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IS THE CRUEL WAR OVER?

KING MILAN THINKS IT IS AND RETURNS TO BELGRADE.

Prince Alexander, However, Declines to Entertain Terms of Peace and Demands an Indemnity from Servia.

CATTARO, Nov. 25.—Austria is concentrating troops in Herzegovina. One regiment from Lower Austria and one from Upper Austria and one from Hungary have gone to Bosnia via Slavonia. The whole force is to form a military cordon on the frontier of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The Montegrin Official Gazette to-day hints that if Prince Alexander attempts to execute his alleged threat to annihilate the Servians Montenegro will not remain an indifferent spectator.

Bombardment of Widdin.

VIENNA, Nov. 25.—The Servians bombarded Widdin the whole night long, and at 6 o'clock this morning, after being strongly reinforced, they attempted to carry the city by an assault, but were repulsed after three hours' sanguinary fighting.

A Cloudy Horizon.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 25.—The porte fears that Austrian occupation of Servia in the event of a revolution in that country will lead to Russian action in Bulgaria. The fact that Russia is massing a large force in Bessarabia, and that Austria is making the same war preparations in Bosnia, causes the utmost anxiety in diplomatic circles in this city, and it is believed that Prince Alexander will now decline to relinquish control of Easter Roumelia. Consequently a pacific solution of the Balkan question is increasingly difficult. The porte is negotiating with Baron Hirsch for a loan of $5,000,000.

No Peace for Him.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—A despatch from Sofia this afternoon says King Milan sent a message under a flag of truce to the Bulgarian advanced lines proposing peace at the request of the powers. The Bulgarian commander sent the messenger to Prince Alexander. The latter declined to accept the proposition on the ground that Bulgaria had not received such a request from the powers. Prince Alexander refuses to consider a peace proposal until the Servians have evacuated the Widdin district and the amount of war indemnity payable by Servia to Bulgaria has been fixed.

Is King Milan Mistaken?

BELGRADE, Nov. 25.—King Milan has returned to this city. The war is considered to be over. The order summoning the landsturan for active service has been countermanded.

VICE-PRES. HENDRICKS DEAD.

Taken Ill on Tuesday Evening, he Dies on Wednesday Morning.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 25.—About 5 o'clock this afternoon Vice-President Thomas A. Hendricks died at his residence here. He came home from Chicago early in the week and complained of feeling unwell, but nothing serious was thought of it at the time. Last night he and Mrs. Hendricks attended a reception at the residence of Hon. John J. Cooper, and after he came home he complained of pains in his side and stomach. This morning he was no better and his family physician, Dr. Thompson, was called in. He gave him an emetic and later in the day an injection. Mr. Hendricks stayed in his room all day and most of the time in bed. Although he sat up at frequent intervals, he received no callers. Shortly before 5 o'clock Mrs. Hendricks left his bedside to see a caller for a few minutes in the parlor. She was delayed longer than she expected and when she returned to the room she found that Mr. Hendricks was dead. The end of a busy and eventful life had come peaceably and quietly. On his face there was no indication of pain or suffering, and his eyes were only half-closed, as if in gentle sleep. He died of paralysis of the brain.

[Thomas Andrews Hendricks was born in Muskingum county, O., Sept. 7, 1819. He was a lawyer by profession, having been admitted to the bar in 1843, and practised at Indianapolis, Ind. He was elected to the state legislature in 1845. From 1851 to 1855 he represented the Indianapolis district in congress. From 1863 to 1869 he was a member of the United States senate. After two defeats he was elected governor of Indiana in 1872. In 1876 he was candidate for vice-president, Mr. Tilden being the candidate for president. He was elected vice-president last year.]

The President's Sympathy.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—The cabinet meeting to-night was attended by all the members except Secretary Manning and Attorney-General Garland. It was decided that the president and members of the cabinet should attend the funeral of the vice-president. When the cabinet adjourned the president issued an address to the people of the United States announcing the demise of his distinguished colleague and eulogizing his public services. The secretary of the senate has been asked to take immediate steps in conjunction with the clerk of the house of representatives to secure a proper representation of congress at the funeral of deceased. The president sent a message of sympathy to Mrs. Hendricks.

A National Policy for France.

PARIS, Nov. 25.—With reference to the proposed bill to prevent the government from accepting foreign goods and provisions for the army, the cabinet has agreed that contractors shall be left free to purchase wherever they like, but has decided in favor of a parliamentary discussion of the subject of making purchases of French grain compulsory.

Earthquake in Central America.

PANAMA, Nov. 25.—The revolution in Nicaragua is ended. At Leon, Nicaragua, there was a very severe earthquake on the 11th ult. Great damage was done to property and several lives were lost. One church was demolished and the cathedral sustained very serious injury.

Superior quality heavy All Pure Wool White Blankets $3.50 to $7.00 per pair at Petleys'.

