

PEN-AND-INK PORTRAIT.

A Talented Provincial Official and His Work.

How He Manages the Bureau of Statistics and Keeps the Splendid Resources of Ontario Before the World.

One of the noisiest corners in Toronto is that of Queen and Yonge. What with the crowd of people passing, the crowds who want to stand still, the policemen who want to move on, the clamor of the newsboys and the shouting, that corner is a throng of sound, if not of fury. But there is quietness not far off. High above towers the Agricultural Hall. You go in at a side door, climb one flight of stairs and turn along a hall, where, in the row of rooms on each side all appears peace, repose, with people reading, writing or packing books.

Various functionaries inhabit here. It is a busy bee-hive with many cells, but in one spacious apartment towards the center we find, seated at a table covered with books, pamphlets, reports, calculations, memoranda and most other things in the literary line, a square-built gentleman, who rises and greets us civilly as we enter, a thing, by the way, certain officials I have known who not sufficiently educated to do. This is Mr. A. B. Blue, the Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, and also manager of the Bureau of Statistics. If you want to know what crops each portion of Ontario grows, how many horses, cows and wheel carriages navigate each field, what money lucky individuals have in hand, what wages other parties obtain, what influence the planets above have had on the crops, or what amount of minerals lie dormant below the surface, why—there you are.

Mr. Blue is a gentleman of education and intelligence—his intellect is many-sided. He has been in the line engaged in educational pursuits, and has occasionally the slightly didactic tone that occupation gives. He has also been in his day a powerful writer for the press, and manifests the general knowledge and readiness of that class; while, in addition, his statistical pursuits for the last few years have made him an expert in his line. He is a man of quietude, but his mind is not so much as it seems. He is a man of quietude, but his mind is not so much as it seems. He is a man of quietude, but his mind is not so much as it seems.

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The Queen Makes a Grand Spread for Emperor William—The Central Americans Cooling Down.

CANADIAN.

Brantford people talk of adopting the business law.

There is great demand at Quebec for agricultural laborers.

The estate of the late Lieutenant-Governor McLellan is worth \$150,000.

A brakeman named George Yule was killed near Prescott yesterday on the C.P.R. The village of Twesville will endeavor to force the County Council by legal measures to grant its incorporation.

The harsh treatment by Dominion Government officials of settlers in the Dauphin district, Man., has created much complaint.

Two bylaws, one to raise \$125,000 for the construction of waterworks, and the other, a local improvement bylaw, were voted on at Galt yesterday and both carried.

The Council of the Ontario College of Pharmacy has asked for the resignation of Prof. Shuttleworth, dean of the faculty, and Dr. Avison, lecturer in materia medica and botany.

The Dominion Government investigation into the affairs of the Grenville Canal would seem to indicate that there has been an embezzlement of \$25,000, managed by the use of fraudulent pay sheets.

Rev. A. W. Jordan, pastor of Cornwallis Street Colored Baptist Church, Halifax, intends to bring a lawsuit against the proprietor of the "Lovers' Lane" restaurant at Amherst, N. S., for refusing to sell him meals. He was ordered out because he would not sit at an isolated table.

A cyclone passed over the county around St. Giles, Lobbiers, Que., on Wednesday, doing immense damage to the growing crops for an area of about one mile long by about an eighth of a mile wide, cutting the growing grain off close to the ground. Root crops shared the same fate. Many farms are flooded.

Thursday morning James Warman, clerk in Colin Campbell's hardware store, Liverpool, N. S., set fire to some powder which was split on the floor. It ran quickly to the keg, and in a second the building was a complete wreck. The boy lies in a very serious condition. Another lad who was in the store was badly burned.

AMERICAN.

It seems probable that no reduction will be made in the proposed duty on barley. Chicago's population is set down at 1,095,576, or 53,882 more than that of Philadelphia.

A big summer hotel and other buildings were burned at Pueblo Beach, near Jacksonville, Fla.

It is proposed by Republican Senators to leave the River and Harbor Bill over and go on with the Tariff Bill.

Three hundred sailors and marines have deserted from the U. S. men-of-war Chicago and Atlanta. Fifty of them were captured at New York Thursday night.

FOREIGN.

Thousands of Jews are emigrating from Russia.

Emperor William has postponed his departure from England until midnight Friday.

Negotiations in favor of peace between San Salvador and Guatemala are progressing favorably.

The Mayor and several other city officers of Limerick have been expelled from the National League for voting against John Dillon.

