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BUMPTIOUS BENNIE'S BLUFF.

TRIES TO MAKE CAPITAL AS A TAIL-TWISTER.

If His Logic Is Good, Then Canada Can Withdraw Reciprocity In Canals and Other Matters — In Fact the Washington Treaty Might Be Considered As Abrogated.

OTTAWA, Feb. 3.—Very little excitement is created among the politicians here in regard to the message of President Harrison to Congress in the matter of bonding privileges enjoyed by Canadian railways.

The substance of his recommendation is that the bonding rules ought to be made more stringent. But who is to do it? Certainly not the present Congress; for it would be impossible to get such legislation through before the new administration comes in and the Democrats, if they consider there is any credit in taking the bonding privileges away, will claim it for themselves and pass the necessary legislation.

The whole message is merely done for the purpose of allowing President Harrison to put himself on record as being anti-British and allow his party to reap any benefit therefrom some years after.

It is held here that, if the President's logic is good, article 29 is abrogated; it follows that the whole treaty is abrogated and that Canada is under no obligations to grant reciprocity in canals and other things provided for in the Washington treaty.

The Tariff To Be Kept Up.

The effort of the Reformers to create an idea that tariff changes were imminent this session has had the effect of causing a momentary excitement in manufacturing circles in Montreal, Toronto and other points, but assurances have already been sent in these directions that there is to be no substantial or important change in the tariff this session.

The facts that have come out in the last few days very clearly show that any attempt to change the tariff in one or two directions would involve unlooked-for consequences, and as a result tariff revision can only be on a well-considered line and after a thorough investigation of all the interests implicated.

Business men and manufacturers concerned may put it down for a certainty that few or no changes will be made this session.

A FUNNY VERDICT.

This Man Acted Properly, But He Ought to Pay Damages Nevertheless.

The jury in the case of Thorne v. Huber, the suit from Waterloo county for malicious arrest, brought in a verdict at the assizes yesterday stating that the defendant had certainly thought that the plaintiff was about to leave the country, but had not sufficient grounds to justify him in arriving at that conclusion. They accordingly awarded the plaintiff $100. This verdict was a puzzler to His Lordship, who pointed out that according to their finding he must enter a verdict for the defendant, which he did.

OFF FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

Mr. T. McIlroy Wined and Dined at the Rossin.

Mr. Thomas McIlroy, jr., was entertained to a dinner at the Rossin House last evening by a number of friends previous to his departure for San Francisco, to which city he goes as western and foreign manager of the Eureka Fire Hose and Rubber Company. Major C. T. Mead presided in the absence of Mr. R. L. Patterson, who was called to New York on business. The gathering was made the occasion of presenting Mr. McIlroy with an illuminated address and a diamond ring as a testimonial of the esteem in which he is held by his many friends in this city. Speeches were made by several gentlemen present, all of which breathed the sincerest regret at his departure, and wishing him health and prosperity in his new field of labor, to which Mr. McIlroy made suitable reply.

Music at The World's Columbian Exposition.

The invitation of the Directors of the World's Columbian Exposition to the Toronto Philharmonic Society to take part in the Grand Music Festival to be given in the Exposition Music Hall early in June next, also to give a work of its own selection, as a distinct and fully organized society must be definitely accepted, or otherwise, within a few days. In order to obtain a full and popular expression of opinion as to the best means to be adopted to carry out this most desirable and laudable object, the society decided to call a public meeting of the known patrons of musical art in Toronto. Said meeting will be held in the Victoria Hall, Queen-street east, this afternoon.

Knights of St. John and Malta.

Grand Prior Harry Ellis presided at a meeting of the Commanders of the Order of Knights of St. John and Malta last evening in Dingman's Hall. The assembled delegates formally organized the Grand Priory of Ontario, and adopted a constitution to govern the subordinate bodies in the province. Arrangements were also made for the opening of new encampments in various parts of the jurisdiction, and the Chapter-General of America is to be petitioned to legalize the proceedings.

Stricken With Paralysis.

Yesterday morning Mrs. Featherston, wife of Joseph Featherston, M.P. for Peel, was suddenly stricken down with paralysis, and up to the time of writing the afflicted lady has not been able to utter a syllable. Mr. Featherston, who was attending his duties at Ottawa, was summoned by telegraph.

The Bon Marche Big Sale.

The Bon Marche big sale is one of the greatest events in the history of the dry-goods trade of Toronto. No such bargains in drygoods have ever been given. Fine drygoods are being sold at far less than cost price, as Mr. Cousineau has determined to give up business. The store is crowded daily with ladies in search of bargains.

Deserved It All.

