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PROSPEROUS YOUNG CITY

LORD LORNE PAYS TORONTO A HIGH TRIBUTE.

A Great Future Before us—Picton, N.S., to Rival Glasgow and Belfast—Our Marvellous Progress.

BIRMINGHAM, Dec. 6.—Lord Lorne, lately governor-general of Canada, delivered a long lecture here on Wednesday evening upon that country and its products. He particularly praised the salubrity of the climate of the dominion, and said fevers, which were too common in the United States, were unknown within its boundaries. He lauded Canada as a field for emigration, and expatiated upon the marvellous progress made by various towns. He instanced Picton, in Nova Scotia, which, he said, with its cheaper labor, will soon rival Glasgow, Belfast and London as an iron shipbuilding port. He said Toronto is one of the most prosperous young cities upon the American continent and one that is destined to have a great future. Lord Lorne concluded by saying that the Canadian people are thoroughly devoted to their connection with the mother country, otherwise they would have long ago discarded their allegiance, of which they are proud. With the dominion of Canada and the Australian colonies in close relations, England need never fear that her proud position in the world would be shaken or questioned.

Sir Charles Tupper, Canadian high commissioner, in seconding a vote of thanks to Lord Lorne for his able and instructive lecture, said that Canada had never progressed so rapidly as when she was under the administration of Lord Lorne. The dominion, he said, also owed a debt of gratitude to Princess Louise.

BARBARITIES IN SIBERIA.

Further Revelations Regarding the Fearful Sufferings of Political Exiles.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The Times publishes another letter written in blood by a nihilist in Troubletskoi bastion at St. Petersburg. It says the food of the prisoners is often mouldy and sometimes putrid. Dysentry and scurvy are prevalent, and the doctor is afraid to touch the patients. The prisoners rot away and exhale the odors of dead bodies before life is extinct. The number who go mad in consequence of their sufferings is daily increasing. Mad men are strapped down and whipped. Fierce yells resound throughout the fort. Many prisoners have committed suicide. It is said one woman was outraged and then poisoned. Rats are the worst enemies of the prisoners. A woman with a babe was obliged to fight night and day to prevent the rats devouring the child. The use of combs and soap is forbidden and prisoners, especially women, are literally devoured by lice. Jailors are only kind to those having money. Prisoners who refuse to answer questions are tortured and cases of the violation of women are frequent. The writer appeals to the civilized world in behalf of the women, whose situation, he says, is far worse than that of the men. The Times says these allegations demand serious investigation.

THE SITUATION AT SUAKIM.

Skirmishing with the Rebels—Proposed Annexation of Egypt to England.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—A correspondent on board the British gunboat Skylark in the Red sea, sends the following: Her majesty's ship Amberwitch, which has just been spoken, reports that all is well at Suakim. The rebels fire into the town nightly, but do no harm. Six hundred black troops made a sally from the town on Sunday and attacked the rebels with no definite result. The telegraph line to Jeddah has been cut. The Arabs allege that Commander Moncrieff, the British consul, is still alive. This is not believed. The country toward the south is reported quiet. The government is subsidizing the people there.

The desirability of the annexation of Egypt to Great Britain is now freely discussed.

ON THE BANKS OF THE TIBER.

An Italian ex-Minister of the Interior Murdered at a Duel.

ROME, Dec. 7.—A duel was fought to-day by Nicotera, ex-minister of the interior, and Lovito, first secretary of the interior, in consequence of an insult given by the former to the latter yesterday. They both were seriously wounded. They fought with swords near the iron bridge across the Tiber. Nicotera was injured in the right wrist. The seconds then endeavored to stop further fighting, when suddenly Lovito rushed forward and seized Signor Nicotera's sabre, cutting his own left hand, inflicting with the same weapon a terrible wound upon Nicotera's head. Nicotera died almost instantly. Other duels arising from the affair are expected among friends of both parties.

PREPARED TO ADVANCE.

Admiral Courbet Ready to Resume Operations—The Credits and the Chambers.

CANTON, Dec. 7—The viceroy repudiates the declaration of Admiral Pang that China will decline to assume responsibility for damage to the property of foreigners in the event of war.

PARIS, Dec. 7—Admiral Meyer telegraphs that Admiral Courbet's preparations in Tonquin are far advanced. All his steam-launches are ready to support his operations by movements on the canals near Hainoi, Bacninh and Sontay.

In the deputies to-day the Tonquin credit bill was discussed. M. Reviere charged the government with concealing the truth relative to the situation in Tonquin.

Carding Mills at Brussels Burned.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 7.—A fire broke out in a stable adjoining the carding mills owned by George Howe & Co., about 5.30 p.m. The flames quickly spread to the main building, part of which was a two-story frame, the remainder being of brick. The building is a total loss. Part of the machinery was saved. Loss about $8000; insured in the Gore Mutual for $4000.

The Crown Prince Leaves Madrid.

