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DOINGS IN THE DOMINION.

A UNITED STATES DEFAULTER HIDING AT HAMILTON.

New Way to Destroy a Child—Fire at Strathroy—Big Deal in Cattle—Montreal Items—Killed in a Sawmill.

HAMILTON, June 19.—The victims of the Mutual marriage aid scheme of Hamilton are quite numerous in the vicinity of Lynden, one newly-married couple having each paid assessments on $3000 policies for some time.

Detective Woods of Pinkerton's well-known agency, and Detective Wynn of the Ontario police force, Niagara Falls, are in the city looking after a man who forged and embezzled to the tune of $96,000 in New York city, and is supposed to be in hiding in Hamilton.

The case against Wm. Ptolomy, clerk of Binbrook township, of a breach of the municipal election law, was to-day dismissed in the general sessions.

The celebration of July 12 by the Hamilton orangemen promises to be the biggest thing in the way of a demonstration that Hamilton has seen in years. Brethren from the counties of Peel, Halton, Welland, Lincoln, Wellington, Dufferin and other places will take part in the demonstration, and a deputation is expected from Buffalo.

Briefs From Montreal.

MONTREAL, June 19.—Bears are causing great havoc among sheep in the vicinity of Alphons, Joliette county.

A little boy aged about 5 years, while walking on the railway track at Fulford street, was struck by the cowcatcher of an engine and fatally injured.

Early this morning about seventy-five feet of the upper portion of Siegnuers street, which overlooks the residence of W. O'Brien, stock broker, caved in, carrying away fences and sheds. The damage to the street and property is about $20,000.

A New Way of Destroying a Child.

WATFORD, June 19.—This morning when the railroad men were going to their work four miles east of Watford they discovered on the track the corpse of a newly born female child. They conveyed the body here and notified the coroner, Dr. Harvey. Upon investigation from the traces of blood it was discovered to have been dropped from some train going westward and supposed to be the Chicago express which passes here shortly before 7 a.m.

A Big Deal in Cattle.

WINNIPEG, June 19.—Senator Cochrane has effected a sale of 1200 head of 3-year-old steers last week to I. G. Baker & Co. at $65 per head. They are purchased by the firm to fill their Indian supply contract with the government. This sale is considered a good one, and gives a pretty good index of what the future of the trade is likely to become.

Fashionable Wedding at Montreal.

MONTREAL, June 19.—Yesterday afternoon Miss Isabella Robertson, fourth daughter of Andrew Robertson, president of the board of harbor commissioners, was married to Hugh Paton, manager of the Sheddon company, the event taking place at Elmbank, the residence of the bride's father.

A Blaze at Strathroy.

STRATHROY, June 19.—Last night a fire broke out in C. W. Parker's grocery store. The fire brigade was promptly on hand, and although their efforts confined the flames to the one building which was greatly damaged the stock was completely ruined. The building was insured for $1200 and the stock for $1000.

Oil in Essex.

WINDSOR, June 19.—While men at Lapan's corners, Sandwich east, were digging a well, and had reached a distance of 274 feet, they were surprised to find that the muddy water which they were drawing up the shaft contained a considerable quantity of oil. It was examined by experts, and pronounced genuine.

Father Chiniquy's Movements.

QUEBEC, June 19.—There was another large crowd of people in St. John street last night, apparently waiting for Rev. Father Chiniquy to turn up. They were, however, doomed to disappointment, the reverend gentleman having left the city early in the day.

Two Items From Ottawa.

OTTAWA, June 19.—T. McLean is appointed by the government registrar of Calgary.

The militia department is making preparations for paying the veterans of 1812. Their allowance is $30 per annum, and the date of paying is Dominion day.

Killed in a Sawmill.

MCKELLAR, Ont., June 19.—George Kelcey, J. P., of Dunchurch, was to-day cutting narrow flooring, when one of the strips caught on the circular saw, flew and struck him on the forehead, fracturing the skull and laying bare a portion of the brain.

A Pilkington Farmer Burned Out.

ELORA, June 19.—This forenoon fire was discovered in the stables of Wm. Blinco, a Pilkington farmer, four miles from here, which soon destroyed all his barns and implements.

Failure of a Montreal Firm.

MONTREAL, June 19.—The wholesale oil, paint and varnish firm of S. H. May & Co. have called an informal meeting of creditors. The liabilities are placed at $75,000.

CABLE NOTES.

Serious anti-Semitic disorders, occurred at Krivoröge, in Russia. Many houses occupied by Jews were wrecked.

