WHOLE NO. 12267

VOL. XXXII., NO. 247.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 1895.

Eleven Thousand Sovereigns Sink With a Wrecked Ship.

A Society Scandal—Judgment in Ontario's Prohibition Case Postponed Until November.

ALL FREE TRADERS. Sydney, N. S. W., Aug. 9 .- The Government has created ten new members of the Legislative Council. All of the new members are free traders of promi-

BRITISH STEAMER ARGONAUT LOST.

London, Aug. 8.—The British steamer Argonaut, from Halifax, July 29, for Port Morant, Jamaica, foundered near Port Morant. All on board were saved. The Argonaut was owned by the Argenaut Steamship Company (Limited),

AMERICAN SCHOOLS ATTACKED. Constantinople, Aug. 9.-Advices received here from Tarsus, Asia Minor, sav that a mob has attacked the American mission school at that place, and maltreated several of the students and threatened the missionaries. No details of the affair have yet reached

DECISION DELAYED.

London, Aug. 9.-It is stated that the judgment in the prohibition case -the appeal of the Province of Ontario from the decision of the Canadian Supreme Court that appellant had not the right to pass a prohibitory law regarding the import, use and sale of liquor-will be delivered in November next. The long vacation will clapse before the case will be finally ad-

NOT SO BAD AS REPORTED. London, Aug. 9.-The Times prints a dispatch from Hong Kong, asserting that the riot at Fatshan yesterday was not a serious outbreak. The dispatch says the Wesleyan hospital was damaged, but that the missionaries will remain at their posts. Neither the Foreign nor the Colonial Office, nor the Wesleyan mission here have received any news regarding the reported at-tack upon the British and American missions at Fatshan yesterday.

DIVING AFTER MONEY. London, Aug. 9.-A dispatch from Melbourne says that divers have left there for the scene of the wreck of the steamer Caterhun for the purpose of attempting to recover the 11,000 sovereigns in specie on board the steamer. The dispatch further states that it is now known that the total number of lives lost in the disaster is 54, many of the Chinese passengers and crew be ing saved. Of the Europeans on board only four, previously mentioned, sur-

BRITISH RED-COATS IN CHINA. Shanghai, Aug. 9.—Great indignation is expressed here because British troops were not sent to escort the British consul at Foo Choo to Ku Cheng, whither he will proceed to inquire into the outrages there. The Ministers at Pekin, it is asserted, do not seem to realize the gravity of the altuation. It is considered highly advisable that British troops should be sent from Foo Choo, as the viceroy has not a sufficient force of troops at his disposal to make the arrests of the persons guilty of having committed the outrages.

A SOCIETY SCANDAL.

London, Aug. 8.—An action for damages for slander which commenced before Justice Hawkins in the High Court of Justice this morning is exciting comment in society circles. Mrs. Jacoby, wife of the brother of Mr. J. A. Jacoby, M. P. for the Middle District of Derbyshire, asks the court to award her damages against Countess Cow-ley, wife of the earl of Cowley, who is alleged to have charged that Mrs. Jacoby was the author of anonymous filthy letters that were circulated in 1893 in the Badminton District. the best known hunting district in the West of England.

London, Aug. 9.-A swell crowd of people assembled this morning in the court room of the Queen's Bench division in expectation of some interesting developments during the second day's hearing of the suit for damages brought by Mrs. Jacoby against the Dowager Countess Cowley, whom the plaintiff charged with slander in alleging that she had written anonymous and obscene letters to various parties. But the crowd was disappointed, for it was announced that the case had been settled privately and that both parties had agreed to withdraw the allegations made.

GERMANY'S VICTORIES. Berlin, Aug. 9.-Celebrations in commemoration of Germany's victories during the Franco-Prussian war continue to be held in various parts of the empire. At Jena 500 veterans of the Thuringian Regiment, the Ninetyfourth, held field services before the warriors' monument, near the Forsthaus. Pastor Kirms, of Berlin, preached a sermon to the veterans in the historical marketplace and Major .-Gen. Frank held a review. Eight hundred veterans of the Bavarian Jager Battalion of Afschaffenburg arrived at Rudesheim, where a demonstration was held before the Germania monu-

THE SEAL SLAUGHTER.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 9.-The statement made by sealers that the seal herds in Bering Sea are being rapidly depleted does not create surprise among officials who have to do with Sea affairs. A communication received at the State Department from W. P. Roberts, United States consul Victoria, B. C., says that during last season the catch was the largest ever made in a single year. The number of seals brought to Victoria during last season were 94,476 by British vessels, and 574 by American. Of those taken by the British vessels 26,341 were killed in Bering Sea. The males numbered 11,705, and the females 14,636.