MADRID, Dec. 7.—The German crown prince with his suite started for Seville to-day incognito. King Alfonso, his cabinet ministers, the diplomatic body and other notables took leave of the prince at the depot, where the king embraced the prince and kissed each other. It is stated the prince will proceed from Genoa to Rome to visit the pope.

The Ilbert Bill in India.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 7.—In the legislative council the Marquis of Ripon, governor-general, stated that an amendment to the Ilbert bill would be made removing cases from before the native magistrates to the European magistrates when a fair trial appeared unlikely.

THE OLD WORLD IN BRIEF.

The British gunboat Woodlark has sailed from Aden for Suakim.

A proposed meeting of nationalists at Ballance has been prohibited.

Emile Welsi, liberal, now vice-president, has been elected president of Switzerland.

A Prussian loan of fifty million roubles, bearing six per cent interest, has all been covered.

The porte has informed Great Britain that it intends to despatch several frigates to cruise in the Red sea.

An imperial edict has been issued at Berlin pardoning the Roman Catholic Bishop Blum of Limburg and restoring his stipends.

Neustojeff, a popular teacher at Irkutz, has been arrested and shot for striking the governor-general for an affront given by the latter.

The sultan has given a thousand pounds toward the relief of sufferers by the Haskini fire. The homeless people are temporarily lodged in immense barracks near the scene of the fire.

The documents connected with the foundation of Belgian independence, including the original constitutional charter, were destroyed by the fire in the legislative palace at Brussels. Damage twelve million francs.

THE LOSS OF THE MANISTEE.

Terrible Sufferings of the Three Survivors.

DULUTH, Dec. 7.—A letter has been received from a survivor of the lost steamer Manistee. He says they encountered a very heavy gale from the southwest, and about twenty miles out the vessel broke in two. The life boats were taken out, but before they were launched all but one was swept away with the storm, and only nine persons who were on the boat were allowed to get in the remaining boat. They had a terrible time. After the steamer went down there was nothing but a wide expanse of water before them. They rolled around on the turbulent waters, cold, wet and hungry for three days, and one by one they dropped off, death having come to their relief. Some froze to death and some died from exhaustion and exposure. They say Capt. McKay never left the boat, but remarked: "I am captain of this boat and if she is a coffin for anybody she will be my coffin." After the men left the boat they say the monster make one plunge under the waves and that was the last of her. There were ten of the crew and seven passengers on board when she went down, and out of those who started out in the boat only three were saved and reached Loughton. The wreck occurred off Eagle harbor.

THE FUND W FRAUD.

John Flemming and His Partner Likely to Get their Deserts at Last.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—John Flemming and Frank Loring were to-day found guilty of participation in "Fund W" fraud. The firm, which was known as Flemming & Merriam, advertised to do commission business and induced a great many people to invest in "Fund W." It is estimated they collected over a million dollars. Merriam is supposed to be a myth.

A Spill from the Stage.

OYSTER BAY, L.I., Dec. 7.—The Huntington choral union gave an entertainment at the presbyterian church here last evening. They returned home in a large stage late last night. The horses became frightened and ran away. The stage upset over a high embankment, rolling over twice. The imprisoned passengers were all severely hurt. Three young ladies, the daughter of ex-Supervisor Sammis, and Miss Conklin were cut badly about the head and face. Miss Rogers sustained serious injuries. Her condition is critical. It is feared two of the occupants of the stage cannot recover.

An Organ Fraud.

BOSTON, Dec. 7.—It is stated the police are investigating the doings of a New Bedford firm, which it is alleged manufactures organs in the cheapest manner, and by means of circulars sent broadcast sells them for fabulous prices to the uninitiated. It is believed the firm has disposed of 25,000 organs in the past year at a profit of fifty to two hundred thousand dollars.

The Grand Trunk-West Shore Lease.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—The Post says there has been no further news lately in regard to the proposed West Shore and Grand Trunk lease, but the impression grows that it may be regarded as almost certain, with whatever consequences it may bring in the way of competition with the Vanderbilt lines.

The Fatal Cigarette.

HOBOKEN, N. J., Dec. 7.—John Mara, aged 14, was found unconscious in the street last night. He is suffering from nicotine poisoning, having smoked too many cigarettes.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

Typhoid is epidemic at Forestville, Conn. All the schools are closed.

The incendiary fires in Milwaukee have been traced to an organized gang.

The city clerk of Parkersburg, W. Va., is short several thousand dollars.

Three hundred Yanktonais Indians have left their reservation and threaten trouble.

Pike Co., Ill., bank has suspended. It will pay 50c. on the dollar. One of its officers speculated.

Four or five horse thieves have been lynched near Ainsworth, Neb. Three of the bodies hung so low as to provide a meal for wolves.

Schedules filed yesterday show the liabilities of Levy Bros. & Co., bankrupt clothiers, are $2,470,000; nominal assets $1,918,000; actual assets $1,687,000.