CABLE NOTES.

A meeting of socialists at Amsterdam ended in a riot.

A cabinet crisis is anticipated by the newspapers in Paris on the Tonquin and Madagascar credit question.

Two hundred Bulgarians killed and 2000 wounded was the record of Prince Alexander's losses up to Monday. Sixty-four Servian officers have been killed.

A man named Tobin, a caretaker on a farm from which the tenants had been evicted, has been murdered at Araglin, county Cork.

The Nationalist convention of South Louth unanimously rejected Philip Callan as a candidate for parliament. Nolan and Gill were selected. The fight at the polls will be a bitter one.

The German government says that socialist doctrines are spreading in the country in spite of efforts to suppress them. This fact is attributed to foreign agitators. Of 5000 copies of Freiheit published in America less than 10 per cent. is circulated this side of the Atlantic.

An exciting scene is expected in the German reichstag when the socialists bring forward their counter proposal to the conservatives scheme respecting the term of parliaments. The conservatives recently introduced a proposal for holding quinquennial parliaments and the socialists now propose two-year sessions.

FOUR CHILDREN KILLED.

Collapse of a Condemned Building at Jersey City.

JERSEY CITY, Nov. 25.—The four story frame structure No. 44 Morris street, with the adjoining machine shop, a two story rookery, fell this morning at 11.15, and buried in the debris at least half a dozen persons. The four story building was condemned several months ago. It was unoccupied. Boys and girls were engaged in tearing the structure down when it fell. Henry Schensky, aged 8 years, was killed outright. Maggie Smith, aged 7 years, had several ribs broken. Stephen W. Allen, aged 6, has died. An unknown woman is believed to be beneath the wreck. George Hall, aged 7, was taken out alive with his scalp torn off. He will recover. The full list of casualties is as follows:

Killed: Maggie K. Smith, aged 7, of No. 59 Morris street; Mary Ann Schensky, aged 12, of 79 Morris street; Deitrich Preigge, aged 7, of 76 Morris street; Stephen Polauski, aged 6, 59 Morris street.

Injured: Mrs. Mary McKenna, aged 40, bruised about the head and body, taken home; Geo. Hall, aged 7, scalp torn off and body bruised, he was dug out of the ruins about an hour after the fall of the building and was removed to the hospital; Bernard Hopkins, aged 58, scalp wounds and severe bruises, removed to his home; Edward Larkins, aged 5, crawled out of the ruins painfully bruised. Several other children are reported to have been struck by flying timbers.

Inspector of Police Large made a complaint this afternoon before a police justice charging Thomas Mitchell, owner of the fallen building, with manslaughter. A warrant was issued for his arrest. All efforts to ascertain Mitchell's whereabouts proved unsuccessful. It is believed he will remain in hiding until after the excitement has subsided. The fall of the buildings was caused by a girl who was among those gathering up fire wood cutting a prop that supported one corner of the house.

MARSHALL PIGGOTT'S MURDER.

Testimony of the Mother of the Dead Man.

ST. THOMAS, Ont., Nov. 25.—At the second day's proceedings in the trial of Havelock Smith for the murder of Marshall Piggott, Edward Piggott corroborated the evidence of Charles Buck as to the finding of the coat, hat and vest in the lake, near Smith's gully. Jane Piggott, mother of Marshall Piggott, testified to having heard that a body had been washed ashore at Long Point. "I went there," she said, "and saw it after the inquest. I recognized the body as the remains of Marshall Piggott by a peculiar tooth, which was smaller than the others. Two of the back teeth were also missing, and the bottom teeth uneven. There was also a wound on the back of the right hand. The pants produced are the same pattern as those Marshall wore. The socks produced, found on the body, were made by me. On Nov. 18, 1884, prisoner came to my house and said Marshall had gone to Detroit. I said he had no friends there. Prisoner said Marshall had got into a scrape and being afraid of being arrested had left the country. Prisoner took the note produced out of his pocket and said Marshall came to him and asked him to advance $15 and that he had given Marshall $12.50. Smith said he had given the money to Marshall at the Mansion house, Aylmer. After that he went to the Central hotel, and when he returned Marshall had disappeared, and he had not seen him since. I kept the note. Prisoner afterwards came after the note, and said if he did not get it it would ruin him.

SIMMONS MUST HANG.

The Court Decided So and the Government Confirms the Decision.

OTTAWA, Nov. 25.—Mr. Meredith, Q.C., and Mr. Duncan McMillan, M. P., with a deputation from London arrived in the city to-day to interview the government on behalf of the man Simmons, sentenced to death for stabbing Mary Ann Stokes. The plea set up for clemency was that Simmons had been drinking when he committed the deed. It is understood that the government refused to interfere and consequently the sentence of the court will be carried out.