The king of Cambodia has transferred the administration of his kingdom to the French governor of Saigon.

Shots at Suakim.

CAIRO, June 19.—An exchange of shots took place to-day at Suakim between the British and Egyptian troops and the rebels. The governor of Dongola has forwarded a request for reinforcements. He states that he will not evacuate Dongola before the feast of Romaden. The report that Kassala has fallen is doubted in military circles here.

Spurgeon's Jubilee.

LONDON, June 19.—The jubilee in honor of Spurgeon's fiftieth birthday was continued to-day. Earl Shaftesbury presided.

DOMINION DASHES.

Latest and Best News Found in Our Canadian Exchanges.

Berlin wants an apple-drying establishment.

The army worm is destroying garden stuff in the Northwest.

Calgary will soon have the pleasure of electing a town council.

Twenty-five thousand sheep will be brought into Alberta this year.

Resurrected, the Embro cornet band, under the management of a strong committee.

Brainless youths at Kingston follow young ladies about the streets till they are admonished by policemen.

A man, whom the authorities of Port Arthur had refused to aid, was found dying of starvation on the street.

The Canadian Pacific railway road bed on the north shore of Lake Superior will be finished by July 1, so says Mr. Van-Horne.

A bear was encountered by the tug Hattie Venton last week while in Nepigon straits. The brute was despatched with a pike pole and axe.

Professional thieves abound in Port Arthur and in anticipation of capturing some of them, the council has set to work on a new lock-up.

A young man who three years ago lost his feet, hands and nose through the action of frost in the Northwest, visited Palmerston last week.

Beautiful bouquets of prairie flowers are offered for sale on Sunday by Indian children along the fashionable drive above the old fort at Portage la Prairie.

A bylaw is being submitted to the ratepayers of Port Arthur, whether or not to give Waverley park to the Hotel company, prepared to build a $30,000 hotel there.

The Rat Portage town council passed a motion ordering the Progress printing company to raise its building. The Progress, however, stoutly refuses to progress.

Some of the Portage la Prairie lovers of fancy fowls imported high-priced fowls from Ontario and the United States. Invariably the eggs have turned out worthless.

Three small mountain lakes swarming with trout have been discovered in the neighborhood of Holt city, N.W.T. The vicinity will soon be invaded by sportsmen.

A select company of commercials of the masher variety proceeded to practice their deceitful arts in the village of Norwood the other day. The barbarous natives however made it particularly sultry for them.

The energetic citizens of Norwood, instead of indulging in vague mid day dreams to wile away the sultry hours of summer, endeavor to forget the dreary approach of the dog-days by engaging in pugilistic encounters on the front street of the village.

TWO HUSBAND MURDERERS.

One Commits Suicide, and the Other Gives Herself up.

OCONTO, Wis., June 19.—Chas. Ritter's wife in a fit of insanity yesterday struck her husband with an axe while he slept. She then took Paris green. Both died today.

NEW ALBANY, Ind., June 19.—Edward Butler, colored, was shot and killed by his wife last night. Afterward she locked up the house and went to bed in the room with the corpse. She gave herself up this morning, and said her husband forced her to kill him by cruel treatment.

AIMED AT THE CHINESE.

Bill Prohibiting the Wholesale Importation of Aliens Passed at Washington.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—In the house the bill to prohibit the importation and migration of foreigners and aliens under contract to perform labor was taken up. An amendment was offered by Jones of Wisconsin providing that nothing in the act shall be construed as prohibiting any individual from assisting any member of his family or any relative to migrate from any foreign country to the United States was adopted and the bill passed.

Train Wreckers in Kansas.

ATCHISON, Kan., June 19.—As the eastbound passenger train on the Burlington and Missouri river railway approached Hubbel last night, the rails spread sixty feet from the approach to a bridge 150 feet long. The engine left the track, but crossed the bridge on the ties. The jolting weakened the bridge, causing it to fall, carrying down the entire train. The engine, smoking car, day coach and sleeper were completely wrecked, and thirty persons were injured, several fatally. The accident was the work of train wreckers.

The Nicaraguan Waterway.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Secretary Frelinghuysen to-day communicated to the house committees on appropriations and foreign affairs the details of the plans of the administration for the Nicaraguan waterway. He asked that the communication be received under the restrictions of the official secretary.

The Platform of the Prohibitionists.

CHICAGO, June 19.—The national convention of the American prohibition and anti-masonic party for the nomination of president and vice president of the United States met here to-day. President Blanchard in an address said the platform of party was no masonry, no whisky, the bible and woman suffrage.

Becky Jones Still in Jail.

