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LATEST OLD WORLD NEWS

CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN FRANCE AND CHINA.

The Press Furnished With the Entire Documents—Negotiations Broken Off—A Dead-Lock Prevails.

LONDON, Oct. 29—The Chinese legation has furnished the newspapers with the entire correspondence between the Chinese ambassador and the French minister of foreign affairs upon the Tonquin question. The correspondence embraces twenty-seven communications.

The Franco-Chinese correspondent denies that the marquis Tseng ever assured Challemel Lacour that China would not oppose France's enterprise in Tonquin, and says that before July last Tricou, then French ambassador to China, informed Li Hung Hung Chang that the open or occult assistance of Annam by China would involve a casus belli.

PARIS, Oct. 29—It is clear that negotiations between France and China upon the Tonquin question are broken off for the present. The relations between the two countries can only be described as a dead-lock.

Several ironclads have been ordered to be in readiness to reinforce the French squadron in China.

FRANCE IN THE EAST.

Fears of the Tonquin War Spreading to China—Armaments at Canton.

HONG KONG, Oct. 29.—The defences at Canton are being actively pushed forward. Large quantities of arms and ammunition were conveyed to Canton yesterday in Chinese gunboats. An immediate attack on Chinese ports is not generally expected. It is thought that for some time the fighting will be confined to Tonquin, but it seems inevitable that hostilities will ultimately spread to China. Another French reverse in Tonquin will be fraught with serious results to foreigners in China. In the interior political excitement is spreading. The authority of the imperial government has been much weakened. In many districts a wave of anti-foreign feeling is passing over the country.

The Voice of the Oppressed.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 29.—The second number of the Socialist Journal, issued by the students of Chestvo, declares that despite the miserable condition of the peasantry the socialist propaganda has not made the progress expected. It says two hundred students have been expelled in a body from the Commercial school at Beljitzerkow, and no reason assigned for such a summary action. Also that students of noble birth in Constantinov military school, St. Petersburg, have been required to furnish a list of their acquaintances, the alleged motive being the finding of compromising documents in their possession.

Irish Emigration to Canada.

DUBLIN, Oct. 29.—The Freeman's Journal declares that the government circular just issued proposes the wholesale shipment of the Irish people to Canada. Every facility is to be offered to boards of guardians and clerks of unions to promote emigration. No workhouse paupers are to be sent. Large contracts have been made with shipping companies for the conveyance of emigrants. The Canadian government is a party to the scheme, against which the Freeman's Journal warns all Irishmen.

Labor Conference at Paris.

PARIS, Oct. 29.—The international labor conference met at Paris to day. Delegates from England were warmly received. The conference adopted an address expressing sympathy with workingmen in all countries and protesting against the wars which compelled workingmen of different nations to shed each others blood for the sake of quarrels which did not concern them.

Cold Steel for Land Leaguers.

DUBLIN, Oct 29 —There were no meetings of the league in Ireland yesterday, in consequence of the proclamation forbidding them. Some disorders occurred at Castle Lyon, where the police charged with fixed bayonets, scattering the mob in all directions and capturing their banners and musical instruments. After the military and police withdrew a meeting was held and the object of the league effected.

Of no Political Importance.

MADRID, Oct. 29 - A battalion was disarmed Saturday, and it was supposed at first that political disaffection among the men was the cause. It has now been ascertained that it was a volunteer organization of government employes, which the minister was decided to dissolve, and no political importance is attached to the affair.

Even When Bearing Gifts.

VARNA, Oct. 29.—Greece has issued a protest at the action of the Turkish government in refusing to allow a Grecian man of war to land supplies for the earthquake sufferers at Chesme.

C. P. R. Stock Rising in London.

LONDON, Oct. 29.—Canada Pacific railway stock advanced 10 per cent to-day on the report that the Canadian government had guaranteed 3 per cent interest on the stock.

Dynamiters in France.

LYONS, Oct. 29.—A number of anarchists exploded an infernal machine at the entrance to a large cafe to-day. Nobody was injured.

Egyptian Soldiers Massacred.

CAIRO, Oct. 29.—One hundred and fifty Egyptian soldiers were recently surprised and massacred by hill tribes in Nubia.

THE OLD WORLD IN BRIEF.

Canada was awarded twenty-seven gold and thirty silver medals at the fisheries exhibition.

There were six deaths from cholera on Saturday near Alexandria. The disease has disappeared at Mecca.

A warrant is issued for the arrest of the sub-manager of the Preston Banking company at Preston, England, on a charge of embezzling £10 000

At Liege, Belgium, a meeting was held on Sunday to advocate universal suffrage, and a resolution was adopted favoring the holding of a great public demonstration at Brussels in January next.