Rev. John O. Bache, of Grace church, Harlem, was robbed of $300, a gold watch and a diamond pin on Fifty-first street, New York, early Thursday evening.

The Rev. J. C. Campbell, aged 55, of Fairhaven, Ohio, has been suspended from the United presbyterian church for hugging and kissing the young women of his congregation.

Wesley Rosey, the man charged at Birmingham, Ala., with criminal outrage upon a little girl, and against whom so much popular feeling was aroused, has been found guilty and sentenced to death.

A sleeping car on the Chicago express was discovered at Castleton, N.Y., to be on fire. It was at 10 o'clock in the morning, and although every birth was occupied only two people were burned and those not fatally.

Secretary Frelinghuysen refuses to recognise British Honduras as a dependency of Great Britain. England is said to be desirous of establishing naval stations at different points in the vicinity of the Panama canal.

The next annual convention of the United States brewers' association will be held at Rochester on the third Wednesday in May, the brewers' association of that city having invited the association to hold the convention there.

An appeal from the president of the Lynn, Mass., workingmen's association in favor of holding a national convention and organizing a labor candidate for the presidency and vice-presidency, is believed to be the inauguration of a Butler movement.

The Iowa free trade league has instructed its secretary to prepare an address of congratulation upon the election of Mr. Carlisle to the speakership, urging that no steps be taken which will disturb business interests, and recommending that thorough reform of the tariff should begin at once.

THE QUEEN'S BED.

Determined that the Head Which Wears a Crown Shall Lie Easy.

From the London Truth.

According to a weekly contemporary, "it may not be generally known that the queen invariably takes her own bed with her wherever she may be traveling." People would infer from this statement that her majesty's "own bed" forms a part of the royal baggage. The queen always sleeps in beds of precisely the same pattern and made up in exactly the same way. They are all manufactured at Windsor castle, and there is one with accessories at each royal residence in this country, at the Villa Hohenlohe at Baden, at Rosenau, near Coburg, and on board the Victoria and Albert. When the queen pays a visit or goes abroad, a bed on the usual pattern is made and dispatched from Windsor in advance to be in readiness for her. One was sent last year to Mentone, and three years earlier another went to Baveno. At Dunrobin, Floors and other country houses at which the queen has been a guest her special bed has usually been left as a memento of the royal visit.

The Editor and the Bear.

Haliburton Cor. Lindsay Post.

For some time Mr. A. Smiffe, one of our oldest residents and the genial leader writer for the Bobcaygeon Independent, noticed that some thief was paying marked attention to his swill barrel to the detriment of the pigs he was fattening for his Christmas dinner. Mr. Smiffe determined to catch the culprit in the act, and a few nights ago secreted himself at a convenient point for observation. Presently a large bear shuffled up and plunged his head into the barrel, whereupon Mr. Smiffe seized him by the hind legs, lifted him up to a vertical position, and held him there until he was drowned. It was hard and risky work, but Mr. Smiffe is a powerful man, and is naturally proud of his odd feat as well as of his two pairs of bear feet.

During November the British imports increased £1,600,000 over last November, and the exports decreased £238,000.

IN FAVOR OF FEDERATION

AUSTRALIA TO FOLLOW CANADA'S EXAMPLE.

A Federal Council to be Formed—The Provisions of the Annexation Resolution.

SYDNEY, Dec. 7.—The conference of Australian delegates has passed a resolution favoring the formation of a federal council to deal with all matters in which united action by the colonies is desirable.

The resolution adopted by the conference of delegates of the Australian legislature called to consider the question of the annexation of the New Hebrides, New Guinea and the other South Sea islands to Australia declares that it is the unanimous belief of the conference that any further annexation of Pacific Ocean regions south of the equator by foreign powers would be highly injurious to the interests, safety and well being of Australia and the British empire. The conference leaves to England the initiative action, confidentially believing that she will promptly adopt the wishes of the conference and take most effectual measures to secure the safety and contentment of Australia by incorporating so much of New Guinea and the adjacent islands as is not claimed by Holland. The conference urges England to make a definite arrangement with France and thereby prevent the islands from being made subject to foreign dominion, and to seize the first opportunity of negotiating with France for the purpose of obtaining control of the New Hebrides in the interests of Australia. The colonies offer to bear a fair share of the cost of these undertakings. The conference protests in the strongest manner against France sending criminals to the islands of the Pacific, and urges England to make serious representations and to do her utmost to prevent a procedure so disastrous to the interests of Australia.

COMING ELECTIONS.

Nominations for Cardwell, West Simcoe and West Middlesex.

STAYNER, Ont., Dec. 7.—Nominations for West Simcoe in the local house were made today. Neil Harkins of Sunnidale proposed, and David Grant of Singhampton seconded O. J. Phelps; James Coffee of Nottawasaga proposed, and Francis Hewson seconded Dr. Thomas Wylie. Dalton McCarthy, Wm. Lount, A. W. Lauder, and Hon. A. S. Hardy made speeches at the meeting that followed.

