

## ALL DEPENDS ON THE STEAMSHIP COMPANY

Inspector Sanders Speaks of the Englishmen's Old Home Scheme.

At the next meeting of St. George's Society, which will be held on Thursday, Dec. 16, it is likely that the excursion to England next summer, which was spoken of some months ago in The Advertiser, will be discussed.

"The Englishmen of the city would enthusiastically support an excursion to England, provided the steamship company would offer any kind of a satisfactory rate," said Mr. Joseph Sanders, president of St. George's Society, to The Advertiser today. "The matter has been laid over as far as St. George's is concerned, pending some information from the steamship companies regarding a rate."

"The Sons of England all over Canada would go to England in large numbers if a good rate is offered," said President Sanders. "As far as we are concerned, we cannot do anything definite until we get some information about the rate. Mr. Robert Verity, of Toronto, has gone to England to take the matter up with the steamship companies, and when he returns the project will be decided one way or the other. But if you do not wonder there will be a large crowd go back."

## BRUTAL WIFE BEATER

This One Given Sixty Days' Hard Labor in Jail.

Toronto, Dec. 3.—Arthur Stevens, a young married man, who, during his matrimonial experience has positively refused to work or provide the necessities of life for his wife, appeared in the police court this morning charged by the woman with aggravated assault. Mrs. Stevens said her husband struck her on the mouth last night and knocked out several teeth. Stevens pleaded guilty, and was committed to jail for sixty days with hard labor. After that time if you do not want to be bothered with him," concluded the magistrate, addressing Mrs. Stevens, "come and let me know."

## LE GALLIENNE'S DEFI

Post Watson Says He Would Sooner Walk Than Box.

New York, Dec. 3.—A walking match instead of a boxing contest as a means of settling the controversy between himself and Richard Le Gallienne, was suggested by William Watson, the English poet, when he arrived here today from England on the Lusitania.

A recent poem by Mr. Watson assumed by some to be a satire on a prominent English woman, married to Le Gallienne's wife to verse writing in reply, and prompted him to forward Mr. Watson a challenge for a meeting preferably in the round, in connection with the case, said that if the actors concerned had been brought before him he would have taken care they were put where they belonged and would have been long delayed. The offence complained of took place some two weeks ago in a week-end performance. The act had been previously approved by the police court. Some clerical men heard complaints of the show later and with others dropped in to watch it with the above result.

## GAVE IMMORAL SHOW

Manager of a Toronto Theatre Fined Over Indecent Performance.

Toronto, Dec. 3.—F. W. Starr, manager and proprietor of the Star Theatre, was fined \$10 and costs in this morning's police court for allowing an immoral show to be given in his theatre. Colonel Denison, in commenting upon the case, said that if the actors concerned had been brought before him he would have taken care they were put where they belonged and would have been long delayed. The offence complained of took place some two weeks ago in a week-end performance. The act had been previously approved by the police court. Some clerical men heard complaints of the show later and with others dropped in to watch it with the above result.

## GAS BUOY REMOVED.

Leamington, Dec. 3.—The acetylene gas buoy maintained by the Canadian Government during the season at Grubb's Reef, Lake Erie, has been removed and replaced by a spar buoy carrying two white lights. This spar will remain until the close of navigation.

## HELD FOR INQUIRY.

Kingston, Dec. 3.—The police are holding Andrew Johnson, aged 27 years, while inquiry is made as to his relationship with several foul assault on young girls. Johnson is said to have attacked a girl last night. The girl gave the alarm and Johnson was run down.

## SECRET WORKER

The Plan Upon Which Coffees Operates.

Coffee is such a secret worker that it is not suspected as the cause of sickness or disease, but there is a very sure way to find out the truth.

A lady out in Memphis gives an interesting experience her husband had with coffee. It seems that he had been using it for some time and was an invalid.

The physician in charge shrewdly suspected that coffee was the worm at the root of the tree, and ordered it discontinued, with instructions to use Postum regularly in its place.

The wife says: "We found that was the true remedy, and we would have gladly paid a hundred times the amount of the doctor's charge when we found how wise his judgment was."

"The use of Postum instead of coffee was begun about a year ago, and it has made my husband a strong, well man. He has gained 35 pounds in that time, and his stomach and heart troubles have all disappeared."

"The first time I prepared it I did not boil it long enough, and he said there was something strong with it. Sure enough it did taste very flat, but the next morning I followed directions carefully, boiling it for fifteen minutes, and he remarked, 'This is better than any of the old coffee.'"

