

By Wire Under the Ocean.

A MIXED MINISTRY.
Stockholm, June 13.—King Oscar has asked M. Sverdrup, the leader of the Moderates, to select a compromise Ministry, consisting of four Radicals, four Conservatives and two Moderates. M. Sverdrup informed his Majesty that he would give his decision in a few days.

MR. GLADSTONE'S CRUISE.
Hamburg, June 13.—Mr. Gladstone and other guests of Sir Donald Currie arrived here on the steamer Tantalion Castle to attend the opening of the North Sea-Baltic Canal. Mr. Gladstone was enthusiastically received.

FREE TRADE IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

Sydney, N. S. W., June 13.—The Customs Bill passed its second reading in the Legislative Assembly today. The measure abolishes the duties provided for in the act of 1891, and its effect will be the establishment of free trade in New South Wales.

RUSSIA'S POSITION.
London, June 13.—Sir Edward Gray, in reply to Sir Ellis Ashmeade-Bartlett, said that the Government considered that Russia still abided by the agreement that in the event of Great Britain's ceasing to occupy Port Hamilton, Russia should not seize the advantage to occupy Korean territory.

WM. O'BRIEN'S BANKRUPTCY.

London, June 13.—Wm. O'Brien, M.P., attended the Bankruptcy Court today in response to the receiving order issued against him yesterday. He stated that the only assets he consisted of some copyrights and a quantity of furniture. The rest of his presumed belongings were his wife's separate property. It is understood he gives his full consent to being forced into bankruptcy.

RACE OF THE HORSELESS CARRIAGES.

Paris, June 13.—The race of the horseless carriages—vehicles propelled by either electric or steam power—from Paris to Bordeaux and back, a distance of 750 miles, which was started at noon on Monday, was finished today, and won by carriage No. 5, which arrived at the starting point in the Place d'Armes at 12:57 p.m., having covered the distance in a little over 48 hours. The winning carriage is constructed on the Pachtard-Levasseur system.

THE MASCOT'S MISTAKE.

London, June 13.—The Mascot, a weekly newspaper, having repeated the report that Miss Frances E. Willard, President of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, is to be married in the fall to an Englishman of wealth and position who has attained prominence in the work of reform, Miss Willard, during the afternoon telegraphed to the Associated Press, saying that the Mascot is totally mistaken in asserting that she intends to marry in the fall.

THE AOSTAS' HONEYMOON.

Rome, June 13.—The Duke of Aosta and his bride, the Princess Helene of Orleans, will come directly to Rome after their marriage at Twickenham, where the bride was born. King Humbert desires this because he wishes the couple to receive their wedding gifts in Rome before getting their presents from the cities in the Provinces. On the occasion of their visit, and in honor of their marriage, King Humbert will grant amnesty to all persons now under condemnation by military tribunals, with the exception of the Anarchistic revolutionary committee convicted in Palermo a short time ago. The sentences of these men, however, will be reduced.

JOHN BULL AND UGANDA.

London, June 13.—In the House of Commons, Sir Edward Gray announced that the Government had decided to construct a railway to Uganda, Central Africa, and to establish a protectorate over the country between Uganda and the coast. He asked the House to vote £300,000 yearly to meet the expense of administering the protectorate. Joseph Chamberlain and A. J. Balfour, the leaders of the Liberal-Unionists and Conservatives respectively, congratulated the Government upon its decision.

Sir Charles Dilke declared that the policy of the Government in this respect was a far-sighted one, and would not be altered.

The money grant was adopted by a vote of 249 to 51.

MARQUIS OF LORNE ON BRITISH EXPANSION.

London, June 13.—The Marquis of Lorne spoke at Cambridge University today at a meeting called to establish a memorial to the late John Robert Seeley who was regius professor of modern history at Cambridge University. The Marquis said that Professor Seeley's views on the expansion of Great Britain were now generally accepted, and the British colonies must be looked upon as allies. These colonies were as independent as many foreign powers. The idea of alliance must be inculcated, not the idea that the colonies belonged to Great Britain. Nevertheless, Great Britain must oppose any policy that would let the colonies go to pieces.

Mr. Gladstone, Prime Minister Rosebery, Mr. Balfour, the Earl of Derby and the Marquis of Lansdowne, sent letters expressing sympathy with the object of the meeting.

RUSSIA'S SHREWD STROKE.