NEW YORK, June 19.—The hearing in the Hammersley will case was to-day adjourned to October, during which time Becky Jones, who refused to answer on the stand, will remain in the Ludlow street jail.

A Week From Dock to Dock.

NEW YORK, June 19.—The America, which sailed from this city Wednesday, June 11, was docked at Liverpool last evening, being one week from dock to dock.

A Good Work in Chicago.

CHICAGO, June 19.—The mayor has decided to drive gamblers out of the city. Seven houses were raided last night, and 300 inmates captured.

No More Tea Dust.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—In the senate, on motion of Miller, the bill to prevent the importation of tea dust into the United States was passed.

Nominated For Governor.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 19.—In the republican state convention to-day W. H. Calkins was nominated on the first ballot for governor.

A SUMMER DAY'S SPORTS.

TORONTO DOUBLE SCULLERS VICTORIOUS AT CHATHAM.

B. A. C. College Games—The W. C. A. Races—Good Suggestion for the Lacrosse Association—Interesting Notes.

CHATHAM, Ont., June 19.—The double scull for two gold medals and the championship of Canada, one mile straightaway and return, was won by O'Connor and Enright, the Toronto pair, Wells and Ball, the Chatham scullers, being defeated in the first mile. Chatham got a trifle the best of the send off and maintained a slight lead to the first half, pulling 38 to the minute. The Toronto crew steered a little wildly at first, but soon settled into a good course and gradually overhauled their opponents until the turning buoy was reached in 5.38. Here Wells was seized with a sudden cramp and fell back in the boat no longer formidable, the Toronto men finishing at their leisure.

A Suggestion Worth Considering.

From the Montreal Post.

Lacrosse is acknowledged by all to be the national game in Canada, and one whose popularity is not doubted, yet it seems to us as if the encouragement given to the players as amateurs is of the most meagre kind. In every other branch of sport the men who excel have dozens of medals and other trophies to show for their exertions, and although a man who enters sport simply to obtain this is a good deal of a professional in spirit, still there can be no doubt that there is an incentive to increased effort when a handsome cup or medal rewards an athlete's honest endeavors to succeed. Lacrosse men do more work than in any other branch of athletics, and still there is less to show for it. Would it not be possible after this year, or this year—to make a start—for the N. A. L. A. to have a dozen medals struck for presentation to the team which at the end of the season holds the championship pennant. The cost would not be much and the action would be complimentary to the players.

C. W. A. Races.

The following is the prize list for the Canadian Wheelmen's association races, Dominion day:

One mile, green race—1st, gold medal; 2d silver medal.
Three mile—1st, gold medal; 2d, silver cup.
One mile, championship—Gold medal.
Half mile, without hands—1st, gents' dressing case; 2d, silver cup.
Two mile, open—1st, gold medal; 2d, silver water pitcher; 3d, silver jewel case.
Tricycle—Gold medal.
Two mile roadster—1st, Butcher cyclometer; 2d, hub lamp; 3d, C. W. A. gold badge.
Five mile, championship—Gold medal.
One mile, Toronto championship—Gold medal.
Obstacle race—1st, clock; 2d, opera glass; 3d, automatic alarm.

The above prizes are all ordered, and will be on exhibition next week in some prominent place. The committee of management hold a meeting this evening at the rooms of the Toronto bicycle club.

British American Business College Games.

The games of the above college were held Tuesday last at Paradise grove, Niagara, after a very pleasant trip across the lake on the Chicora. The winners of the various events were as follows:

Kicking football—1, Somerville; 2, Baker.
100 yards race—1, Caven; 2, Willis.
Throwing stone—1, Huntoon; 2, Somerville.
Standing jump—1, Huntoon; 2, Somerville.
One-quarter mile race—1, Kean; 2, Baker.
Running jump—1, Huntoon; 2, Willis.
One-half mile race—1, Caven; 2, Davey.
Standing hop, step and jump—1, Willis; 2, Huntoon.
Running hop, step and jump—1, Huntoon; 2 Small.
Walking race (1 mile)—1, Kean; 2, Perrin.
Go-as-you-please (20 mins.)—1, Kean; 2, Russnell.

The championship prize was awarded to J. C. Huntoon of Collingwood.

Coney Island Races.