Hog Cholera Disappearing.

LONDON, Ont., Nov. 25.—Dr. Wilson, the V. S. who is looking after the hog cholera epidemic in the western counties, says he is expecting every day to receive a notice commanding him to release a number of farms now in quarantine. The disease is rapidly diminishing and he thinks that inside of a few months it will cease to exist.

Worth Remembering.

Freckles are said to yield to equal parts of lactic acid and glycerine, frequently applied. Probably it is effectual, as the same mixture dissolves diphtheritic false membranes. They may also be removed by touching them with a crystal of carbolic acid when dry.

A cheap and effective disinfectant can be made by dissolving a bushel of salt in a barrel of water, and with this water slack a barrel of lime. This forms a sort of chloride of lime, which may be used freely in cellars, out-houses, etc.

Tincture of capsicum in olive oil (one in six) makes a good household liniment for lumbago.

It is said that sweat cream will disguise the taste of piperine or capsicum.

The World's city circulation is larger than all the other morning papers put together.

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of General Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

Mr. Landry, M.P. for Montmagny, publicly announced at an indignation meeting that he had withdrawn his support from the Macdonald government.

W. H. Lytell, proprietor of Lytell's opera house, Montreal, has been arrested on a capias at the instance of Mrs. Bernard, an actress, who claims arrearages of salary amounting to $70.00. Some of the scenery has been seized to settle the claim.

Bishop Langevin of Rimouski, Sir Hector's brother, has consented to a solemn requiem mass being sung for Riel in his cathedral church at Rimouski to-day, while Bishop Moreau of St Hyacinthe has refused permission to his clergy to use their churches for such a purpose.

A correspondent of L'Etendard says: "We have complete proofs that when Riel demanded $35,000, it was not for himself but for legitimate uses. It was to found a journal in the interest of the Metis, a journal devoted to combating the press subsidized by the reptiles of Mr. Chapleau."

There is a squabble in Montreal over a legacy left by a lady to the diocesan theological college on condition that the students should attend Christ church cathedral once every Sunday. The governors of the college claim that the services at the cathedral are no longer evangelical and refuse to allow the students to attend. The bishop has been appealed to, but declines to interfere.

Robbery by Tramps.

AULTSVILLE, Ont., Nov. 25.—Early this morning three tramps effected an entrance into the store of Ira J. Cramer and carried off goods to the amount of $200. Upon the alarm being given the citizens started in hot pursuit of the culprits. After a spirited chase of about eight miles through bush and swamp they were captured, one of the trio making a desperate resistance. All the goods were recovered.

IN THE NAME OF CHARITY

FANCY DRESS BALL AT THE ADELAIDE STREET RINK.

Large and Brilliant Gathering—A Beautiful Scene—The Affair a Success—Ladies and Gentlemen Present.

The ladies and gentlemen who attended the fancy and charity ball at the Adelaide street rink last night participated in a brilliant and enjoyable affair, and at the same time assisted in realizing a handsome amount for a most deserving charity—the Orphans' home and Female Aid society. A more suitable place for the ball could not have been selected, the floor being especially good for dancing. The decorations and illuminations, with the bower of beauty in the centre, imparted to the rink a semblance of fairyland, which was heightened to a realistic degree by the picturesque and charming costumes of the guests, numbering close upon three hundred. The major portion of the gathering was composed of young people in fancy dress, but not a few elderly ladies and gentlemen smiled approvingly upon the festive scene. The galleries were filled with admiring spectators, among whom Oarsman Hanlan was a prominent figure. The stewards, whose names are appended, well deserved the success which crowned their work: W. J. Baines, F. Lewis Bird, Hume Blake, B. Barton Cronyn, R. Casimir Dickson, E. Henry Duggan, R. Cecil Gibson, A. Munro Grier, O. A. Howland, W. Hamilton Merritt, W. Macculloch, Mervyn Mackenzie, Henry Pellatt, sr., J. N. Sears, C. N. Shanly. Napier Robinson rendered excellent service as honorary secretary-treasurer.

It was after 9 o'clock when the dancing commenced. Waltzes, polkas and lancers comprised the program. The size of the rink made the gathering look smaller than it was; about 150 couple were on the floor. Crowding was conspicuous by its absence and the temperature was just right. While the fancy dresses of the ladies were not of a rich or costly nature, they were pretty and diversified; the gentlemen for the most part were fancifully attired, although quite a number wore the conventional evening dress. The scene was charmingly kaleidoscopic as the dancers glided over the floor. Seager's orchestra furnished the music.

