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E LIBERAL UNIONISTS.

ONSTER CONFERENCE IN LONDON YESTERDAY.

Marquis of Hartington Defines Their Position Regarding Mr. Gladstone's Policy—The Irish Situation.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—A monster conference of Liberal Unionists was held in London to-day. The Marquis of Hartington acted as chairman. Among the distinguished persons present were the Earls of Derby and Northbrook, Baron Rothschild, Mr. George J. Goschen, ex-Attorney-General James and numerous noblemen. Letters of regret were read from Lord Tennyson, the Duke of Argyll and John Bright.

In his letter John Bright says: "I do not attend because I might say something which would give pain. I fear to speak, or even to write, respecting Mr. Gladstone's course which astonishes and greatly pains me, especially his speech to the Irish deputation which lately called upon him. It seems that Mr. Gladstone has gone so far in his wrong course that there is no hope of his return. I deplore and condemn such action, and if present might say something which would widen the breach. Mr. Gladstone's Irish allies are driving matters to an extremity and yet no word comes from Mr. Parnell or Mr. Gladstone to restrain them."

Mr. Chamberlain wrote: "There is no hope of reuniting the Liberal party unless Mr. Gladstone's scheme of Irish Government is abandoned."

Lord Hartington, in his address to the convention, said the policy which Mr. Gladstone advocated was directly opposed to the opinions of the entire Liberal par y and even of all the principles under him. The Liberal Unionists were as true exponents of Liberal principles as were the majority who followed Mr. Gladstone, and in maintaining the supremacy of the Imperial Parliament they were better representatives of those principles. Their association was formed, Lord Hartington continued, to preserve the character of its members as Unionists Liberals, and by organization they had achieved a success which would have been impracticable otherwise, and had only been achieved after organization by the formation of the alliance with the Conservatives. Siege would be laid to the Gladstone position, which had not been taken by storm, and the Liberal Unionists would have to work until either they were defeated, or they obtained a more decisive victory. The time had not yet arrived when a line of action in Parliament would be laid down. The Liberal Unionists must depend for their line of parliamentary policy upon the action of the Government. The speaker believed there would be found no difficulty on the main point, the maintenance of the Union. The present conference would prove to Liberal Unionists everywhere that they were acting with the full support of Liberal opinion in the party. Mr. Gladstone, Sir William Vernon Harcourt and Mr. John Morley based their speeches upon the granting to Ireland of an executive Government, but these speeches all ignored the arguments of the Liberal Unionists against such a policy. Mr. Gladstone assumed that the Government were competing with him in his scheme for Ireland, but the Government were opposed to anything of the kind. The removal of the present Government would result in the election of Mr. Gladstone, who would settle the Irish question in his own way. We must always remember this, when questions arise which might result in displacing the Government. The Liberal Unionists are interested in retaining the Government. Questions had arisen which gave the Conservatives a common interest with a section of the Liberals and would force them to adopt some reforms. It was necessary to maintain the union between the Government and the Liberal Unionists. The question of municipal reform, for instance, was one which the Unionists should give the Government an opportunity to consider. Referring to the situation in Ireland, Lord Hartington said the present anti-rent agitation was not spontaneous. It has, he maintained, been created for political purposes, and was simply anarchy. If speeches like John Dillon's were not checked the result must be the subversion of every principle of liberty in Ireland. "We are told," said the speaker, "that the English democracy will not stand these evictions, but I think the English democracy will ask who is responsible for them. Mr. Gladstone," added Lord Hartington, "may not be able to control John Dillon, but Mr. Gladstone can speak the one word which will dissolve the alliance between the agitators of Dillon's class and the Liberal party. The English people are awaiting the word, which, if delayed, will seriously endanger the good name of the Liberal party." (Great cheering.)

The Earl of Selborne moved that the conference affirm its determination to make every effort to uphold the Union. The resolution was adopted by acclamation.

The Duke of Westminster moved and Mr. Heneage seconded a resolution to establish Liberal-Unionist Associations everywhere throughout Great Britain, which was adopted.

THE CRISIS IN FRANCE.

A Motion for a Revision of the Constitution Be Seated in the Chambers.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—President Grevy again conferred with M. Floquet this afternoon on the subject of the formation of the new Cabinet.

In the Chamber of Deputies to-day M. Michelin, an Extremist, moved urgency for a revision of the constitution, which, he said, was the only way of escaping from the present political confusion. M. Barondet opposed the motion, declaring that harmony among the different sections of the Republican party in France was the best security which the country could have when a crisis occurred. M. Michelin's motion was rejected by a vote of 431 against 41.

Ulster Royalists Dissatisfied.