NEW YORK, June 19.—Fifth day of spring meeting of the Coney Island jockey club at Sheepshead Bay. First race, $500, for 3-year-olds, mile, Kinney 1st, Strathspey 2d, Duplex 3d; time 1.41¾. Second race, sweepstakes for 2-year-olds, three-quarters mile, Richmond 1st, Exile 2d, Heliatrope Colt 3d; time 1.16. Third race, Emporium stakes, for 3-year-olds, mile and a half, Rataplan 1st, St. Savior 2d; Tocomas Blast 3d; time 2.39½. Fourth race, handicap sweepstakes, mile and three-quarters—Blue Grass Belle 1, Barnes 2, Chanticleer 3; time 3.06. Fifth race, purse $500, all ages, selling race, mile—Boulette 1, Cathcart 2, Krupp Gun 3; time 1.44¾. Sixth race, handicap, steeplechase—Tom Naven 1, Rose 2, Major Wheeler 3; time 4.24¼.

New Jersey Yachting.

NEW YORK, June 19.—At the annual regatta of the New Jersey yacht club today, 15 yachts started over a course of 20 miles. The open sloop Katie was first to cross the line at 11 o'clock a.m., but Lily R. soon took the lead, which she never lost, crossing the finish at 3 h., 47 m., 25 s., winner in her class, beating Dare Devil 44 m., 43s. Sophie Emma won in class C, beating Rambler 7 m., 15s. Fanny was the winner in class D, beating Skid 19 m., 42 s.

Flyers at Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, June 19.—Third day running meeting of the exposition park association. First race, purse $225, mile, for all ages, Palanca 1st, Brunswick 2d, Bouquet 3d; time 1.46¼. Second race, purse $225, three-quarter mile heats, Glenroy 1st, Baronella 2d, Serpolette 3d; time 1.20. Second heat, Baronella 1st, Robert M. 2d, Serpolette 3d, Glenroy dist.; time 1.20. Third race, $222, mile over four hurdles, selling race, Jere Black 1st, Elexir 2nd, Golden Era 3d; time 1.59.

Notes.

The Uxbridge athletic club was formed Monday night.

Jay Eye See trotted a mile in 2.12 at Cleveland Wednesday.

Mr. Hendrie's horses, Inspector and the Laird, will run at the Ogdensburg meeting in July.

Layberger and Ten Eyck have signed articles for a three mile race at Boston June 27.

Winnipeg keeps up with other cities in the sporting line. It contemplates a dog show next fall.

Toronto has a lawn tennis club—Detroit Journal. It has two of them, and good ones at that, too.

Five hundred and ninety tickets have been sold for the fox hunt on the Island to-morrow. Mr. White has the foxes secured, and all parties taking part in the sport are allowed to bring any dog, with the exception of a fox hound or a greyhound.

The Active baseball club of Stratford has been reorganized, and is to be known in the future as the Stars.

The Winnipeg rowing club inaugurated its new boat house Saturday. There were several exciting races and a large attendance.

Rowell has arrived in England and has gone to farming. He will return in September and go into training for another six day race.

The Garrys and Assiniboines played at Winnipeg Saturday for the championship of Manitoba, the former winning by three straight games.

Oliver Bonnell of the Wanderers has entered for the fancy riding and other events at the Montreal bicycle club's tournament to-morrow.

A rowing race for $25 a side will take place Tuesday, June 14, in lapstreak skiffs, from the foot of Jarvis street to Hanlan's wharf, between J. Stanislaus Arthurs and H. Burson Somers, both of Grip office.

In the coming match between Sullivan and Mitchell the platform in Madison square garden will be forty feet square, and twenty feet will be roped off in the centre, so that when a man is knocked through the ropes he will not have to drop several feet to reach bottom.

The Torontos, as well as being champions, have amongst them some champion eaters. Only we are sworn to secrecy, we could tell an awful tale of Saturday's depredations—Montreal Post. We could place them but wont, for fear that their board rates might be raised.

The four-oared boat race for the George W. Child's challenge cup between crews from Cornell, Princeton and Pennsylvania university took place at Philadelphia yesterday. The course was a mile and a half straightaway. The race was won by Pennsylvania university; 9.6¼.

The Ontario colley club has issued a program of its show and field trials to be held in connection with the industrial fair next September. All classes of colleys are eligible for entrance in the show. The field trials will be novel. Programs can be had from H. J. Hill, secretary industrial exhibition, or R. Northcote, secretary Ontario colley club, Toronto.

The following team will represent the Torontos in their match with the Royal Caughnawaga Indians on the Rosedale grounds to-morrow afternoon: Mackenzie, Hubbell, J. Garvin, Drynan, F. W. Garvin, W. C. Bonnell, Blight, Macpherson, Sewell, Dixon, Smith, McHenry, Meharg, McDonald. The Indians will put on a rattling team, and a fine exhibition of the national game may be expected.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

The pool rooms in Pittsburg have been closed by the police.