For selling carpets that he had obtained from 550 Perth-avenue, knowing that there was diphtheria in the house at the time, Frank Harris, a second-hand dealer, was yesterday fined $20 and costs.

Doctors and scientists in the front rank extol the merits of Adams' Pepsin Tutti Frutti as an aid to digestion. Sold by all druggists in 5-cent packages.

A Free Ride on Street Cars All This Month. George Howell, the cut-rate shoe man, 542 Queen-street west, is giving to every customer two street car tickets with their purchase if exceeding 99c. N.B.—Tickets good for any hour.

"Clear Havana Cigars."

"La Cadena," and "La Flora." Insist upon having these brands. 136

BANDITS IN NEW YORK.

Hold a Young Woman Under $5000 Ransom.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The mysterious disappearance some time ago of Miss Moore, the 23-year-old Kentucky girl, from the home of her brother-in-law, Wilbur W. Cornell, at No. 133 West 133rd-street, is still far from solution. Mr. Cornell advertised a reward of $250 for information about Miss Moore's whereabouts. This he raised a few days ago to $500. On Monday Mr. Cornell received the following letter:

"The advance from $250 to $500 is too trivial for us to consider. Not a cent less than $5000 would even tempt us. This is the riskiest work ever attempted by us, and must be correspondingly profitable. Up to this time not a hair of her head has been harmed, but unless something happens soon my influence to protect her life and honor will lose its power, I will not be responsible for results. One more week is given. Say by Wednesday's papers what will be done, and remember that this is a life and death game. Treachery means certain death. (Signed) N.Y.B.W."

Mr. Cornell replied with a newspaper personal saying $5000 was too large and asking for a compromise. Yesterday he received another note, signed with the same initials as follows:

"Proposition submitted to you is ultimate."

The notes are carefully printed with a fine pen. The envelopes bear the stamp of the General Postoffice.

HIS LANTERN WENT OUT.

And a Snow-Plow Dashed Into a Freight Train.

ROME, N.Y., Feb. 4.—Between 5 and 6 o'clock a freight train left this city for the north on the Rome, Watertown & Ogdensburg Railway followed by a snowplow. At McConnellsville the freight became stalled in the snow. A flag man was sent back to warn the snowplow. Before he had proceeded far his lantern went out. He placed a torpedo on the track and undertook to re-light his lantern, but before he could do so the snowplow, running at a high rate of speed, dashed by and crashed into the freight train.

The force of the collision was so great it threw several cars to the top of the snowplow. Eight pair of trucks crashed through the plow.

George Aiken and Thomas Kearney, who were inside the plow, were instantly killed, and Conductor Wright of Richmond was so badly hurt that he may die.

CARNEGIE'S CUPIDITY.

He Makes Possible Another Strike at Homestead.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 3.—Andrew Carnegie went to Homestead and Braddock to-day on an inspection tour of the mills. Simultaneously with his appearance came the announcement at both places of a reduction of wages. Common labor was paid 14 cents per hour, with 10 hours as a day's work. These figures have been reduced to $1.25 for the same number of hours. In other departments the reduction is about on the same basis, or about 10 per cent.

It would not surprise anybody here if the Homestead men came out on strike. Only about one-third or one-fourth of the men are non-unionists, and they claim the company has not dealt fairly with them. When the strike collapsed a new scale was put into effect. The men found themselves receiving less wages for 10 hours' work than they formerly received for eight hours. They were promised that by working on tonnage they could make higher wages. The rate per ton was advanced, but the men found themselves unable to turn out enough material.

The company has closed a contract with the Metropolitan West Side Elevated Railroad of Chicago for all its iron work. If a strike occurs this work will be delayed.

SENTENCE SUSPENDED.

Young Latremouille Receives Lenient Treatment at Niagara Falls.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Feb. 3.—The examination of young Hyacinthe Latremouille, the express car robber who stole a package of $743 from the express messenger on the Grand Trunk train, Jan. 10, between Palmerston and Hamilton, was concluded yesterday before Police Justice Hill of this place. Detective Day of the Grand Trunk interceded in behalf of the boy. The police, under Chief Tom Young's aid, have secured some $200 of the money Latremouille squandered. The boy's father put up an additional $200, leaving but $343 as yet not refunded. Judge Hill took a fair view of the case and allowed Latremouille to return home to Hamilton this noon. George L. Staunton of Hamilton defended the prisoner.

Charles Patterson, the Woodstock youth who stole $100 from Latremouille while he lay in a drunken sleep, has been arrested, and has confessed to Detective Day that he took two $50 bills. He will be brought up for sentence on Saturday morning next.

The Rankin Murder.