DUBLIN, Dec. 7.—The Ulster Loyalist Anti-Repeal Union has sent to the Marquis of Londonderry a set of resolutions expressing dissatisfaction at the weakness of the Irish Executive in dealing with the defiant and shameless conspiracy to defraud one class of the Irish people and to demoralize another, and assuring the Government of the Union's cordial support in any attempt to crush the conspiracy.

—Wire mats may be left out of doors in the rain, as all the parts are thoroughly galvanized and japanned, and will not rust to injure carpets or painted floors. 136

CABLE NOTES.

Bismarck has a cold.

The French Chamber of Deputies yesterday voted in favor of disposing of the crown diamonds.

Karl J. Uehlke, the agent of the German Eastern African Society at Kesmayoo, has been murdered by Somanlis.

The members of Gen. Buller's staff have promised evicted tenants of Castle Island to intercede in their behalf.

The Council of Berne, by a vote of 88 to 42, has consented to the Liberal Catholics of Laverne worshipping in the Church of Maria Hilf.

The Bulgarian deputation of notables arrived at Pesth yesterday on their way to Vienna. They were accorded an ovation at the railway station.

At the regular fortnightly meeting of the National League held in Dublin yesterday, it was announced that the receipts since the meeting previous amounted to £500.

The bankers and merchants of Barcelona intend starting a private postal service to protect themselves against mail robbers, who have been active on Spanish railways of late.

An Austrian boy killed his brother in Vienna on Sunday and gave as an excuse that his father had often told him to kill somebody and get into prison, as he was fit only for such a place.

Viscount Kilcoursie says that if Dillon's speech was the deliberate opinion of the Parnellites he will not vote again for Home Rule, and that many of his friends will likewise refuse to support Home Rule again.

The returns issued by the London Board of Trade show that the imports for November as compared with those of the same month last year, increased £2,307,187, and that the exports for the same time increased £1,105,142.

THE GAME OF SPECULATION.

Fourteen Heavy Failures the Result of It in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—Fourteen heavy failures have occurred here since the speculative craze set in. The stock boards suspended business yesterday forenoon. The Pacific Board held a brief session, but adjourned soon, and the out-door exchanges were closed against the crowd. It was announced that an afternoon session would be held, but it was not generally believed that any business would be transacted. The San Francisco Board came together at 9.30 o'clock, and at once went into executive session. This was attended by brokers only, and served to whet the general excitement. No official statement has been made of what occurred but it was learned that a resolution of self-defense had been adopted establishing a rule that after to-day no check of $1000 or upwards would be accepted unless certified.

The action of the boards and the refusal of brokers to take any more orders on account of the uncertainty of the situation, gave the curbstone broker, with his supply of stocks ready to deliver on the payment of coin, his opportunity and reasons for reappearing. Therefore the curbstone broker was found to be unloading in Pine-street and elsewhere by those who elbowed through the crowds. The result was a lively business.

There is a sharp recovery in mining stock prices at the afternoon session of the Exchange.

By Jove! what splendid ale that is of the Davies' Brewing Co. There's none better in England nor yet in Canada. 6

THE FEDERATION OF TRADES.

Meeting of the Council at Columbus, O.—Election of Officers.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 7.—At the session of the Trades Council to-day it was decided to hold executive sessions, and all not officially connected with the body were requested to retire while the action of the Legislative Committee was submitted to the congress for its approval or disapproval. This action was followed by a spirited discussion, which resulted in the adoption of a resolution to admit the representatives of the press. The vote was almost unanimous. The election of presiding officers resulted as follows: J. W. Smith, National Tailors' Union, President; J. L. Wright, of International Typographical Union, Vice-President; J. S. Kirchner, International Cigarmakers' Union, Secretary; H. E. Merich, International Furniture Manufactures, Assistant Secretary.

Exodus of Colored Men.

COLUMBIA, S.C., Dec. 7.—An emigration agent is busy among the colored people trying to work up an exodus to Arkansas from the neighborhood of Barnwell and Blackville. He promises $20 a month to able-bodied hands, and prophesies that there will be a war of races here within eighteen months. He promises to have five or six engines and thirty passenger coaches at Blackville about the middle of January. A large number of negroes have already left Barnwell and other parts of the low country; and so many others are preparing to go that the exodus is becoming a serious matter with the planters.

Germany's Cause for Complaint.

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—Gen. Von Schweinitz, German ambassador at St. Petersburg, complains to Count Tolstoi, the Russian Minister of the Interior, of the hostile language of Russian journalists in referring to Germany. Count Tolstoi expressed regret, and said that in view of the malevolent tone adopted by the German press against Russia he did not see how he could interfere in the matter.