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 7.—The nominations both for the local and the dominion house were made for West Middlesex to-day. For the legislature Mr. G. W. Ross, minister of education, and Mr. Alex. Johnston were nominated, and for the dominion Mr. D. M. Cameron, warden of the county, and Mr. E. Roome.

TOTTENHAM, Ont., Dec. 7.—The nominations for Cardwell took place here at noon to-day. W. H. Hammill was nominated by Joseph Leggat and Adjala, and seconded by W. McDermott of Tecumseh, and Dr. Robinson was nominated by Jas. F. McLaughlin of Toronto, and seconded by J. H. Newbore.

THE SORROWFUL SHAREHOLDERS.

An Advisory Committee Appointed to Assist the Exchange Bank Liquidators.

MONTREAL Dec. 7.—A meeting of the shareholders of the Exchange bank was held this afternoon to confer with Messrs. Ogilvie and Greeney, who got themselves appointed liquidators of the bank, for the purpose if possible of arriving at an amicable settlement and avoiding litigation and expense. Senator Ogilvie occupied the chair, and made a conciliatory address in which he advised the election of an advisory committee of the stockholders to aid the liquidators. A good deal of discussion followed. It was finally resolved to appoint Henry Bulmer, E. J. Barbeaux and Thomas Darling as an advisory committee, and the liquidators committed themselves to giving these appointees equal power with themselves hereafter. Some plain talk was indulged in about the neglect and ignorance of the directors.

DOMINION DASHES.

The Latest and Best News Found in Our Canadian Exchanges.

The Hamilton policemen are to be supplied with lanterns.

A female teacher near Orangeville is charged with giving a little girl 417 lashes.

The council of council of Wentworth decline to petion the legislature in favor of woman suffrage.

An Italian laborer working on the Central Ontario railway at Trenton had both his legs completely cut off.

A. D. Weaver, an employment agent at Winnipeg, has skipped out after receiving $1000 from Bell & Brown of Rat Portage to furnish 200 men for employment on the Canada Pacific railway.

John Walker of Montreal had a bullet taken out of one of his thighs at Hamilton yesterday. He said he had two revolver cartridges in his pocket, and one of them exploded, sending a bullet into his thigh.

A virulent type of scarlet fever has been causing sad havoc in Peterboro and vicinity. Mr. Joseph Taylor of Otonabee has lost five children from the disease and two other members of the family are now ill with it.

John Butterworth, aged 3, son of Mr. Edward Butterworth, Horncastle, Ont., took a teapot of boiling tea from the stove and drank out of the spout, scalding his mouth and throat so badly that he died shortly afterwards.

Three Winnipegers are said to have won $3000 playing faro in St. Paul, Minn., in one night. The next night they lost $5000 besides having made a considerable inroad into the winnings of the previous night by indulging in copious libations of champagne.

Miss Skillins, a respectable young lady living near Bright; Ont., was found wandering listlessly about the woods in the neighborhood. Her mind had become unhinged by the desertion of a young man who had left for Michigan. She was taken to the asylum at Woodstock.

A circular has been issued to C. P. R. employes from Winnipeg announcing a reduction of 10c. a day in wages and the knocking off of an hour a day in work, making the real reduction in machinists' wages 45c. a day, on laborers 25c., on carpenters 35c. and on boiler makers 50c. Corresponding reductions have been made all along the line.

Henry A. Banneret, for 25 years a clerk in Messrs. McInnes & Co's. establishment at Hamilton and for three years and a half with Calder & Co. in the same city, committed suicide late on Thursday night by taking Paris green. Mr. Calder recently discharged him for not doing something he was told and that fact preyed on his mind. He was a man of eccentric habits and was unmarried.

A Family of Five Drowned.

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., Dec. 7.—To-day while the Warford family were crossing from their home in the southwest arm, Notra Dame bay, to Little bay, a sudden squall capsized the skiff and all five occupants were drowned.

Thos. Craig's Brother Resigns.

MONTREAL, Dec. 7.—Geo. W. Craig, secretary-treasurer of the Montreal Loan and Mortgage company, handed his resignation to-day to the directors, and it was received. Mr. Maltby was appointed his successor.

Civil Cases in the County Court.

Pacey and Cutts & Gasby v. Smith was finished in the county court yesterday. The jury awarded Pacey $100 damages and Cutts & Gasby $42.50. Munro v. Iredale was then taken up. The action is to recover compensation for alleged damage to plaintiff's property in Yonge street and on account of the violation of the terms of a lease. It will be continued to-day.

Another of the series of letters "written in blood," detailing the cruel experiences of exiles in Siberia, has just been published in Russia. It declares women are subject to even worse treatment than men.

Ten thousand persons at least were rendered homeless by the recent great fire in Constantinople. For a couple of miles the ground was covered with the poor destitute wretches. The fire commenced in a quarter, inhabited by the very poorest class of Jews.

LOCAL NEWS PARAGRAPHED.