WINDSOR, Feb. 3.—The inquest over the murder of Robert Rankin by the Freemans, negroes, is concluded. The jury returned a verdict of wilful murder against George Freeman, William Henry Freeman and Alexander Freeman, and against Lemuel Freeman as being an accessory to the murder. Lucinda Freeman, the mother of the murderous trio, was dismissed, and Jerry Freeman, her husband, released on $2000 bail to appear Monday for his preliminary trial.

The prisoners' preliminary trial before the magistrate is to be pushed.

See Sam Staneland after the theatre. Grilled steaks fit for an emperor.

Death of Two Well-Known Novelists.

Since the death of Capt. Hawley Smart and C. J. Whyte Melville there has been a great demand for some of their best known books. These two authors were held in the highest esteem by the reading public, and their books were eagerly bought up as soon as issued. Captain Hawley Smart especially has made a famous name for himself in English literature and his latest book, "Vanite's Daughter," is being read by hosts of the author's admirers. The books of these two well-known authors are always on sale at John P. McKenna, 80 Yonge-street, near corner King, who is always to the front with new books, some of the latest being George Manville Fenn's "A Secret Quest," and Grant Allen's "Blood Royal."

Hat Material Tariff.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—By direction of the President, Secretary Foster of the Treasury Department has directed the collectors of customs at New York, Philadelphia and Boston to suspend the refund of duties upon hat material until further advised.

Black Bass at Turtle Hall.

The Best in Town.

The greatest marvel in cheap ordered clothing is the workmanship of J. Johnson, the English tailor, 799 King-street west. You should see the $10 overcoats that have been advertised and made up this season, equal to any $16 readymade coat. Now for the $10 suits. Call and get measured, they are equal to any $18 suit elsewhere. Every garment guaranteed, good workmanship, or money refunded. His specialty in pants at $2.50 to measure are not to be matched at $5. Give him a call. 67

Heating Stoves specially suited for Workshops and Warehouses. Wheeler & Bain, King-street east.

ANOTHER GOOD DAY'S WORK.

LARGE NUMBER OF ITEMS IN SUPPLY PASSED.

The Opposition Not Obstructing Progress —Mr. Foster in Genial Mood—The Pontiac Bonds Story—Government Civil Service Insurance—The Senate Divorce Committee Has Been Struck.

OTTAWA, Feb. 3.—Another good day's work is to be scored to the credit of the House, which has been almost the whole afternoon and evening in supply, and passed quite a large number of items.

The Opposition appears to be in excellent temper this session, and the votes roll along easily with only as much inquiry and investigation as shows a praiseworthy desire on their part to see that the Government expends the public money wisely and well.

Mr. Foster is also in good temper, and gives all the information asked for cheerfully and promptly, so that there have been no "spats" so far on the estimates.

Previous to going into supply Mr. Mills wanted to know about the debt of the county of Pontiac, and whether Mr. Bryson, the member for that county, had any promise from the Government that it would relieve the county of its railway indebtedness in connection with the Pontiac Pacific Railway.

The story of the Pontiac bonds is briefly this: Some years ago when the Pontiac Pacific Railway was projected this county, in a fit of generosity, voted a bonus of $100,000, but has never paid any interest on the bonds or made any provision for paying them.

The county was sued by the executors of the Rose estate, holders of the bonds. Judgment was obtained, and only a short time ago the curious spectacle was presented of the whole county being seized by the sheriff. This difficulty has, however, been got over by the county promising to pay the interest and make provision for redeeming the bonds.

During the last election in Pontiac the bond question was made the issue, and it was very freely stated that if Mr. Bryson was elected the Dominion Government would come to the rescue of the county.

In the debate this afternoon Mr. Bryson emphatically denied that he had ever made any promise on the platforms or elsewhere that the Government would help the county if he was elected.

In the course of the debate Mr. Devlin read some extracts from the Conservative papers of the country and The Equity of Shawville, and endeavored to hold Mr. Bryson responsible for the utterances of the paper.

This gave occasion for Mr. Maclean to protest against the unfairness of trying to hold Ministers responsible for the opinions expressed by newspapers known to be generally favorable to them, or to hold newspapers responsible for what politicians said; and in this regard he quoted with approval from an editorial in The Globe on the same subject.

Civil Service Insurance.

Mr. Foster to-day introduced his bill respecting Government civil service insurance, and in doing so explained that this bill was to be taken in connection with another bill of which he had given notice referring to superannuation.

Briefly summarized, his statement was that the superannuation fund as at present constituted had come to be a very heavy drain on the consolidated fund, and the revenue and expenditure under it were getting further and further apart. The proposal was to institute a system of cheap Government insurances which would provide for the families of deceased civil servants.

