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LONDON, . . CANADA.

God's in his heaven, All's right with the world.

-The British people have \$403,000,000

in the postoffice saving banks. They are more provident than some give them credit for being. Under the old days of restricted. trade the workers lived from hand to mouth, and could save nothing.

-By the defeat of a Conservative in the by e-election in Richmond county yesterday, Nova Scotia Liberals gain a seat. Mr. Fielding has now 26 Liberal followers; the Conservative Opposition numbers 12. Liberalism is booming down by the sea.

-The Liberal platform, adopted by the great national convention at Ottawa in June, 1892, is comprehensive enough to fight the next Dominion battle upon. Friends as well as opponents should keep to the declaration of principles therein made. Only by doing so can the public be expected to give an intelligent verdict upon the issues raised.

-Just before the cold snap set in a correspondent of the Philadelphia Ledger seriously argued that history would this year repeat itself, and that we would have a mild winter, followed by a phenomenally dry and hot summer. A lunar cycle is nineteen years, and as the moon influences the tides of the ocean, so, it is argued, does it affect the currents of the atmosphere, the winds, etc. For example, the winter of 1837-38 was remarkably mild, and the summer of 1838 was intensely dry. Everywhere vegetation was ruined through lack of moisture. Nineteen years after, the winter of 1856-57 was open; there was very little frost; and the summer of 1857, with its hard times, was phenomenally hot. The winter of 1875-76 was decidedly mild. Building was proceeded with in almost every month of the year. New Year's Day callers in this city carried their overcoats, and everyone thought that the seasons had decidedly turned about. Then came the summer of 1876, intensely hot and dry. And so nineteen years brings us the present season-1894-95-and if the weather student is to be trusted, despite the present cold snap, we will have a short winter and a scorching summer.

A NOTABLE BIRTHDAY.

Mr. Gladstone will be 85 years old tomorrow, he having been born in Liverpool on Dec. 29, 1809. The Grand Old Man, our cables inform us, is in the best of health and spirits, and finds it an easy task-or shall we say, pleasure ?-to read from ten to eleven hours daily. He is indeed a wonderful man. From the time when he entered political life in 1832, as member for Newark, up to a short time since, he remained in the public arena fighting the battles of freedom and of progress with a zest, even in his later years, that put to shame every laggard in the land. While thus occupied with public affairs, Mr. Gladstone never omitted the cultivation of domestic virtues, as his care for the aged partner of his life, and his enjoyment of the society of his children and children's children, have amply demonstrated. Mr. Gladstone has always been an omnivorous reader. He is today probably the best-informed man in England, and age does not seem to have any effect on his anxiety to add to his stock of knowledge. It is clear that the Grand Old Man has been a hard worker, but it is equally manifest that he has carefully husbanded his resources. He has rarely worried over anything. By this disposition to take things as they come and make the most of them, be they good, bad or indifferent, and to meet difficulties with a buoyant spirit in a carefully-preserved body, the great Liberal leader owes his phenomenal physical and mental constitution. It is a very difficult thing for a politician of the first rank to let go his hold on public affairs while health and strength lasts, no matter what the age to item of woolens in reforming the tariff. which he may have attained. But Gladstone had the good sense to retire before physical infirmity made cessation from public duty a matter of compulsion, and he has entered upon what is in all probability to vote for Government candidates. the last decade of his life with a serene good health of both body and mind that enables him, in the quiet of his home, to enjoy existence as it is given to few octogenarians to do. No other statesman of the age is so generally known and universaily respected as is Mr. Gladstone. In millions of homes today his name is a household word. In every civilized land on the face of the earth he has admirers who

AFFAIRS.

The clearest contribution yet made to the controversy over the Canadian Copyright Act, which the British authorities have so far refused to sanction, is that made by Mr. J. D. Edgar, M.P., in a letter to the London Times, which has been cabled to Canada. Mr. Edgar led in the demand made in the Dominion Parliament that Canada should assert her full right to control copyright within this country, and he therefore writes with a full knowledge of the subject. He points out that though Canadians differ in regard to many matters affecting their welfare, they are united in maintaining the principle set forth in the Copyright Act, which passed Parliament in 1889 without a dissenting voice. Its provisions are not unfair to British authors, though it gave Canadian publishers some rights which placed them more nearly on a level with United States publishers than they were before. It is, Mr. Edgar asserts, defensible as a measure fair to all interests. Continuing, Mr. Edgar says:

"Except in our high tariff on imports from Great Britain, Canadian legislation has never been hostile to the motherland; nor would it be allowed to remain so in the case of copyright, if any grievances were shown to exist. This act provided that it should not come into force until proclamation by the Governor-General, and its operation was thus suspended in order to allow our Government to discuss it with the Colonial Office. More than five years have elapsed and it has not been assented to by the Imperial Government, although most urgent pressure for that purpose has been kept up by the Canadian Government and strong addresses of remonstrance on the subject have been unanimously passed by the Canadian Parliament."