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## PERSONAL PUNISHMENT FOR PRES. ZELAYA

U. S. Not Likely to Permit Him to Escape From Central America.

Washington, Dec. 3.—There was no change in the Nicaraguan situation today. The state department had no dispatches on the subject, and continued its course of complete reticence as to what course the United States will pursue in dealing with the existing situation. It is evident, however, that officers of the department are awaiting further developments before announcing their course of procedure.

The navy department has taken steps to protect American interests in case of any eventuality. Within the next few days the naval forces of the United States will be able to land a force of about 1,500 men on either coast of Nicaragua, on short notice, if for any reason American interests are placed in jeopardy.

The state department is anxious to eliminate Zelaya from Central America, and there is some question in the mind of officials here as to whether he would be interfered with if he desired to leave Central America. On the other hand, the United States is anxious to punish personally those responsible for the maltreatment of the two Americans, Leroy Cannon and Leonard Groce, before their execution, and if the identity of the persons responsible should place the blame upon President Zelaya, an effort probably would be made to punish him.

The office of the department declines to comment on the future action of the United States in dealing with Zelaya.

Senator Felix Rodriguez, the charge d'affaires of Nicaragua, who received his passports from Secretary Knox on Wednesday night, refused today to discuss Secretary Knox's note or to make any comment on the general situation in Nicaragua. Whether he will remain in this country, he added, depended largely on the instructions he receives from President Zelaya.

## MORGAN'S PLAN

Wall Street Believes Equitable Is To Be Mutualized.

New York, Dec. 3.—The purchase of the majority of the stock of the Equitable Life Assurance Society by J. Pierpont Morgan—a move of vast importance to the financial world because involving the financial nearly half a billion dollars of assets and the domination of two large trust companies—is believed in Wall Street today to foreshadow a still more important move, the mutualization of the Equitable.

Judge Morgan J. O'Brien, one of the Equitable trustees, declared that the present system whereby the stockholders and policyholders joined in the election of directors, was not desirable, as the responsibility of control could not now be fixed on either the stockholders or policyholders.

"I am sure that the mutualization of the company would be to its interest," said he.

William A. Hitchcock, state superintendent of insurance, said today that the complete mutualization of the Equitable has been the subject of consideration for some months.

Paul Morton, president of the society, issued a statement this afternoon, in which he said, "As nearly as it could be done Mr. Ryan gave to the society mutualization, under which arrangement the policyholders now elect a majority of the directors, with a representation on the board being 25, of a total of 52. Under Mr. Morgan's ownership of the majority stocks its affairs will be conducted as heretofore by the board of directors with an eye single to the interests of its policyholders."

## CAN'T UNDERSTAND OSLER

Rev. Logan Geggie Replies to Lawyer's Statement on Gambling.

Toronto, Dec. 3.—"Mr. Osler's knowledge of life must be very limited if he does not know of more people ruined by horse racing than by the stock market. I cannot understand his statements."

Such is the comment today of Rev. A. Logan Geggie on the remarks made by Mr. Osler during the debate on Mr. H. H. Miller's gambling bill in the House yesterday. Mr. Geggie thinks Mr. Osler has misrepresented the conditions of the country.

"Any way," says Mr. Geggie, "if the exchange is running people that is no reason why legislation should not be made against the racket. Legislate against them both if necessary. But don't think as many have been harmed by the market as by the racket."

"We can prove every statement we make in that resolution," affirmed Rev. Shearer, secretary of the Presbyterian committee of moral and social reforms. And we will, too, when the proper time comes," he continued. "I don't know where Mr. Osler has been, if he does not know of people living in the condition which that report told of."

"That's all wrong about the football game bringing as much gambling as the races," he continued. "The bill doesn't deal with that at all. It is the business of gambling that it attacks, not gambling per se. There is none of this business side at the football game. No one is making money out of this sport, and baseball and lacrosse are popular. They are attended by throngs. Why shouldn't the races get on without the business of gambling?"

## PRIED OPEN FARE BOXES

A Montreal Conductor and Motorman Placed Under Arrest.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 3.—A mysterious and systematic robbery of the street railway fare boxes in transit from the outlying stations to the head office, going on for some time, and the matter was put in the hands of the police.

Thief detectives, Louis Stevens and Miles Damlacourt, the conductor and motorman of the special car which collected the fare boxes, were placed under arrest last night, and it is charged they are the men who got the money. The detectives state they pried open the tops of the boxes with some instrument in such a way that after the money was abstracted the top would spring back into place and leave no indication that the boxes had been tampered with.

