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WILL THE MINISTRY FLOP?

Senate Reading Room

Is Minister of Works Tarte Paving the Way

FOR GOVERNMENT THEFT OF CLOTHES?

Mr. Laurier and His Followers Will Soon Proclaim Protection

As Their Watchword—Uncle Sam, They Say, Has Given Them Excuse For Abandoning Their Free Trade Theories—Mr. Tarte Outlines the Future — Says Canada Has to Look to the Mother Country — At Last They Have Decided That the United States is No Good For Us—Canada Can Live Within Herself if Necessary—How the Liberal Cry Has Changed in a Couple of Short Years!

Montreal, March 21.—(Special.)—La Patrie, Hon. Mr. Tarte's mouthpiece, seems to be preparing the people for the flop the Ministry are about to take on the trade question. The leading article of yesterday says:

The American tariff, which will soon be put in operation, constitutes a Chinese wall against Canada, which will have the effect of excluding our natural products from the American market. La Patrie has always expressed a desire to see more extended commercial relations between Canada and our neighbors, but since they appear to have decided to shut their doors against us, we have only to act with energy and resolution. Our Government is now framing a fiscal policy for Canada, and we believe that we express the opinion of both parties in hoping that Hon. Mr. Laurier will act with firmness in this matter. Although we should not harm ourselves for the sake of damaging the United States, yet we believe it to be in our power to frame a tariff that will respond to the aspirations of our national dignity, and the wants of our legitimate industries, and to the desire of the consumers. It appears to be quite evident that our neighbors do not wish to trade with us, therefore let us look elsewhere. Great Britain and our sister colonies offer us a market that can be utilized to the greatest advantage. It may be said that a secret belief exists in the United States that they will force us into a political union with them by means of commercial coercion. It would be impossible for them to entertain a greater error. The antipathy with regard to Canada evinced on the other side of the line will create here a sentiment of resistance that cannot fail to show them that, although we are not numerous, we possess all the elements of a free people, and confident as to the future. We are in a position to live within ourselves. We have a magnificent system of railways and canals which only want to be utilized to bring to our ports immense quantities of traffic. We have harbors where our merchant marine is secure, and rivers permitting the largest ships to enter our country. These two elements are at our doors, and with so many elements of strength at our disposition, with a laborious and progressive population, and with the support of the Mother Country, there is no reason to doubt the future.

Without knowing the spirit or the details of the Hon. Mr. Laurier's policy, we may be permitted to say that no one has the right to presume for an instant that the leaders of our party are not fully alive to the new situation that has just been created for Canada by the aggressive policy of the American nation.

DEATH ENTERS A CHURCH.

Mrs. Thomas F. Kelly Stricken With a Fatal Illness While at Worship in St. Mary's.

Mrs. Kelly, wife of Thomas F. Kelly, 539 King-street west, was taken suddenly ill in St. Mary's Church, Bathurst-street, about 8 o'clock last night. She was taken over to Dr. McMahon's office, across the street, where she died a few minutes later. Heart failure was the cause. She had been subject to weak spells. The body was removed to Undertaker McCabe's.

The deceased was about 50 years of age, and leaves two daughters and a son, all grown up. Her husband is a carpenter in the employ of the John Abell Company. Dr. Johnson was notified, and an inquest will be held at 539 Queen-street to-morrow at 3 p.m.

OUR ROSSLAND SPECIAL.

Another Big Deal Reported—Heinze Will Extend the Columbia and Western—Sale of Jumbo and Commander.

Rossland, B. C., March 21.—(Special to The World via Spokane, Wash.)—It is reported that the Homestake, Gopher, R. S. Lee and Maid of Erin have been sold to an English syndicate. The company will continue development on a large scale and may build a smelter.

F. A. Heinze of the Columbia & Western Railway, has mortgaged his Montana property for a million and a half, for the purpose of building an extension of the Columbia & Western to Penticton. Work on the new line will begin immediately at Robson.

Deer Park machinery is placed and work will be resumed Tuesday.

It is understood that the sale of Jumbo for $500,000, and Commander for $250,000 to the Gunnis-Neame syndicate will be consummated within a few days.