JOSEPH THOMSON, EXPLORER. Joseph Thomson, the famous explorer

London, was only 37 years old. He was the son of William Thomson, of Gate-lawbridge Quarries, Thornhill, Dum-friesshire, and was born at Pentpont on Feb. 14, 1858. He obtained his early education, as so many eminent Scotch-men have done, in the parish school of his netive place from which he went his native place, from which he went to the University of Edinburgh. There a predilection for natural history which he had early displayed, led him to enter the science classes, in several of which he gained honors, carrying off the gold medal in geology and zoology. He went to Africa for the first time in 1878. Among his best-known books are "Through Masai Land," and "Life in the Atlas Mountains."

DIGGING FOR BODIES.

Sickening Scenes at the Collapsed Building in New York.

Sixteen Thought to be Killed-Slow Work.

New York, Aug. 9.-The workmen engaged clearing away the debris in the collapsed building at West Broadway and West Third streets at 5:30 a.m. unearthed a right foot, on which was a shoe. This is said to be the right foot missing from the body of Peterson, which was recovered last night. Soon afterwards the workmen found the shoe which had been torn from Peterson's other foot.

At 7 o'clock another body, the fourth victim of the disaster, was recovered. It had not been identified. It was horribly disfigured.

Ton after ton of debris was removed by the 60 workmen by the shovelfull. Many times they came upon clots of blood, and then renewed their efforts to reach the body from which it flowed. Blood was scattered everywhere, showing that many of the men supposed to be buried beneath the pile of ruins were dead before they reached the cellar in their fall. The work was slow, for every pound of the great pile must be turned over. Contractor Calligan said that, judging from the way things looked this morning it would be at least several days before the debris can be turned over. All night long and up to the present time the friends and relatives of the men supposed to be beneath the pile of ruins were at the scene anxlous to have it clearly determined as

to their fate. Contractor Parker and Jefford Sellick, the foreman of the work, were arrested on the charge of causing the death of John Burke, but were subsequently released on \$15,000 bail each. It is feared that sixteen men have

been killed. The bodies of two more victims were discovered in the ruins shortly before noon. One was identified as that of Michael Flynn. His body was withdrawn from beneath a mass of wreckwas unidentified.

Sparks From the Wire.

Last Minute News Received from All Parts of the World.

Toronto detectives think they have solved the mystery attending the disastrous fire of January last in the Osgoodby building. A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Wm. McMillan, who had an office in the burned building.

A pretty well defined rumor is in circulation in Hamilton that Alex. McKay, M. P., is to be appointed collector of customs for that port, and that A. E. Kilvert, the present collector, is to be retained at Ottawa as assistant commissioner of customs. It is also stated that Hugh Murray will be appointed assistant collector.

Mrs. Goforth, wife of Rev. Jonathan Go forth, who returned some months ago to China, will leave Toronto on Monday with her three children for Honan. She will be accompanied by Miss McKenzie, a wellknown Toronto city missionary, who is to engage in work there.

A double tragedy was enacted on the sidewalk in front of No. 325 East Eighty-eighth street, New York, on Thursday noon, when an Italian named Filippo Giampatce, stabbed two wo-men repeatedly with a stiletto, in-ficting wounds from which both will in all probability die. His victims are Kate Weil, 18 years old, and her sister Rosa, 27 years old. Illicit love and a quarrel were the causes of the tragedy.

The story of the collision and sinking of two vessels, one the British ship Prince Oscar, off the eastern coast of South America on July 13, is confirmed. Captain Henderson, of the Prince Oscar, and sixteen of his crew have arrived at Philadelphia. Six of the Prince Oscar's crew were drowned. The other ship was unknown. She was a four-master, and carried between 30 and 40 men, all of whom sank. Capt. Henderson claims the unknown ship carried no sidelights.

The Rat Portage strikers are quiet. The mills are closed.