During May 82,500 immigrants arrived in the United States.

At Buddocks, Pa., a block of buildings was burned yesterday. Loss $75,000.

A reciprocity treaty between the United States and San Domingo is nearly completed.

The Cubans of New York last night organized a society to aid the revolutionists in Cuba.

Five out of six stove foundries in Pittsburg and Alleghany have resumed work with non-union men.

At Walnutport, Pa., Sarah Koons and Anna Stem, aged 60 and 70, were killed while crossing a railroad track.

Indians attacked a small party of white men in northwestern Texas the other day. Five reds and two whites were killed.

At Long Island city a meeting of citizens last night appointed a committee to investigate the accounts of the county treasurer's office. It is alleged there is a deficiency of $60,000.

Tennessee Democrats.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 19.—The platform of the democratic state convention denounces the present tariff and declares, among other things, that the settled purpose of the real leaders of the republican party is to subvert local self-government and erect a consolidated despotism. Gov. Bate was nominated by acclamation.

Determined Saloonkeepers.

CINCINNATI, O., June 19.—The saloonkeepers' association at a secret meeting tonight resolved to refuse payment of taxes under the provisions of the Scott act, compelling suits in all cases.

Monster Orange Meeting.

LONDON, June 19.—A monster orange meeting is announced to take place at Newry July 12. Many members of commons will be present.

Montreal's Doom.

H. M. Patton in the Week.

Commercial wealth has three great sources, the first being the immense systems of the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific railways, having their eastern termini in Montreal. By these lines much of the enormous products of the provinces and territories west of us are brought down to Montreal for shipment. The second source is her ocean trade. No less than twelve regular steamship lines make this the port for embarking and discharging their cargoes. The third is, of course, the produce of the surrounding country for hundreds of miles. All these mighty influences tend to broaden the minds of the people and enlarge their sympathies and ideas. In this respect the difference between Toronto and Montreal might be expressed in two words: the former is local, the latter universal. It is, however, scarcely fair to compare the two cities; the position of Toronto and many other things are against her, while Montreal has everything in her favor. Yet it may be asserted with almost a certainty that if the queen city keeps increasing in wealth and commercial prosperity as she has in the past she will, in a comparative short time, outstrip her former rival. Between the business men of the two cities there is also a strong contrast. The Toronto merchant, after he has made a sufficient fortune, retires, and spends the remainder of his life in looking after what he has acquired. The Montreal merchant, on the other hand, very seldom indeed leaves active work until compelled either by sickness or old age. It becomes, in fact, as age advances, the one pleasure of life.

Chief Smoke Johnson of the Mohawk tribe and John Tutlee, a Cayuga brave, Wednesday signed the necessary papers at the Indian office, Brantford, for securing the pension granted the Indian survivors of the war of 1812. These two are the last of the Canadian forces now living.

UPPER CANADA COLLEGE.

TALK THAT THE INSTITUTION WILL BE ABOLISHED.

Anglican Church and Schools—How the University of Toronto can be Aided—A Clergyman Interviewed.

A query often asked is: What did Mr. Blake intend to say regarding Upper Canada college in his late convocation address, which he was unable to say for want of time? No one appears to know, but there is considerable guessing, the most likely being that Mr. Blake is disposed to see some sort of modification in its administration and location which would allow part of its income to be devoted to the university. "This will involve," said a prominent clergyman last night, "the whole question of the college's continuance, and in the discussion I would not be surprised to see the venerable institution go under. There are a number of boarding schools springing up in the province which are doing similar work more economically, among them Trinity school at Port Hope, and another very much like it is proposed to be founded at Pickering by the low church anglicans. If these boarding schools continue to increase and to prove financial successes what use for Upper Canada? I can see a use for it, but perhaps the provincial legislature will not, especially when the provincial university is so hard up for money."

Over $20,000 of the income from the endowment fund now goes to Upper Canada; that amount put into the university would greatly improve it.

A politician said the feeling was growing that the site of Upper Canada college is the best in every way for parliament buildings, and that the government would not be slow to appropriate it if they found public opinion running that way.

"What would become of Principal Buchan?" asked the reporter.

"Oh, he'd succeed Dr. Wilson in the university chair of English."

COLLECTORS OF MUNICIPAL TOLL.

Their New Tax Gatherers Named by the Executive—Ald. Pape Shelved.