## FINED \$150.

Cremore, Dec. 3.—Magistrate Macleod fined a hotelkeeper named Leonard \$150 and costs for keeping liquor, this being a local option town. Richard Cherry, of the Trew House, was fined \$20 and costs for keeping liquor for sale. Solomon Mills also was fined \$15 for purchasing liquor while on the prohibited list.

## HYDRO POWER RIGHTS ON PRIVATE LANDS

Master-in-Chambers Strikes Out Five Paragraphs of Mrs. Felker's Reply

Toronto, Dec. 4.—Mrs. Louise Jane Felker, who is suing the F. H. McGuigan Construction Company and two sub-contractors, for trespass in connection with the erection of the hydro-electric transmission lines, replied to the defendants' plea of justification, and today the master in chambers struck out five paragraphs of Mrs. Felker's reply as irrelevant, and not an answer to the defence.

The defendants, in moving to strike out the paragraphs, maintained that the reply involved the hydro-electric commission and the Ontario Power Company, whereas the commission and the Ontario Power Company were not parties to Mrs. Felker's action.

"It is quite plain," says the master, "that these five paragraphs seek to raise an interesting and important question as to the Province of Ontario's rights over the waters of the Niagara River, and the test of the present motion is whether they are relevant to the present action, i.e., whether they furnish an answer to the grounds of defence and justification of the defendants, or in any way constitute a part of the plaintiff's cause of action."

Mrs. Felker, in the paragraphs struck out by the master, alleges, among other things, that the commission contracted to take power from the Ontario Power Company, etc., and that the commission has assumed to authorize the trespass on Mrs. Felker's land.

## BATH TUB MURDER IS FURTHER CLOUDED

Police Find Fourth Will of Woman Supposed Murdered For Her Insurance.

New York, Dec. 3.—A package of papers, which a woman left sealed and identified in F. O. Collins' drug store at 161 Third Avenue, last night, when he decided to turn it over to headquarters of the detective bureau, where it was found to contain letters, memoranda and business papers, which evidently were the property of Mrs. Ociey W. M. Sneed, the young woman who was found dead in a bathtub in an unfurnished house in East Orange on Monday, and of her aunt, Miss Virginia Wardlaw, who is now awaiting a hearing in the New York court of the charge of first degree murder for the death of Mrs. Sneed.

The contents of this package served but to cloud still further the efforts that are being made to penetrate into the unusual secrets of the lives of Mrs. Sneed, the dead woman, and the three elderly women, her relatives, with whom she had been living for some time before her death. Among the papers was a skeleton draft of a will, the fourth will of Mrs. Sneed, which has come to light during the investigation following her death. Besides this there is a letter, presumed to be in the hands of Miss Virginia Wardlaw, letters and memoranda tending to show that all of the three elderly women who had been the close attendants upon Mrs. Sneed during her long illness were obsessed with the idea of insurance as an investment.

Statements made today by officers of the New York Life Insurance Company, coupled with those of others who had come into more or less intimate relations with Mrs. Sneed and the relatives who took care of her, showed that either unwittingly or through design the elderly women were given to the practice of playing a very dangerous game.

Miss Wardlaw will have a preliminary hearing in Newark Monday. Papers found in the package taken to Collins' drug store indicated that Mrs. Sneed carried life risks with the Equitable to the amount of \$29,000.

## A COMMERCIAL COURT FOR BUSINESS CASES

Hamilton Board of Trade Out With a Novel Proposal.

Hamilton, Dec. 3.—That cases relating to trade and combinations be taken out of the hands of the court and tried by a court of commercial men, is in effect, the substance of a resolution passed by the Hamilton board of trade yesterday afternoon. The council was of the opinion that the statutes affecting trades combinations might be amended so that business men and it proposed that a tribunal of business men should deal with all cases, as a protection to the public and manufacturers and merchants.

## ZELAYA NO TYRANT

His Agent Says That He Is a Kind, Good-Hearted Man.

Berlin, Dec. 3.—The Government of Nicaragua is represented here by Consul-General J. P. W. Pein, who in an interview today, minimized the impression which the dispatches from Washington might create as to the acts of President Zelaya.

The consul-general said that Zelaya is not a tyrant, but on the contrary a humane, good-hearted man who is striving to maintain order in his country.

"If as it appears, Grace and Cannon were insurgents seeking to blow up a government vessel," says Pein, "then martial law came properly into action against them."