The river Salambria in Thessaly, Greece, overflowed its banks, causing widespread devastation. A hundred houses were destroyed and several lives lost. Latissa and other villages were surrounded by water and railways were greatly damaged.

RISING OF NEGROES.

The Military Called Out to Quiet a Disturbance—Matters Quieting Down.

AUSTIN, Tex., Oct. 29.—There was intense excitement all last night and to-day in consequence of a telegram received by the governor stating that 500 negroes were under arms in the town of Gauze, Milan county, and an outbreak was momentarily expected, and asking for immediate help. The decision as to the civil rights act is creating a bad feeling among the negroes in various parts of the state. The governor immediately issued a proclamation calling the militia to arms. Two companies mustered at once, and before midnight there were 1000 men at Austin. Houstin, Galveston and other places responded. The troops were still waiting orders at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The precise nature of the disturbance at Gauze was not ascertained, but there seemed no doubt that a disturbance of some kind was in progress The governor ordered a special military train to be got ready for immediate use. At 2.30 p.m. the governor received dispatches from the sheriff and railroad officials saying that matters had quieted down.

MARY CHURCHILL FOUND.

She Writes From Indianapolis That She is on the Stage, and Alive and Well.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 29.—Col. Churchill has received a letter from his daughter who has been missing for several months. It was mailed at Indianapolis 27th, and is as follows: "Dear father, I write to let you know I am alive and well. I am on the stage as you suppose. Have I eloped? Oh, how could you think so, when I cared so little for gentlemen's society. I am earning my own living honestly. Teach my little sisters and darling little brother to think kindly of their sister. Mary."

A circular had been sent to theatrical managers, giving a minute description of the girl, and a photograph of her.

KILLED BY FIRE DAMP.

Explosion in a Pennsylvania Mine—Two Men Killed and Six Seriously Burned.

SCRANTON, Oct. 29.—An explosion of fire damp occurred this afternoon in a Pennsylvania coal company's shaft No. 7, three miles from Pittston. Thomas and James Gallagher, brothers, were brought out dead and bruised almost to a crisp. Six others were seriously burned and injured, and three will probably die, having inhaled the "after damp." There were thirty-five men in the part of the mine where the explosion occurred. The balance escaped through a mule way. The explosion blew down brattics and props and tore gates apart, lifting the men up bodily and hurling some twenty or thirty feet.

A Rare Marine Animal Found.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29—Dr. Stegnejer, who was commissioned by the Smithsonian institute to go to Behrings island to find the skeleton of "Northern Manatic" or sea cow, arrived to-day with an excellent specimen, believed to be the only one in this country. He has also seventeen skulls of the same animal. Stello, the scientist of Behrings second expedition, wrecked in 1741, was the first to see and describe a living specimen.

Blown Into the Sea.

MOBILE, Oct. 29.—On Sunday the steam tug Edic, while putting out to sea in search of a tow, exploded her boiler. The boat sank immediately with Capt. John Carney, Mate Andrews and the colored fireman. All are probably eaten by the sharks which infest the locality. The engineer and cook were picked up; the latter died, the former is painfully wounded. It is believed the tugs Edic and Nellie were racing for a tow, and that the Edic falling behind crowded on steam until she blew up. She was lately overhauled and inspected.

A Pitched Battle for a Railway.

LEBANON, Pa., Oct. 29.—The new Cornwall and Lebanon railroad have put fifty men to work laying tracks over the property of Wm. E. Freeman, manager of the old Cornwall railroad. Freeman with 250 men charged them, tore up the track for 400 yards and scattered the material. The Freeman party then laid a track and ran coal cars on to it. Rain prevented a resumption of hostilities this morning, but more trouble is feared.

The Chicago Wheat Market.

CHICAGO, Oct. 29.—Wheat speculation to-day was wild, and the feeling greatly unsettled. The market opened with a panicky feeling and declined ⅜ under Saturday's closings. It rallied slowly, then rapidly advanced 1½ and ⅝ above inside figures, and closed at ⅛ above Saturday. On call sales were regular, and amounted to 12,075,000 bushels. Corn was unsettled in sympathy with wheat.

Irving Takes New York by Storm.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—Irving, the English actor, opened to-night as Mathias in The Bells. His delineation of the character was pronounced splendid. He was called before the curtain at the end of each act and enthusiastically cheered. The audience was one of the most select and distinguished ever seen in a New York theatre.

Anything to Escape a Husband.