While this conciliatory attitude has been assumed by the people of Canada, the British Copyright Association contends that the Canada Act of 1889 is ultra vires because it interferes with the Imperial John Hendershott, gave unimportant evi-Copyright Act of 1842. Mr. Edgar effectively meets this contention by pointing out that as far back as 1846 Earl Grey, Colonial Secretary, in a dispatch sent to all the Governors of the North American stained axe found in the woods he had colonies, announced that "Her Majesty's never seen before, Government propose to leave to the local legislatures the duty and responsibility of passing such enactments as they may deem proper for securing both the rights of natural stupidity and not of guilt. The inauthors and the interests of the public." The Confederation Act of 1867 placed "copyright" among the exclusive powers of the Government at Ottawa. Did not that imply a fulfillment of the promise made so expressly by Earl Grey?

unwise for the British Government to re- flour mill belonging to Jas. Calvert. The fuse to recognize the right of Canada to fire spread to the house owned by the Legislate on so comparatively small a by John Chester, and then to Barney matter as copyright when the Commoners Service's barn, both of which were deof Canada can and do legislate upon matters stroyed. Losses: Jas. Calvert, on mill, involving life and death, and can and do raise local military forces, and can and do \$600; insurance, \$200; Barney Service, loss erect tariffs against the world. Mr. Edgar makes it clear that the Canadian people will not resile from the position which they have unanimously taken up with regard to this copyright question. It is a principle that affects our autonomy as a self-governing country, and if anyone in Great Britain believes that there is ambiguity in regard to the provisions of the British North America Act or in the imperial copyright law, which prevents the recognition of our rights as defined in the Canadian Copyright Act, the best way is to have these measures amended. British publishers and authors may as well make firemen before they could turn a stream on up their minds now as at a later period that if they desire modifications in our law regarding copyright they must apply for it at Ottawa, not at Westminster. But the law itself, in one shape or another, must stand. In this matter Great Britain must recede; Canada will not.

-It is to be regretted that Mr. Bowell has begun his Premiership under adverse circumstances. He has been ordered by his doctor to cease working and rest.

THE PENSION IS NOT ALL. (Ch atham Planet.)

The London ADVERTISER publishes a list of Senators over 70 years of age. Seven are over 80; eight are between 75 and 80; and eleven between 70 and 75. A seat in that haven of rest for defeated politicians evidently tends to longevity, but a pension of a thousand a year is an expensive way of proving the fact.

PRISON RATHER THAN WANT. (Can ada Farmers' Sun, Patron Official Organ.) One of the indications that the times are very trying is that the Central Prison is overcrowded with convicts, and many other criminals are confined in the Provincial jails. The number of convicts in the Central Prison is now 410; more than at any previous period.

HOGS.

(Chatham Banner.) Hundreds of dressed hogs changed hands on the Chatham market this morning at \$4 90 per cwt. The price in Detroit is \$5. and yet the Canadian farmer is asked to believe that but for the duty of \$3 per cwt., he would be robbed of his home market. If there was no tariff between the two countries. Canadian pork could today be sold at a profit in the American market,

SOME TELL-TALE FIGURES.

(Toronto News.) The imports of woolen clothing for July and August were valued at \$256,000 and the customs tax on the same was nearly \$92,000, or a little over 35 per cent. The Finance Minister evidently over ooked the On \$28,465 worth of bicycles imported in July and August the Dominion Government levied a tax of \$8,540. The riders who have paid a Federal tax of \$25 or \$30 on each wheel purchased will no doubt hasten

The duty on \$91,000 worth of knitted goods imported in July and August amounted to over \$34,000, or about 38 per cent. Evidently our tariff reform Finance Minister skipped this item also when doing the reform act a little over a year ago.

Captain Sweeney, U. S. A., San Diego, Cal., says: "Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy is the first medicine I have ever found that would do me any good." Price 50c. Sold by W. T.