It is regarded as probable that the option of the Great Western for $290,000 will be taken up as the property looks well.

Work on Kootenay and Columbia is proceeding under the new management.

It is reported here to-day that the decision in the Paris Belle case gives the ground covered by the old Zenith claim to the Paris Belle Company, and the remainder, about half the Paris Belle location, goes to Corbin.

Machinery is to be placed on Juliet. The tunnel is in 100 feet with good ore in face. A. R. M.

COAL GAS WAS FATAL.

Lawrence Walls Dies at St. Michael's Hospital, Where He Had Been Taken a Week Ago.

Lawrence Walls, who was nearly smothered by coal gas in his house, 40 Munro-street, a week ago, died in St. Michael's Hospital yesterday morning from the effects of it. Coroner Johnson will hold an inquest at St. Michael's Hospital at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening.

For coughs and colds use Adams' Tutti Frutti. Don't be imposed upon with imitations.

At Treble's, 53 King west—Shirts to order and in the latest patterns and materials. Perfect-fitting and prices very low.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 204 King W, evenings, 50c.

Something for Cyclists.

To-day only 20 dozen unlined Cape gloves, worth $1 a pair, for 50c. Another lot of cambric-fronted shirts, Dresden effects, sizes 12 1-2 to 17, worth 85c, for 50c each. Sword, 55 King-street east. 'Phone 282.

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GLEN WILLIAMS FLOODED.

The Little Village Suffers From a Blockade of Ice and Things are Looking Serious.

Georgetown, Ont., March 21.—There is great excitement in the village of Glen Williams to-day on account of that place being completely flooded. The recent rains and mild weather broke up the ice on the River Credit very suddenly. This has made a massive dam just below the village, causing the river to overflow. The main street is a running torrent, and debris of all kinds is floating along the street. Some houses are half filled with water, the inhabitants having vacated them, and depending on the generosity of their friends, who are lucky enough to dwell on more elevated places. Two bridges have been swept away, and if the water keeps on rising as it is at present, things will become serious. A huge block of ice struck a brick house belonging to Mr. A. Cooper, and knocked down one wall and completely demolished the frame kitchen. Other less damages are reported to dwelling houses. The several mills will have to close down as the races providing the water power have been washed away.

WHO IS THIS MAN?

Found Struggling in the Water at the Foot of Sherbourne Street and Dies at the General Hospital.

Shortly before 8 o'clock Saturday night Ed. Charters saw a man struggling in the bay, a little east of Sherbourne-street. With the assistance of a man named Sauter and Thomas Sauiter, the boat-builder, the man was rescued. When pulled out he was nearly gone. His rescuers worked hard with him, and kept him alive until the patrol wagon arrived. He was taken to the General Hospital, where he died in a short time.

The deceased has not been identified. He was about 65 years of age, stout, 5 feet 6 inches, clean-shaven, small side-whiskers. It is thought he was in the habit of working around the docks.

The place where he fell in the water is a "washout" in front of Worthington's blacksmith shop. It is supposed that the man was walking along and tumbled into the hole.

Coroner Johnson will hold an inquest this afternoon at the Hospital at 3 o'clock.

Aids digestion and improves the complexion—Adams' Tutti Frutti. See that the trade mark name Tutti Frutti is on each 5 cent package.

Prices for white dress shirts at Treble's begin at 70 cents and on up to $1.50 for values easily worth a third more.

Pember's Turkish baths, 129 Yonge.

Big Rush of Passengers to the Old Country This Coming Summer.

Berths for June and July are already being applied for; so passengers who wish to travel in comfort will please reserve accommodation at once at S. J. Sharp's ticket office, 78 Yonge-street.

Cook's Turkish Baths, 204 King W., day, 75c.

Special Values.

1000-page letter books, fine white paper, leather back and corners, $1.25 each. The Varsity Fountain Pen sells rapidly at $1 each. Blight Bros., 65 Yonge-street.

Easy to order—"Salada Ceylon Tea.

Grand & Toy's Snaps.

It is a funny thing to me how Grand & Toy can sell Stafford's Inks for 60c per quart. We have always paid 75c for it. If it is a good thing, we have it. Grand & Toy, Stationers and Printers, Wellington and Jordan-streets, Toronto.