The International Cremation Congress at Berlin has appointed a committee of members from different countries to further the movement for cremation of the dead.

It is reported that Emperor William has received a mysterious warning to be careful of himself on his visit to Russia and to avoid as much as possible too close contact with the Czar.

Out of delicacy toward German sentiment, the Viborg Regiment of the Russian army, which is under the honorary command of the Kaiser, will not take part in sham battles during the Kaiser's visit.

The report of the liquidators of the Panama Canal Company shows the total expenditures of the company thus far have been 1,313,000,000 francs. The assets on March 3 were 16,000,000 francs.

The vote on accepting the resignation of Celman, President of the Argentine Republic, was taken in dead silence, but when the result was announced showing a majority in favor of accepting it the Chambers resounded with cheers.

The banquet given by the Queen in honor of the German Emperor at Osborne House last evening was a magnificent affair. Her Majesty ordered a splendid gold dinner service sent down from Windsor. After the banquet the Emperor and Gen. Wolseley had an animated chat on military topics.

Four Drowned. BALTIMORE, Md., Aug. 8.—Mrs. Mollie Storm and Edith V., her 14-year-old daughter, Mrs. J. K. Johnson and Carroll Graham, aged 9, were drowned yesterday in St. Inigo Creek, St. Marys county, while bathing.

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than that country's steady progress toward financial equilibrium. The future of the country was a diplomatic matter of some delicacy. The time had not come for Egypt to govern itself. Regarding home affairs, Lord Salisbury claimed that the present government of Ireland had been successful, and that the country was more orderly, more contented and more prosperous than ever before. He trusted that he would meet again those in power who were pledged to support a reign of anarchy.

Turkish Tendency.

LONDON, Aug. 8.—In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Sevan's criticisms on Turkey's dealing with Armenia, Sir James Fergusson said he regretted that member's unfortunate language, which was almost enough to incite the Armenians to revolt. It was possible to do the Armenians was to induce Turkey to suppose that a revolution was likely, and after the language just heard he was afraid it was hopeless to suppose the Porte in the expectation of great concessions.

Prof. Bryce complained that the Government was keeping the House in ignorance of events in Armenia and was neglecting to make a proper inquiry. The failure to convict Mousa Bey had encouraged his adherents to commit crimes similar to those charged against the leader. Prof. Bryce suggested that the Government endeavor to get the powers to join in sending a stronger remonstrance to the Sultan.

Clearmakers.

Eight hundred laborers employed on the docks at Gloucester, Eng., have struck. There are some prospects of a strike on the New York Central on account of the discharge of a number of men.

At a mass meeting of employers of South Wales, it was decided that the time had come for them to offer united resistance to the demands of the workmen. In view of the strike, coal has risen one shilling.

A Washington telegram says leprosy is prevalent among the Cuban employees of the great cigar factories at Key West and Tampa, Fla. Private advisers state that the disease is known to exist among those at present working as "strippers" and "cutters". In these cases the disease has broken out, but the symptoms are not yet so serious as to incapacitate them for work.

In other cases the sufferers live at home while other members of their families go out to work, returning home and spreading their evenings with the lepers. As yet, however, nothing has been done by the Board of Health because no information of an official or special character has been received.

Sufficient bricklayers and masons were secured in St. Paul to permit of work being done on the Northern Pacific Hotel at Minneapolis.

The London dock laborers' union now numbers 50,000.

Although now in its seventh week the cigarmakers' strike in Birmingham, N. Y., is now no nearer a settlement than at any time since it began.

The convention of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners decided to locate the headquarters of the body at Philadelphia for the next ten years. A report in circulation strongly asserts the probability of a renewal of the carpenters' strike in Chicago September.

The proprietors of the Bay City (Mich.) iron works have decided not to grant the request of the molders that an increase from \$2.00 to \$2.75 a day be granted them, and the molders at work immediately went on a strike. The men at Smalley Bros. are still out, with no prospect of a settlement. The city council consent of success, and do not seem to worry over the result.

The Wrecked Idaho.

MOBILE, Aug. 8.—The steamship Coban has come ashore with the cargo of the Dominion Line steamer Idaho, which went ashore on Anticosti Island. Besides 10,000 boxes of damaged cheese, the Coban has on board 25,000 boxes of cheese undamaged, and all the leather, bacon, flour, canned meats and lard which had been in the wrecked vessel's cargo. Only two of the cattle of the Idaho's cargo were lost, but the grain is a complete loss. Altogether the loss of the insurance companies will be much less than anticipated. It is now probable that an effort will be made to get the Idaho off.