Theo. L. Chappelle of Charlottetown, will join in wishing him many returns of P. E. l., publisher of Chappelle's Almanac blacks' compliments. The sample was his natal day, and continued strength to for many years, died Thursday from the

CANADA WILL MANAGE HER OWN | SIR JOHN THOMPSON'S WILL. Worth About \$10,000-He Died Intestate.

> OTTAWA, Dec. 28,-In the Surrogate Court Messrs. O'Connor and Hogg, acting for Lady Thompson, have applied for letters of administration of the estate of the late John S. D. Thompson, who died intestate. The value of the estate is placed at \$9,727 44. It includes life insurance to the value of \$5,726, a library, household furniture and a small sum in the bank.

HE TALKED TOO LONG. Sad Accident to a Young Man in Port Hope.

PORT HOPE, Ont., Dec. 28.—Beverly Ross, of the Niagara Falls and Queenston Electric Railway, who is spending his Christmas holidays at home here, was last night seeing a young lady friend off on the eastern express, and remained talking till the train began to move, when he jumped off. It was dark, and as he walked forward he tripped over the bar of the switch and fell headlong. His left arm went on the rail and two wheels of the last Pullman went over it. The arm had to be amputated about two inches below the elbow.

THE MIDDLEMARCH TRAGEDY Inquest Resumed-No New Develop

ments in the Case.

Special to the ADVERTISER. ST. THOMAS, Dec. 27.—Public interest in the Middlemarch tragedy is not abating. The Grange Hall, Middlemarch, was packed again today, when the inquest was resumed, many standing during the entire proceedings. The evidence adduced was

not important. Chas, E. Welter, brother-in-law of Prisoner John Hendershott, and cousin of Prisoner W. D. Welter, and himself suspected by the crown, was on the stand from 10:10 a.m. to 1:35 p.m. He gave his evidence in a hesitating, unsatisfactory way, and did not appear to remember anything very clearly as regarding essential points.

At the afternoon session Mary Lilly and Rosie Hendershott, daughters of Prisoner

David Hendershott, father of the victim, identified one axe found in the woods as one that John Hendershott gave the officers, saying it was the missing axe. The blood-

The last witness examined was Geo. Craig, Charles E. Welter's hired man. He, like his employer, made a most unsatisfactory witness, but it was manifestly a case of quest at 6:15 p.m. adjourned till 10 a.m.

BURNED OUT.

THEDFORD, Dec. 27 .- One of the most destructive fires that has occurred in our village took place this morning, totally de-As Mr. Edgar points out, it is decidedly stroying the large and well-equipped roller \$7,000; insurance, \$6,000; Rose estat \$200; insurance, \$100. D. Weir had over Grand Rapids Carpet Sweeper. \$200 bushels of flax seed in the grist mill. He loses \$700.

WHEATLEY, Ont., Dec. 27 .- About 6 o'clock this morning fire broke out in the residence of Ed. Merrifield, 8th concession of Mersea. Damage \$1,000, the house was insured in the Queens of Montreal for \$150; no insurance on the contents.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27 .- A fire broke out in a three-story brick building, corner of Broadway and Fillmore avenue tonight and spread to and destroyed the entire block across the street, running from Fillmore avenue to Gibson street, causing a loss of \$300,000. Owing to frozen hydrants it was half an hour after the arrival of the

PLUCKING UP COURAGE.

The Chinese Think the Cold Weather Will Help Them-The Japs in Difficulties.

New York, Dec. 28 .- Private letters from Wei Hai Wei say that the Chinese fleet is in a hopeless condition. In their operations by land the Chinese are following the famous Russian tactics of 1812, and harrassing the flanks of the first army, which is stuck in the snow.

The action of the Chinese in regard to the proposals for peace are being made merely to gain time and let the winter play havoc with the invading forces. The progress of the Japanese troops has been arrested by the daily increasing severity of

customs service who have had military experience are joining the central army and manning the Chinese forts. The Chinese are plucking up courage in

view of the climatic difficulties with which the enemy has to contend. Viceroy Chang Chi Hung is reported to be on his way back to Wu Chang in order to start the construction of the projected

Grand Trunk Railway. Ch urchill's Condition. LONDON, Dec. 28. - Lord Randolph Churchill passed a restless night, but hi

general condition is unchanged. The Pope's Latest. Rome, Dec. 28. - The Pope has completed

the text of his encyclical in regard to the position of the church in the United States, but is still engaged in revising the manu-

Vancouver Terrorized. VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 28.—Citizens of Vancouver are terrorized by the visit of a

gang of highwaymen, burglars and firebugs, who have found their way to the city by way of the Sound. People are held up and robbed at all hours of the night. For three successive nights, under cover of a fog, the thieves have set fire to crowded wooden buildings in the business portions of the city. Prompt action by the firemen has prevented the city from being destroyed by fire as it was eight years ago.