Chairman Denison and all the members of the works committee save Ald. Turner attended the regular weekly meeting of the executive committee yesterday afternoon. The separate school board was authorized to issue debentures for new buildings in pursuance of the public board's practice. After a protracted discussion, in which Mayor Boswell stated that Winn's hall was unfit for use as a police station, the clause recommending its purchase was referred back to the property committee. The general opinion was that the city could not avoid fulfilling Brockton's agreement and purchasing the building even if it were never used. Ald. Moore's motion recommending that the cost of obtaining water from Lake Simcoe by gravitation be obtained was omitted from the waterworks committee report. The error will be rectified before the report goes to the council. At Ald. Maughan's request the pipe laying tenders were referred back to the waterworks committee. The resignation of Collectors John Heaslep and W. J. Turner of St. Patrick's and St. Andrew's ward were announced. Ex-Ald. Ball, J. L. Bird and Geo. Beswick were nominated for the former vacancy. Mr. Beswick was recommended. R. C. Bickerstaff, F. Rush and H. K. Dunn were the candidates for St. Andrew's ward. Mr. Rush was recommended. Ald. Pape was unanimously recommended for the St. Matthew's ward collectorship. His salary will be $200. The St. Mark's ward collectorship is to get only $100. After passing a comprehensive motion for annexing territory on all sides of the city, brought up by Ald. Moore, the committee adjourned.

Strawberry Festival at All Saints' Church.

The festival last night was a great success, as it deserved to be. Everything was arranged perfectly and the room was tastefully decorated. The following ladies were stall-holders: Misses Taylor, Littlejohn, Bailey, Preston, Boyde, Knox, Heaton, Leeson, Scott, Draper, Spence and Mrs. Kingsby, Hubbell and Fullerton. It seemed to The World that all the beauty of that neighborhood was there gathered, and it would be perfectly content to spend the millennium in such company. The festival was got up by Mrs. Littlejohn, Mrs. Beazly and Mrs. Draper and these ladies deserve all praise for the way they have exerted themselves to make it a success. The proceeds are to be devoted to the building fund of the church.

Methodist Conference.

The Toronto conference of the united methodist church commenced its first session at the Elm street church yesterday. Rev. Dr. Rice, general superintendent, presided. After devotional exercises Rev. H. S. Matthews was made provisional secretary. The forenoon session was devoted to routine, and in the afternoon no business of particular importance was transacted beyond hearing the reports of the various committees. In the evening the assembly was addressed by a number of reverend gentlemen. The question of Sunday school discipline was extensively discussed, particularly the style of literature chosen for children's libraries.

The Assizes Yesterday.

Mrs. Charles Hood sued the Standard assurance company for $4000, the amount of two insurance policies on mills in Muskoka belonging to her, which were destroyed by fire. The jury awarded plaintiff $1500. Porteous v. Muir was an action on a promissory note for $1000. The defendant made a counter-claim for the same amount. The parties reside in Paisley, Ont., the plaintiff being a banker and the defendant a woolen manufacturer. The jury found for defendant. This ended the jury list, and the jurors were discharged.

A Dangerous Place.

Last spring a portion of the sidewalk running from Mead's hotel to the Island club chambers was washed away. There is a breach of about sixty feet which should be repaired without delay and at present the place is very dangerous as people visiting the Island are likely to step off the end of the plankwalk after night into deep water.

British Officers Supreme in Egypt.

LONDON, June 19.—In the commons today, Lord Hartington said the government was negotiating with a view of placing British officers in supreme command over all troops in Egypt.

ELECTION BY LOT.

A well printed brochure has just been issued by Dawson Bros. of Montreal. It is entitled "Election by Lot, the only remedy for political corruption," and is evidently written by a man who is well read in history, and in the political struggles that have taken place since governments were first founded. It is, further, an exceedingly clever political satire on the state of public morality and electoral purity in Canada. The line of argument is that democratic institutions are a failure owing to the corruption that prevails, mainly due, the writer holds, to the opportunity which the wire-puller has of attaining his end by securing the votes of the masses and turning the party organs to his ends.

It is as impossible to deny the impeachment brought against the political morality of the country as it is to refute the author's charges against the party press. Moral: Give your support to an independent journal like The World.

Our representative institutions having thus proved a failure, the writer proposes a *reductio ad absurdum*: that hereafter office holders be chosen by lot, not by public vote, as was the case with the Greeks, at one stage of their existence. And having lead up to this point our author concludes:

Sir John Macdonald is the first and the greatest of the statesmen of Canada, and by all appearances he is likely to be the last. He is a statesman of the true Pericean stamp, and it cannot be denied that he has made the best of the sorry tools that the country has given him to work with. Then why should he not crown his brilliant political career by giving us this salutary and much needed reform? A reform which would prove fatal to the wire-puller, and which might save the country from the fate which threatens it—death from political trichiniasis.