Mr. Foster explained that the contribution of the Government to both the superannuation and insurance schemes would be very much less than the contribution at present made to the superannuation fund. By the time the two schemes had been working for about 20 years the contribution of the Government to both would have reached its maximum, which would be about $20,000 a year.

Move Against Pork Packers.

Quite a number of members of Parliament do not agree with the deputation of pork packers which visited the Minister of Agriculture and urged a relaxation of the quarantine regulations respecting hogs so as to facilitate the admission of American hogs for slaughtering purposes, and have addressed the following letter on the subject to the Minister of Agriculture:

"We notice with regret that the pork packers of Ontario have waited on the Government with the view of inducing them to provide regulations for the importation of hogs from the United States free to be slaughtered in bond and the product, or a stipulated quantity as an equivalent, therefore exported, as such privilege, if granted, would in our opinion injuriously affect the values and business of the Canadian farmer in that line as well as injure Canada's trade abroad by destroying the reputation she now enjoys of producing an article of hog product much superior to that exported by our neighbors to the south of us; therefore we respectfully urge that said privilege be not granted."

The letter is signed by T. S. Sproule, J. H. Marshall, C. Fairbairn, W. T. Hodgins, E. Cochrane, F. W. Carpenter, H. H. Rose, J. D. Reid, W. F. Roome, R. R. McLennan, W. H. Bennett, H. A. Calvin, George Taylor, R. Tyrwhitt, Arthur Boyle, W. H. Hutchins, A. McNeill and H. Cargill.

Wants an Encyclopædia.

Mr. McMullen gives notice of a motion that the clerk of the House do lay on the table a return showing the names, age, birthplace, salary, origin and religion of the permanent officers of the Senate and House of Commons and the permanent officers and servants of the library of Parliament as they stood at the end of the first session of the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, together with every change made since and statements of the staffs as they stand at present.

The Coal Syndicate.

Mr. Pearson, engineer of the Nova Scotia coal syndicate, is here for the purpose of interviewing the Minister of Railways and Canals with reference to the erection of extensive coal docks at the entrance to the Lachine Canal, Montreal.

The P.E.I. Railway.

Mr. Alfred Palmer, C.E., of London, who was employed by the Dominion Government and Sir Douglass Fox to make an investigation into the possibility of the proposed Prince Edward Island Railway, is here for the purpose of submitting his report. He reports that the scheme is quite possible.

Divorce Committee.

The Senate Divorce Committee has been struck for this year and consists of Senators Gowan, Kaulbach, Lougheed, McKay, McKindsey, Read, Ferguson, Kirchhoffer and McInnes, the last three being new members.

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THE EMPEROR'S TOAST.

The Most Important Political Event of the Day—It Was: "To the Czar, Hurrah!"

BERLIN, Feb. 4.—The Hamburger Nachrichten publishes a leader inspired by Prince Bismarck concerning the Emperor's recent toast to the Czar. This toast, says the leader, is the most important political event of the day, and in view of the sagacity displayed in it The Nachrichten will abstain in future from adverse criticism of Chancellor Von Caprivi's Russian policy.

FIRE IN PORT HOPE.

The Town Hall Destroyed—Town Papers Saved.

PORT HOPE, Feb. 3.—About 5 o'clock this morning an alarm of fire was sounded, when it was discovered that the Town Hall, a large isolated two story brick building, situated a little to the south of the centre of the town, was on fire.

The fire originated in a butcher stall in the north end of the building, and although the firemen were promptly on the scene and put forth every effort to stay the progress of the flames, they were unable to do so, on account of a very strong wind, which carried the fire completely through the building.

On the first floor were the market rooms, market clerk's residence and a butcher stall occupied by J. Elliott. Beneath this were the market cellars and lock-up, in which were confined two tramps, who, upon being liberated, promptly showed their heels.

On the second flat were the council chamber, large public hall and Mayor's office. The most important books and records of the town were saved. Estimated value of buildings and contents, $25,000; insured for $10,000.

Bradstreet's Report.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—General trade throughout the Province of Ontario has not increased, although colder weather has stimulated the demand for heavy fabrics.

In the Province of Quebec moderate activity has characterized trade, with a brisk demand for shoes and firm prices for leather as features.

In Nova Scotia lumbermen are doing well, as there is plenty of snow in the woods.

Business failures in the Dominion this week number 54, against 48 last week and 34 in the same week of 1892.

Bank clearings at Halifax, Montreal, Toronto and Hamilton this week equal $16,867,000, 7 per cent. decrease from last week and but slightly more than in the corresponding week of 1892.