WAUPUN, Wis., Oct. 29.—S. J. Hudsor, of Belvidere, Ill., who came here with two children in search of hir runaway wife found her masquerading in male attire and pretending to be married to Gertrude Fuller. She had solicited odd jobs of painting and was making sufficient to support both.

Saved From a Burning Vessel.

ROCKLAND, Maine, Oct. 29.—The schooner America of this port, laden with lime for New York, was burned off Cape Cod on the 27th. The crew took to the boats and were picked up.

The New York Stock Exchange.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—The New York, West Shore and Buffalo railroad company has applied to the stock exchange for listing five millions of five per cents.

Heavy Stationery Failure.

CHICAGO, Oct. 29.—Culver, Page, Herne & Co., wholesale stationers, have failed. Liabilities $500,000, assets $325,000.

The Business Outlook.

Judged by the returns of the sales at Petley & Petley's things have improved on last year. Their sales this month up to Saturday night (with three days more to run) are over five thousand dollars more than the whole of October, 1882. Advertising, shop improvements and square dealing evidently pay.

AMERICAN PENSION FRAUDS.

A Comprehensive System of Swindling by Pettifogging Agents.

The New York Sun, in its Washington correspondence, gives the result of an enquiry by District Attorney Corkhill into the methods of pension agents in the United States, which discloses a system of fraud by which soldiers, and the widows and orphans of deceased soldiers, have been swindled out of vast sums of money. The first move was usually to send a large poster to the postmaster of every place of any size to be posted up in a conspicuous place. This poster contained extravagant statements of the liberality of the government in awarding pensions, and the list of disabilities for which a pension might be granted was so comprehensive as to include nearly all the common diseases of life.

Having by these means tempted a soldier to write, the agents next demand fees for filing claims, and persist in the demands, whether the applicant has any case or not. In many cases after the fee is paid that is the last heard of it, unless there be a demand for an additional fee. The fraud consists in duping the ignorant, in leading them to pay fees for filing claims that are worthless, and in frightening applicants into payments by threatening to drop the case unless more payments are made.

From evidence already obtained Mr. Corkhill thinks that several millions have been obtained from soldiers, their widows and orphans by dishonesty of this kind. These frauds have increased immensely of late. By dishonest representations to the pension agents have induced persons to file claims which they know to be worthless and which they filed only to obtain the fee of $10 allowed by law. Many tales of hardship have been told, for nearly all the applicants are poor, and the small sums they are required to send mean very serious inconvenience. In these cases, of course, the loss does not fall on the government, but there is no doubt that the same agents who file fraudulent claims have no hesitation in filing fraudulent testimony. Such cases are known and this means robbery of the government.

This fraudulent business is found to exist all over the United States. Some of the biggest pension firms have been implicated. A female lawyer who has been suspended from practice lays the blame on the pension office itself.

DYNAMITE'S DOINGS.

Five Men Killed by an Explosion of 1200 Pounds.

PITTSBURG, Oct. 29.—At Brooks' tunnel on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad yesterday 1200 pounds of dynamite exploded, killing 5 men (the crew of a freight train) a short distance from the scene. The men were walking along the track.

The dynamite was stored in a magazine. Trees were uprooted and rocks blown into the river by the explosion. At the spot where the magazine stood a solid rock was scooped out, 100 feet square and 30 feet deep. The report was heard fifty miles distant. Windows were broken seven miles away. Three of the killed are George Reynolds, engineer; Tice, flagman; Hammond, switchman. The others are the blacksmith and helper, names unknown. Reynolds was blown over the hillside. Only a foot, hand and a portion of a leg were found in fragments. Others were gathered up, but were unrecognizable. One of the men was accompanied by his father, who remained on the train and escaped uninjured.

A gun has been found near the scene. It is supposed one of the victims discharged it, and that the concussion caused the dynamite to explode.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Speculating as to its Contents—The Abolishing of the Internal Revenue System Very Unlikely.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29 —The Post's Washington says the president has had furnished him the chief points of the reports of the heads of departments and is considering his message. A report has been circulated that he will recommend the abolition of the internal revenue system, but it not credited. It is doubtful whether the president will go any further than he did last year when he recommended the repeal of all internal revenue taxes except the tax upon distilled spirits. The treasury officials are confident that the revenues will not permit such wholesale reduction of taxation, as the abolition of the whole internal system. They have no confidence in the maintenance of the surplus at the present figure, and their opinions are based upon a thorough study of the effect of the reductions by last congress and of the necessities of government.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

Commodore Davis has been appointed to the command of the Asiatic squadron.

Gen. Sheridan goes from Chicago to Washington to assume the command of the army.