The steamer Hastings has been purchased by parties in this city for $16 800.

A building permit has been issued to A. E. Balfour for four houses in Oak street to cost $4050.

The Credit Valley advertise a cheap excursion to Detroit, Chicago and other western points on December 22.

The destitute Irish families living in Conway and neighboring streets number 81. They will require relief all winter.

The Ontario government will have to pay a bill of $90 for water consumed in extinguishing the recent fire at the Central prison.

Frank Peterson saved Mrs. Capt. Wood from being run over by a locomotive at the Kingston road crossing Thursday evening.

James Woods, a newsboy, was yesterday arrested on suspicion of having stolen money from the till of Spittal's bakery, King street west.

The St. John's ward conservative association met in McBride's hall last night. It is understood that several party men were mentioned as candidates for aldermen.

Lieut.-Col. Milsom has resigned the position of brigade major for this district. He will be succeeded by Major Lewis, an ex-officer of the British army, who is at present attached to the 12th batallion.

James Redford reports that he was robbed of $5 and a silver watch on Duke street at 3 o'clock yesterday morning. He was very drunk at the time.

Detective Hodgins yesterday arrested H. D. Madden on a charge of embezzling money from a Hamilton baker named Chilman. Madden was a pedlar for Chilman and left his cart at Georgetown and came on to this city. He was taken back to the ambitious city last night.

The Progress society of the Bond street church gave one of their well-known entertainments last evening, which, despite the weather, attracted a large audience. The program consisted of a number of vocal and instrumental selections, a series of tableaux and and an interesting group of wax works.

The pocketbook of which Mr. Mitchell of the Grand Trunk railway was robbed in a street car Thursday afternoon was found inside of a doorway on Yonge street yesterday morning. The robbers, finding that they could not use the checks, had thrown the book away, but had first taken out some street-car tickets.

The big sale of ladies and gentlemen's furs now going on at Tonkin Bros., 110 Yonge street, promises some very fine bargains for those who desire to be protected from the cold weather. The astrachan and Persian lamb goods have been marked down to wholesale prices, on the principle of quick sales and small profits.

At the regular meeting of Rehoboam lodge A.F. & A.M., No. 95 G.R.C., the officers for the ensuing year were installed by V. W. Bro. F. Gallow. During the evening the W. M. Bro. D. H. Watt on behalf of the lodge presented W. Bro. A. Park with an address and a very handsome past masters jewel. The attendance as usual at this lodge was very large.

L. O. L. No. 111 last night elected its officers for the ensuing year as follows: Wm. Barrett, W.M.; Henry Gibbons, D.M.; W. J. Porter, B.A. chaplain; Henry Kerrison, R.S.; Geo. Redford, F.S.; Jas. Redford, sr., treasurer. Two certificates were presented, and four applications were received. Master Somers and District County Master Elliott were present. The W.M. entertained the brethren to an oyster supper.

Mr. Wm. Lacey Nolton, waiter at Upper Canada college, was arrested last night on charge of being a vagrant, of picking pockets and of following a young lady with dishonorable intentions. On his arrival at No. 2 station it was soon discovered that his accuser was laboring under delirium tremens. Mr. Nolton therefore was promptly released, which is probable that the person who procured his temporary arrest will find himself in "durance vile." The latter announced himself under such a variety of names that it was impossible to ascertain who he really is.

The Toronto choral society's concert takes place December 18 and promises to be a grand musical success. The chorus numbering 100 selected voices are well up in their parts together with the orchestra. The society has secured such artists as Mrs. E. Aline Osgood and Miss Strong for the occasion. Besides taking the leading part in the Stabat Mater Mrs. Osgood will sing a ballad. The concert is to subscribers only, and limited to 350. Those wishing to subscribe had better leave their names at Nordheimers or Sucklings before the 15th as the list then closes.

The Young people's association in connection with the Church of the Redeemer, held the first open meeting of the season Thursday evening last in the school-house, when a large and appreciative audience was present. Mr. Frank Amoldi, president of the association, occupied the chair. The singers were Miss Berryman, Miss Grundy and the Misses Scott; Mr. Coleman, Mr. Williamson and Mr. Field, the last named being in character. Mr. Headly gave two readings. All the numbers were exceedingly rendered, several being encored. Miss Symons, besides giving two piano solos, accompanied the singers with her usual ability.

PROMINENT PERSONS.

Col. Michael W. Burns, harbor master of New York, is dead.

Mr. Charles E. Stewart of the Bobcaygeon Independent is in the city.

The Canadian False Prophet—H. G. Wennor, has prophesied a cold dip for yesterday.

The bishop of Huron and Mrs. Baldwin arrived at the Queen's hotel last night. They leave for London on the 9.15 train this morning.

It is said of Mr. C. H. Mackintosh, the member for Ottawa, that wherever he has shown his face in a contest the conservatives have lost.