The Press Association Convention.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Press Association will be held on Thursday and Friday next in the Board of Trade Building. A short portion of each day's session will be devoted to business, the chief interest of which will be the discussion of motions to admit reporters of three years' standing in newspaper work and to broaden the term editor, to admit not only proprietors, but city editors, managing editors, news editors and editorial writers. Papers by the famous Joseph Howard, jr., of New York, A. C. Campbell, J. T. Willison, E. E. Sheppard, D. Creighton, Roy V. Somerville, A. Pattullo, Allan Thomson and others will be read and will make a most interesting program. The annual dinner will be held on Thursday night.

High Class Carriages.

Mr. I. Silver, Toronto, manager of Messrs. William Gray & Son's, Chatham, Ont., manufacturers of the very best class of fancy carriages of all descriptions, has just returned from his eastern trip. The demand for their work the coming season reports entirely beyond all precedent, Mr. Silver having in Montreal and Ottawa alone concluded sales amounting to upwards of fifteen thousand dollars. This undoubtedly speaks volumes, for the firm, without doubt, produce more new styles of vehicles than any other manufacturers in the Dominion. For the superior quality and finish of their work, combined with the lowest living prices, they should do a great business this year, and parties once giving them a trial will in future go nowhere else.

It is Money Thrown Away.

Some steam users, believing they are practising economy, cover their steam pipes and boilers with solid plaster coverings of different kinds. In paying for such covering they are throwing money away. The main object, of course, in covering steam pipes is to prevent radiation of heat. For this plaster coverings are almost useless and should therefore be discarded. A material is required which will hold in a confinement a large amount of dead air. *Mineral Wool* is superior in this respect to all other fireproof substances known; hence it is the best and most economical material on the market for steampipe covering. Canadian Mineral Wool Co., Ltd., 122 Bay-street, Toronto. 6

1892, "The Cream of the Havana Crop."

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Local Jottings.

A drunk wave swept over the city last night, every station having its complement.

Turtle soup and black bass are among the delicacies on the bill-of-fare at Turtle Hall to-day.

To-night at the Canadian Institute Mr William Sherwood will read a paper on the timely subject, "Hindrances to American Art."

The unreclaimed property in the possession of the police will be auctioned off in the Police Court room on Saturday, Feb. 11.

A juvenile entertainment entitled, "Old Friends With New Faces," was held in Association Hall last night under the direction of Mrs. Belle Rose Ensile, A.F.C.M. The proceeds of the entertainment go for missionary work. There was a large audience, the hall being filled to the doors. Miss Edith Conyon as Sister Ann, Miss Flossie Turner as May Queen and Master Walter Staneland as General were worty of particular mention.

William Mumford, arrested on a charge of having stolen $25 from Henry Smith & Co. while engaged with the firm as bookkeeper, has been remanded until Monday.

Margaret Kyle applied in the Surrogate Court yesterday for the administration of the estate of her mother, Sarah Kyle, who died intestate last June. She left property in Toronto valued at $6000.

One of the most enjoyable evenings of the season was that spent at the installation of the officers of Avenue Lodge No. 241, A.O.U.W., in Avenue Hall, corner Spadina and College, by Grand Overseer Unitt and P.D.D.G.M.W. Dunn, assisted by several of the leading members from the West End lodges; P.M.W. Ball, M.W., J. F. Abercrombie; Foreman W. P. Maas, Overseer G. H. Croft, Rec. T. P. Martin, Financier J. L. Bird, Receiver I. R. Dunn, Guide R. Whyte, Inside Watchman James Fraser, Outside Watchman B. Jones; Delegate to Grand Lodge, Bro. Ball. The songs and speeches were very much appreciated by the large number present.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

Labby Discusses the Foreign Policy—Dr. Gallagher is Not Insane Through Jail Treatment.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—In the House of Commons to-day W. Redmond called attention to the statement of Callan, the dynamiter who was recently released from Portland Prison, that Dr. Gallagher, who is still confined in the prison, had been made insane through bad treatment. Mr. Redmond asked if Mr. Asquith, the Home Secretary, would sanction such an independent inquiry to be made in Dr. Gallagher's case as the Irish members of the House could rely upon.

Mr. Asquith declined to permit an independent enquiry. He added that he had already caused a careful enquiry to be made into the mental condition of Dr. Gallagher, and he was satisfied that the prisoner was perfectly sane. The statement by Callan was absolutely without foundation.

Secretary White of the American Legation has delivered to Lord Rosebery three despatch boxes containing the American case in the matter of the Behring Sea arbitration.