Toronto Technical School Board has decided to engage a new principal to succeed Mr. Merrill. From 10,000,000 to 12,000,000 feet of lumber was destroyed by fire in Og-

densburg, N. Y. Loss \$500,000. The Governor-General and Lady Aberdeen were extremely well received in Battleford and Edmonton, N. W. T. Sir Adolphe Caron refuses to discuss the increased C. P. R. mail subsidy of \$100,000, because he says Parliament has not been asked to vote the money, though it was being paid prior to the

rising of Parliament last month. TRADE IN CANADA. The Outlook as Reported in Dun & Ce.'s

Weekly Statement. Toronto, Aug. 9.-R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly statement of trade says: The business situation in Toronto is without material change. Prospects, however, seem to be improving, with an expected increase in erop yields. cordage companies and agricultural implement makers are at present driving a large trade in the Western Provinces Remittances to wholesale merchants have been most satisfactory this month. The leading staples are firm in prices. cottons, woolens and silks ruling at the highest figures of the season. There were 37 failures last week, against 47

FOOTBALL KILLED HIM. Brantford, Aug. 9 .- A young lad named Sovereign, of Waterford, came here with the Mount Pleasant football team to play a game. The exercise being too great, he became prostrated, was taken to the hospital, and died frica, who died the other day in of heart failure yesterday.

Great Demonstration in Honor of the Liberal Leader.

Extraordinary Position of the Ottawa Ministers.

An Able Exposure of Their Twistings And Turns on the School Question.

Sorel, Que., Aug. 9.-Over 8,000 persons gathered in the open air yesterday afternoon to welcome and to listen to an address by Hon. Wilfrid Laurier, leader of the Liberal party of Canada. The demonstration was in the open air, and Mayor Morasse, of Sorel, occupied te chair. He delivered an address of welcome in which he said the statesman to be welcomed was not only an emment statesman but also a compatriot, whose noble talent, whose superb eloquence, whose broad views and frank character has deserved for him the honor of being chosen as the leader of a great party, and have made him an honor, not only to his native Province, but to the country at large as well.

After addresses by A. Bruneau, M.P. and Dr. Mignault, M.P., Mr. Laurier was presented with an address of welcome from the Liberal Association of Wen the leader arose he stood for

some minutes unable to utter a word. The applause was so hearty and prolonged that it seemed it would never When he was allowed to prostop. ceed he expressed his gratitude to the Liberal Club for the kindly sentiments which they had embodied in their address. This was a great gathering and he was glad to meet several of his associates in the promotion of the welfare of this great country. He was glad to meet that large gathering of farmers, merchants, mechanics and labcrers. What was the reason that that vast crowd had there assembled? Because their minds were troubled with unrest and anxiety, caused by the indecision, weakness and tergiversation of the Federal Government in regard to a very important question. (Loud applause.) A session of Parliament had just been held for the reason which neither the Government nor the friends of the Government dared to explain. A general election ought to have been decided upon; but a session had been convoked instead. The calling of that session had been lightly, even joyfully, commented upon by Min-isters, Deputy Ministers and the Conservative press at the time it was called. The session finished amid sadness, diappointment, recrimination and accusations on the part of the Government's friends that their solemn romise was a false one. (Cheers.) Why had the Government broken its promise? The false gods who constitute the Government at Ottawa only knew, One thing was certain, and that was that the two Ministers who went back after their three days' strike had gone back to pick up the crumbs that fell from the Government table, but the presence of those Ministers in the Cabinet, and any action that they might take would make not the slightest difference in the question, the present Government would never settle the question. It had never intended to settle it. (Applause.) They had sowed joy and had reaped tears. (Laughter and cheers.) The reason the session had been called was in order that legislative force might be given to the remedial order, that justice should be accorded to the Catholics of Manitoba During the Vercheres election the bold Col. Ouimet spoke very strong language and made a dire threat, as became a soldier. (Laughter.) He called religion to his aid and declared before high heaven and the Supreme Being that if executive effect were not given to the remedial order by Parliament at the session which was then coming on he would cut off his headhe would cease to be a member of the Cabinet. Heaven had witnessed lots of queer things, but not many queerer things than the conduct of Mr. Ouimet in this respect. Heaven had seen Mr. Ouimet leave the Ministry, and heaven had seen him go back to it after three days had expired, (Applause and laughter.)