Government house was represented by Mrs. Robinson, who wore black satin, Miss Robinson as a Puritan maiden, Mr. Napier Robinson and Capt. Geddes, A.D.C., in military uniform. Three sets of eight ladies and eight gentlemen each formed an attractive feature. One set was made up of Miss Robinson, Puritan maiden; Mrs. W. J. Baines, Spanish peasant; Miss Spratt, old English peasant; Miss Grace Spratt, Swiss peasant; Miss Armour, Marguerite; Mrs. Torrance, Normandy peasant; Miss Kingsford (Ottawa), Neapolitan peasant; Mrs. Henry Fuller, Italian peasant; the gentlemen in this set being Capt. Geddes, Lieut. Hume Blake, Harry Ferguson, Douglas Armour, H. H. Fuller, Lieut. Sears, George Michie, W. Spratt. A set of red cross nurses included Miss Proudfoot, Miss Isabel Proudfoot, Miss Thomson, Miss Stevenson, Miss Seguin, Miss Gunther, Miss Marsh, Miss Eva Grant (Hamilton). These Florence Nightingales had for partners military officers in the persons of Capt. Jennings, Lieut. Brook, Lieut. Michie, Lieut. Gunther, Lieut. Baird, Major Ellis, Lieut. Copp (Hamilton), and another gallant soldier. There was quite a display of taste and ingenuity shown in the composition of the third set consisting of nursery rhyme characters. There was Miss Bethune as Mother Hubbard, Miss Campbell as Curly Locks, Miss E. Bethune as the Maiden All Forlorn, Miss E. Osler as Little Mischief, Miss A. Osler as Queen of Hearts, Miss Armstrong as Jill, Miss Reiner as Boy a Broom, Miss Hoskin as Mary, Mary. In the gentlemen H. J. Bethune represented Tattered and Torn; A. Crooks, Little Man with a Gun; C. A. Bogert, Jack Horner; Thos. Pepler, Where Are You Going My Pretty Maid; R. Lockhart, Little Boy in Blue; L. McMurray, Jack; Irwin Boulton, Tom Tom and A. Hoskin, Knave of Hearts. Among the many other ladies and gentlemen present were Col. Otter, Ald. and Mrs. Walker, Miss Walker as Lady Angela, Miss Grace Walker as a Patience maiden, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McMahon, Capt. Macdonald, W. J. Baines in R. C. Y. C. uniform, Mrs. F. C. Moffatt as Lady Teazle, Mr. F. C. Moffatt, Mr. and Mrs. John Wright, Mrs. Perram (Newmarket) in Pompadour costume, Col. and Mrs. Sweeny, Miss Mabel Cawthra as White China, Miss Helen Beardmore as Incroyable, Mrs. Melfort Boulton as a French cook, Melfort Boulton, Mrs. Sayers as a Normandy peasant, Miss Merritt in Poudree costume, Miss Birchall as May Queen, Miss Vaukonghnet as a Patience maiden, Miss Ap Jones as a Spanish peasant, Miss Parsons as Lady Saphyr, Mrs. A. J. Cattanach as a French cook, A. J. Cattanach, Mrs. Henry Cawthra as a French lady of the 17th century, Mrs. John Cawthra in Poudree costume, Miss Cawthra as a Swiss peasant, Miss Young as a Spanish gipsy, Miss Mabel Young as a fairy, Mrs. Henry Moffatt as a Normandy peasant, Mrs. A. Cameron, Miss Langmuir, Mrs. Robert Bethune, Miss Maggie Rowand and Miss Jessie Rowand in Poudree costume, Mrs. Lockhart, Mrs. Hoskin, Major R. B. and Mrs. Hamilton, Miss Macdonald, Miss Birmingham (Kingston), Miss Cosgrave, Miss Annie Vankoughnet as Italian peasant, Lieut. Myles, Miss Vickers as lady of 1855, W. W. Vickers, jr., Miss Merrick as Spanish beauty, Miss Kate Meredith as Lady Teazle, Miss Leecraft as Night, Mrs. Walter Barwick as Italian peasant, Wolfe Thomas as a French cook, Bertie Cawthra as an Albanian, Victor Cawthra as a Spanish dancer, Casimir Dickson as David Garrick, M. Mackenzie as a Third Bengal cavalryman, Capt. P. D. Hughes, Miss Annie Heward as a lady of the 18th century, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Creelman, Miss Newman as a French cook, H. H. Fuller as a Quaker, Miss Alice Eddis as a sweet girl graduate, Miss Edith Eddis as a charity girl, J. H. Eddis in R. C. Y. C. uniform, Lieut. Gibson, A. D. Langmuir in Argonaut R. C. costume, Capt. Merritt, J. McLaren in snos showing costume, very cool; Miss Dolbec as a Roman peasant.

An elegant supper was served at midnight under the superintendence of Mr. and Mrs. M. Bailey. The gathering broke up shortly after two o'clock this morning.

The World is the best advertising medium in the city.

Pope Leo's Encyclical.