High Praise for Stanley.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Henry M. Stanley addressed the monthly meeting of the Methodist ministers yesterday on missionary work in equatorial Africa. Resolutions were adopted concluding thus:

Resolved, That we recognize in Mr. Stanley the most remarkable explorer of modern time, the creator of a possible civilization in the Congo Valley, the founder of a free state, and the forerunner of the Gospel of Christ in the heart of Africa.

A Gambler's Shooting Affray.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Chris Stokes, a gambler, shot and fatally wounded Robert Healy, another notorious character, early Saturday morning in a quarrel about a girl. Stokes emptied six barrels of one revolver and two of another at Healy. Healy fired four times, but did not hit Stokes, who escaped. The police did not learn of the affair until last night when a servant brought word that Healy was dying.

All Lost But the Dog.

ASBURY PARK, N.J., Dec. 7.—The schooner John T. Long of New York went ashore this morning off the Highlands. The life-saving crew succeeded in boarding the vessel, but there was only a dog there. The crew are supposed to have been swept overboard by the heavy seas. The schooner will probably prove a total loss.

Fatal Fire at Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 7.—Fire occurred early this morning in two frame buildings on Eutaw-street, which were destroyed with all the furniture. The police rescued thirteen persons from the building, but could not find Mrs. Ann Peck, aged 90 years. Her body, burned to a crisp, was found in a third-story room.

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George Answers the Archbishop.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Henry George has written a reply, nearly four columns in length, to Archbishop Corrigan's denunciation of his (George's) land theories in a recent pastoral letter.

Prince Alexander in London.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—Prince Alexander arrived in London to-day. He received an ovation from the crowds that had assembled at the railway station to greet him.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

President Cleveland is rapidly recovering from rheumatism.

Two hundred cars of wheat are snow-bound on the Manitoba road.

Snow lies so deep in many parts of the State of New York that travel is greatly impeded.

The storm along the New England coast has been very severe and many vessels have been lost.

An unknown schooner sank yesterday east of Lowell's Island, Mass. There are no tidings of the crew.

C. M. Foster & Co., furniture and upholstery dealers, New York, assigned yesterday, preferences $193,000; liabilities unknown.

Reuben Hill and his three sons were instantly killed yesterday near Millcreek, Ind., by a passenger train on the Grand Trunk Railway.

It is reported that the man who swindled the Mexicans out of $40,000 by selling bogus Patti tic ets has been captured by the Mexican officials.

Assaults upon non-union workers in the mills at Amsterdam, N.Y., are growing alarmingly frequent. The outrages are attributed to the strikers from the mills.

The Lutheran Church at Fond du Lac, Wis., is opposed to the Knights of Labor and thirteen members have been struck off the list because they belonged to this order.

Samuel Blood was thrown out of a saloon at Berea, Ohio, on Monday night and died after being taken home. The authorities have decided that the man was murdered.

The cabinetmakers and carpenters of the United States will demand the adoption of nine hours as a day's work on Jan. 1, and the employes will be given two months to decide.

The Treasury Department has decided that Canadian postal cards imported into the United States are dutiable at the rate of 25 per cent. ad valorem as printed matter not specially provided for.

The bodies of three Indians who perished in the late storm have been found near Ashland, Mont. Several more Indians are believed to have met the same fate. The dead Indians are supposed to belong to the Fort Berthold agency.

The mother of Lillian Madison, for whose murder F. J. Cluverius is to be hanged in Richmond on Friday next, has written a letter to Governor Lee of Virginia asking that the executive clemency be not extended to the man who ruined her home.

ROSSA'S REIGN AT AN END.

THE FENIAN BROTHERHOOD EMPHATICALLY REPUDIATE HIM.

He is Accused of Fraud, Treachery and Treason, and he Clings to Money Belonging to the Brotherhood.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—At a meeting held in this city to-day by the General Council of the Fenian Brotherhood it was decided, in view of the erroneous statements made by O'Donovan Rossa regarding the severance of his official connection with the brotherhood, to make a statement to the public giving the reasons which rendered, as they say, the removal of Rossa "an absolute necessity." The document recites at great length Rossa's unsuccessful attempt to pack the recent convention of the brotherhood, refers to his past transgressions, which were condoned by the council, and says the leniency then shown towards him he interpreted as weakness on the part of the council and made him think the brotherhood was his personal property. Rossa is charged with having persistently disobeyed all the clauses of the constitution which relate to financial affairs, which obstinate disobedience elicited from the revolutionary directory the following declaration, a copy of which was served upon him.

Headquarters of the Fenian Brotherhood:
NEW YORK, Nov. 2.