CONFEDERATION ALL RIGHT. To talk seriously, it was a fact that the session which had recently closed had been called for the purpose, as the Government had solemnly assured the public at the outset of giving legal force to the remedial order. The situation constituted, he was sorry to say, a crisis in the history of Confederation. That was a circumstance of solemn moment. He had always been, and would always be, a friend of Confederation. He had the fullest faith in the institutions of our country if they were honestly administered. (Applause.) If anxiety and distrust prevailed today, it was not the fault of Confederation, but of the men who were now administering the affairs of the country. (Applause.) These men were the incarnation of hesitancy, tergiversation and vacillation. It seemed as though their virility had been buried in the grave with Sir John Thompson. Was any further proof necessary than the fact that a session was called to settle the school question, and that no attempt at all at settling it was made during the session? Had not Mr. Ouimet, when in Vercheres, called on God to witness the declaration he made that it would be settled? And had not that declaration been proved to be false?

JUSTICE ONLY DESIRABLE. Turning to the repeated statements of the Conservative press, especially of the sanctimonious portion of it, such as the holy Minerve, that he had been silent on the school question, the Liberal leader indulged in a little banter, which was greatly enjoyed by the large crowd. He had expressed the same views on the school question on many occasions and in many parts of the Dominion. He had pointed out that the men in power had shuffled and dallied with the question for years. He told them now, as he had done before, that this school quesion could not be settled by an appeal to Catholics or by an appeal to Protestants-by an appeal to Catholic prejudices or by an appeal to Protestant prejudices—it could only be settled by a statesman who had the courage to discuss the question in the same terms before both Catholics and Protestants. (Loud applause.) Our constitution guaranteed to our people every right to which they could lay claim; to every minority, every right to which it could legitimately and fairly lay claim. (Applause.) Every reform that had been accomp-

tish in Canada had been accomplished by Liberals, the Liberal Catholics of Quebec and the Liberal Protestants of Onand Ontario. (Applause.) In support of this statement Mr. Laurier appealed to the patriotic memories of men whose names are enshrined in Canadian history-Nelson, Brown and Blake, the father of Hon. Edward Blake, and others. That race of Canadian Protestant and Catholic Liberals had by no means died out. The school question could only be settled by an appeal to the sentiments of justice which existed in the hearts of both Protestants and Catholics. (Ap-

plause.) ANGERS OUT, WALLACE IN. It was a significant fact that Mr. Angers had stepped out of the Cabinet while Mr. Clarke Wallace remained in it. Mr. Angers was in favor of separate schools, while Mr. Clarke Wallace was opposed to them. Yet why had Mr. Angers left the Government when it had stated that it would restore separate schools in Manitoba? Because he felt and he knew that the Government did not mean what it said. (Cheers.) He (Mr. Laurier) had been accused by the holy Minerve and others who proclaimed their ardent love of religion, when it paid them to do so, that he was a man of no religion. He did not boast of being very religious, but he could conscientiously claim that he was as religious as Mr. Ouimet, or Sir Adolphe Caron, or the present editor of La Minerve at election times. (Applause.) The statement that Liberals had no religion was a low trick resorted to for political purposes. Other Canadian public men had been reviled as he had been reviled by the Conservative press in the same fashion. Telesphore Fournier, who was an honor to his race and country, had been so reviled by the self-styled religious Conservative press. Today he (Mr. Laurier) was denounced by the Conservative press as being a man devoid of religion; the day might come when justice would be meted out to him as well as it had been to Fournier. (Cheers.) There was one thing which he would never do. For no reason whatever would he do or help to do anything of which his conscience, as an honest man,

did not approve. (Applause.) Mr. Laurier quoted, amid derisive cheers, an article in the Montreal Gazette of July 29, stating that the Government of Canada had opened negotiations with the Government of Manitoba with a view to repairing an error that had been made in issuing the order in council. That was a strange admission to make. Having contrasted the action of the Attorney-General of Ontario, Sir Oliver Mowat, with the Attorney-General of Quebec, Mr. Casgrain, in their conduct in bringing men to justice like McGreevy, Connolly and St. Louis, and spoken of the evils of protection, Mr. Laurier concluded by stating that when the Liberals got into power they would see that such a tariff was levied as would benefit the masses of the people. and not a few monopolists. From the Liberal party monopolists would receive no consideration, no quarter. (Cheers.) I am a British subject." he said, "and I am proud of it, but I frankly say that as a matter of business, I would rather get an American dollar than an English shilling for the same amount of work or produce."