FIRST ACTUAL THREAT.

Premier Delyannis Makes a Grave Statement.

POWERS WILL BE TO BLAME

For Whatever Serious Consequences Result From Their Action.

The Greek Prime Minister is Opposed to War, but the Situation May Become Uncontrollable—Turkey Proclaims the Autonomy — A Correspondent Proposes That the United States Refuse to Recognize the Blockade — The First Gun Against the Cretans Will Topple the British Government, Says Mr. Ballard Smith—The Feeling in England.

New York, March 21.—Under yesterday's date James Creelman cables from Athens to The Journal: Prime Minister Delyannis to-day authorized me to make public the following declaration as a result of a talk with him. It is the first actual threat uttered by the responsible head of the Greek Government: "If the great powers will not be convinced of the injustice and impracticability of the measure they have decided upon, the situation will become worse and probably may become uncontrollable, nor is it possible to foresee the result, but it will be unjust to throw upon Greece the responsibility for what may follow."

The gravity of this statement may be judged by the fact that Delyannis is opposed to war.

The Journal's special from Canea says that Turkish men-of-war at Suda, in the presence of the European fleet, to-day opened fire on the insurgents who were engaged in fighting native Moslems.

The barracks of the Turkish troops are being prepared for the reception of 1600 international troops, who will land here in a few days. There will be landed in all the towns in the island 3600 European troops. Five hundred English troops are to be stationed at Heraklion. This seems an utterly insufficient force to keep order among 45,000 Moslems, crowded in that town. The whole management of European interference here shows a lamentable ignorance on the part of those directing affairs.

TURKISH PROCLAMATION.

The following proclamation was issued this morning by the Turkish Government: "We bring to the notice of the people that, according to a telegram from the Grand Vizier, autonomy has been given to Crete under the suzerainty of His Imperial Majesty the Sultan."

I had an interview to-day with Ismael Bey, acting Governor of Crete. He is a small, wrinkled man, with small eyes, projecting ears and a hooked nose. He said: "Turkey and the European powers consider the Cretans like our children. We wish to treat them kindly, but if they disobey we will bring large bodies of troops here to force them to terms."

Europe, according to this statement, has allied herself with Turkey to force upon the Cretans a government no one wants. Richer Moslems especially complain of this. Some of the Beys of Canea have even told me in private that they would prefer a union with Greece to autonomy, which would mean a government by their hated Christian compatriots.

From the interior I hear that the clause in the proclamation of admirals requiring Cretans to lay down their arms is, as I thought it would, exciting comment. Cretans have always carried arms, and even if they were inclined to accept autonomy, they would not lay down their arms before knowing what sort of autonomy Europe proposes to force on them.

A Wild Proposition.

New York, March 21.—A special cable despatch from London to The Sun says: Why should not the Government of the United States refuse to recognize the blockade of Crete? The terms of the official notice of the blockade, which were issued by the British Government in London to-day, are a direct violation of the law of nations. The notice says: "Ships of the six powers, or neutral powers, may enter into the ports occupied by the powers, and land their merchandise, but only if it is not for the Greek troops or the interior of the island. These ships may be visited by the ships of the international fleets." If any ship or officer of the blockading fleet undertakes to enforce these regulations against a vessel carrying the American flag it will be an act of war against the United States. There can be little doubt about the correctness of this view.

WILL TOPPLE THE MINISTRY.

That Will be the First Effect of British Guns Firing on the Cretans.

New York, March 21.—Ballard Smith cables from London: The first reverberation of English guns fired against Greece—and it is likely that it may come—would in all probability topple over the Salisbury Ministry like a house of cards. All England is heartily ashamed of the Government's attitude towards Crete. This is becoming more obvious daily, in spite of Lord Salisbury's still intact majority in Parliament. The expressions in Mr. Gladstone's letter to the Duke of Westminster ring through the land.

Punch's cartoon of a British sailor contemplating a Turkish janissary threatening a Greek soldier reflects the popular humor here. It is labelled: "Ah, that Greek's a plucky little chap." Sir John Tenniel makes Jack Tar say: "Precious sorry that me and my partin' mates have to stop him."