We, the Revolutionary Directory of the Fenian Brotherhood, hereby declare that Jeremiah O'Donovan Rossa, Chief Executive, holds money in his possession belonging to the brotherhood in violation of the constitution and in defiance of this body, who are the guardians of the funds of the organization. That we, together with the treasurer, have repeatedly demanded this money of the Chief Brotherhood from him and he has persistently refused to pay it over to the treasurer.

(Signed by the revolutionary directory.)

"O'Donovan Rossa," the document goes on to say, "knows in his soul that he acts falsely and deceitfully when he endeavors to make it appear that the United Irishmen Society did all the skirmishing work that has been done during the last six years. He knows that there has not been a club, circle or camp of the United Irishmen Society in existence within the last five years. That body was born in Philadelphia in 1880 and it died inside of a year. How much O'Donovan Rossa's conduct as 'Executive Secretary' had to do with the death of that body there are those no doubt who know. His attempt to now resurrect the corpse of this poor body, so as to make it appear that he has an 'organization' at his back can be well and correctly understood when taken in connection with his present appeal for a new skirmishing fund."

Further on, it says: "O'Donovan Rossa says he will still work with the good men of the Fenian brotherhood. The only bad men who ever got into the secrets of the brotherhood since the days of that trio of wretches, Corydon, Moore and Nagle, were his (O'Donovan Rossa's) 'special friends,' 'Red Jim' McDermott and Phelan of Kansas City. Neither of those men belonged to the organization, but he fraternized with them unknown to the council. The McDermott, who would not be allowed in the brotherhood, he gave, unknown to the council, credentials virtually making him an agent of the brotherhood. The result was the lifelong imprisonment of Feathestone and others and the driving of men from their comfortable homes into cold and cheerless exile. Against the express commands of the council he took Phelan to his heart of hearts and made arrangements whereby Phelan could meet skirmishing agents within the jurisdiction of the English crown. No misfortune has befallen the brotherhood of late years for which O'Donovan Rossa is not personally responsible." Regarding his proffered resignation to the council says the resignation was not entertained for the reason that the council could not conscientiously allow him to escape the consequences of his acts in any such manner. They preferred to allow the matter to go to the convention, and there, where he could charge no fraud or conspiracy, let his actions be dealt with. The convention did so. An investigating committee of five, on which were four of his personal friends, unanimously found him guilty of fraud, treachery, treason, perjury, violation of the constitution in financial matters and gross indiscretion. The convention unanimously adopted this report. The report, which was signed by each member of the committee, says: "We find the foregoing charges sustained by the evidence, and we respectfully submit the same to be used by the council only in defending the brotherhood from any attack that may be made upon it." The document says in conclusion: "Rossa has refused to give up the keys of the postoffice box rented and paid for by the brotherhood since 1865, and he has informed a committee of our organisation that he would retain all moneys coming to the said box or letters or cards intended for the brotherhood."

BULGARIA'S REPLY TO THE PORTE.

The Bulgars will not Accept Prince Nicholas of Mingrelia.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 7.—The Porte has advised the Bulgarian Regency to accept Prince Nicholas of Mingrelia as successor to Prince Alexander. The reason given is that his election is the only means to pacify Bulgaria.

SOFIA, Dec. 7.—The Bulgarian Government has replied to the Porte that Bulgaria will never accept Prince Nicholas of Mingrelia for the throne and that if the Porte proposes a proper candidate the Government will consider the question of new elections for the Sobranje.

Prince Luitpold at Berlin.

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—Prince Luitpold, Regent of Bavaria, arrived here to-day. He was met at the railway station by Emperor William, accompanied by the Crown Prince Frederick William, the other royal princes and a number of court officials. The Emperor and Crown Prince embraced Prince Luitpold, kissing him repeatedly. Cheering crowds lined the route to the palace.

A Small Army Evicts Hurley.

CORK, Dec. 7.—To-day 120 policemen went to the farm of the notorious Hurley and evicted the latter's family. No resistance was offered. Hurley is in prison awaiting trial.

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Dr. Weir Again Remanded.

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 7.—Dr. Weir of Oscoda, Mich., again appeared before Judge Elliott this afternoon, and was formally charged with the murder of Mabel Clark. After W. M. Featherly of Oscoda and several other witnesses had given their evidence, Weir's solicitor asked for some time to enable him to obtain certain evidence necessary for the defence. The judge acceded to his request, and remanded Weir back to jail for eight days.

Verdict Against a Canadian Bank.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—A jury in the United States Court to-day gave Wm. P. Cooper a verdict for $28,500 against the Bank of British North America, which concern, it is alleged, had neglected to forward a bill of exchange to Glasgow, causing the plaintiff to lose the above amount.