At Charleston, S. C., yesterday 2000 bales of cotton in the South Carolina railway yard were burned. Loss $100,000.

A cyclone struck the town of Columbus, Indiana, early yesterday morning, unroofing several buildings and knocking the corner off a railway depot

Ex-Delegate Cannon of Utah denies some stories which have been circulated as to the ceremony of marriage in the endowment house, and says the ceremony is eminently decorous.

A statement prepared at the U S. post-office department shows that the total receipts for the fiscal year ended June were $45,508,692. The expenditures were $42,816,700.

The mayor and a number of physicians of Greensboro, N.C., state that the report that 300 children died there of diphtheria, is a malicious falsehood, that there has been only one case in six months.

After Five Years' Imprisonment.

HAMILTON, Oct. 29 —William Hope, who has just been detected in embezzlement from Hobbs, Osborne & Hobbs of London, Ont, was in 1871 sent to jail for five years for embezzlement from Hend & Roberts of Hamilton. He is a splendid bookkeeper and a man of very plausible manners.

A Baronet's Death in Manitoba.

The Winnipeg Times gives a sketch of the life of Sir John Corrigan, an Irish baronet, aged 22, who has just died at St. Boniface, a suburb of Winnipeg. He came to Manitoba in June last, and was for a time waiter in the Board of Trade hotel in Winnipeg, and afterwards worked in the Canada Pacific railway yard at Medicine Hat. It was at the latter place that he contracted the illness of which he died. His father, Captain Corrigan, was killed in the Indian mutiny.

LADIES ASKING VOTES.

A DEPUTATION WAITS ON THE CITY FATHERS.

A Large Number of Them Vote in Favor of it—The Cow Byre Nuisance in the East End.

The session of the city council last night was varied by an influential deputation of ladies from the Canadian Woman's Suffrage association, in the advocacy of extending the muncipal and parliamentary franchise to women who possessed the property qualification. The deputation was composed of Mrs. D. McKeown, president of the association; Dr. Emily Stowe, Mrs. S. F. McMaster, Miss F. A. McMaster, Mrs. Adam Clarke, Mrs. W. I. Mackenzie and Mrs. G. B. Wylie. Capt. McMaster accompanied the ladies and Ald. Baxter introduced them to the council. Ald. Baxter remarked that of late years considerable attention had been directed to the question of the bestowal of the franchise on women who were possessed of property, and who were at the resent time disfranchised. The matter was not at all a new one. He thought it was not just that so much tax-paying property held by women should be silenced so to speak at the polls.

Mayor Boswell remarked that if Ald. Baxter had a resolution to offer on the subject he should do so at once.

Ald Baxter and Love then moved that in the opinion of this council the municipal and parliamentary franchise should be extended to women who possess the qualifications which entitle men to vote, and that his worship the mayor be requested on behalf of this council to sign the petition being now prepared in order to its being presented to the Ontario parliament at its next session.

Ald. Davies and Walker moved in amendment that the petition be referred to the committee on legislation.

Mrs. D. Keown was then invited to speak to the motion. She was received with applause. She appeared before them because she believed that she was performing a duty to all of them. They might wonder at her coming there with her friends; and perhaps if they were a little more forward in granting to women these things which were simply acts of justice they would not require to appear before them as they did. (Hear, hear.) Some ladies and gentlemen objected to their doing so. But how could they do otherwise when they believed in the right, and were forced to come forward. She came before them as president of the Canadian Womans Suffrage association to ask them to bestow the franchise on those women who possessed the qualification which entitled men to vote in municipal and parliamentary elections. It was not necessary to enlarge on the municipal franchise before the intelligent body of men she was addressing. They knew there were many women in the city who owned property in their own right and who take as much and as deep an interest in all things which pertain to the city's weltare as the members of the council did who would like to have some little say in matters that came before them (the council) with regard to say sanitary matters, educational and all moral questions. Yet they were debarred from doing it in the only way which had weight, viz, the franchise. They asked the council to bestow this simple and just right to women. With reference to the parliamentary franchise she need not remind them that the premier of Canada had made this a most respectable question; and she might add that on waiting on Hon. Oliver Mowat to ask him to take action in the matter he was informed that his hands would be considerably strengthened by their giving, as she hoped they would, a unanimous vote on the question.

Ald. Walker attached much importance to the question, which should be fully considered by the council. He thought it should be referred to the legislation committee.

Ald. Ryan said it was a matter of simple yeas and nays.