Another periodical imagines two doges of Venice discussing the present situation.

Francisco Mormosi remarks: "Why, there is sound of cannon at Canea."

Luigi Mocenigo replies: "Doubtless it is the fleet of the republic once again defending Europe from the Turks."

An official caretaker explains: "No, Excellencies, it is Europe defending the Turks from the Christians."

Mormosi and Mocenigo exclaim together: "Back, back, to the tomb—better to be with the dead."

THE BLOCKADE.

Hard to Find a Man in Europe Who Approves of the Action of the Powers

New York, March 21.—In his special cable despatch from London yesterday to The Times, Mr. Harold Frederic says: To-morrow morning at 8 o'clock

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MAKING HIM SQUIRM.

MR. CONMEE REGRETS NOW THAT HE DID NOT DROP ONE OF THE "POLLS" SOONER.

WHY DID HE DO THIS?

Charles E. Holmes, a Society Man, Suicides.

SHOT HIMSELF IN THE HEAD

The Awful Tragedy Which Took Place at a Down-Town Restaurant.

People Heard a Shot at 5 o'clock, But Paid No Attention to It Till a Patron Came in and Said a Man Was Dead Upstairs—There Is No Reason Apparently Why Death Should be Self-Appointed.

Charles E. Holmes, agent for the Merchants' Despatch Transportation Company, 40 Yonge-street, committed suicide Saturday afternoon in Harry Morgan's Merchants' Restaurant, Jordan-street. A bullet wound two inches above the right ear and a revolver lying near the chair in which the body was found showed how the deed had been committed.

A Terrible Discovery.

It was shortly after 5 o'clock when Mr. R. B. I. Neville, an agent for the Might Directory Company, went into the smoking room upstairs, and made the terrible discovery. He gave the alarm, and Dr. Garratt was summoned. In the meantime, Mr. Neville returned to the room and, with the assistance of J. D. Young, lifted the body from the chair and laid it on the floor. Life was then extinct. Dr. Garratt soon arrived, but the bullet had done its fatal work. Inspector Stephen took charge of the remains. Crown Attorney Dewart notified Coroner Greig, who, after making enquiries, decided that an inquest was not necessary.

Shortly before the tragedy was discovered the report of a shot was heard, but nothing was thought of it at the time. Deceased was in the habit of taking his luncheon at the restaurant and spending a short time in the smoking room daily, so that when Mr. Morgan saw him pass through the bar he thought nothing of it.

No Known Cause.

The news of the tragedy soon spread, and a number of friends of the dead man hastened to the scene. Many who heard the report could scarcely believe it and all wondered as to the cause of the rash deed. He was supposed to be prosperous, and doing a good business. It was, however, said that he had not been in his usual spirits for some weeks. This rumor was strengthened by the fact that he had remained away from his home on the Saturday night previous. The police were notified by his friends and they suggested at that time that he might have committed suicide. So from this, it would seem that he must have threatened to do away with himself. The World learned that he had gone to Stratford on that occasion, but could not explain how to got there.

The only mark on the deceased, outside of the wound in the head, was a discolored eye. The Dr. Greig did not think was caused by the shot. Mr. Hartley, 67 Oak-street, saw Mr. Holmes at 3.30 Saturday afternoon. He appeared to be in his usual spirits, and showed no signs of having a black eye.

The deceased leaves a widow, the daughter of Mr. Charles Cameron of Collingwood, and two daughters. He resided at 37 D'Arcy-street. Mr. Cameron, who was in Detroit Saturday night, was telegraphed for, and arrived in Toronto yesterday.

His Father in London.