—Col. Joseph H. Thornton of Cincinnati, O., an honored war veteran, was for eighteen years a victim of that old soldiers' complaint, chronic diarrhœa. Two dozen bottles of Warner's safe cure restored his liver to health and cured his ailment. His daughter was very ill of an obstinate disorder, which the best physicians failed to relieve. She had also palpitation of the heart, intense pains in the head, nervous dyspepsia, and all her vital organs were involved. By three months' faithful home treatment with Warner's safe cure, alone, she was fully restored to health. That was two years ago. The cure was permanent. Col. Thornton will tell you it is true if you write him and enclose a stamped envelope.

HAMILTON AFFAIRS.

The Schooner Neelon Safe—Furious Driving—Arrest of a House-breaker.

HAMILTON, Dec. 7.—To-day a despatch came to Messrs. Flatt & Bradley from Owen Sound announcing the safe arrival in Tobermory harbor, near that place, of the schooner Sylvester Neelon, regarding whose whereabouts there has been considerable alarm for some days. The captain and men made their way overland to Owen Sound. She is in splendid harbor and will winter there. Navigation is closed at Owen Sound.

Thomas Robertson, Q.C., and Owen Nowlan were charged at the Police Court to-day with having driven furiously through the public streets. Both defendants testified that their horses had been frightened just at the time when the policemen saw them. The cases were dismissed.

President W. Hancock and Vice-Presidents Mason and Gillard of St. George's Society, have been appointed a committee to confer with the officers of other societies regarding the proper celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Queen Victoria's accession of the throne.

William Armstrong was arrested at Harris' Grand Hotel last night, charged with having broken into the house of Peter Case, on the road to Clappison's Corners, beyond the Heights. At the Police Court to-day Armstrong acknowledged his guilt and was remanded till to-morrow for sentence. Armstrong has been going about the country pretending to be deaf and dumb.

CATTLE THIEVES CAPTURED.

They Were Slaughtering the Animals When the Police Came Upon Them.

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 7.—Lambeth was startled on Thursday morning by a report that several persons living in the vicinity had been arrested for cattle stealing. It appears that five head of fat cattle were taken from a farmer a short distance from Delaware village, and were traced to the house of Geo. Ealy, a butcher, a mile from the village. Everything was kept quiet until about 2 o'clock a.m., when a constable and two assistants from Mount Brydges made a descent on Ealy's butcher shop and actually caught two of the thieves, Quick and Nelson, with Ealy and his father, all busily engaged in slaughtering the cattle. The two former were arrested, but young Ealy, with axe and butcher knife in hand, defied the constables and made a dash for liberty, secured a horse from the stable and escaped, and has not since been seen.

Quick and one steer, along with the prisoners, have been sent to Mount Brydges, where the trial will come off. Several depredations and petty thefts have occurred lately in the neighborhood. Other developments and arrests are likely to follow.

THE FISHERIES DIFFICULTY.

The Comment in Cleveland's Message not Relished in Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Dec. 7.—The references in President Cleveland's message relating to the action of Canadian officials toward American fishermen, created quite a sensation in departmental circles here, and are not regarded as calculated to facilitate a settlement of the disputed question. The spirit of courtesy which existed in the enforcement of regulations by the Canadian Government is contrasted with the seizure of British vessels in the Northern Pacific and the alleged unjust treatment of the crews of the latter.

Nought the Cabinet ministers will discuss the message, but all re-echo the desire of the American Government to see a just and acceptable conclusion reached. It can be relied upon that Canada will not back down without cause from the firm stand she has taken. It is officially learned that if matters are not settled before spring the Canadian patrol service will be extended by the addition of six new cruisers, including several steamers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The President will transmit to Congress to-morrow a report from the Secretary of State in regard to the fisheries in the waters adjacent to British North America, and copies of the correspondence which has taken place during the present year on that subject.

Steel wire Mats are now in use in all our principal churches, schools, banks and public buildings. Offices and factory, 6 Wellington west. 136

Ottawa Notes.

OTTAWA, Dec. 7.—The Supreme Court met this morning to deliver judgments, which were rendered as follows: Canadian Pacific Railway vs. Major, appeal allowed; Berlin quet vs. Queen, dismissed; Arpic vs. Queen, dismissed.

The Governor-General is reported seriously ill and confined to his bed.

It is announced that Sir John Macdonald and Messrs. Thompson, Foster and White will start on a new stumping tour through Ontario.

Fishermen Anxious to go West.

OTTAWA, Dec. 7.—The Minister of Marine and Fisheries has of late received quite a number of enquiries from Labrador and Newfoundland fishermen regarding the discovery of black cod in the Pacific off the British Columbia coast. The fishermen are intensely interested, and if the glowing reports of the deep sea fisheries are confirmed, it is expected many will move to the West in the spring. Hon. Mr. Foster is still awaiting the report of the commander of the exploratory expedition.