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 25.—The first full and authentic translation into English of Leo XIII's encyclical on the christian constitution of states appears very different in its full form from the cable condensations already published. Instead of condemning in any way modern civilization or states as they exist at present, the pope highly approves of all real progress and true freedom. It is, in short, an exact reversal of the policy pursued by the late Pius IX, whose encyclicals invariably condemned modern civilization as atheistic and pagan.

NO MORE BAY WATER.

A Direct Supply From the Lake—Ald. Frankland Tells a Story.

Chairman Walker, Ald. Barton, Frankland, Saunders, Mackenzie, Hunter, Sheppard, Lamb, Smith were at the waterworks meeting yesterday afternoon.

A discussion took place on the bills sent in by Experts Kennedy (Montreal) and Fensom (Toronto) for services in connection with pumping engine plans. Mr. Kennedy demanded $372 and Mr. Fensom $475. The committee would go $300—the amount paid to Kivas Tully—but no more, notwithstanding that they were threatened with suits to recover the sums claimed. A sub-committee was asked to report fully on the matter.

J. L. Scarth, on behalf of the Scottish Ontario and Manitoba land company, asked that the water main on the company's property in Rosedale be extended from its present terminus opposite Mr. Stovel's house to a point 650 feet distant. The committee was not disposed to do anything of the kind and tabled the letter.

Superintendent Hamilton's report was adopted without amendment. Edward Job and John J. Cook, of Walmer road, and D. W. Alexander of Rosedale will be supplied with city water on paying all expenses for extending the mains and double gross rates for the water.

E. A. Macdonald of St. Matthew's ward has been using the water from a fire hydrant on Broadview avenue, near Eliott street, for building purposes. Three or four other parties have been doing the same thing in other parts of the city. The penalty for this offence is a fine not exceeding $20. An example will be made of them in the police court.

The superintendent forwarded a report from Mechanical Engineer Wenables on the repairs made at the engine house well, the end of wharf and Gibraltar point, with such satisfactory results that not a drop of bay water is now supplied to consumers; it is all pure lake water. Ald. Carlyle, who happened to be present, observed that a recent analysis of city water, made by a graduate of the School of Practical Science, showed that it was as near as possible as pure as distilled water. The committee heard these statements with pleasure.

Mayor Manning thanked the committee for thus enabling him to fulfil his promises to the citizens, that they would have pure lake water before the year was out. The committee smiled. Ald. Frankland was proud that his (Mr. Frankland's) zealous efforts in this direction had been crowned with success. He hoped none of the Toronto people were like the settler he met in Muskoka. "What kind of water have you got up here?" enquired the alderman of the settler. "I cannot tell you, sir," was the reply; "I've been here fifteen years, but never tasted it; I always take whisky." The meeting adjourned during the laugh that ensued.

Our stock of Boys' Overcoats is superior in cut and make up to any in the city. Petley & Petley, King street east.

HOUSE OF INDUSTRY SOUP.

No Danger of Tramps Getting Fat on It—A Salaried Visitor.

The board of the House of Industry met yesterday afternoon. Present: Chairman Algorn, Rev. Dr. Rose, Revs. Broughall, Macdonnell, Laurent and Harris, and Messrs. Fleming, Baille, Allworth, Macdonell, Gillespie, Love, Burns, Brigg and Goulding.

Mr. Baille wanted to know if the meeting was a special one, or only the regular monthly meeting. Ten minutes were lost over this important question, and the board finally decided they had met to discuss a special report, of which Rev. Mr. Broughall was the father. This report advocated the appointment of a regular salaried visitor to look after cases of distress, and recommended that a standing advertisement be put in the daily papers advising people not to give at their doors, but to refer all applicants for assistance to the House of Industry. Mr. Allworth did not believe in such an advertisement. It was none of the board's business what people gave. Mr. Fleming thought the visitors reporting to the committee was the better system. He was sure the board would be willing to meet three or four times a week to dispose of cases. Mr. Baille was of opinion district visitors should not be allowed full powers, temporary relief was sufficient until the committee investigated. He was willing to meet three or four times a week. Mr. Goulding and Mr. Love were in favor of retaining the present system. Mr. Gillespie did not believe in compelling applicants to appear before the committee, thus sacrificing their self-respect. Rev. Mr. Harris was in favor of a regular visitor, but was opposed to advertising. He therefore moved that the different clauses of the report be taken up seriatim. This was done, and it was resolved to continue the present system of district visitors. In the matter of advertising, the board thought they would try and let the people know their views some cheaper way.

Then the poor, unfortunate tramp came up for discussion. Mr. Gillespie was opposed to giving tramps three meals a day. That was too soft a thing altogether. Mr. Bailie didn't think tramps would get very fat on the soup they got. It was decided to let a tramp have his supper and then make him work for his next meal. There is a woodyard in connection with the institution, and every able-bodied man has to saw and split an eighth of a cord of wood to be entitled to a dinner and sleeping accommodation.