Mr. Josiah Holmes, the aged father of deceased, resides in London, Ont, with his daughter, Mrs. Green. Mrs. Walker, wife of a prominent lawyer in Hamilton, is a sister of deceased, and Col. Holmes of the Canadian Artillery, now stationed at Esquimalt, is a brother. An old friend of the suicide, who went with him to school at the old Grantham Academy, St. Catharines, and has been intimate with him for years in Toronto, said last night that the cause of the man's self-destruction was a mystery to all who knew him. The gentleman said, further, that he knew of no man freer from financial worry, and he could advance no theory as to why his friend should have committed the rash act. He knew him to be fond of his home and had heard him once advance that as a reason why he was not a member of any of the clubs. For the past few weeks some friends of deceased have noticed that he was downhearted and despondent. Before that time he was the best of fellows, with a cheery word and a pleasant smile for all. It is about twenty years ago that Mr. Holmes came to Toronto, and he has been in the employ of the Merchants' Despatch Company for about that period.

A Strange Coincidence.

Ex-Ald. Brandon stated to The World that two or three weeks ago Holmes happened to be in his (Mr. Brandon's) office and, looking over the official paper of the Royal Arcanum, saw an account of a suicide. Holmes, who was a member of the order, carrying a policy for $3000, asked Mr. Brandon if, in a case of suicide, the money would be paid over. Mr. Brandon replied that he supposed it would when it was a case of mental aberration. He thought no more about the matter, but the conversation recurred to him when he heard of the tragedy. Mr. Brandon has no idea that Holmes contemplated the deed at that time, and does not now think there was any such motive for the act, as the deceased was in comfortable circumstances.

The body was removed by Undertaker Stone, and will be taken to St. Catharines for burial to-day.

HAVE GOT TO GET OUT.

Dineens Must Move at the End of This Month.

Dineens have to be out of their present premises by the end of this month.

When a big firm that carries an immense stock has to move it entails a lot of work and expense and this is saved when the stuff is sold before moving time. Dineens have taken this into consideration and for that reason and the fact that in their new temporary premises at 86 Bay-street there will not be room for a lot of their fur stock they are selling fine goods at remarkably low prices. You know the value of furs. How are these for bargains:

Milk ruffs, $1.50, $2.50, $3.50; grey lamb, ruffs, $2.50; Alaska sable ruffs, $3, $4, $5; ladies' Persian lamb gauntlets, $3; grey lamb gauntlets, $3.25. Similar reductions in capes, coats, fur-lined wraps, sealskin and Persian lamb jackets, men's fur-lined coats, men's caps and gauntlets, fine robes, beautiful furs for children, and at the prices they are marked they are a good purchase for next year. Call and take a look at the stock in the big store, King and Yonge-streets.

Dineens are Toronto's leading hatters, and they have on hand shipments of fine hats from all the leading English and American makers. Ask to see Dineens' special.

VERY BADLY BATTERED.

Steamer Finsbury From Rotterdam Tossed by the Atlantic Waves.

Boston, March 20.—The steamer Finsbury, which arrived at this port to-day from Rotterdam, had a severe experience. She left the latter port Feb. 20 in ballast. On the first day out from port her steering gear gave way, and the vessel had to put into Plymouth for repairs. Leaving Plymouth four days later, she encountered heavy gales and fearful seas. The steering gear broke again, and the vessel wallowed for sixteen hours in the trough of the sea. The ballast tank worked loose and flooded the hold with water, and the pumps were rendered useless by sand, which also filled the engine tunnel and the bilges, and there was eight feet of water in the hold. During this trouble the wind was blowing with hurricane force. On the 12th the steamer got among a large number of icebergs, and her bow plates on both sides were stove. On the 17th the steering gear gave way again, and the feed and circulating pump broke, and the vessel again wallowed in the trough of the sea, rolling in a terrible manner before repairs could be made. She is in a badly battered condition. Several members of the crew were injured.

A Mandement Read.

Quebec, March 21.—A mandement from His Grace Archbishop Begin was read in all Catholic Churches here to-day. The document deals particularly with the coming Provincial elections, and enjoins Catholic citizens to vote only for the candidate who, according to their conscience, should be elected.

Baths, steam heated, 127 and 129 Yonge.

The Provident Savings Life Assurance Society of New York, established 1875, Edward W. Scott President. General agents wanted in the following districts: Ottawa, Brockville, Kingston, Belleville, Peterboro, Barrie, Owen Sound, Arthur, Guelph, Stratford, Berlin, London and Hamilton. Successful agents and gentlemen seeking remunerative business connections may apply to R. H. Matson, General Manager for Canada, 37 Yonge-street, Toronto. 136

BRITISH CAPITALISTS

Want to Get Control of the Yukon Country.