Mr. Mowat is at Ottawa and yesterday had an interview with Sir John Macdonald and Attorney-General Miller, regarding the boundary dispute.

Rev. Mr. Townend, chaplain of the forces at Halifax, who preached in St. James' cathedral last Sunday, will preach again to-morrow in the same church morning and evening.

Mr. Ben Stern leaves this evening for New York to take the business management of Brooks & Dickson's new play, In the Ranks. This drama will be presented at the Grand opera house in April.

Mr. Justice Morrison, who is at the well known Virginia health resort, Old Point Comfort, has had a severe attack of illness there. Mr. Becker and his family of London, Ont., are visitors at the same hotel.

"H. Helenckbee, Victoria," would scarcely be recognized as the signature of H. D. Helmcken, formerly of this city, but that is the way it appears in the San Francisco Chronicle among the list of arrivals at Baldwin hotel in that city.

A story is told of Mr. Trevellick, the labor agitator who lectured here the other evening, that seeing a needy immigrant in Hamilton looking very shivery, he remarked that the winters in Canada did not appear so cold as they used to be, and taking off his overcoat insisted upon the immigrant accepting it as a gift.

The Princess Amelie, eldest daughter of the Comte and Comtesse de Paris, who is about to be wedded to the Grand Duke Alexis, is fair, of blonde complexion and elegant looking, but, like her intended, very tall. Alexis' gay disposition and fondness for pleasure has been sobered by the war the nihilists have been making on his family.

Mr. Hutchin of the Eye of Bloomington, Ill. said in a bantering way that Mr. Piper, a close capitalist, would give every needy family in the city a Thanksgiving turkey, and then Mr. Hutchin added that he would give $10 for every turkey so given. The next day's returns made Mr. Hutchin a debtor in the sum of $680, and, as he couldn't readily pay, he compromised by giving a dinner.

The admirers of Matthew Arnold are but dimly aware that he has written one classic tragedy, Marope, from which copious extracts may be found in Miss Arnold's Matthew Arnold Birthday Book. Mr. Lowell has written as severely of it as Arnold has spoken of Emerson. "It has," he says, "that one fault against which the very gods, we are told, strive in vain; it is dull, and the seed of this dullness lies in the system on which it is written."

Auction Sale of Jewelry.

As will be seen by an advertisement in another column, S. P. Kleiser, 115 King street west, is selling off his stock of gold and silver Waltham, Elgin and Springfield watches, diamonds, musical boxes, French Clocks, etc. The stock is all first-class and as it was purchased at 40c. on the dollar Mr. Kleiser can afford to sell at cheap prices. Those in need of jewelry should attend the sale to-night and judge for themselves.

The number of failures in the United States and Canada for the past week was 307 against 242 in the week before. The increase is principally in the western and southern states and Canada.

RAPINE AND REBELLION.

ORANGE APPEAL TO THE LOYALISTS OF THE EMPIRE.

Great Demonstration at Monaghan in Honor of Lord Rossmore—His Lordship Prepared to Repeat His Acts.

DUBLIN, Dec. 7.—A meeting of orangemen to express indignation at the suspension of Lord Rossmore's commission was held at Monaghan to-day. Numerous orangemen with drums, flags, etc., were present. A carriage containing Lord and Lady Rossmore was unharnessed and drawn by a crowd of men to the place of meeting. A resolution was passed condemning the removal of Lord Rossmore from the magistracy. Lord Rossmore in thanking the meeting said what he had done he was ready to do again.

The half yearly meeting of the grand lodge of orangemen of Ireland has passed strong worded resolutions addressed to the loyalists of the British empire, resenting the insult offered the loyalists of Ireland through the suppression of Lord Rossmore's commission, and asking all to stand by the integrity of the empire and the honor of the throne against rapine and rebellion.

STREET CAR THIEVES.

How Passengers Have Been Robbed by a Gang of Pickpockets.

Beware of pickpockets on the street cars. At 6 o'clock Thursday evening as a gentleman was getting on a Yonge street car on the corner of King several parties were standing on the platform while a number of persons were anxious to get on. One man made himself very conspicuous by keeping parties from going in, although there were plenty of unoccupied seats; he really had the door blocked for fully a minute. When the gentleman got off the car his pocketbook was gone, and he has no doubt it was taken at the jam at the door. The conductor stood on the platform, but made no effort to clear the way. The same trick was played on several other cars and there is no doubt that a gang of street car thieves were working the town on Friday. These men travel in gangs and only stay a day or two in each place. Lyman Northrop's dry goods have been marked down to wholesale prices, on the principle of quick sales and small profits.

The Public Library.