FROM HALIFAX TO BERMUDA.

The British Government to Subsidize a Cable.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—The government to-day publishes advertisements soliciting tenders for laying a cable from Halifax to Bermuda and Jamaica under a subsidy from the government.

Children's Mantles at from $2 to $13.50. All sizes in stock at Petleys'.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

At a fire in the Metropolitan hotel, St. Louis, Mo., yesterday, a woman threw herself from a window and was instantly killed.

Wm. H. Vanderbilt and Cyrus W. Field have sold all their New York & New England railroad common stock, and Mr. Field yesterday resigned as a director.

The Lehigh and Schuylkill coal exchanges yesterday decided to advance the prices of pea coal 25 cents per ton next month. This is the only change in the December prices circular.

Two millions eight hundred and sixteen thousand bushels of barley have been received at Oswego, N.Y., this season, an increase of about 200,000 bushels over the same period last season.

A Washington special says it is stated at the treasury department that there will be a deficit this month. The reason for this is that the revenue has been very small during the entire month.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Irish National league, a committee of twenty-five was appointed to make arrangements for the reception of Chas. Stewart Parnell and another committee of two hundred to charter a special train to receive him at some point east.

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DEATH OF KING ALFONSO

HE BREATHES HIS LAST AT THE AGE OF 28.

Anxiety at Madrid—The Queen Prostrate With Grief—Her Majesty Made Regent—The Scene at the Death Bed.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—King Alfonso died at 9 o'clock this morning of consumption, accelerated by dysentery. The dead king was the twelfth Alfonso who has sat on the throne of Spain, the eighth monarch of the house of Bourbon, and the seventeenth successive ruler of the country since Fernando V. in 1512 united the crowns of Arragon and Castile. He was born Nov. 28, 1857, the only son of Queen Isabella, dethroned in 1868, and her cousin the Infante Francisco. As a prince he spent a large portion of his time in England, taking a full course of military instruction in the college at Sandhurst. On Dec. 31, 1874, he was called to the Spanish throne and was proclaimed king at Madrid on January 9th, 1875, being then seventeen years of age. His first wife was Princess Marie de las Mercedes, youngest daughter of the Duc de Montpensier, but she lived only a few months after the marriage day, January 23, 1878. His second wife, whom he married November 29th, 1879, and who survives him, was the Archduchess Marie Christina. She is the daughter of Archduke Karl Ferdinand and Archduchess Elizabeth, both of them cousins of the Emperor of Austria. By her he had two daughters, Marie de las Mercedes, born September 11th, 1880, and Marie Teresa, born November 12th, 1882.

Additional despatches from Madrid announcing the death of the King of Spain were received here at 5.30 o'clock this afternoon. They stated that the widow of the king is completely prostrated by his death. The quotation of Spanish four per cent. bonds at the opening of the London stock exchange to-day was 54¼. On receipt of the news of the king's death a decline set in and they fell to 50½, but subsequently recovered and closed at 51½.

Throughout Monday night the king had spasmodic fits, a result of the fever and debility. Six doctors from Madrid and two physicians of El Pardo were in constant attendance upon him. They decided on Tuesday morning that the king was in a dangerous condition. The fits continued throughout Tuesday, and the king died at 8.45 o'clock this morning. The pope's benediction arrived before he expired.

All the officers of the state and the cabinet ministers, except the minister of war and the minister of the interior, were present at the moment of dissolution. The cabinet met immediately and the queen was appointed regent. In accordance with the law, members of the cabinet have tendered their resignation, but will remain in office pending the regent's pleasure. The body of King Alfonso will be interred in the palace of the Escurial.

The queen was the first person in England to receive an official notification of King Alfonso's death. Besides sending a message of condolence to Madrid, she despatched a special messenger to the Spanish embassy at London within half an hour after receipt of the news.

Anxiety at Madrid.

MADRID, Nov. 25.—Orders have been issued that the troops be confined to barracks. Great anxiety prevails here. A rigid censorship is exercised over press telegrams.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Steward Boyd, of the Rossin house, is suffering from a severe scalp wound, caused by a fall.

Twenty-one ducks were stolen from Frank Peterson's place, Kingston road, Tuesday night.

The Governor-General's Body Guard will have a ball at Horticultural gardens at an early date.

A horse belonging to Lambe Bros., Kingston road, dropped dead yesterday while drawing a heavy load.

Rev. Dr. Milburn will lecture this evening in the Elm street Methodist church on What a Blind Man Saw in England.

Two thousand one hundred and fifty services have been put in by the waterworks department to date this year.

The total number of letters delivered by carrier last week was 163,941, of these 5402 were registered. Total newspapers, 47,940.

A meeting of the Church of England Workingmen's association will be held in St. George's schoolhouse this evening at 8 p. m.