Speeches were also delivered by Hon. Mr. Marchand, leader of the Que-bec Liberals; Mr. Andrew Pattullo, Woodstock; Mr. Choquette, M.P. Mr. Tarte, M.P.; Mr. Barthe, M.P., and O. Desmaneis, M.P. The great demonstration closed with rousing cheers for the Liberal leader and the Queen.

FACULTIES RESTORED BY A JUMP

Mr. Reeve's Log and Arm Broken, but His Hearing and Reason Return.

East Moriches, L. I., Aug. 8.—Seldon Reeve, who is 86 years old and has been somewhat demented and very deaf for several years, jumped from the second-story window of his home this morning. Dr. Skidmore, who was called in to set the old man's leg and wrist, which were broken, is puzzled over the effect of the accident on Reeve's system. He has, the doctor says, recovered his faculties. He can now hear a low whisper, and his mind, his daughter says, seems perfectly clear. He said to her, "Why, Mary, I must have been out of my head if I jumped out of a window.'

BARRELS OF OIL.

A Gusher Struck at Athabaska Landing, North of Edmonton.

Regina, N. W. T., Aug. 9.—Percy M. Muller reached here yesterday from Lesser Slave Lake. He reports that the geological survey outfit, at Athabaska Landing, north of Edmonton, has struck oil at a depth of 1,500 feet. Boring operations were conducted under the direction of a Pennsylvania oil expert. The well is a gusher and has a capacity of fifteen barrels a day.

FUN ON VESUVIUS.

After the recent eruption of Vesuvius and while the lava was still smoking hot, scores of small boys from Naples climbed the mountain to the edge of the crater and pelted each other with chunks of steaming lava. .

BIG SPRING WHEAT CROPS. Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 9.-H. V. Jones, whose crop opinions are regarded by the northwestern grain trade as the best, wires from Fargo that all estimates of the spring wheat yield will have to be revised, and that the crop will be the largest on record. He pre dicts about 170,000,000 or 175,000,000 bushels in the Dakotas and Minnesota. HER HORSE'S HOOF AS A CATA-

PULT. Richfield Springs, Aug. 9.-Miss Flor ence Luce, the singer, met with a strange accident while driving yesterday morning. A stone became wedged in the horse's shoe, which later was forcibly trown out, and struck Miss Luce in the face, nearly stunning her, and giving her a black eye.

LABOR FIGHTS LABOR. Chicago, Aug. 9.-The Knights of Labor garment workers closed their convention in this city, and last night held a mass meeting which broke up in a free-for-all fight, during which one man was thrown down a flight of stairs, another was struck on the head with a chair, and a third was all but killed by a mob which jumped on him.

The fight was precipitated by garment workers who are affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, and who had been invited to attend the meeting. The Knights were driven from the hall, and the meeting was continued under the auspices of the rival organizations.

Steamship Arrivals. From Aug. 9. At New York Hamburg New York Genoa New York Liverpool Shields Dania.....

An East End Lady Heir to a Large Amount of Money.

Interesting Story of the Ups and Downs of Life,

And the Vicissitudes of Fickle Fortune-A Tauch of Romance-Born in British Guiana-Claims a Demerarian Sugar Plantation.

An East End lady, a native of British Guiana, South America, claims heirship to an estate valued at \$250,000. Her story is a remarkable one, and well calculated to illustrate the ups and downs of life to which some peorle are subjected.

The lady in question is Mrs. Sarah Leonard, who resides in a modest white cottage on the east side of Charlotte street. The estate is situated in the neighborhood of Demerara, British Guiana, and as the plantation has been improved and growing in value since it was willed to Mrs. Leonard's mother in 1824, it is now extremely valuable.

Early in the century U. B. Frazer, a native of Inverness, Scotland, and a lawyer, went out to Demerara to seek his fortune. He found it by becoming interested in sugar plantations, when sugar was not selling at 30 pounds for the dollar.