THEY ASK FOR A CHARTER

After the Manner of the South Africa Chartered Company.

They Say It is the Greatest Gold-Producing Area in the World—If They Cannot Secure a Charter They Want the Government to Guarantee Interest on a Million Dollars of Capital—Will Build a Railroad and Establish Steamboat Routes to Open Up the Country.

Ottawa, March 21.—(Special.)—Among the many projects which will come before the House during the coming session is a proposition from a strong combination of British capitalists to open up the Yukon. There lies, say the promoters of this plan, the greatest area of gold-producing ore in the world. What they want the Government to do is to grant them a charter to administer the country, as the Chartered Company administer the affairs of South Africa. Either that or guarantee the interest upon a million dollars of the capital necessary to open up the country by means of railway and steamship lines which will cover the whole of the Yukon country. The railway is to be through the White Pass. Once this latter distance is covered, said the promoter of the enterprise, the Yukon would be open for navigation from six to seven months, and the route would be available over the ice for the remainder of the year, and the feasibility of the route is vouched for, not only by representatives of private enterprises, but by the Government explorers. The objection has been raised that part of the proposed route would be through American territory, but to this the English capitalists make reply that many of the existing railway systems are similarly situated, and yet no difficulties ensue.

Items of Passing Interest Gathered in and Around the Busy City.

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY.

Rev. Dr. Sutherland preached missionary sermons in the First Methodist Church, St. Thomas, yesterday.

Rev. Mr. Burns conducted services at the Presbyterian Church, Stouffville, yesterday, in place of Rev. H. E. A. Reid.

Rev. Dr. Henderson conducted missionary services yesterday in the First Methodist and in the Centenary Church in Hamilton.

Mr. W. H. Holmes of Truro, N.S., author of the Short History of the British Flag, is in the city with reference to the publication of his work.

Sam Allen, 658 Gerrard-street east, was locked up Saturday night on a charge of theft. He admitted stealing a horse blanket from Butcher William Cook.

James Mara, 4 Duchess-street, was locked up Saturday night. He has been identified as one of the men who assaulted P.C. Welch on Thursday evening, in the post-office lane.

Richard O'Brien, a youth who lives in the rear of 137 Jarvis-street was locked up last night by P.C. Skelding. The constable accuses him of using filthy language in Richmond-street.

The Blow, it Near Killed Father.

New York Press.

It is reported that the father of the Hon. Mr. Gentleman James Corbett wagered his entire livery stable business on the result. If this be true, the blow almost killed father.

A CINDER PATH ON KINGSTON-ROAD

The World has been requested to open a subscription list for the funds to construct a cinder path along the Kingston-road. A great deal of local interest is being taken in the project. Between contributions for the city wheelmen and those locally interested sufficient money ought to be raised to lay down a first-class path. There are three hotels along the road and several other business concerns that would be benefited by the path. In addition to these, there is a flourishing bicycle club in East Toronto Village, and the Hunt Club, a large number of whose members are enthusiastic wheelmen and wheelwomen, is desirous of seeing the path constructed. There is no finer route in the vicinity of Toronto than along the tableland of Scarboro Heights. The only annoying feature in connection with the route is the two hills which it is necessary to climb in order to reach the summit. A good cinder path will make the ascent of these hills a comparatively easy matter, even for inexperienced riders. Once the heights of land is reached, the country is almost a dead level for miles. The lake is in sight all along the road. The view after passing Main-street, East Toronto Village, is picturesque in the extreme. Even in the hottest weather there is generally a breeze off the lake. Mr. Carnahan, druggist, corner of Main-street and Kingston-road, will receive subscriptions from local wheelmen, and citizens who desire to contribute to the fund may leave their donations at The World office. All moneys received will be acknowledged from day to day.

THE GREAT CANADIAN COW.

In cows and cheese, an' things that pay
I take considerable pride in,
I got a farm report to-day—
(I thank you, Mr. Dryden).

John knows that I am partial to
Good agricultural readin',
He sends me something fresh an' new
On butter, cows an' feedin'.