The assessment rolls for 1886 will be finally revised by Judge Macdougall Monday and Tuesday. There are 135 appeals from the court of revision.

Staff-sergeant George Lewis of the Queen's Own wishes it understood that he is not the "George Lewis" referred to in yesterday's despatch from Windsor.

Bridget O'Brien was arrested last night by Detective Hodgins for stealing. There are a great many charges against Bridget, and she is known among her friends by a dozen different aliases.

Three prisoners for the penitentiary at Kingston passed through here yesterday in charge of Sheriff Clark of Port Arthur: Richard Graham, 3 years; and Frank Taylor and James Lowe, 2½ years each.

Echoes: a weekly journal of fact, fun and fiction, is the latest addition to the roll of papers in Toronto. It begins as an eight-page and will try to take a place similar to the well-known Tid-bits of London.

During the fortnight ending Saturday last, 127,074,424 gallons of water were pumped by engines 3 and 2, the quantity of coal consumed being 230 tons 493 lbs. This is a daily average of 9,076,744 gallons, and 17 tons of coal.

An old man named William Reid, detained for want of security that he would keep the peace, was discharged yesterday by Judge Macdougall. He is a farm laborer of Vaughan township, and assaulted his sister-in-law.

Rev. R. B. Ransford from England yesterday afternoon addressed the Girls' Friendly society in St. George's church school-house. The audience was composed of ladies interested in the work of protecting and assisting friendless girls.

Thos. Mitchell was observed walking along the railway track at Weston carrying a bag of coal. He was arrested on the supposition that the coal was stolen from the railway company. This could not be proved, but J. M. Wingfield, J. P., fined him $10 on a charge of trespass.

Coroner Johnson held an inquest yesterday on the body of Mrs. Carroll of 667 Yonge street, who died suddenly the night before. Various rumors were afloat hinting at foul play, but the jury held that these were altogether unfounded, as the deceased had been ailing for some time. They returned a verdict of death from natural causes.

A very successful concert was given in Occident hall last evening in aid of Pte. H. Misom, Royal Grenadiers, one of the wounded at Batoche. Capt. F. F. Manley was in the chair. Mr. Tilney was very happy in his comic songs, and Mr. Harry Simpson brought down the house with his ventriloquism.

A meeting of the University College Mathematical and Physical society was held Tuesday evening, the first vice-president in the chair. A number of interesting experiments in acoustics were given by L. J. Bowerman, Several mathematical problems were solved by Messrs. Crawford, Carveth and Stephen, after which a discussion took place on the advisability of giving awards for proficiency in mathematical studies.

Mr. R. Goldman has opened out at 556½ Yonge street a large merchant tailoring business and has in stock a selection of goods for seasonable wear, comprising the latest and best styles in trowserings, overcoats, etc., etc., and is offering them at a reduction of 10 per cent. discount for the first three months, and guarantees perfection of fit, finish and style. His patrons may rely on getting every satisfaction. Mr. Goldman has all his goods marked in plain figures and at lowest prices, but as an inducement to customers, and to retain their patronage, he gives the very liberal discount of 10 per cent. Give him a call.

To be Sure it Has.

Snow has come at last. But will it stay? That is the question. At any rate winter has well set in, and ladies will do well to select their furs at once. There is no better place than Dineen's to choose from. At the corner of King and Yonge streets can be found all the latest styles in furs.

THE SITUATION.

Mr. Edgar has been doing a lot of figure work, and the result was such that he determined, in the absence of Mr. Blake, to make a bid for power and a deal with the members from Quebec.

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Quebec has 65 members, divided by Patrie thus:

Rouges	15
Signers of the protest	23
Against Sir John on Riel	1
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	39

Patrie calls on the remaining 26 to declare where they are on the Riel question. A careful examination of these 26 shows that 11 are for Sir John sure, and 15 uncertain.

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Granting that the 23 members who signed the protest would all vote to turn out Sir John, the result in Quebec would be:

For Mr. Blake	39
For Sir John	11
Uncertain	15
	65

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Taking all the other provinces together we have 146 members left, classified as follows:

For Sir John	89
For Mr. Blake	53
Uncertain	4

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And, adding to these figures the result already reached as regards Quebec, we would have

For Sir John	100
For Mr. Blake	92
Uncertain	19
	211

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Mr. Blake would then have to get fourteen of these nineteen doubtful votes in order to have a majority of one, or all of them to get a barely working majority.

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But the issue would never come so close as this—before it got to that point Sir John would dissolve the house and go to the country, when the calculation as to strength would be made on different lines, as other forces would have to be taken into account.

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It is altogether an outrage to speak of any "dominant" race, religion, or class, in a country that claims to be free or under a constitution which rests upon justice.