Ald. Downey, Baxter, Clarke and Mrs. McKeown addressed the council further when Ald. Davies' amendment was put and lost. Ald. Baxter's motion was then carried on the following division:

Yeas—Crocker, Turner, Ryan, Saunders, Irwin, Baxter, Blevins, Piper, Evans, Millichamp, Pape, Leslie, Downey, Murray, Hastings, Carlyle, Love, Steiner, Hall, Denison, Farley—21. *Nays*—Allan, Sheppard, Walker, Davies, Clarke—5.

The ladies then withdrew. Ald. Davies, Carlyle, Hall, Turner, Ryan and Baxter were appointed a committee to present a petition in accordance with the spirit of Ald. Baxter's resolution to the Ontario legislature.

Dr. Kennedy, Martin McKee, J. K. Leslie, John Jones, D. Hunter, J. C. Graham, George Cook, Chas. Burns, G. J. Clarke, Wm. Lang and J. McLatchie, property owners of St. Lawrence ward, formed a deputation having for its purpose a vigorous protest against the nuisance known as Gooderham & Worts' cow byres. Petitions from residents east of the Don and a resolution of the council of the township of York calling attention to these typho-malarial spreading pens were also handed in. Dr. Kennedy addressed the council at length, and laid beside his worship corked samples of water taken from Ashbridge's bay, one quarter of a mile from the byres. The doctor said that the samples contained very large quantities of organic matter. They looked for a certainty as if they did. Ald. Davies moved that the matter be referred to the markets and health committee with instructions to report as soon as possible that measure of relief to which these complaining citizens have a right to expect from this council. Carried

A third deputation was composed of John Ritchie, ex Ald. Bell, L. L. Walker, W. McSpadden, A. W. Barton and James Brandon, residents of the west end. Mr. Ritchie and Mr. Bell laid their grievances before the council. They complained of inadequate street car service in Dundas street and Queen street west, and wanted to know if the council could not induce the Street railway company to run cars from Brockton to the city hall without change, and that three cars an hour be run on this route. His worship said he thought that if the company were asked to grant this request he thought they would do so. On motion of Ald. Denison it was decided that the city engineer should correspond with the company in reference to the matter. Mayor Boswell told the deputation that the police commissioners would do nothing this year with regard to a police station in Dundas street.

Among the communications read was one from Mr. Chas. Carpmael, F.R.A.S., superintendent of the observatory, suggesting among other things, that after Nov. 18—the date of the adoption of the new standard of time on the railways—that the fire alarm bells be struck from the observatory at five minutes to 12 railway time instead of five minutes to 12 observatory time as heretofore. Mr. Carpmael's letter further stated that the adoption by the city of railway time would in the end conduce greatly to the public convenience. Subsequently Ald. Clarke and Turner moved that in compliance with the communication of Mr. Carpmael, the new standard time to come into operation on Nov. 18, on the principal railway lines in the United States and Canada be adopted as the time of this city, and that this council petition the dominion government to make the standard time general over the dominion. Carried.

The council went into committee of the whole on the reports of the standing committees. Ald. Farley in the chair. The clause of the executive's report recommending the introduction of a by-law exempting from taxation the building, plant and machinery of the Messrs. Leadly & Barber Knitting company for ten years, as far as the same applies to the manufacture of blankets, provoked a lengthy and heated discussion. Ald. Clarke attacked the principle of exempting manufactories Ald. Baxter said the firm had complied with the requirements of the exemption by-law in the number of "hands" employed. Ald. Turner said he did not think much of the standing of a firm which had to seek exemption from municipal taxation. However, as the law stood he would vote for the clause. But he was opposed to the whole principle. Ald. Denison moved an amendment the effect of which was that the company should employ for the term of exemption the number of "operatives" that they now have—thirty-three. The amendment was carried, and the by-law was subsequently introduced and read three times. The clause of the executive's report recommending a further delay of payments in accordance with the arbitrators award re Eastern avenue was attacked by Ald. Blevins. He said that if the sums were not paid over at once suits would be commenced against the city. Ald. Turner moved that they be paid without regard to where the money came from. Carried. Ald. Baxter asked what the item of $200 recommended by the reception committee for payment to McGaw & Winnett "for hotel accommodation" meant. He was not aware that the marquis and princess during their late visit were the guests of the city. Ald. Clarke said they were. Ald. Baxter—"Very well; it was not generally understood so. I thought they were the guests of the exhibition association." In the report of the special committee appointed to consider the question of the erection of a new court house and other matters of difference between the city of Toronto and the county of York, Ald. Davies moved that the name of Mr. James E. Smith, who is recommended for arbitrator on behalf of the city, be struck out and that of Mr. Alexander Manning be inserted. Lost.