-A little colored lad walked into the ADVERTISER editorial room last evening with a letter in his hand and a parcel under his arm. He delivered the letter quite readily, but appeared loath to part with his parcel. He gazed on it admiringly once or twice, and then handed it over with heroic resignation. Investigation disclosed a good-sized piece of excellent plum pudding-a part of what remained from those that Mrs. Lush, of the London Club, presented the newsboys and bootblacks with, on the occasion of their supper the night before. The letter was from Mr. Grigg, asking the acceptance of the "sample" with the newsboys' and bootpronounced Al, and was carefully placed out of reach of office rodents,

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1st-Boys' Extra Heavy Wool Hose, ribbed and spliced, worth 35c, for 25c. 2nd-Ladies' All-wool Cashmere Hose, worth 50c, on Friday 38c. 3rd-Children's Plain Wool Hose, worth 18c, bargain for 121/2c. 4th-Ladies' Wool Hose, seamless, spliced, worth 15c, today for 11c. 5th-Ladies' Plain Cashmere Hose, spliced and seamless, worth 25c, for 17c. 6th-Ladies' Fancy Embroidered Silk Handkerchiefs, worth 15c, for 10c. 7th-Colored border Silk Handkerchiefs, worth 25c, on Friday for 19c.

8th-Fancy Embroidered Swiss Handkerchiefs, worth 30c, for 18c. 9th-Initialed Silk Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, large size, worth 50c, for 10th—Fancy Embroidered Silk Handkerchiefs, worth 25c, for 15c.

11th-Ladies' and Misses' Heavy Black Wool Mitts, worth 25c, a snap to-12th-Cambric Handkerchiefs, worth 5c, on Friday 25c will buy 8.

13th-Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs, worth 18c, on Bargain Day for 14th-Ladies' Heavy Ribbed Shetland Lambswool Vests, worth 75c, on

Bargain Day 56c. 15th—Tam-O'-Shanter Caps, worth 50c, for 36c. 16th—Dolls—Dressed Dolls, Kid Body Dolls and Jointed Dolls, worth 50c,

17th-Handkerchief and Glove Satchets, worth \$1, today for 75c set. 18th—Fancy Leather Work Boxes, worth \$4, on Friday for \$2 50. 19th-Portrait Boxes, a novel thing for holding portraits, worth \$3 50, for

20th-Traveling Companions, worth \$4, for \$2 75. 21st-Leather-bound Albums, worth \$2, for \$1 25. 22nd-Automatic Drop Pencils, worth 10c, for 5c.

23rd-Leather Purses, chamois lined, worth 20c, for 16c. 24th-White Celluloid Handkerchief and Glove Sets, satin lined, worth \$4, 25th-9 pieces Pinhead Dot Dress Goods, worth 45c, for 3oc.

26th-4 pieces 42-inch Whipcord Dress Goods, worth 45c, Bargain Day 3oc. 27th-9 pieces Epangeline Dress Goods, worth 75c, on Friday for 47c. 28th-5 pieces Heavy Scotch Serge, regular price 75c, Bargain Day for 39c. 29th-7 pieces All-wool Flannel, suitable for wrappers, worth 50c, for 25c. 30th-4 pieces Gray Mix Dress Goods, regular price 65c, today for 50c. 31st-3 pieces Gray Stripe Dress Goods, regular price \$1, a snap today for

32nd-7 pieces Crepon Dress Goods, in evening shades, worth 50c, for 39c. 33rd-6 ends Watered Silk, worth 75c, for 39c. 34th-5 pieces Silesienne Silk, 23 inches wide, worth 75c, for 39c.

35th-3 pieces Black Cheviot Serge, regular price 65c, today for 5oc. 36th-Shot and Plain Velveteen, Fancy Plush and Velvet, worth from 50c to 75c a yard, your choice on Friday for 25c.