When prosperity came he married a native woman—the grandmother Mrs. Leonard. A son and daughter were born. As the boy grew up the father became anxious about his edueation, and in 1824 he started with him for England, to place him at school. The boat they took turned out to be one of the s hips that never returned, and Mr. Frazer and his boy were lost at sea. But like the canny Scot, he was, he had provided for just such an emergency by making a will. This will was in Mrs. Leonard's possession

up to a few weeks ago. A lawyer who is working on the case has it now. The estate went to Mr. Frazer's wife, and on her death was to revert to her daughter, the present claimant's mother. This lady married and went to England, where she died when only 19 years old, leaving a baby-now Mrs Leonard. Among her personal effects was found a copy of the will. In it were provided for several relatives in Scotland on the grandfather's side, d a singular fact mentioned by Mrs. Leonard is that these relatives have proved the will and entered upon the enforment of their share of the inheritance During Mrs. Leonard's childhood she was supported in England on money

collected from the estate in Demerara. She was at this time living with an uncle in England, who was himself well off, and unmarried. At times Sarah (Mrs. Leonard) would speak to her uncle about the Demerarian estate. and he always told her that whatever happened, he had enough for them both, and she would be his heir.

"But there is many a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip," said Mrs. Leonard, yesterday, and she smiled slightly as she told the story. "My uncle got married, and the slip in this case was their child—a slip of a girl. She came in for his fortune, and I went back to my native place in British Guiana. At 15 I married-(I did not know then as much as I do now)-and my husband got a lawyer interested in the case. But my husband was only a mechanic, and the lawyer wanted cash in advance This cooled our ardor until we could get the money together, and in the meantime my husband died. His name was Belgrave, and he was a West Indian, a native of the Island of Barba

does." By her first marriage Mrs. Leonard had one child-a boy. The lad took his stepfather's name, and now, as Harry Leonard, is editor of Voice of the People, Cleveland, Ohio. He is a well-known Londoner, having learned the printing trade in this city.

Then Mrs. Leonard grew thoughtful, and a shadow passed over her features. 'Everyone is said to make one mistake in his or her life," said she. "And." she continued, "the mistake of my life was marrying a British soldier."

She married George Leonard, soldier then stationed with his regiment at Barbadoes. They afterwards moved with the regiment to the Bermudas. Then on his discharge—purchased in a huff three weeks before his time expired-Leonard, with a few other soldiers, who are now well-to-do citizens, came to London. This was 22 years ago. Since then Mrs. Leonard's life has been one of vicissitudes and trouble, and no one, knowing the circumstance would blame the modest appearing lady in her expressed desire to draw a veil over her immediate

"I have seen the sunniest scenes and the brightest side of life," said Mrs. Leonard, as she lost sight of the present in the contemplation of the past and smiled-a melancholy smile-'And' with a sigh)—"I have fathomed the gloomiest depths of human mis-

Mrs. Leonard's circumstances have up till now precluded any efforts towards claiming her property. But she kept close charge of the will, and now that her son is fitted by his position to do so, he is fighting to prove his and his mother's claim.

Mrs. Leonard shows the traces of white blood in her partly Indian veins. She is well educated and refined, and uses excellent language. She is a charming conversationalist, with a naturally sunny temperament, saddened by trouble. She leaves for Cleveland shortly to assist her son's lawyer, and give him any information in her power.

HOLMES' DEATH PIPE.

He Turned the Gas On and Asphyxiated His Victims.

Chicago, Aug. 9.-The pick of a workman in the Holmes Castle uncovered a strange construction last night, which carried more terrible suggestions of the conspirator's work. In the closet room in the second floor, where Holmes used to sleep, there is a gas pipe running over the floor, and beneath the boards is a cut-off. The pipe runs directly to the windowless room, where it is believed Mrs. Conner was murdered. The cut-off is believed to be ing people.

one of Holmes' instruments of death. Sitting in his room he could turn on the current with ease, that would fill the dark sleeping apartment with deadly gas, asphyxiating the occupants. The cut-off was a secret. It was reached simply by lifting a board in the closet

Chicken Thieves Operating.

South London Roosts Are Suffering Considerably.

One Cleaned Out Entirely-Some Valuable Birds Stolen From Mr.