The committee of the whole then rose. In council Ald. Davies moved his motion again and called for the yeas and nays. The vote was taken as follows:

Yeas—Carlyle, Allan, Hastings, Davies, Walker,—5. *Nays*—Denison, Blevins, Evans, Steiner, Murray, Pape, Downey, Leslie, Piper, Saunders, Sheppard, Baxter, Irwin, Adamson, Farley, Turner, Crocker, Clarke—18. A bylaw was then introduced appointing Mr. Smith arbitrator on behalf of the city in all matters, in difference and disputes now depending between the city of Toronto and the county of York, and arising out of or resulting from an annexation of the village of Yorkville to the city of Toronto.

On motion Ald. Davies and Crocker, were added to the semi-centennial committee from the council instead of ex-Ald. Hallam and Geo. Evans. Ald. Hastings was added from St. Paul's ward.

The council adjourned at 10.40 just as a hot debate was opening up on the interminable question of supplying Rosedale sites with city water. It was found that several members had sloped and left the meeting without a quorum. Ald. Millichamp had moved a resolution to the effect that the petition of the inhabitants of that suburb praying for the extension of the city water mains to their premises at their own expense be granted.

DOMINION DASHES

The Latest and Best News Found in Our Canadian Exchanges.

Regina has been incorporated as a town.

Mr. George A. Sterling, late M. P. P. for Sanbury, N.B., died on Oct. 24.

On Sunday a new $10,000 Roman catholic church at Shambot Lake was dedicated with imposing ceremonies.

A good Samaritan society has been formed in Kingston, the object being to visit the sick, poor and infirm of the city.

Cardinal Howard and Bishop Cleary of Kingston, will assist at the consecration of Dr. Carberry, bishop elect of Hamilton, at Rome on Nov. 11.

Dr. Fraser, brother of Maggie Fraser, cook at the Penwarden house, St. Thomas, died at White Branch, Mich., on Friday evening, from injuries received through being shot while hunting with a companion. He was shot in mistake for a bear.

Lansdowne and National Societies.

OTTAWA, Oct. 29.—The Marquis of Lansdowne to-day received addresses from the St. George's society and the Irish Protestant Benevolent society. His replies were happy and showed that he possessed some of Dufferin's national talent. In replying to the St. George's society, he remarked upon the combination in Canada of loyalty to the British crown coupled with a true national spirit.

Strickland Again.

Another box of clothes from the London tailor, Strickland, has just been passed through the custom house and distributed among the Toronto patrons of the Whitechapel cutter. The custom duties amounted to about $200. The men who will now sport new London clothes—some are into them already—are Samuel Nordheimer, Edouarde St. Croix, Mr. Crosby, Mr. Gzowski, Dalton McCarthy, John Beaty, William Ramsay, P. D. Conger, A. T. Kerr.

Verdict in the Central Prison Tragedy.

Coroner Johnstone concluded the Scott inquest at the central prison last night John Masters, William Chisholm and Lachland Macdonald, who were attached to Scott's gang when he was shot by Guard Harte, were the only witnesses examined. The jury returned the following verdict: "That the deceased, Robert Scott, came to his death by a ball fired from a rifle in the hands of Guard Harte on Tuesday, the 23d inst., while making his escape from the custody of the said guard; and that the said guard was fully justified in the act, and in no way exceeded his duty. The jury recommend that greater precautions be taken to prevent escape, and would suggest that when prisoners are sent outside the prison grounds, they should be chained together, instead of being allowed to mix with the public generally."

CASSIO'S COMMENTS.

Othello—What dost thou say, Iago?
Iago—Did Michael Cassio, when you woo'd my lady, know of your love?
Othello—He did, from first to last; why dost thou ask?
Iago—But for a satisfaction of my thought.
J. D. EDGAR.

For the satisfaction of the thoughts of more than one Iago, let me say that from first to last the journalistic Othello has known who Michael Cassio is. No dropped handkerchiefs, please.

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I was starting to talk yesterday about the Smith-Costigan O'Donohoe manifesto to the catholic electors, when the editor sat upon me, and when the editor sits upon one in his literary capacity he weighs a ton. And not a coal dealer's ton, either.

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The inner history of the Smith-Costigan-O'Donohoe manifesto remains to be written, along with the histories of several subsequent transactions. At present let it suffice to say that if Mr. Smith took a seat in the cabinet, that was no reason why Mr. O'Donohoe should not have been given one, too. Ar not cabinet ministers appointed because of their fitness for the position?