St. Petersburg, June 13.—The commercial treaty between Russia and Japan, which has just been signed by the contracting parties, contains a paragraph providing that henceforth the duty upon petroleum imported into Japan shall be levied upon volume and not upon weight. This arrangement will work to the detriment of the United States, American oil being lighter than Russian, though the latter is the cheaper. The Russians are delighted over the brilliant stroke accomplished by M. De Witte, Minister of Finance, in the conclusion of the treaty. Moreover it is believed that in return for Russia's guarantees of the Chinese Paris loan, she has obtained the territory between Nertzhinsk, in Asiatic Russia, and Port Arthur, which will be connected by railway, and the latter place used

as a coaling station. It is understood that Russia will shortly take possession of the Liao Tung territory, when it is expected that Germany, England and the United States will unite in asserting their rights.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

Canada's Interests Provided for in the Bering Sea Bill.

London, June 13.—In the House of Commons today Sir Edward Gray, Under Foreign Secretary, answered questions put by Mr. Thomas Gibson Bowles in regard to the Bering Sea Bill. Mr. Bowles asked whether the Canadian Government concurred in the provisions of the Government's bill to regulate seal fishing in Bering Sea in accordance with the terms of the Bering Sea treaty, and also asked to have the correspondence on the subject which had passed between the Home Government and the Dominion Government since 1893 laid on the table of the House.

Sir Edward said the Government of Canada was aware that legislation on the subject was necessary in the place of the laws about to expire, and that the Dominion Government had furnished the Home Government with a full expression of Canadian views as to the amendments which were desired. These views had been carefully considered, and the Government had endeavored to put them all into the present bill.

Mr. James F. Hogan, member for Mid Tipperary, asked the Government to expedite the report of the commission on the postoffice department respecting a fast line of subsidized mail steamers between the United States and Canada.

Mr. Arnold Morley, Postmaster-General, said the deliberations of the commission on the subject required considerable time, and promised that there should be no unnecessary delay in the submission of their report.

Sir William Harcourt announced that the Government would take the entire time of the House for the remainder of the session for purely Government business.

WANT TO SEE GLADSTONE.

Cheered by the Germans—To Be Given a Reception.

London, June 14.—The Daily News today describes the passage of the River Rhine by the steamer Tantalion Castle. Every boat, it says, seemed to be aware of the steamer's coming. Outward bound vessels steered close to her and their crews and passengers thronged the decks to get a glimpse of Mr. Gladstone. Among the vessels that passed the Tantalion Castle was the Hamburg American liner Fuerst Bismarck. As she passed her band played the British National Anthem. Mr. Gladstone, who was on the hurriedly of the Tantalion Castle, took off his hat when he heard the familiar strains of "God Save the Queen." The passengers on the Fuerst Bismarck greeted him with ringing cheers. The Tantalion Castle was moored off Hamburg at 7 o'clock last evening. The piers and embankments were densely crowded with people, who watched the arrival of the steamer. There is some idea of arranging a meeting between Prince Bismarck and Mr. Gladstone, but it is improbable that it will be effected.

A reception will be given on board the steamer tomorrow, after which about 100 invited guests will dine with Mr. Gladstone.

FREE TRADE STRAIGHT

And I root Taxation in New South Wales—Few Customs Taxes.

Sydney, N. S. W., June 14.—The vote on the customs bill yesterday stood 64 in favor of the measure to 33 against it. When he introduced the bill in May last the Prime Minister said that the Government were pledged to abolish the customs duties imposed years ago and to establish a tariff on a free trade basis. The Government was determined to take this occasion to impose a direct penny on the pound and an income tax at once. There would be a tax of 1 penny on the pound and an income tax of 5 pence on the pound with exemptions. There would be no tax on wine, spirits, beer, tobacco and opium. The old duties would be retained for the present and a duty on sugar for ten years would be imposed.

DOCTORS DIFFER.

And Propose to Settle the Matter Under Marquis of Queensbury Rules.

Toronto, June 13.—At the meeting of the Ontario Medical Council this morning somewhat of a breeze occurred over Dr. Sangster's motion to abolish the per diem allowance for hotel expenses. Dr. Sangster said some members of the council had drawn more than they had spent.

Dr. Rogers, Ottawa, denied that this was the case.

Dr. Sangster then read a return to the Legislature of expenses of the members of the council, which he said afforded evidence that Dr. Rogers himself had over-charged in this respect.

Dr. Armour was continuing the discussion on the same lines as Dr. Sangster, when Dr. Rogers warmly interposed, and said if the gentleman would come outside he would soon settle the matter. The chairman, however, interposed, and after some further discussion the resolution was referred to a committee.

GONE UP IN SMOKE.