He declares that he is informed from Nicaraguan sources that General Estrada, the insurgent leader, had been a friend of Zelaya, and by the latter trusted with the governorship of the Atlantic coast province; and moreover, that he used his official position to foment a revolution. Mr. Pein attributes no significance to the fact that the Nicaraguan charge d'affaires at Washington has been given his passport, as he says that the charge had been replaced and was about to leave the United States when the incident occurred.

## MR. HANNA TO RUN.

Windsor, Dec. 3.—Upon the solicitation of a deputation of local businessmen J. W. Hanna intends to be a candidate for the Windsor mayoralty at the municipal elections in January. Mr. Hanna is a leading lawyer, and a former member of the city council. He was the Conservative candidate for the House of Commons in North Essex five years ago, and although defeated in the county he succeeded in getting a majority over Hon. R. P. Sutherland in this city.

## OLD LAND POLLING TAKES MANY DAYS

System Followed in the English General Elections Very Different From Canada's.

London, Dec. 3.—A general election takes place after Parliament has been dissolved by proclamation under the Great Seal. Sometimes dissolution takes the country by surprise. On Jan. 23, 1874, Mr. Gladstone suddenly made up his mind to dissolve Parliament, and the public were startled next morning, when they read the news.

When Parliament is dissolved, the writs for the election of a new Parliament are issued, under authority of the privy council, and by warrant of the lord high chancellor for English and Scotch elections, and of the lord chancellor of Ireland for Irish elections. The writs are addressed to the returning officers of the constituencies. When the returning officers receive the writs they forward them to the date of the day on which the election is to be held, and to give any fee or reward for the duties he has personally to perform, or for any personal assistance he may require in boroughs, public notice of the receipt of the writ must be given on the day the writ is received—in counties, within two days of its receipt; in boroughs, other than district boroughs, the date of the nomination of candidates must be fixed not later than the fourth day after receipt of the writ, and there must be two clear days between the day of notice and the day of nomination.

In counties and district boroughs the nominations must be fixed not later than the ninth day after receipt of the writ, and there must be three clear days between day of notice and day of nomination.

When there are more candidates than there are members to be returned, a poll becomes necessary. The interval between the nominations and the polling must not exceed three clear days in boroughs in counties, or more than six clear days. For Orkney, the interval must be not less than ten nor more than fourteen days.

As the United Kingdom has not a one-day poll, with the result known the same night or next morning, but the election is spread over ten days or two weeks, the result of the elections of the first day or two has usually a large influence on the remaining contests. First come the reports of the English and Scotch boroughs, next the uncontested Irish and Scotch boroughs, then the contested English boroughs, followed by the contested Irish and Scotch boroughs, or the uncontested English counties, and so it drags its slow length along until, a week or so after every other constituency has given its verdict, the result of the election is reached. At every general election the peers of Scotland meet in Edinburgh and choose sixteen of their number to represent them in the coming Parliament. The Irish peers do not meet for such a purpose. At the union in 1801 they choose 28 representatives for life, and they meet only when one of their representatives dies, and then only for the purpose of choosing a successor. Lord Curzon of Kedleston is an Irish representative peer.

## TRAINMEN REFUSE TO BACK SWITCHMEN

Will Not Give Support to Present Strike in American Northwest.

Cleveland, Dec. 3.—Officers at the headquarters of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen here say that their organization will not support the Switchmen's Union in its strike in the northwest.

"We are not interested in the Switchmen's Union," said T. J. King, grand secretary of the brotherhood. "The situation in reference to our own contracts is occupying our time. We expect to fulfill our contracts with the Switchmen's Union conflict with our contracts, the Hawley organization will have to suffer."

President W. G. Lee, of the brotherhood, is now in Chicago, and in his absence the other officials declined to comment on the report that the brotherhood, which numbers more than 100,000 members, will employ its influence in the breaking of the Switchmen's Union strike.

Officials of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, whose national headquarters are in this city, decline to comment upon the position of their order toward the strikers.

## LOCAL OPTION MEETING

Temperance People of Westminster Heard Addresses on Wednesday.

An enthusiastic temperance meeting was held at the Westminster Methodist Church on Wednesday evening, Dec. 1. May R. Thornley, of London, gave a fine address on the Value of Prayer Life, and then showed how necessary it is in a temperance campaign. Rev. W. A. Durand, of London, followed with a strong, stirring, interesting address, giving figures showing that the liquor traffic is one of the worst evils of the age. Prohibition means the bettering of the people. Mr. Black, of Melbourne, then spoke of his personal experience of the traffic and the change brought about by cutting out its influence over life, and showed that where local option was in force the moral tendency of the people was for the better and that men were really helped financially where local option prevailed. The music furnished by the choir and the Hunt Quartette was much enjoyed.