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

A case of smallpox is reported at Verona.

William Brough, Gananoque, has made an assignment.

The schooner Forest Queen, ashore at Indian Point, is breaking up.

Macdonald, the swindler arrested in Brockville, has been sent to jail for three months.

C. Glynn of Havelock was fined $20 and costs in the Peterboro Police Court on Monday for selling liquor contrary to the Scott Act.

A Peterboro butcher named Howden was dangerously wounded on Saturday by the slipping of the knife while he was dressing a hog.

David Weir of Keene, County Durham, fell down stairs at his home on Saturday night and died an hour afterwards of the injuries he sustained.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Navigation Company has ordered a steel screw steamer of 1000 tons in San Francisco to ply in Puget Sound.

Norman, the convict who was suspected of shooting Warden Lavioletta in the revolt in St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary last spring, died in that prison on Sunday night.

A Salvation Army "cadet" who stopped to pray in front of a hotel in Lindsay and refused to move on when ordered to do so by the police, has been sent to jail for ten days.

A commercial traveler named Benjamin King was found dead in bed at the St. Lawrence Hall, Trenton, on Friday last. He had been drinking hard for several days.

While sinking a stone on the farm of W. A. Thompson, Colborne, near Port Hope, one day last week, a man named Edwards was so badly crushed that he died. The boulder, which weighed about a ton, fell upon him.

The lands and real property of the late Hon. L. S. Huntington were sold by liquidation last week at Knowlton and Waterloo. The bulk was bid in by Mrs. Huntington through her attorneys, the prices bid by bona fide buyers not warranting their sale.

At the next session of Parliament the South Ontario Pacific Railway Company will apply for leave to construct a line from a point on Lake Erie to Ridgetown, and thence through the counties of Kent, Middlesex, Lambton and Huron to some point on Lake Huron, and also to construct a branch line to Oil Springs, in the County of Lambton.

An Official Prize List.

The daily papers have refused to publish any more free prize lists of the Industrial Exhibition. As a result an official prize list has been issued, and Manager Hill is at present despatching them to different parts of the Dominion.

A Dream Gave Him Away.

"Were you cold last night?" asked a confiding wife of her husband who reached home after midnight. "No, dear; why?" "Because I heard you muttering in your sleep 'I'm froze out,' 'It's a cold day,' 'My name is Dennis,' 'Is aunty up yet,' and something about a cold deck, so I bought one of quinn's flannel night robes to make you sleep more comfortably."

REFORM IN THE WEST END

THE LIBERALS OF ST. GEORGE'S WARD FIRE THEIR FIRST GUN.

Mr. Phillippe Baby Casgrain, a French Liberal Leader, Accidentally Drops in—A Quiet Spectator of the Meeting—Mr. Ryan's Protestant Pony.

The Reformers of St. George's Ward fired their first gun of the campaign at Powers' Hall last night and warmly welcomed their standard-bearer, Mr. John Leys. The hall was crowded. Ald. Verral, President of Ward Association, occupied the chair. There was a distinguished visitor present at the meeting, but no one in the room seemed to be aware of his presence. It was no less a personage than Phillippe B. Casgrain, Q.C., the Liberal member of the House of Commons for L'Islet, Que. Mr. Casgrain is one of the French Liberal leaders of the House, and occupies a front seat on the Opposition benches. He sits with Mr. John Charlton of North Norfolk. Mr. Casgrain, in addition to being a prominent lawyer in his native Province, is somewhat of an author. He was born in the city of Quebec in 1827, and was first elected for L'Islet in 1872. The gentleman from Quebec did not seem particularly anxious to make his presence known. Mr. Casgrain is on a visit to his son, Mr. J. P. B. Casgrain, who lives at No. 198 Spadina-avenue. He was induced by his son and Mr. McDonald, a friend, to visit the meeting—just to see how we run politics in Toronto. Another distinguished visitor at the meeting was ex-Registrar McLay of Bruce who, it is said, is endeavoring to secure the Conservative nomination for one of the divisions of that county.

MR. P. B. CASGRAIN, M.P.
A French Liberal Leader.

As is usual with the Reformers of St. George's Ward, they were enthusiastic and predicted great success for Mr. Ley's candidature. Mr. Peter Ryan ran the meeting and made the speech of the evening. He extolled Mr. Mowat's transcendent virtues until he was hoarse. Such well known St. George's Ward Grits as Ald. Maughan, John Scully, ex-Separate School Trustee Louney, Pat Finnegan, Geo. M. Rose, John Coyne, and Peter Small were present. Besides Mr. Ryan, Mr. Rose, Mr. Leys, Mr. Robt. McLean and Mr. Henry Hamilton made speeches. Mr. Leys was loudly cheered when he came into the hall at 9.15, in company with Mr. McLean, Mr. Hamilton, and Mr. W. D. Gregory, President of the Young Liberals Club.