Belleville, Ont., June 13.—Following are the losses in last night's fire: Queen's Hotel, stables, etc., owned by Power Bros., loss, \$3,400; John Grant, tenant, loss, \$300; Prince Edward House, owned by the Burdett estate, loss, \$1,200; Mr. Deacon, tenant, loss, \$700; W. Bentley's loss on buildings, \$400; McCoy Bros' livery, loss, \$200; T. S. Carman, damage to buildings, \$400.

Victoria, B. C., June 13.—The steamer Danube, arriving from the north this morning, reports the total destruction of the Windsor salmon cannery on Skeena River, with a loss of \$40,000. It was with the greatest difficulty that the wharf and settlement buildings were saved. The Windsor cannery was owned by the British Columbia Cannery Company, of London.

No, Thank You!

Manitoba Maintains an Unchanged Attitude

Regarding the Dominion Government's Remedial Order

Winnipeg, June 13.—The Legislature reassembled this afternoon. A reply to the remedial order on parochial schools had been prepared and was ready for submission to the House.

Winnipeg, June 13.—The reply of Manitoba to the Dominion Government's order suggesting that redress be given the Roman Catholics in educational matters and that the separate school system previously in vogue here be re-established, is a stern refusal on the part of the Province to comply with the remedial order.

Attorney-General Sifton made public Manitoba's answer when the Legislature reassembled this afternoon, and debate thereon is expected to come up on Monday. The reply is in the form of a memorial addressed to his Excellency the Governor-General of Canada. It first recites the remedial order and then submits the following:

"The privileges which the said order were recommended to restore to our Roman Catholic fellow-citizens are substantially the same privileges which they enjoyed previous to the year 1890. Compliance with the terms of the order would restore Catholic schools with no more satisfactory guarantees for their efficiency than existed prior to the said date.

"The educational policy embodied in our present statutes was adopted after an examination of the results of the policy therefore followed under which the separate Roman Catholic schools (now sought to be restored) had existed for a period of upwards of nineteen years. The said schools were found to be inferior, as conducted under the Roman Catholic section of the Board of Education; they did not possess the attributes of efficient modern public schools. Their conduct, management and regulation were defective as a result leaving a large section of the population with no better means of education than was supplied.

"Many people grew up in a state of illiteracy, and as far as we are aware there has never been an attempt made to defend these schools on their merits, and we do not know of any ground upon which the expenditure of public money in their support would be justifiable. We are therefore compelled respectfully to state to your Excellency in council that we cannot accept the responsibility of carrying into effect the terms of the remedial order."

Manitoba's reply among other things will say: "We are compelled to respectfully state to your Excellency in council that we cannot accept the responsibility of carrying into effect the terms of the remedial order. Objections upon principle may be taken to any modification of our educational statutes, which would result in the establishment of one or more sets of separate schools. Apart, however, from the objections upon principle, there are serious objections from a practical educational standpoint. Some of these objections may be briefly indicated.

"We labor under great difficulties in maintaining an efficient system of primary education. The school taxes bear heavily upon our people. The large amount of land which is free from school taxes and the great extent of country over which our small population is scattered presents obstacles to efficiency and progress. The reforms effected in 1890 have given an impetus to educational work, but the difficulties which are inherent in our circumstances have constantly to be met.

"It will be obvious that the establishment of a set of Roman Catholic schools, followed by a set of Anglican schools, and possibly Mennonite and Icelandic schools, would so emasculate our present system that any approach to even our present general standard of efficiency would be impossible.

"We contemplate the inauguration of such a state of affairs with very grave apprehension. We have no hesitation in saying that there cannot be suggested any measure which to our minds would more seriously imperil the development of the Province."

If you are thinking of new clothing for your boys it will save you a good many "thanks" to come to Oak Hall today and secure some of the bargains in children's clothing. It's our sacrifice day.

Late Canadian News.

Canadian Newspaper Men on an Excursion to Buffalo—A Foolhardy Trip.

The Manitoba wheat area has been increased by 130,000 acres this year.

Wm. Defoe, one of Belleville's wealthiest residents, died on Thursday morning, aged 81.

James McLervie, formerly of Chatham, has been appointed Hamilton city agent of the T. B. and H. Railway.

Towards the Dominion Day inauguration funds, Chatham's city council have granted \$800. The celebration will cost \$2,000.

At Dyer's Bay, Ont., a few miles north of Lion's Head, a farmer named James Graham accidentally shot his son Irvin killing him instantly.

Robert McCallum, the 19-year-old Nova Scotian, started from New York on his transatlantic trip in his 19-foot sloop Richard K. Fox on Thursday.