His Jersey made a ton of budder,
A wonder she must be;
And, oh, that me tongue could udder
The thoughts that arise in me.

When I read that his Holstein's churning
No pencil or pen could compute,
An' now I am anxiously yearning
To gaze on that noble brute.

But where's the Canadian cow?
The one with the crumpled horn,
That filled the bucket up to the brow
Before John Dryden was born?

She lived on the lee of a stack,
That best and toughest of cows;
Three inches of snow on her back,
Her belly half filled up with brouse.

She followed the choppers all night,
To feed on the twig an' the bud,
Orf slept on a brush pile at night,
Alone with her conscience an' cud.

She furnished the sugar an' tea,
She furnished the school books an' shoes;
She furnished the buttermilk free
That fattened the pig—you'll excuse

The fact that I mention it here;
Most of you all have been there.
The terrible store bill, I fear,
Was left to her sensible care.

She never was handsome an' fat,
Er purty to look at, I trow;
I don't give a nickel for that,
God bless the Canadian cow!

Your Holsteins may make a great flutter,
The Jerseys are in the swim now,
But they never can milk or make butter
With our homely Canadian cow!

—The Farmer's Man.

Rushdale Farm.

Is Wasn't Alex

The theatre crowd on a south-bound Yonge-street car on Saturday evening had some fun. The car was crowded, and a young man entered with his best girl at Gould street. The lady secured a seat, and the young man shared a strap with another fellow. Behind him were two young ladies, one of whom said in a low tone to her companion, "Why, there's Alex." "Wait a minute," said the other, as she took a little emblem pin from the lapel of her jacket, "I'll just prick him slightly with this, for fun." The car was slowing up at Shuter-street, and stopped with a sudden jerk, and at the same moment the young lady was carrying out her bright idea. There was a blood-curdling yell, such as could only emanate from a man who had been stabbed. The young man leaped fully from his ground, and then there were two shrill screams.

It wasn't Alex!

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BIRTHS.

CHURCH—At Toronto, Saturday, March 20, the wife of S. T. Church, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

CASTON — BOWRON — At All Saints' Church, Toronto, on March 20, by the Rev. A. H. Baldwin, chaplain of the regiment, Capt. T. A. Caston of the Royal Grenadiers to Mary, daughter of the late Thomas Addison Bowron, Barnard Castle, England.

DEATHS

HOLMES—On Saturday, March 20, Charles E. Holmes, manager Merchants' Despatch Company, in his 49th year.

Funeral private, this afternoon from 37 D'Arcy-street, to Union Station, thence to St. Catharines.

MAINS—At 34 Tecumseth-street, on Sunday, March 21, 1897, Isabella Andrews, wife of Archibald M. Mains, in her 27th year.

Funeral from the above address Tuesday, the 23rd inst., at 2 p.m. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.

PHILLIPS—At the residence of his brother-in-law, William Martin, 34 Beaconsfield-avenue, on March 20, Nathaniel H. Phillips, in his 27th year.

Funeral from above address to-day at 3 p.m. Please accept this intimation.

ROWE—On Saturday, March 20, at his late residence, 202 Bathurst-street, George Oke Rowe.

Funeral from above address Monday, March 22, at 2 p.m.

ROBINETTE—On Saturday, March 20, at 398 Huron-street, Minnie Robinette.

Funeral to Mount Pleasant at 3 o'clock Tuesday.

ST. DENIS—At 283 Queen-street east, Andrew St. Denis, aged 7, March 20.

Funeral from above address March 22. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

WILCOX—On March 20, at his daughter's residence, 1308 Queen-street west, Abraham Wilcox, market gardener, Fairbank, aged 77 years.

Funeral on Monday at 2 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

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SIR DONALD SMITH'S VIEWS

In Regard to the Proposed Fast Line for the Atlantic.

The High Commissioner is Dead Against Mr. Bobell's Proposals, and Says the Boats Should Equal the Fastest and Best Running From New York — How Defaulters in Railway Circles Damage the Credit of Canada—Other Topics in Which the People of this Country Are Interested.