Ed. Tay.or's. Several chicken roosts in South London-and more especially those near the outskirts of the ward-have been visited by thieves lately and many valuable fowls taken. At one place there

were over 100 birds, and all the visitors

left was the house and run. Last night Mr. Edward Taylor, who lives on the Wortley read, near the base line, lost three very valuable hens. Mr. Taylor is a great lover of poultry, He likes the best breeds and lots of them, and has a flock of over 300. As a safeguard against thieves Mr. Taylor has an electrical apparatus arranged, whereby, if the chicken house door is opened during the night, an alarm in the house will sound. About 2 o'clock this morning the alarm went off, and Mr. Taylor went to the run, but took no weapons with him. He saw three men among the chickens, ordered them away, and they gladly went, each one with a bird in his arms.

High Constable Schram was notified and Detective Ward ordered to investigate. He went to Mr. Taylor's, but the only clue he so far has secured is the size of the men's feet. Several parties living in the neighborhood are suspected, and some arrests will probably be made in a few days.

AUCTIONING MARKET PRIVILEGES.

Fruit Spaces Sold on the New Fruit Section.

Corner Allotment Brings a Good Price-Ald. Jones Gives His Services-About Half Sold.

No. 3 committee recently decided to utilize the north side of the Market Square, commencing at the Market Lane and ending at the City Hall, as a fruit market, and to confine all dealers in that commodity to this particular section. The sidewalk has been marked off into sections, each section being designated by a broad red arrow and the number of the space marked plainly thereon. Each strip is about eight feet wide, extending back twice that distance. The fruit will be placed directly abutting the sidewalk, and the customers may walk along the sidewalk from end to end and inspect the goods. Realizing that there would always be a struggle for the best positions the committee decided to sell some of the best sites at auction. The corner space at the Market Lane brought \$25 and was knocked down to Chauncey Smith. No. 2 was sold to W. Wilkins at \$10. Three and four happened to be in front of an auction room and were not disposed of. Five and six went to Smith Bros. at \$5 and \$4 respectively. Seven and eight sold at \$3 each to James McCracken. The balance of the spaces were not sold, being retained for the general fruit-selling public. The money paid insures the privilege of selling on the spaces sold for one year from date. Ald. Jones gave his services gratis as auctioneer, and Ald. A. B. Powell, chairman of No. 3, was present.

A HELPLESS CROWD.

The Straits in Which a Discredited Ministry Finds Itself.

There are thirteen Cabinet Ministers at Ottawa drawing \$7,000 per annum apiece (Premier gets \$8,000), with another \$1,000 each for sessional allowance, and something more for mileage, together with what they require for expenses from day to day. Behind Behind these fifteen Cabinet Ministers are three semi-detached Ministers, drawing \$5,000 a year, with \$1,000 for sessional allowance and mileage besides. Across the floor there is the leader of the Opposition, who receives no salary; all he gets is what every private member gets -his sessional allowance and mileage. Yet these thirteen Cabinet Ministers, with their three semi-detached colleagues, whose united salaries alone aggregate over \$100,000 a year, not including sessional allowance, mileage or ex-penses, are abusing the leader of the Opposition like a pickpocket because he does not settle the Manitoba question and pull the Government out of the hole into which, in its hunt for votes, it has fallen. What are these thirteen Cabinet Ministers and their three half brothers paid for if it is not to do the business of the country? Is the principle of Ministerial responsibillty, like so many other principles that formerly controlled our public men, at an end, and must our people look to the leader of the Opposition rather than to the Government, for guidance and advice? If these sixteen salaried men are incompetent and incapable of doing the work which the country pays them for doing, let them step down and out, and make way for others who are prepared to take their places and assume the responsibility which public office entails .- Dundas Banner.

Everywhere We Go

We find some one who has been cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, and people on all handsare praising this great medicine for what it has done for them and their friends. Taken in time Hood's Sarsaparilla prevents serious illness by keeping the clood pure and all the organs in a handly condition. It is the great blood muritage. healthy condition. It is the great blood purifier.

Hood's Pills become the favorite cathartis with every one who tries them. 25c per box. A Kankakee man tried to drown cat by wading out into the river and putting it under water. The cat came tack, but the man took cramps and

was drowned. Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has done once it will do again.

Statistics prove that nearly twothirds of all the letters carried by the postal service of the world are written, sent to and read by the English-speak-