George Anderson, aged 15, was drowned on Thursday while bathing in the Don just above Winchester street, Toronto.

A St. Catharines dispatch says: Harvey Burch, aged 17 years, while bathing at the Fifteen-Mile Creek on Wednesday night, got beyond his depth and was drowned.

Dr. Ezekiel A. A. B. Rose, of Portland, Leeds county was on Thursday ruled out of the Ontario Medical Council. Unprofessional conduct is alleged on the doctor's part.

Sir Henri Gustave Joly de Lotbiniere is shortly to be tendered a banquet at the Union Club, Quebec, at which the Governor-General and Lieutenant-Governor Chapleau are to be present.

Rev. Dr. Rainsford, of New York, formerly of Toronto, accompanied by his son Leonce, passed through Quebec last week on his way to the fishing grounds of the Restigouche Salmon Club.

Race Forter, the owner of the famous race horse Dr. Rice, a former Seaforth agent, in future makes his home in Illinois, near the Madison racetrack, where he has purchased a farm of 120 acres for \$21,700. While Forter was feeding his horse a few days ago the bit bit his left thumb off at the first joint.

The Toronto Methodist Conference began its regular annual session on Thursday morning in Elm Street Methodist Church. There was a very large attendance. The contest for the presidency was principally between Rev. W. A. Langford, of Toronto, and Rev. M. L. Pearson, of Brampton. Mr. Pearson was chosen on the second ballot.

A delegation of Canadian newspaper men were in Buffalo on Thursday afternoon, the guests of the Tift House, and under the chaperonage of M. C. Dickson, Toronto, district passenger agent of the G. T. R. The occasion was the putting off of a new train on that line. Mr. W. Keating, of the G. T. R., Toronto, had charge of the party.

Lord T. Whitehead, general manager of the Bramford Carriage Company, died on Wednesday after a long and painful illness. About two years ago Mr. Whitehead was attacked with Bright's disease and a heart complication.

Only a week ago a large and influential deputation of the citizens of Bramford waited upon him and presented him with a gold watch and illuminated address, upon what was then thought to be the eve of his departure for Europe on a trip in search of health. He was a clever business man.

UNION WAGES ON CITY WORK.

The Idea Emphasized by Local Labor Leaders.

The Road Roller Question—There Was No "Nigger in the Fence."

Mr. Joseph T. Marks appeared before No. 2 committee last night in regard to the proposed bylaw to provide that every contract made by the city should provide that all men employed on the work be paid the scale of wages demanded by the unions to which they belonged.

Mr. Marks said a bylaw of that nature worked well in Toronto. The same rule prevailed in a great many cities on the other side of the line, and a movement is on foot to induce the Dominion Government to adopt the plan. It would prevent outside contractors bringing men here to work for low wages. City contractors, he said, favored the proposition.

Such a bylaw will be recommended to the council.

The question of securing a new road roller and giving "Jumbo" in part payment came up, and discussion arose as to whether or not any action should be taken. Several tenders had already been received. Ald. O'Meara favored taking some steps. Ald. Parnell favored getting the very best roller possible.

The conversation led up to the recent doings in reference to a road roller and Ald. Wm. Heaman said it was stated in a city daily that there was "a nigger in the fence," and that supplementary tenders were called for. "There was no nigger in the fence," said Ald. Heaman, "and supplementary tenders were never called for." Ald. Heaman produced a letter to the effect that the Harrisburg original tender was \$3,800, landed in London, or \$3,200 shipped to the border line.

Ald. O'Meara moved that tenders be again called for, and that "Jumbo" be left out of the deal, but action was deferred until Monday evening, when a meeting will be held prior to the council.

Mr. C. F. Colwell addressed the committee in behalf of the Hussars' Band for a share of the concert grant. No action.

On the communication of Mr. R. K. Cowan, asking that an arrangement be made whereby the premises in rear of the Oddfellows' Hall may be converted into a public convenience instead of letting them become a public nuisance, Engineer Graydon recommended no action.

Mr. T. S. Weld applied for payment of \$45 damages caused to his cutter at the corner of Ridout and Bruce streets. A report had been made recommending that Mr. Weld be paid \$30. The council will be so advised.

The objection of John Fraser and others to the macadamizing of Colborne street, between Dundas and King, was accompanied by a statement from Assessment Commissioner Graydon, that the petition was illegal. Laid over.

Present: Ald. Wm. Heaman, John Heaman, Parnell, Nutkins, O'Meara, Callahan, Secretary Bell, Engineer Graydon and Street Commissioner Owens.

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