THE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

Meeting of Directors—Various Items of Business.

The directors of the Industrial exhibition held a meeting last night at their rooms in the public library building. There were present: President Withrow, Messrs. McGee, McMaster, Fleming, Booth, Dr. Smith, Hamilton, Ald. Crocker, W. Rennie, Elliott, McGregor, Hill (manager) and Ridout.

Captain McMaster reported that a firm in Ireland had written him stating that it would show flax in all its stages of manufacture, and Mr. Elliot supplemented this by saying that he would arrange to show all the products of flax.

The secretary read a communication from the Western dairymen's association, advising that the association had subscribed $100 towards the prizes for dairymen's exhibits.

A St. Louis firm applied for space and also said that it would give an interesting exhibition of the manufacture of whips, if it were allowed the exclusive right of selling them on the grounds.

A communication was read from the governor-general regretting that he could not be present during the live stock week, as he already had engagements for that week, and authorizing the directors to use a certain medal.

Tenders for scales were put in, and referred to the committee on horses and cattle.

The implement and carriage buildings are to have new wings, and contracts were awarded amounting to $4324.

Burial of Richard Arnold.

The remains of the late Richard Arnold, so long and favorably known as city ticket agent of the Grand Trunk railway, were consigned to their last resting place at Burlington yesterday. In the forenoon a large number of friends and acquaintances, masonic and otherwise, assembled at deceased's late residence, Parliament street, where Rev. R. W. E. Greene read the service of the anglican church, and R. W. Bro. J. Ross Robertson, the masonic. The floral offerings were numerous, being arranged upon and around the rosewood casket. The cortege proceeded to Burlington, among those composing it being fifty members of King Solomon's and sister lodges and a number of prominent railway officials. At Burlington the mournful party was met by the local masonic lodge and then proceeded to the church of England burying ground, where R. W. Bro. J. G. Burns, D.D.G.M., rendered the beautiful and impressive ceremony of the masonic fraternity, and the local rector that of the church. After the interment the Toronto gentlemen, on invitation of the Burlington brethren, partook of luncheon at the Wellington hotel and returned home at 7 o'clock.

Locomotive Whistling.

At Local Manager Wragge's office yesterday representatives met to consider the question of the abatement of locomotive whistling. As a bylaw had been passed at Detroit fixing a penalty of $100 on unnecessary steamboat and locomotive whistling, and a similar enactment having been put in force at London, where the penalty was $50, it was thought advisable to petition the mayor urging upon him the necessity of submitting a bylaw like that of the latter place.

Strawberry Festival.

The progress society of Bond street congregational church held a very successful strawberry festival in the granite rink last evening. Heintzman's band played some fine selections, and the weather being particularly favorable promenading in the open rink was indulged in largely by the young people. A very pleasant evening was spent.

Minstrels at the Zoo.

Another large audience visited the Zoo last evening and enjoyed the amusement created by Baird's minstrels. Ald. Piper has promised a fire-trumpet to the fire brigade selling the largest number of tickets for the Zoo this week. The presentation will be made at the performance on Saturday evening.

Caught in the Act.

Last night while the crowd was coming out of the Zoo a boy snatched a satchel from a lady. Mr. Piper observed the act and knocked the actor down with his cane. He begged off and was allowed to go.

Churchill the Crank.

LONDON, June 19.—At a conservative demonstration yesterday Lord Churchill said the imbecility of the ministry was without parallel in ancient or modern times. England, he said, had virtually annexed Egypt.

A BATCH OF CONTRACTS

AWARDED BY THE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD LAST NIGHT.

Closing the Half Year's Business—Invalid Tenders—Adjournment Until September.