The debate on the Address proceeded monotonously until Henry Labouchere proposed an amendment in favor of withdrawing entirely from Uganda. Mr. Labouchere's speech, however, disappointed the Opposition, who had expected a heavy attack on the Government policy in east and north Africa.

After vindicating the right of the House of Commons to control the Government's foreign policy, Mr. Labouchere addressed himself to the Egyptian question. He recognized the fact, he said, that the action of the Government in Egypt had been necessary often to maintain the law, but he felt that now the sooner the occupation ceased the better it would be for all concerned, as the Khedive and his people were all unalterably opposed to the British regime. He hoped that the Government would treat with France in a friendly spirit on the questions concerned in the withdrawal.

It would be a disgrace to the great Liberal party if they went out of office without having fulfilled their pledges to leave Egypt.

Referring to the understanding that Lord Salisbury had assured Italy of British support in case of war between Italy and France Mr. Labouchere requested the Prime Minister to state that his Government was in no wise responsible if Italy, in consequence of her membership in the triple alliance, went to war with France. In that case Italy must be left to fight her own battles. [Liberal cheers.]

Recurring to the subject of Uganda, Mr. Labouchere ridiculed the pretensions of the East African Company to a mission of civilization. The real power of the company lay in the spirit of jingoism behind it. He would warn the House that if this sort of thing continued the British Empire would go to pieces like an over-filled balloon. As a practical man, he was disinclined to divide the House on the amendment, and therefore he was willing to defer the decision in the matter until the vote of expenses for the Uganda commission should come up.

Mr. Gladstone replied that Mr. Labouchere might better have reserved his speeches until the vote in question came up. As to the relations of Italy to the triple alliance and France he was not aware that anything had occurred since the accession of the present Government to power to cause uneasiness about Great Britain's foreign relations.

The Government had aimed to maintain external security and peace in Egypt, and he trusted would be able to restore the desired harmony between the native Government and Great Britain.

A spirit of reconciliation, he believed, animated the French Government, and this spirit would be reciprocated, although he declined to express an opinion affecting English liberty of action in the matter of remote or immediate withdrawal from Egypt.

The first division of the present session of the House of Commons was taken last night. The division was on a motion to adjourn. Although the motion was opposed by Mr. Balfour and other Conservatives, the Government was given a majority of 97.

LOOK OUT FOR YOUR EARS.

Jack Frost Getting in His Work These Days.

As predicted the cold snap has reached us and not a few ears were nipped by the frost last night. All who were unprovided with furs felt keenly the need of them.

The prices of the firm of W. & D. Dineen do not vary with the temperature, but ever since Jan. 1 have been steadily falling, regardless of whether the mercury was up or "way down."

There is no necessity for anyone being without furs this winter, and to be convinced of this fact just call in at Dineen's to-day and see what he has to offer you in the way of bargains.

Ladies' muffs range in price from one to fifteen dollars, but something really serviceable will cost between four and seven dollars. They are reduced just a third in value.

Storm collars from $3to $25 are in great demand, as are those new Victorines in Baltic, Greenland and wool seal, or in otter and beaver.

A great variety of boas are also offered at striking reductions in price all the way up from $2.50 to $20. They are made up in bear, Persian lamb, mink and other furs, with muffs and gauntlets or gloves to match.

Ladies' capes are being sold at a sacrifice in otter, beaver, seal, Persian lamb, Astrachan and mink. The seal ones, which formerly sold at from $15 to $20, are now down to $12 in the newest and most fashionable styles. The Persian lambs are selling at from $5 to $7, and the astrachans range from $2 to $4.

Satchel muffs in every conceivable kind of fur are being cleared out at rock-bottom prices.

Men's seal, Persian lamb, beaver and otter gloves and collars are offered during this sale at a great sacrifice.

Toothache—When suffering from toothache try Gibbons' Toothache Gum.

What this warm weather suggests is something that will boil the kettle, cook an egg, or fry a beefsteak in a hurry. Harvie's kindling wood is just the thing. Try 6 crates for a dollar delivered c.o.d. Harvie & Co., 20 Sheppard-street. Tel. 1570. 136

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Bandages of all description for male and female abdominal supporters in rubber, celluloid, cotton, silk. Suspensories in 60 different patterns. Elastic hosiery in silk or cotton stockings, knee caps, thigh. Fresh goods in monthly. Crutches, 200 pair to select from. Trusses of all description, 93 varieties of spring trusses. The old and reliable one-price house, Charles Clinthe, Surgical Machinist, 194 King-street west, Toronto. 46

Black Bass at Turtle Hall.

A Splendid Opportunity.