Mr. Ryan, after praising the administration of Mr. Mowat without stint, paid his respects to the Mail and its Protestant horse. He also read extensively from that famous campaign fly-sheet, which he claimed was written by Capt. Kirwin and distributed and paid for by the Conservatives in the general elections of 1883. In it the Catholics were coddled and made martyrs of, and led to believe that the Conservatives were their only and true friends. Mr. Ryan read such passages as this from it: "Darcy McGee said that Clear Grittism in bigotry and blasphemy outbids Russianism itself." "The sheet," Mr. Ryan went on to say, "was issued with the knowledge and approbation of Mr. Meredith." Mr. Bunting and Sir John himself. "All these gentlemen read 'proofs' of it and made suggestions where they thought alterations necessary." He could prove these statements. Now these same gentlemen raised the cry that Protestantism was in jeopardy. The Mail's Protestantism was hollow insincerity. The man who was turning out its anti Romish articles was a poor wretch writing for bread. He was an unworthy son of the church that he was engaged in assaulting. "Let the people think," thundered Mr. Ryan; "that the Protestant sucker is ignorant enough to bite." [Applause.]

Mr. Leys was in poor voice owing to a cold, and did not say much. He hoped his friends would work together and that they would not deceive themselves. He was certain that there were Reform votes enough in the city to elect the party candidate if they were all brought out. [Applause.]

Mr. McLean made a Protestant speech. He was not afraid of his religion in the hands of the Reform party. Mr. McLean also charged the authorship of the sheet quoted from by Mr. Ryan on Mr. Meredith, Mr. Bunting and "the architraitor himself, Sir John Macdonald." He then denounced School Inspector Hughes, Hon. Mr. Foster and Hon. Mr. Thompson as renegades. Mr. Hughes was a renegade Protestant and Hon. Mr. Foster was a renegade temperance man.

Mr. Hamilton urged Reformers to be sure and vote for their own candidate first. The meeting passed a resolution pledging fealty to Mr. Mowat.

During the campaign the headquarters of St. George's Ward Reformers will be at Powers' Hall.

Caught in Time.

Policeman Dempsey last night arrested Thomas Doran on King-street. Doran was partially intoxicated and was casting a wistful eye on the stores on the south side of the street, near Yonge. A charge of drunkenness was entered against him at the Central Station, where he was searched, a fuse, some powder and two drills being found upon him. Doran has been convicted two or three times for larceny and housebreaking. But for his timely arrest by Officer Dempsey he would probably have done something wrong again.

St. Stephen's Ward Conservatives.

The Conservatives of St. Stephen's Ward organized at Occident Hall last night to fight the battle of the two Clarkes. School Trustee Wm. Bell presided and addresses were delivered by Mr. A. P. Macdonald and Mr. John Brown.

—"My doctor's bill for the past four years has not been $10," writes F. G. Bailey, of 30 South 9th-street, Dayton, O. He had vertigo, indigestion, was in languorous, inflammatory condition of the bladder, kidney disease and bleeding piles. Eighteen bottles of Warner's safe cure permanently cured him; as he will tell you if you write and enclose a stamped envelope. Ask your friends and neighbors about Warner's safe cure.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Mr. J. A. Mulligan will be a candidate for the Separate School Board honors in St. James' Ward.

The remains of a newly-born infant were found on the ice at the foot of George-street yesterday.

John Tow, shoe dealer of 242 Yonge-street, yesterday assigned to Trustee Clarkson. Liabilities about $4000 and assets about $2000.

Mr. R. Harper of Avenue-road, the popular life insurance agent, is out for school trustee in his ward and will have his cards about in a day or two. He is an old school teacher, is a good business man and will make a useful member of the board.

Those who have not received the circular of the Toronto Vocal Society's concerts, can, on application to Mr. H. Bourlier at King and Yonge-streets, procure tickets for the three concerts by becoming subscribers. Single tickets will be for sale after Dec. 15.

Police Court yesterday: James Spencer, stealing a watch and $15 from James Mitchell at the Model Lodging House, three months in the Central. Alfred Bullock, forging Chas. Brown's name to a check for $38, sent for trial without bail. Robert McKenzie, forging a Northern Railway order, sent for trial, bail being accepted in $600.

The house, 47 Anderson-street, and the furniture therein, will be sold by A. O. Andrews & Co., auctioneers, on Thursday next. See adv.

A Girl Badly Scared.