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This is a materialistic age, in which what a man has outweighs what a man is. The Tichborne claimant was no unworthy exponent of the spirit of the age when he said, in his own rude but picturesque way, that some men have money and some men have brains, and that it is the role of the men who have brains to get the better of the men who have money. This is a difficult role to play in politics. A political claimant usually find that brains do not get the better of money. Whether it was so in the case above referred to or not will appear later on.

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I observe that there is to be another election in West Simcoe. Well, let the other election go on. I am sick and tired of the mutual misrepresentations of the two parties in such cases. There is not a particle of doubt upon any unprejudiced man's mind but that in a close political contest members of both parties will do what they would scorn to do in the private affairs of life. I know that I would, and I am not a great deal worse than the average pirate of either party, I would like to see canvassing forbidden, compulsory voting, and candidates compelled to confine their approaches to the electors to the platform and the press. Until such regulations are enacted we shall not have pure elections, the pharisaical pretences of any party or of man to the contrary notwithstanding.

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Cassio observes that the editor of The World insists that "the whisky head must go." I speak of this world when I ask "where to?" For brevity's sake I admit that the whisky head has no rights that the libertine, the gambler or the extortionist, is bound to respect. The question is quite capable of debate, and I make the above admission without prejudice, as my learned legal adviser would say. But it the whisky head must go, where and how? My experience with whisky heads has been that they can't go. That is just their trouble, if they could go they would not have to be helped along. It is not the whisky head but the whisky legs that are to blame in this respect. Any man can get along with a whisky head, but when a man has whisky-legs that insist upon "bending the supple hinges of the knees," his head don't count for anything. How in thunder is a whisky head to go with such legs? I know the editor dislikes this view of the subject, having a good head of his own and no legs to brag about. And he will probably sit down on me again. Therefore I will work in the rest of this argument at a date hereafter to be decided upon. More anon. CASSIO.

LATEST SPORTING NEWS.

The hounds will meet to-day at the toll gate, Todmorden, at 3.30.

Patrick Moran, the retired champion oyster opener of New York, says he has opened 7223 oysters in 10 hours.

The social to be held by the Athletic baseball club takes place on Thanksgiving eve (Nov. 7) and not Thanksgiving night as previously stated.

At New York on Friday Edward Bibby and M. Manoo, the French champion wrestler, posted $250 with Richard K. Fox and signed articles to wrestle Graeco-Roman for $500 and the championship between Nov. 9 and 17.

St. Symon and St. Dude.

As becomes the festival of these saints, especially the latter, who is patron of Trinity college, the annual steeple chase was contested yesterday. The winner was N. F. (Nicholas Flood?) Davidson, W. Lewis 2d, W. W. Jones 3d; time 7.33.

Remarks by Slosson on Cushion Caroms.

H. C. COLLENDER —*Dear Sir:* To you, as donor of the emblem of the cushion-carom championship, won by me as the result of last night's contest, I respectfully submit my declination of it. In order that my action may not be misconstrued beg to say that my disapproval of this game for professional uses has for years been well known to the public, and after I had entered into the recent match I caused it to be announced that in the event of my winning the emblem I should not accept its custodianship. In order to get a chance to play in public in some shape, I had to temporarily accept this game of cushion-caroms by entering into a match at it as the only one I could get. The public are probably now satisfied that I can play even a game I detest, and win at it.

Chicago, Oct. 25. G. F. SLOSSON.

Rev. Mr. Bray Married.

QUEBEC, Oct 29.—Rev. A. J. Bray, minister of Zion church, Montreal, was married in this city to day to Miss Maude Alexandra Lloyd of London, England, who arrived to-day by the steamship Oregon. Dr. Cook performed the ceremony and Hon. Messrs Starnes and Wurtele and J. B. Hawson of Montreal, were present.

CANADA PACIFIC STOCK.

DETAILS OF THE GOVERNMENT ARRANGEMENTS.

An Annual Guarantee Fund to be Established—Twenty Millions to be Put Up to Back the Guarantee.

OTTAWA, Oct. 29.—The Citizen says: "The statement in the press telegram from Montreal respecting an arrangement between the government and the Canadian Pacific railway is correct in so far as that the company desires to make an arrangement with the company similar to that made by the Canada Central some years ago, by which, on the government being provided with the money, it agreed to guarantee the bonds of that company. It will more than likely be found that the proposition of the company is to pay to the government a sum of money sufficient to give the government funds out of which it will be able to guarantee a certain annual dividend on the stock of the company. Such an arrangement would be beneficial to the company without involving the government in responsibility or the country in any risk. What is the exact nature of the proposals, or whether the government approves of them in detail, has not yet transpired.