While you are striving to meet the necessities of your wife and family, you should not overlook the important matter of making provision for them in case of your untimely death, by securing a life insurance policy in a first-class company (such as the North American Life Assurance Company, Toronto), you can make the necessary provision. 246

Turtle Soup and Steaks—Clow's.

City of Peking Still Out.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—The steamship City of Peking is still on the missing list. She should have arrived here over 10 days ago.

Miss Canada, to whom Uncle Sam's card has just been handed: "Tell the gentleman I am not at home to him either now or at any other time."

WORRYING ABOUT CANADA.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY DOWN ON GOLDWIN SMITH.

An Annexation Meeting at Simcoe That Declares for Political Union — York County Council Against a Radical Change of Policy—The United States Showing Increasing Interest.

SIMCOE, Ont., Feb. 3.—At a public meeting held here to-night to hear a discussion on the question of Canada's future speeches were delivered by Elgin Myers, Q.C., and A. F. Jury of Toronto.

A ballot taken at the close of the meeting resulted in the following vote: For Canadian independence 6, for Imperial Federation 4, to remain as we are 17, for political union with the United States 272.

A concerted attempt by the opponents of political union was made to prevent the ballot being taken, and failing in their object they marched out of the hall. Although great efforts had been made by them to outnumber the unionists they were in a considerable minority, hence their objection to a ballot.

LOOKED UPON WITH ABHORRENCE.

How York County Council Regards the Annexation Question.

At the York County Council yesterday this resolution was unanimously passed:

Moved by Mr. Woodcock, That this council desires to put on record its belief that annexation sentiment in the county is confined to a small and most unimportant section of the community, and is one that is looked upon with abhorrence by the vast majority of citizens, and that the action of Mr. Goldwin Smith in pretending that he in any way represents a portion of the Canadian people in discussing the question with the United States authorities is a simple piece of impertinence, and one meriting the severest censure and resentment by the people through their representatives.

UNCLE SAMWIN SMITH

Says He is Not Disloyal to Canada While Advocating Annexation.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—Prof. Goldwin Smith left New York yesterday, and it is supposed he has gone to Washington. Within a few days he is expected to call upon President-elect Cleveland at Lakewood to discuss the proposition for United States control over Canada.

Previous to his departure from this city, in referring to the assaults of the Tory organs, Prof. Smith declared that no threats of this kind could deprive him of the right of free speech.

"I am not disloyal to Canada," he said, "but if I could bring about annexation I should regard it as the greatest boon ever conferred upon my country."

OFF FOR LAKEWOOD

And May Discuss Annexation With President-Elect Cleveland.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The Herald says that Goldwin Smith, president of the Continental Union of Canada, which advocates the annexation of the Dominion by the United States, has left the Victoria Hotel for Washington.

While there he will learn the views of Senators, Congressmen and other public men on annexation. Before leaving the city Professor Smith told me that the attacks of the Tory press would not silence him. He might, he said, spend a day or two at Lakewood before returning to Canada, but he declined to say whether or not he would talk annexation to President-elect Cleveland.

OPEN ARMS TO CANADA.

Mr. Cummings Introduces a Bill to Admit Her to the Union.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Mr. Cummings of New York introduced in the House to-day a bill providing for admission into the Union of all states formed in the Dominion of Canada, and for their representation in Congress in accordance with their population, upon their own application and with the consent of Great Britain.

An appropriation of $250,000 is authorized to defray the expenses of missions and negotiations to fix and agree upon the terms of admission.

The last section of the bill provides that there shall be commercial union between the two countries until the Dominion is admitted, and that import duties on other taxes shall not be levied by this country on Canadian products, provided the Dominion of Canada admits free of duty the products of this country. The bill was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

WILL ASK GOLDWIN TO RESIGN.

Significant Notice of Motion at the St. George's Society Meeting.

At the annual meeting of St. George's Society, held in St. George's Hall, Elm-street, last evening, J. C. Hopkins gave notice that at the next meeting of the society he would move, seconded by H. Sims and others, that Prof. Goldwin Smith be asked to resign and that the secretary be requested to refund his fee as a life member.

The officers elected were: President, P. H. Drayton; first vice-president, D. T. Symons; second vice-president, James Hewlett; third vice-president, P. F. Ridout; secretary, J. E. Pell; treasurer, Samuel Trees; chaplains, Ven. Archdeacon Boddy and Rev. J. Burton; physicians, Drs. A. Ellis, E. H. Greene, J. S. King, Hodgett, Barrick and C. E. Merten; auditors, Messrs. A. J. Mason and W. Hope; marshal, Mr. Cockin; committee, Messrs. H. V. Greene, George Stanway, C. C. Witchall, R. Chalkley, H. S. Pell, Harry Webster and Fred Solls; stewards, G. W. Beardmore, J. W. Stockwell, C. Spanner, F. Pierce, D. Plews and H. Symons.