Blazes.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Aug. 8.—The barn of the Thomas Iron Company at Hokenadale burned. Nine horses perished. Loss, \$35,000.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Aug. 8.—Murray Hall, an elegant summer hotel at Pueblo Beach, was burned Wednesday, also the depot of the Jacksonville and Atlantic Railroad and a grocery store. Loss, \$230,000.

Hillsdale county, Wednesday night. It was of incendiary origin, and the store where the fire started was blown up with dynamite.

The Oddfellows' Cantonment.

CHICAGO, Aug. 8.—Yesterday was the most important and imposing day in the Patriarchs Militant cantonment, being set apart for the grand parade. The first exercises of the day were exemplifications of subordinate degree work in Battery "D" Armory for prizes by North Star Lodge, of Minneapolis, and lodges from Whitewater, Wis., and Dixon, Ill., and Iowa. At 11 the handsome and imposing dress parade and inspection took place on the lake front grounds, with about 40 cantons in line. The great stretch of green sward was ablaze with the black, red, purple and gold of the knightly uniforms and the glitter of burnished metal. In the afternoon the great parade was formed, and marched through Wabash avenue, from Congress to Twenty-first, and back through Michigan avenue. At 4 o'clock there was another grand spectacular demonstration in Lake Front Park, with military display, formations, the centering of the decoration for chivalry for members of the Rebekah degree, and a grand exhibition of pyrotechnics. A number of bands furnished music, aided by a specially trained corps of trumpeters.

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UNDER THE SEMAPHORE.

Increased Railway Earnings—The Grand Trunk and the United States Revenue Laws.

Mr. Purden, of Winnipeg, assistant to Superintendent Whyte, has been appointed chief train dispatcher of the C. P. R.

Railway earnings, says an American financial journal, continue to show encouraging returns, and even should the pessimistic reports of crop damage prove true, the natural advance in the price of cereals through the shortage will fully compensate the farmers for the apparent loss, and will render their antagonism to railroad corporations less pronounced.

Grand Trunk receipts for the week ending Aug. 2, 1890:

Passenger train earnings.....\$14,022 \$13,797
Freight train earnings.....232,122 230,945
Total.....\$246,144 \$244,742
Increase 1890, \$1,402.

Secretary Winthrop sent to the United States Senate a letter in answer to a resolution calling upon him for information regarding the shipment in bond of merchandise between Atlantic and Pacific ports over Canadian railways. The Secretary says that merchandise in bond, appraised and unappraised, and goods, domestic or foreign, are forwarded over these railways under a bond of American common carriers, and on arrival at Vancouver transshipment is made under the supervision of a United States officer, who certifies the facts upon the manifests. The Secretary expresses the opinion that, as under the regulation of the department Americans are to be employed to transport goods, the laws of the coasting trade are not violated. He further says he has no knowledge that the Grand Trunk Railroad Company has violated the revenue or coasting laws of the United States in transporting merchandise between places in the United States.

NEATLY DONE.

How a Woman Passed a \$1,000 Counterfeit Bill in Boston.

There is a \$1,000 counterfeit note in the possession of the Secret Service Bureau in Washington with an interesting story. One morning not so very long ago a handsomely-dressed lady entered one of the largest drygood houses in Boston, and, after selecting a shawl worth \$250, tendered a genuine \$1,000 bill in payment. The note was of course carefully scrutinized and finally sent to a neighboring bank, where it was vouchered for. When the lady was informed of its acceptance she became indignant and expressed in measured terms her opinion of a firm that would for a moment suspect her honesty.

So wrathful was she, indeed, that she refused to take the shawl, and, replacing the money in her pocketbook, left the store.

Later in the day she returned. Her anger had disappeared, and she explained that having waited all over Boston without being able to find a shawl that suited her, she had returned to apologize for her hasty action, and to take the shawl she had first selected. Again she tendered \$1,000, not a genuine one this time, but a closely executed counterfeit.

Of course the firm accepted the money—believing it to be the genuine note—without question, and the woman departed with her shawl and \$750 in change. The swindle was not discovered until the counterfeit was rejected at the bank. The note was then sent to the Secret Service Bureau, where its history is occasionally related to interested visitors. The woman was never caught.—[Washington Post.]

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