So writes the Globe of yesterday. If ever a public were told that they were under the iron heel of Quebec, it was the public of this province by the Globe when the Ontario rights campaign was being conducted three years ago:

The traitor's hand is on thy throat,
Ontay-ree-o, Ontay-ree o!

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George Brown was guilty of many an "outrage," if to assert that there was a dominant French race is an outrage. "It's a damn sharp curve, but I think I can take it" is what the man said when asked to turn his coat in a hurry. The change from "French domination" to "it is an outrage to speak of any dominant race" requires even a stronger adjective to express the sharpness of the turn.

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It is absurdly contrary to fact to say that the liberals of the dominion, or any at all entitled to speak in their name, are unworthily taking advantage of the present confusion, or are unrighteously bidding for the support of the malcontent conservatives of Quebec.

What was Edgar doing in Quebec? Why are the Globe articles quoted at all the Rielite meetings in Quebec? What is the Globe up to if it is not bidding for French votes?

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The poor weak Deacon, the ambitious, scheming Edgar, Timothy Warren Anglin with his own ends to serve, these are the men who have ruined a great paper, and brought irreparable discredit on a great party. ST. IAN.

A DROP IN COMMERCE.

The surprise of the street yesterday was the drop in the stock of the Bank of Commerce from 127½ ex-dividend to 119½ ex-dividend, consequent on a reduction of the half yearly dividend from 4 to 3½ per cent.

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The Commerce has a capital of $6,000,000 and a rest of $2,000,000 more, a very large sum to keep profitably employed at the present time. Money is a drug in the best channels.

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Extreme conservative management has characterized this institution, but it has not been without losses, and it is a likely suspicion that some of the losses made years ago are now being sponged out. It is well to wipe them out, but it should have been done long ago. Just now when everything was on the recover this decline in Commerce sets them all back, and another effort must be made to get over the hill.

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To have paid at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum only $30,000 more would have been required; while not to have paid it a depreciation in the stock of more than $600,000 occurs at one swoop—no small loss to the shareholders. MOHAWK.

Just opened another large shipment of Tapestry and Brussels Carpets, selling at very low prices at Petleys'.

Compliments for P. T.

Editor World: Phillips Thompson's scathing letter in to-day's World struck Ontario like a cyclone and his expressions of sympathy with Quebec will no doubt materially improve their prospects for the future; while Ontario is doomed, crushed completely thereby. This Riel question has been discussed and agitated till the public (in Ontario at least) are heartily sick of it. Riel was tried, convicted and executed in strict accordance with the law and well deserved his fate. As for Canadian independence, it will be accomplished in spite of P. T.'s or kindred spirits' opposition and without their support, and aforesaid P. T. will see it if he lives twenty years longer, which I doubt, as his malady appears fatal.

I would also "thank heaven that he is not a Canadian," and thank heaven there are few, if any, Canadians like him. If P. T. would like a Canadian's advice he would write and preach in Quebec, where his efforts might be appreciated, if the excitement there has not abated. They would, I dare say, if requested, allow him a pension for sending his sympathy all the way from Ontario. His remarks about two of our best citizens require no comment, being unworthy of notice, and in fact the whole epistle savors of our Queen street west institution. VERUS.

The World is the best read newspaper in Toronto.

THE BRITISH ELECTIONS.

SIR CHARLES DILKE RETURNED BY A SMALL MAJORITY.

Hopes of the Conservatives—They Gain Twelve Seats, While the Liberals Gain but One—Two Nationalists Returned Unopposed.

LONDON, Nov. 25.—There would seem to be an unmistakeable conservative reaction, although it was not so marked to-day as it was yesterday. The state of the poll this morning was: Conservatives, 37; liberals, 34; Parnellites, 2. The great liberal hope is in the new county voters. None of these have yet polled. Sir Charles Dilke's hairbreadth majority of 175 over the tory candidate in Chelsea is the greatest blow the liberals have yet received. At the last election he had 3000 majority. Up to 3 o'clock this afternoon the liberals had gained one seat and the tories twelve.

In Chelsea Sir Chas. Wentworth Dilke received 4291 votes while C. A. Whitmore (tory) received 4116.

Barry (nationalist), for the division of South Wexford, and Shiell (nationalist), for North Meath, have been returned. They were unopposed.

EXTENDING THE FIRE LIMITS.

Tenders for Alarm Boxes—Too Heavy for One Horse—Satisfactory Funds.

The fire and gas committee met yesterday with Chairman Maughan, Ald. Taylor, Mitchell, Johnston, Smith, Adamson, John Woods and Galley present.

After the reading of two largely signed petitions for and against the establishment of a planing mill on Markham street, it was decided to recommend that the firm be allowed to put in their machinery.

Mr. Neville, solicitor for one R. Burns, asked that his client be allowed to erect a carriage factory with accompanying forge on John street, near Nelson. A. R. Boswell appeared to press the prayer