## MISS RAYMOND RESIGNS

Adelaide Street Choir Very Sorry to Lose Her Valuable Services.

Miss Minnie Raymond, who has been organist for the choir of the Adelaide Street Church, has tendered her resignation, to be effective as soon as possible. At a recent meeting of the deacons of the church her resignation was accepted, and she was given the most cordial and the strongest terms of appreciation for her excellent work during her service with the church was sent her by the deacons. Her successor has not been appointed.

## CUTTING OUT CHATHAM.

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Ladies' Gold Rings, 10-k, \$2.00, sale price \$1.50	Ladies' Diamond Rings (single), \$8.50, sale price \$6.40
Ladies' Gold Signet Rings, 10-k, \$2.00, sale price \$1.50	Ladies' Diamond Rings (3-stone), \$36, sale price \$27.00
Gents' Gold Signet Rings, 10-k, \$3.00, sale price \$2.25	Ladies' Diamond Rings (5-stone), \$48, sale price \$36.00
Gents' Gold Signet Rings (good weight) \$4.00, sale price \$3.00	Ladies' Diamond and Opal Cluster Rings, \$28.00, for \$21.00
Gents' Gold Signet Rings (very heavy) \$5.00, sale price \$3.75	Ladies' Ring, with 6 Diamonds and Ruby, \$24.00, for \$18.00
Ladies' Single Stone Gold Rings, \$1.50, sale price \$1.15	Ladies' Ring, with 1 Diamond and 2 Rubies, \$18.00, for \$13.50
Ladies' Single Stone Gold Rings, \$2, sale price \$1.50	
Ladies' Pearl Rings (single), \$3.00, sale price \$2.60	

## THOS. GILLEAN 402 RICHMOND STREET

## THE FENIAN VETERANS ASK FOR LAND GRANT

They Want the Same Treatment Accorded the South African Warriors.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Dec. 3.—A hundred and fifty Fenian veterans at noon today met Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir Frederick Borden, Hon. Sydney Fisher and Hon. L. B. Brodeur, and pressed the Government for recognition by way of a land grant. The delegation was a very representative one, coming from Montreal, Toronto, and various Ontario and Quebec points.

The delegation was introduced by Mr. Frederick Martin, M. P. (St. Mary's) Montreal.

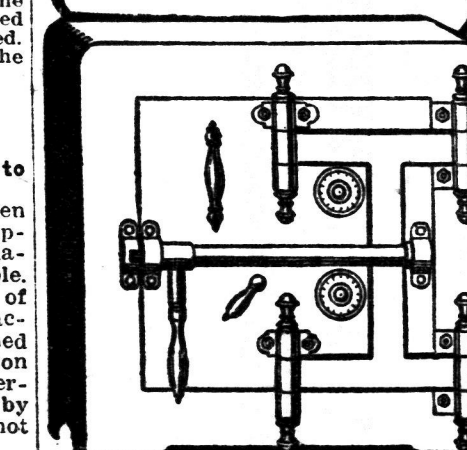
Mr. E. B. Johnson, of L'Orignal, the first speaker, urged that the Fenian veterans be given the same treatment which had been accorded to the South African warriors. He said they did not want script to sell, but the land to settle upon.

E. C. A. Paterson, of Montreal, said he represented 500 veterans. However, he thought that a pension would be more acceptable to the veterans than a land grant.

A. E. Whelan, Toronto, favored a pension, and thought the Government could provide this by setting aside a tract of land in the west and settling it.

Mr. Henderson, of Rockland, said that for years he and his neighbors had drilled and kept ready for the Fenians. All they had got for it was

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\$8. He thought it time they got der the consideration of the Government, and if anything could be done for the veterans no one would be more happy than himself.

Mr. Dick, of St. Catharines, declared the Fenian veterans should be recognized before a dollar was spent for a Canadian navy.

W. O. Seeley said he believed that if the veterans could agree to take a land grant with the provision that they or their children would settle on it, they would get it immediately.

Geoffrey Toezen, speaking in French: Frederick Hamilton and J. J. Wiley, of Montreal, urged Government aid. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, after a sympathetic speech, said that the question was un-

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES BURNS, ETC.