MONTREAL, Oct. 29.—The Canadian Pacific directors propose putting up $15,000,000 in cash at once and $5,000,000 in four months as security for the guarantee. Another dispatch says the security is "ample."

FARO GAMBLING.

It is Running in Full Blast in Toronto Under the Nose of the Police—Mr. Kleiser's Experience.

An evening paper gave an account of a recent faro game the trend of which account went to show that Doc Mathieson and Phip Sphon had roped S. P. Kleiser, jeweler, of 115 King street west into a faro bank on King street west in the Royal block, next to the U. E. club, and had swindled him out of $600.

Mathieson on his part denies all this; he says that Kleiser ran the faro game, and invited him (Mathieson) to go up and play, stating that they were going to have a nice square game, and that some "gentlemen players" were coming in.

Mathieson says he and Sphon went up and played, but that Sphon played as the partner of Kleiser who dealt the cards. This was about three weeks ago. On the first night Mathieson won $60, on the second night $45, on the third night $30, from Kleiser every time.

Just which story is the right one we cannot say; but Mr. Kleiser is no chicken and deserves no sympathy. If he didn't own the bank he knew the men who did. As for the police they have long ago abandoned any idea of suppressing gambling. The chief of police is only a figure head, who thinks more of his house and society than he does of his duty. The detectives know all about the faro banks that are running in the town and wink at them. As for the "gentlemen players" who frequent these places and lose their money the public would be somewhat shocked if it saw a list of their names.

Payment of Taxes by Instalments.

A return from the city treasurer was laid on the table at the meeting of the city council last night. It stated that repeating the analysis given in considering former payments, the total amount of taxes collectable for the year is $1,091,620, payable as follows:

General Tax, 1st instalment, payable Aug. 3		$333,367
General tax, 2nd instalment, payable Sept. 6		312,955
General tax, 3rd instalment, payable Oct 11		297,399
Local improvement	$131,382	
Statute labor	1,154	
Dog tax	3,791	
Payable with 2nd instalment on Sep. 6		136,827
Arrears of taxes now placed on roll		11,572
		$1,091,620

The total payment to date is $882 070 00, or 80 13 16 per cent, leaving $209 551.00, or 19 3-16 per cent, unpaid; but if from this latter 3½ per cent is deducted, as about the average of probable losses and registrations, the unpaid balance is virtually reduced to $171,345.00, or 15 11-26 per cent. It is manifested from this showing that the system of payment by instalments each successive year commends itself more and more to the approval of the large majority of ratepayers.

THE EDITOR AND HIS CARRIAGE.

The editor arose yesterday morning, rang for his valet, was arrayed after the manner of the lily of the valley, and started for his carriage. His carriage was at the street corner. He entered and was whirled down Yonge street. This is where the much-complained-of insolence of servants comes in. The footman came forward after a time and demanded five cents—just the price of a drink. Sooner than demean himself by asking any questions from a menial the amount was handed over by the editor, although he is a temperance man. Upon alighting from his carriage the editor heard the footman order the driver to drive on and leave their employer. The editor subsequently found that his servants had been bribed by the Hon. Frank Smith to act in this manner.

It was a street car.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING.

Did you see the article I wrote in our paper last night on street car amenities—Senator Fran Spith.

Thim litherary notes are the stouff to make the byes laugh—Jerry Sheehan.

What does Paddy Boyle mane anyway by ignoring Ould Oirland—Lombard Street.

He means to give me a chance—Timothy Warren.

Now we'll get our work in—The Tribune.

I cannot understand it—Nicholini di Murphi.

THE WORLD WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

If there has not been a distinct falling off in the telephone service of late.

Why you have to ring three or four times to get an answer.

Especially in the evening and on Sundays.

Why the Mail don't give the Grenadiers a fair report.

STRONG WEST WINDS.

TORONTO, Oct. 30, 1 a m.—*Lakes: Strong winds and gales from the west and northwest; cloudy to fair weather with showers in a few localities; slightly lower temperature.*

SAFE OVER THE SEA.

Date.	Steamship	Reported at	From
Oct. 29.	Oregon	Father Point	Liverpool
Oct. 29.	Sarmatian	Liverpool	Quebec
Oct. 29.	Austrian	Fame Point	Glasgow
Oct. 29.	Erin	New York	London
Oct. 29	Bohemia	New York	Hamburg
Oct. 29.	Queen	New York	Liverpool
Oct. 29.	City of Berlin	Queenstown	—
Oct. 29.	Amerique	Havre	—
Oct. 29.	Circassia	New York	Glasgow