The public library board met yesterday afternoon, the members present being Mr. Hallam (chairman), Mayor Boswell and Messrs. Wright, Knowlton, Scully and Mills. The upper flat of the central building was leased to the Athenæum club for $400 per year. The apartments occupied by Mr. Nicholls and Mr. Rldout were relet to these gentlemen for $125 and $250 per annum respectively. It was decided to insure the building for three years for $3500 in each of the following companies: London Fire, Western, Imperial and Northern. Donations were received from Prof. Cherriman, superintendent of insurance, J. M. Rowland, the Niagara Spectator of July 1817; James Charlton, Chicago, A Parody on Patience, Report from the New York chamber of commerce, Geological Society of London, Eng., two quarterly journals of Society, complete Annual reports from New York produce exchange, John Robson, provincial secretary, British Columbia, two copies of current Directory. The mayor complained that the furnishings of the western branch were very poor; in fact he was ashamed of it. The board voted $500 to furnish the northern and western branches in style and to procure other requisites. Work on the addition to the central building has been delayed on account of the plasterers' strike. It will probably not be opened till March. Books will be put in circulation at the branches within a month.

The Land o' Cakes.

Toronto's citizens of Scottish proclivities are to have a St. Andrew's Day celebration after all, only it will be a week after date, and will be somewhat novel in its features. Mr. Ragan, whose magnificent illuminated tours have attracted so much attention and given such unqualified satisfaction, will, next Monday evening, treat his audiences, in Shaftesbury hall, to some Glimpses of Scotland on his mammoth canvass screen, including Glasgow cathedral, Dumbarton castle, Lochs Lomond and Katrine, picturesque features of the Scottish capital, Heart of Midlothian, Knox's house and grave, Holyrood, Melrose, Abbotsford, The Burns Cottage, Tam O'Shanter's mare and a host of others dear to the Scottish heart. To make the evening still more enjoyable, the services of Miss H. Gertrude Hart have been secured, she will sing some of the sweet stanzas of the Lady of the Lake and other choice poems. Mr. Ragan will himself render Burns' Tam O'Shanter, while the hero will be illustrated upon the screen. Altogether the entertainment promises to be such a one as will delight the eyes and ears of every Scot.

Normal School Literary and Musical Society.

This session a departure from the ordinary routine of Normal school life has been indulged in by the students, in the formation of a Literary and Musical Society. The meetings are held weekly in the Normal school, and so far have been most successful. The following are the officers: President, Geo. M. Ritchie of Barrie; vice-president, Harry Chapple of Durham; secretary, Geo. K. McDowell of Stratford; committee, Harold Clark of Toronto, Agnes Orr of Norwood and Wm. A. Scott of Berlin. The program usually consists of vocal and instrumental music, readings, debates, etc. Yesterday's proceedings embraced songs by Misses Gladish, Henderson and Brown, and Mr. Scott; readings by Misses Alexander and Scott, and a debate in which Messrs. McDowell, Cowie Fry and Stewart took part. At the president's request, Dr. Davies, president of the school, addressed the society, giving kindly words of encouragement and offers of assistance.

Parkdale Pointers.

Some months ago the council passed a by-law to prohibit the posting of bills in the village. Now the councillor who drew up the by-law has had bills, advertising his business, gummed up in all sorts of places; even the fence of the deputy-reeve, who seconded the motion for the by-law, has come in for a share, in spite of the notice, "post no bills."

The suggestion that the board of health close up all the wells in the village is meeting with some attention from those who have good wells. One of them said he would like to see anyone come to fill up his well; there would be some sport.

The instalment system of paying the taxes for which the council passed a by-law has been abandoned. Taxpayers are now being served asking payment before Dec. 15.

The publishers of the Yorkville News having moved to this village will hereafter issue the paper under the name of The Parkdale News.

At the Grand.

Romany Rye has been playing to capital business at every performance! This afternoon and evening will afford the last opportunities for seeing this interesting and beautiful spectacular drama.

Next week Miss Margaret Mather will hold the fort. This lady is so well and so favorably known all the world over that there is little necessity for heralding her approach. Her fame travels before. That it has reached Toronto is evident from the rush for seats at the box office yesterday. The plan for the whole week has been opened and seats will be for sale again this morning.

The Ontario and Quebec.

It is likely that this road will be ironed and bridged right through to Perth before February 1 and that on that date freight will be run over it to Ottawa. It is not probable that passenger traffic can be accommodated before July 1 by which time the ballasting ought to be completed. When that is done Torontoand Ottawa will not be more than seven hours apart with the tendency in the direction of still further reduction.

The Northern.

Mr. Samuel Barker, general manager of the Northern and Northwestern, has arrived from England and spent yesterday in Hamilton. He has been away six weeks. He will be in Toronto to-day. He explicitly denied that he knew of any negotiations for a sale of the road nor did he go to England to arrange anything but some matters connected with the internal management of the railway.

THE YEAR OF JUBILEE.

Notes of the Semi-Centennial Celebration—Tableaux, Memorial Volume and Medals.