37th-3 pieces Black Brocade Dress Goods, worth 25c, for 15c. 38th-1 piece 48-inch Black Cashmere, worth 75c, a snap today only 50c. 39th-Lambskin Flannel worth 13c, for 10c. 40th-Silk Embroidered Felt Table Covers, worth \$2 25, for \$1 50. 41st-Large and Heavy White Wool Blankets, worth \$2 50, today \$2 10. 42nd-2 pieces Pink Eiderdown Flannel, worth 40c, for 25c. 43rd-3 pieces Striped Eiderdown Flannel, worth 50c, for 30c. 44th-8x4 Toilet Quilts, slightly soiled, worth \$1 25, on Friday 90c. 45th-Navy Blue Twill Flannel, worth 20c, for 15c. 46th—Heavy Twilled Canton Flannel, worth 61/2c, for 5c. 47th—Heavy Factory Cotton, 34 inches wide, worth 6c, for 41/2c

48th-2 pieces Unbleached Table Damask, worth 50c, for 40c. 49th-3 pieces All-wool Scotch Plaid Flannel, worth 40c, for 29c. 50th-Best Quality Feather Ticking, worth 25c, on Bargain Day 18c. 51st-6 pieces Fine Ceylon Flannel, worth 18c, for 121/2c. 52nd-5 pieces All-wool Tweed, for men's and boys' wear, neat patterns, worth 50c, for 35c.

53rd-Lambskin Flannel Blankets, good value at \$1 25, for \$1 pair. 54th—Heavy Union Blankets, large size, worth \$1 75, Friday for \$1 35 pair. 55th—Gray Flannel Sheeting, 1 yard wide, worth 30c, for 20c; a snap. 56th—Men's Flannelette Night Shirts, worth 75c, for 62 1/2c. 57th-Men's Lined Kid Gloves, worth \$1 25, for \$1. 58th-Men's All-wool Knit Top Shirts, navy blue, worth 75c, for 68c. 59th—Gray Flannel Top Shirts, worth 8oc, for 65c. 60th-Mufflers, dark and light, worth 25c, for 19c. 61st-Men's Tricot Gloves, worth 60c, for 45c.

62nd-Boys' Gray Caps, worth 65c, today for 50c. 63rd-Man's Black Socks, heavy rib, worth 25c, for 20c. 64th-Men's Braces, worth 50c, for 37 1/2c. 65th-Men's Cardigan Jackets, worth \$1 75, for \$1 40. 66th-Men's Scotch Tweed Overcoats, worth \$10, on Friday for \$5.

67th-Men's Frieze Ulsters, worth \$7 50, for \$5 95. 68th-Men's Heavy Frieze Ulsters, worth \$9, for \$7 50. 69th-Men's Frieze Ulsters, worth \$12, Bargain Day \$8 50. 70th-Men's Tweed Ulsters, worth \$6 50, for \$4 95. 71st-Men's Melton Ulsters, worth \$11, on Friday \$6 50. 72nd-Men's Tweed Overcoats, worth \$6, a snap today for \$3.

73rd-Men's Fine Worsted and Melton Overcoats, worth \$12, for \$8. 74th—Ladies' Jackets, a fine line worth \$7 50, for \$6 25. 75th-Ladies' Jackets, beautiful goods, worth \$9, for \$7. 76th-Very special line Ladies' Jackets, worth \$10 50, on Friday for \$7 50 77th-Ladies' Jackets, trimmed with beaver, worth \$12, for \$8 50.

78th-Ladies' Jackets, Nap cloth, beaver trimmed, worth \$10, for \$7 25. 79th-Job lot Ladies' Jackets, very stylish garments, worth \$8, for \$5. 80th-Ladies' Black Fur Muffs, worth \$1 25, for 85c. 81st-Ladies' Black Opossum Muffs, worth \$4, for \$2 95. 82nd-Ladies' Greenland Seal Muffs, worth \$3 50, for \$1 95.

83rd—Greenland Seal Capes, worth \$30, for \$22 50. 84th-Ladies' Black Astrachan Capes, worth \$28, for \$22 50. 85th-Felt Hats (Ladies'), worth 75c, for 25c. 86th-Trimmed Millinery at half price today.

87th-Millinery Ribbons, worth 35c, for 15c. 88th-Long Plumes, in colors, worth \$3, for \$1 50. N. B.-Toys-We have cut the price in two. See window. Toys worth 40c and 50c, now 19c to clear. We have had a wonderful trade. The balance you get almost for the carrying away.

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