ZANTE'S HORROR.

Many Persons Have Become Crazy Through Fear.

ATHENS, Feb. 4.—The earthquakes that have occurred during the past two or three days at Zante have been the worst that have done damage on that island in modern times, and no one can now tell when the disturbances will cease.

The shocks experienced last night did enormous damage; in fact, the whole island was devastated. To add to the terror of the inhabitants, a most terrific thunderstorm prevailed. The rain fell in torrents and was accompanied by large hailstones. The blinding flashes of lightning, the roaring thunder and the rumbling beneath the surface of the swaying earth caused many persons to believe that the end of all things had come.

The people were panic-stricken, and so great was the fear inspired that many persons lost their senses and are now hopelessly crazy. Last night's shocks destroyed the bread ovens in the city of Zante, rendering it impossible for the greater portion of the inhabitants to procure that most necessary article of food.

The Minister of the Interior has arrived at Zante, and King George will start for there Sunday.

A British warship and three vessels belonging to the Greek navy arrived at the island to-day with supplies of tents and medicines.

HE MET A LAWYER.

And That Prevented Him from Giving Up the Boodle.

WINDSOR, Ont., Feb 3.—In the trial of Z. Leplant, charged with stealing $2500 from the Merchants' Bank, a detective testified that Leplant had confessed to taking the money and had agreed to give it up, but he met a lawyer while on the way for the money, and after that no money was forthcoming.

"The Stowaway" Next Week.

"The Stowaway," with its thrilling plot of the streets of old London, its pathos and bright humor, its splendid scenic effects, its brace of safe-blowers from the prison of Sing Sing, and its graceful yacht, will make its first appearance at the Grand Opera House the last three nights of next week. The busy burglars, "Spike" Hennessey and "Kid" McCoy will blow a safe in the highest style of that now almost lost art—lost through the reformation and dramatic leaning of its most distinguished exponents. The beautiful yacht will demonstrate its drawing capacity by sailing on and on with its persecuted hero and finished villain, and the plucky little stowaway from the streets of London, who rescues the proper party at the proper time. All of the thrilling realism of the modern drama and the superb scenic production of the joint art of the scene painter and stage carpenter are brought to bear upon the imagination. The sale of seats will begin on Tuesday morning.

Duff Opera Company.

No more welcome announcement is ever made to Toronto theatre-goers and to lovers of really good music than that of the annual appearance of the Duff Opera Company. This year's visit commences on Monday night at the Academy of Music. Judging from the great success of previous seasons, the audiences, as well as the performances, will be more brilliant than those which any similar organization is ever able to claim in this city. Mr. Duff's reputation here has been built upon the care which he devotes to the ensemble of his companies and his productions. His name for years has stood for honest endeavor in the field of light opera. He, more than any other, deserves the title given him by The Pittsburg Dispatch, that of "The Carl Rosa of America."

Kleiser's Star Course.

Robert Nourse opens this course in Pavilion Feb. 16 in "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde." The Chicago Times says: "The lecturer more than met all the expectations which the advertising bills had excited. It was instructive; it was full of witty hits and turns; there were passages in it of tenderest pathos, and every now and then there were splendid outbursts of oratory, which carried everything along with them. One in listening was reminded of the best days of Gough." Subscribers' list at Nordheimers'.

Corinne as Tom-Tom.

The people of Toronto will crowd Jacobs & Sparrow's Opera House at every performance next week to witness the production of the new "Arcadia," with the peerless Corinne as Tom-Tom, the Piper's Son, assisted as she will be by 50 artists, gorgeously and richly costumed, and aided by beautiful and magnificent stage settings. This engagement is limited to one week only, and will be the event of the season. The sale of seats is now on and can be secured at the box office.

Notes.

Early next month the theatre-going people will receive a rare treat at the hands of the Theatrical Mechanics' Association. Arrangements are just about completed for their annual benefit. The committee who have the affair in hand say it will surpass any of their former efforts.

For the Nordica-Scalchi concert in Toronto at the Pavilion next Friday evening much interest is being taken, and the demand for seats is very strong. There are still a number of good seats available, and the subscription list at Messrs. Suckling & Sons' music warerooms closes on Monday.

BIRTHS.

ROBINSON—At 28 Hayden-street, on Friday morning, Feb. 3, 1893, the wife of Mr. D. Robinson of a daughter.

REYNOLDS—At 2350 Albion-place, St. Louis, Mo., U.S.A., on Tuesday, January 31st, 1893, the wife of J. E