Montreal, March 21.—(Special.)—The World had a second conversation with Sir Donald Smith, when the Canadian High Commissioner touched upon other subjects of considerable importance to the Dominion. In the first place, Sir Donald is dead against the Dobell slow line. Here is the statement he made to the correspondent:

"The people in Britain are still talking about a fast line of steamers between Canada and the Mother Land, and they are also hoping that it will in the near future become an accomplished fact. I should be very sorry to believe," continued Sir Donald, "that the Canadian Government would not subsidize such a line, and I really think they will. As for the class of boats to be brought into the service, there can be no question as to the necessity of securing as fast as the fastest boats that sail out of New York. It would be very unwise to attempt anything else, for, with such a line as this the European passenger travel from the Northwestern States would come via Canada."

CANADIAN CREDIT.

The High Commissioner also referred to the damage done Canadian enterprises by the defaulting of certain railways, and said that he knew of one family alone that had invested £70,000 in one of these roads, which would default as soon as the ten years' Government guarantee had expired; while another gentleman had no less than £100,000 placed in a Canadian enterprise that had not been completed. All this, he added, was of a nature to discredit Canadian railway schemes, for people put their money in these enterprises, believing that the Government would not have guaranteed their bonds had they not been promising undertakings.

THE RHODES ENQUIRY.

Sir Donald was then asked if he had followed the Rhodes examination before the Parliamentary Committee, and he spoke as follows:

"I was interested, like all others, in this case. Cecil Rhodes is a very able man, and I think the impression prevails that he has held his own. Without losing sight of his own interests, I think it has been made pretty clear that Mr. Rhodes has had the interests of the Empire well in view, and you know this is a virtue that covers a multitude of sins in the minds of Englishmen."

THE U. S. TARIFF.

Sir Donald Smith is disappointed in the extreme protectionist tendency of the new American tariff. He had supposed that some attention would have been paid by the dominant party of the Republic to the fact that many gold Democrats supported Major McKinley in the recent Presidential contest, but as all this has been ignored and extreme protection has been resorted to the High Commissioner opines that Canada will have to act accordingly.

PREFERENTIAL TRADE.

As to the progress preferential trade is making in England, Sir Donald says that there are a few eminent men who are very persistent in its advocacy, but the results obtained do not seem very considerable. "You will observe," he said, "that both parties in Britain are wedded to free trade, and they appear to shut their eyes to any possible benefit that might accrue to the nation or to the colonies by the adoption of a fair trade or preferential system."

THE JUBILEE.

With regard to the celebration of the Queen's Jubilee and the participation of Canada in this great Imperial function, Sir Donald Smith speaks most approvingly of the idea of sending over a detachment of the Canadian Northwest Mounted Police, as he considers them a very fine body of men, and one that would, no doubt, reflect credit upon the Dominion.

THE SHORT LINE.

Returning to the question of short lines and rapid transit, the High Commissioner is not of the opinion that the road across Newfoundland, from St. John's to Port au Basque will ever become a link in the short line from Canada to Europe, his opinion being that Quebec and Halifax are the two ports for the fast line.

PERSONAL MATTERS.

In speaking of Canadian friends in London, Sir Donald states that Baroness Macdonald of Earnscliffe is in good health, and that she left England a short time since for San Remo.

Lady Smith has not been well and was consequently unable to accompany the High Commissioner to Canada.

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Paris Record.

It's dinner pails that make a town.

Windy Weather.

PROBS: Strong winds or gales easterly, shifting to westerly, with occasional rain, followed by clearing and higher temperature by night.

Steamship Movements.

March 20	At.	From.
Circassia	New York	Glasgow
Campania	New York	Liverpool
Kaiser Wilhelm II.	New York	Genoa
Weimar	New York	Bremen
Rosebud	Pernambuco	St. John's
Austrian	Glasgow	Halifax
St. Paul	New York	Southamt'n
Barcelona	Liverpool	Halifax
Werra	New York	Bremen
Pomeranian	Glasgow	New York
March 21.	At.	From.
Scotsman	Halifax	Liverpool
Halifax City	Halifax	London
Aurania	Queenstown	New York
La Bretagne	Havre	New York
Ethiopia	Morville	New York

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