had been confident from Minister Denby's dispatches that the Chinese representatives, Chin Yen Huan and Siao were already on their way to Japan, and it was their understanding that the formalities for peace would be concluded as rapidly as possible with due respect to Oriental deliberateness, the preliminaries having been practically arranged in advance.

Mr. Foster's misarrangement, however, is taken as an indication that the Chinese expect to gain more favorable terms from Japan than has hitherto been considered at all probable. Until to-day no one has doubted that Japan's ultimate terms had been made definitely known to China, and that China powerless to effect any further resistance to Japanese arms, had fully consented to accept the ultimatum without delay.

As Mr. Foster does not intend to sail for more than a week, and the voyage across the Pacific will consume two weeks more, nearly a month must elapse before the peace negotiations are fairly inaugurated.

London, Dec. 27.—A dispatch to the Central News says the Chinese army under General Sung, having been defeated at Kung Wa Sei, retreated to New Chwang. There they were joined by the troops under the command of General Ma, and the combined forces retreated to Tien Chong Ta, the town of New Chwang being completely evacuated. The Chinese troops at Tien Chong Ta are spreading their front and increasing the number of banners in order to make the greatest possible display of strength. Japanese cavalry scouts report that three thousand Chinese from Kin Chow have reached Tien Chong Ta. The native officials at Shanghai and Ning Po are in a complete state of panic, fearing a Japanese invasion. Chang Chi Tung, the new viceroy of Nanking, is inspecting the forts of the Yangtze-Kiang, and Commissioner Moorhead is sending new drill instructors to the Yangtze-Kiang forts under the viceroy's direction.

The Times correspondent in Kobe says that Tsuba Khan, with a body of marines, has dispersed the Tonghak rebels in Chollado, Korea. The Japanese have dispersed five thousand Tonghaks in the province of Hawking Haido. The Central News correspondent in Peking says that Lien Kun Yi, ex-viceroy of Nankin, has arrived at the capital and is expected to relieve Li Hung Chang in the department of civil affairs.

The Income Tax.

A Hard Fight Against the Bill not Anticipated by the Leaders.

Washington, Dec. 29.—As soon as possible after the holiday recess Mr. Cockerell will call up the urgency deficiency bill and press it for immediate consideration. This is the bill that carries the appropriation for the enforcement of the income tax. It is not known whether Mr. Hill will go to the extent of antagonizing the bill. The best opinion appears to be that he will content himself with making a speech against the enforcement of the tax. Of the Republicans, Mr. Quay alone seems to be willing to lend a helping hand in the fight and it may be accepted as a certainty that the Republicans as a body will do nothing to interfere with the passage of the deficiency bill. This attitude is assumed by Mr. Aldrich and other leaders.

Effect of Protection.

Much Protected Carnegie Company Again Cuts Wages.

Pittsburg, Dec. 29.—The scale for 1895 was yesterday presented at the Carnegie Steel Company's mill in this city. It involves a general reduction in skilled labor. In many instances the decrease of wages will amount to 50 per cent. The workmen say the cut is unjustifiable, but that they will be obliged to submit to it. Those who do not sign the new scale by January 1st will be discharged. It is expected to resume work on January 2.

Salvation Army Shelter.

Success of the Shelters Fully Established in London.

London, Dec. 28.—That the great social scheme of General Booth is something more than an impracticable dream has been further verified by the success with which the Salvation Army shelters have met during the year 1894. There are twenty-one of these shelters now established in the East End. The most important and complete in its equipment is the house just opened in Charles street, Farringdon road. The building consists of four large rooms, each fitted up with wooden sleeping benches ranged in tiers. Ample accommodations are provided for 300 men. On the first floor is a large meeting room, which is used for games or social and religious meetings. Lavatories with plenty of fresh water are provided and the use of them is included in the small sum charged for the bed. There is a large kitchen where food is cooked and sold at mountain rates. The total cost of the building is but \$3,500 and it is figured by the Army officers in charge that \$65 a week will cover all expenses, including rent and the wages of the attendants. The shelter was opened by Bramwell Booth in the absence of the Commander, who called a congratulatory message from America.

Dick's Condition Powders Fattens Horses and Cattle

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machinery broke down at that time this is true it is thought that the way went to the bottom two or, as no disabled vessel could be during the storm. Mr. Wilham, which arrived this morning 17 days out from Nanaimo, bearing news to the owners of the long overdue sailing vessels. It is reported that on the 23rd 150 miles north of Cape Mearns spoke a ship supposed to be the Brown. It is now 23 days J. B. Brown sailed from Nanaimo with a cargo of coal. The King, with coal, and the Columbia, with lumber, are still overdue. The Columbia, in ballast, is overdue at Nanaimo. San Francisco, Dec. 28.—The collier ship has sailed for Nanaimo for coal. She was instructed to proceed to the west of the Columbia, in ballast, is overdue at Nanaimo. San Francisco, Dec. 28.—The collier ship has sailed for Nanaimo for coal. She was instructed to proceed to the west of the Columbia, in ballast, is overdue at Nanaimo.

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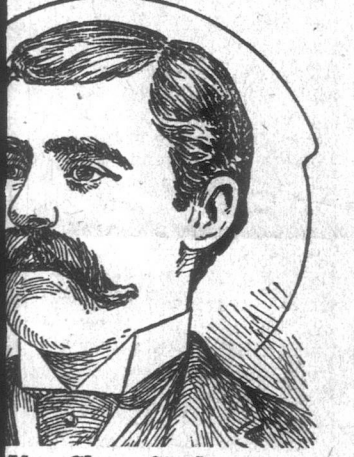
of the Catholic Cathedral Have Their Holiday Treat.

day school children of St. Anthon Catholic cathedral had Christmas treat last night at 11 o'clock. To the number of two they enjoyed tea at 5 o'clock, had a very pleasant time playing until 8 o'clock, when the programme was as follows:

Lang; recitation, comic, Mrs. McNeil and piano, and Dr. Sahl and Mr. Sahl; Leroy; vocal duet, Mrs. E. Wilkes; recitation, Mr. Col. duet, Master Noel Lang; G. Lang, song, Miss Lily Ly; Miss E. Wilson; recitation, el Lyons. The illumination of the tree and the presentation of gifts by Santa Claus. The young people were tired before it was time to that they fell asleep. A very feature of the evening was the on to Rev. Father Nicolay meerschbaum pipe and also a ar by the children of the school. had charge of the tree worked deserve the greatest credit.

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