Messrs. Johnston (chairman), Lee, Boxall, Hill, Potter, Macdonald, Galley, Meredith, Ogden, Bell, Roden, Westman, Donovan, Whiteside, Lyon, Simers and Cromble attended the regular meeting of the school board last night. The finance committee reported adversely to allowing the teachers in St. Mark's and St. Mathew's ward schools any increase of salary until they are properly graded by the school management committee. Accounts totalling $1273 were ordered to be paid. A bill of $650 against the old Brockton school board was also passed. The sites and buildings committee was commissioned to make necessary repairs in city schools during the summer vacation. A. H. Rundle made a mistake in tendering for the plastering work in the new school in St. Stephen's ward. Fresh tenders will be asked. A similar course was followed in the case of W. Baillie, who made a $50 slip in his tender for carpenter work in Elizabeth street school. J. Hatch & Son were granted the contract for blacking stoves and doing other miscellaneous work in city schools for the next year. The clock regulating contract went to S. B. Windrum at $35 per annum. J. Hatch & Son will have the privilege of supplying seven new fire pots for Wellesley school at $119. The contract for new school desks went to R. Hay & Co. at the following rates: New York grammar school desks $4.30 each, Toronto junior desks $2.90 each, St. Louis primary desks $1.85 each. The contract for the year's supply of fuel was awarded to McGill at $3 95 per cord for hardwood, $2.50 for pine; large egg coal $6 per ton, stove $6.25. When this question was up, Dr. Ogden fully exonerated Secretary Wilkinson from any blame in connection with the muddle discussed at last meeting. He regretted that his remarks should have been so misunderstood as to be considered a reflection on the secretary.

The report of the school management committee recommending a large number of changes and transfers in the teaching staff of the schools, was adopted with trifling alterations. After passing a vote of thanks to Ald. Piper for his kindness to the school children the board adjourned to meet again in September.

THE WORLD ON THE ISLAND.

The World is delivered on the Island every morning on the arrival of the first ferry. Twenty-five cents a month. Leave orders at the office.

PERSONAL.

J. Ross Robertson went to New York yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Holden of Belleville, are in the city.

Sir John A. Macdonald yesterday went to River du Loup for the seas n.

John Gustavus Dreyson, the German historian, died at Berlin yesterday, aged 76.

Mr. Pardee likes to keep cool and airy. He was round town yesterday without a vest.

Mayor Chase, Geo. Howard, James Watt and Ald. Hogg of Guelph were in town yesterday.

Fred Colson, the popular city editor of the Montreal Gazette, has joined the army of benedicts.

The bishop of Huron and Mrs. Baldwin gave a brilliant reception at the See house, London, Wednesday night.

Ex-Governor Lake Blackburn, who is well known in Toronto, has established a sanitarium near Louisville, Ky.

Jefferson Davis pleaded ill-health as his excuse for declining an invitation to join the Mobile cadets in their encampment on July 4.

Rev. David Mitchell of Belleville, and formerly of Toronto, has applied to his congregation for leave of absence on account of ill health.

Having disposed of the conspiracy question, E. Douglas Armour blossoms out as a poet. He has some pretty verses in the Current Week.

Major D. W. Whittle, the well-known evangelist, has returned to his home in Chicago from England, where he was working with Moody and Sankey.

Signor Salvini, the tragedian, is named in a New York journal as the happy man in a wedding at which his former Desdemona, Miss Adele Belgarde, is to figure as the bride.

SEMI-CENTENNIAL WEATHER.

Didn't I tell you we were going to have it hot, said Moses Oates to The World yesterday as the two met in the Globe lane, whither the prophet had taken refuge to cool off after having written a powerful article on how to freeze butter in July.

Yes, replied the recorder of his prophecies; you struck it sure, and deserve the pumping-engine contract.

But we'll have it hotter yet, continued Moses, before this spell is over. In the course of the next four or five days the weather will be excessively sultry. After that there will probably be a cold spell, but not of long duration.

How about the semi-centennial week?

It will open pleasantly cool for the season, and remain so, with chances of some rain falling, but it is hard to say on this point, as we are in an apparently dry period.

Here Mr. Oates took off his capacious helmet to mop his brow with his bandanna, when four large cabbage leaves fell out and gave up the ghost, having been killed in a vain endeavor to keep the gigantic brain of the great prophet from bursting with heat.

THE WORLD WOULD LIKE TO KNOW

What Nordy and H. S. and Mr. Taylor (bank of London) are doing up in the forest city.

If it is true that Federal and London are going to unite.

If the editor of the Mail knows the commissioner of crown lands was out yesterday without a waistcoat.

If the British America assurance company hands are very sorry that the governor has gone to England.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING.

I'm chancellor twice over—of Toronto university and Toronto diocese — The Only Edward.

Fate.

From the July Century.

A sunbeam kissed a river-ripple—"Nay,
Naught shall disse er thee and me!"
In night's wide darkness passed the beam away,
The ripple mingled with the sea.

It still Continues.

Light variable winds; fine weather, not much change in temperature.

Arrival of Steamships—June 19.

At New York: Ludgate Hill and Lydian Monarch from London, Pennland from Antwerp, State of Pennsylvania from Glasgow.
At Hamburg: Westphalia from New York.