—A girl filled three stone beer jugs with wet sand, corked them tightly and set them in the oven to heat, so that she could warm her bed with them. The heat generated steam from the wet sand, and an explosion followed which filled the room with flying sand and fragments of beer jugs. The girl and the rest of the family were badly scared, but escaped unhurt. And don't intend using any more artificial bedwarmers, as they've bought one of Strathern's stores that heats the whole house. x

A NET PROFIT OF $7600.

The Promising Growth of the Great Fair of the Queen City.

The Board of Directors of the Industrial Fair Association held a meeting last evening and did a good deal of squaring up in connection with the fair of 1886. President Withrow was in the chair. A large amount of correspondence was read and routine work gone through with. It was decided to grant the York Pioneers $100 in aid of their statue at Fort Rouelle, in the southwest corner of Exhibition Park. A resolution of condolence was voted with the relatives of the late Director A. MacGregor, who was a member of the board from the time of its inception up to the time of his death. Mr. MacGregor attended the last meeting of the board preceding the Exhibition. With the death of Mr. MacGregor and the probable retirement of another director, two vacancies will be created on the board, which will cause quite a scramble for their seats.

The net profits of the late fair were $7600. The association's assets are $80,000, with liabilities of $17,000. The association's lease with the corporation will expire in one year. The future growth of the Exhibition will be measured by enlarged facilities. More ground must be secured. A new building for the aquarium will be erected.

Complaints were made of vandalism in the Art Gallery and a formal complaint of lack of police protection will be made to the city.

The Law Fountain Pen is the only perfect one yet invented. It cannot get out of order. Just the thing for a Christmas present. Examine it at McAinsh & Ellis', opposite the Postoffice. ed

Crusade Against Impurity of Life.

A White Cross Army meeting was held last night in St. George's Schoolhouse. The attendance consisted of about thirty men. Mr. N. W. Hoyles presided, and short addresses were delivered by Messrs. C. R. W. Biggar, A. H. Moore, S. G. Wood, Capt. Pocock, Rev. J. D. Cayley and Rev. C. B. Kenrick. All the speakers dealt with the social purity question, and expressed the conviction that impurity of life was a greater sin than drunkenness. The misery resulting to boys from indiscretion during the transitional period was alluded to, and the duty of fathers to teach their boys the perils that beset them was emphasized. Mr. Hoyles said the objects of the White Cross Army were such that they should commend themselves to men in all ranks of life. He urged those present to spread its principles, which are briefly, purity of life and conversation, and respect for women.

The New Branch Postoffices Opened.

The three new branch city postoffices went into operation yesterday. They are located in the stores of Albert Hudgins at Dundas and Roncesvalles-streets; Mr. Newton, at Bleecker and Wellesley-streets, and Mr. Reading, in the west side of Spadina-avenue, near College-street. At one of these The World was informed that the office would have been open a month ago, but some of the ward politicians had intervened with the object of getting the Postmaster-General to establish the branch in the store of one of the faithful, living at least half a mile from the spot best suited for the business. This had been resisted by the postmaster of Toronto, who eventually carried the day for public convenience versus ward politics.

The Indians of the Humber.

The monthly meeting of the York Pioneers was held in the Canadian Institute yesterday afternoon, Dr. Scadding, the President, in the chair. Several new members were elected. Mr. Charles Durand read an interesting paper on the "Huron Indians of the Valley of the Humber." A vote of condolence was passed to the family of the late Mr. Frank Smith of the General Hospital. Mr. Platt presented the society with a Boston paper published prior to the American Revolutionary war. It was decided to hold an evening meeting on the last Tuesday of this month for the accommodation of members residing in the city.

The National Societies.

There was a large attendance at the monthly meeting last night of the Caledonian Society. The committee appointed to arrange for the celebration of Burns' anniversary reported that the proper arrangements had been perfected.

The Irish Protestant Benevolent Society held its monthly meeting last night in the Arcade, President Wm. Wilson in the chair. About twenty members were present and six new ones were elected. It was announced that the collection received from the annual sermon in St. Phillip's Church amounted to $63.57.

—Steel wire door mats will not wear out. They require no shaking as they clean themselves. They do not fill with dirt and dust; all dust falls through and can be readily swept up. 136

"Always With You."

There is distress among the Indians of the Rice Lake Reserve, and those who have a desire to assist these poor people with cast-off clothing, old blankets, shoes, or any kind of covering, will at the present time confer a great kindness. Bundles may be sent to the Young Ladies' Mission Circle of the Sherbourne-street Methodist Church, who will forward them every Saturday. The Sunday School house is open for the reception of all parcels. Donors will kindly put their names on the packages.

The Court House Chestnut.

Judge McDougall opened the General Sessions and County Court at noon yesterday. In addressing the Grand Jury he paid particular attention to that subject which has become a