The committee on tableaux has issued four thousand circulars and addressed them to parties expected to take part in this feature of the celebration. The tableaux have been divided into four distinct classes: 1st. Historical tableaux. These tableaux, illustrative of the early history of the city, will, it is to be hoped, receive the earnest attention of the society of artists and members of the institute of architects. 2nd. Tableaux by the various trade and labor organizations of the city. It is expected that each trade and labor organization will contribute one or more tableaux illustrative of their particular trade. 3rd. Tableaux or exhibits by manufacturers, corporations, etc. In this display the following, amongst other public bodies are expected to take part, viz., railway companies, telegraph companies, express companies, board of trade and corn exchange, street railway company, P. O. department, inland revenue department, customs department, manufacturers and manufacturing companies. 4th, Tableaux illustrative of general business. In this division the assistance of every business firm in the city, wholesale and retail, is requested. Every one will be expected to add to the parade in such form as they may deem best, a wagon or float containing samples of the goods dealt in, arranged in an artistic manner in order that a panoramic view of the business carried on in the city may be obtained. R. B. Hamilton, secretary of the committee has received a large number of encouraging replies to this circular. G. F. Frankland, representing the cattle trade, the money works, the Royal Canadian academy of arts; Henry Slight, nurserymen, the knights of Pythias, bakers' union and other business firms and societies being among the first to intimate their intention of taking part in the affair. The committee will be happy to supply business men and organizations with full information regarding what is proposed to be done.

The publication of the memorial volume has been undertaken by Hunter, Rose & Co. It will be a handsome specimen of typographical work, and will be embellished with protraits of the mayors of Toronto and pictures of its public buildings.

A design for the invitation card is being executed by Alexander, Clare & Cable. Invitations will be issued to the mayors of cities in Canada and the United States and prominent persons all over the continent. The governor-general has already signified his intention of being present.

Rolph, Smith & Co. have prepared a design for a medal commemorative of the jubilee. It will be cast in silver and bronze, and sold at a reasonable rate.

English Poor.

The St. George's society held its regular monthly meeting at 7 Louisa street last night. Secretary Pell reported that so far this winter he had had more English poor applying for relief and assistance than he ever had experienced. He anticipated that the society would be taxed to its utmost to supply the demands that would be made upon it during the winter. R. W. Elliott intimated that the Toronto, Grey and Bruce railway would bring down cordwood for the city free of charge, and that Hendrie & Co. had also volunteered a cart in gratis. It was stated that the recent concert would net about $20 profit. In the face of the counter attractions and bad weather, this was considered a satisfactory showing. President Cumberland submitted a circular that had been sent out by the committee to members, asking them to assist in procuring employment for a large number of Englishmen who had applied to the society for assistance. The applications for assistance and advice are twice as numerous as those made at this time last year.

Junk Shops and the Court House.

The grand jury made its presentment to Judge Boyd yesterday. The jury congratulated the citizens of Toronto on the decrease of crime, which was due to the efficiency of the police force and to the number of charitable institutions in the city, which were doing much good in relieving the distressed and reclaiming criminals. Attention was called to the number of junk shops now in the city, which were in a great measure responsible for the prevalence of crime among the juvenile population of the city. The jury suggested that these shops should be compelled to take out a license. The central prison and reformatory had been visited. At the latter institution young girls were allowed to mingle with old and hardened criminals. It was recommended that something should be done to keep these young girls separate from older criminals. The court house was condemned, and the jury expressed a hope that a new building would soon be erected with all modern conveniences.

Verdict of Not Guilty in the Gaming Case.

The gaming case in which Zeph Treganne, Philip Spohn, John Fleming, sr., M. Maloney, Chas. Rogers and John Kleiser were defendants was continued before Judge Boyd and a jury yesterday. John Fleming, sr., was put in as a witness for defence, and stated that the lay-out captured by the police had been sold by him to Chas. Rogers, and was at the house on Bay street on the night of the raid to be delivered to the purchaser. He admitted that he had seen all the defendants except Treganne gambling in Rogers' house eight months ago. Mr. Murphy, for the defendants, argued that the county-attorney was straining the law for all it was worth in order to get a conviction. Mr. Fenton denied this, and contended that a case had been made out against defendants. His honor charged in favor of the prosecution, but the jury, nevertheless, returned a verdict of not guilty after an hour's deliberation.

Osgoode Hall Briefs.

The queen's bench upheld the verdict for $1000 in the case of Leroy v. Midland railway, and discharged a rule nisi for a new trial.

Justice Armour granted writs of certiorari to bring up the two convictions of one Ellis, an inhabitant of the town of Niagara Falls, who was fined by the police magistrate there for using grossly insulting language. The writs were granted on the application of Thomas S. Jarvis of Niagara Falls, who will move to quash the convictions next week.

In the case of Bailie v Herson, Chancellor Boyd set aside a transaction by which James Walsh, a creditor of the Herson estate, obtained judgment and execution for $2400 and certain lots in Parkdale in preference to other creditors. The court held that it was a fraudulent transaction between Herson and Walsh.

Police Court Pointers.

The drunks yesterday numbered seven. Friday, the half witted negro, was set at liberty. Thomas Fitzgerald, a vag., was sent down