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A HEAVY DROP IN STOCKS.

NEARLY ALL THE LEADING SECURITIES FORCED DOWN.

It is Supposed That the Gould Party Brought About the Decline to Break the Ives-Stayner Party That Has Recently Come Into Prominence.

NEW YORK, June 24.—The stock market opened with a feeling of confidence in many of the stocks which suffered so severely yesterday, and large supporting orders were given all over the room. In a few moments, however, there was very heavy selling apparent, and a report was started that there had been a falling out between Jay Gould and Russell Sage and Cyrus W. Field. At the same time Berdan offered some heavy blocks of Manhattan stocks, which were taken by Wight & Co., and in a short period the sales by Berdan amounted to 7000 shares and Wight's purchases to 11,000 shares. These sales were made at about 150, but as soon as Wight & Co.'s orders were filled the price broke to 149½, and at that point Minzesheimer & Co. had a stop order reached, and they offered the stock down 19 per cent. without making a sale.

A rally did not occur until the price of 120, a fall of 36½ per cent. from the opening figures. The room was crowded with brokers, and the decline brought on selling orders with all classes of securities. Western Union, which held firm for awhile, began to break about 11 o'clock, and in a quarter of an hour had dropped 8 per cent. The fall of the stocks corresponded. The greatest excitement was the loan call, but the parties who have been prominent in loaning refused to lend any. Missouri Pacific was very prominent in the decline. It is said Gould has his Manhattan in loans, and is amply able to take care of it. Brokers say there is no reason for the raid. No failures are reported as yet.

Cyrus Field Interviewed.

NEW YORK, June 24.—Cyrus W. Field was seen this afternoon in regard to the rumor that he and Gould and Sage had had a falling out, causing the big drop in stocks to-day.

Mr. Field said: "There is nothing in it, not the slightest foundation for the story. I was down to Gould's office to-day. We are on the best of terms."

When asked in regard to the drop he said, with a knowing smile, "Why, somebody has been selling, that's all."

An Explanation of the Break.

NEW YORK, June 24.—The Post's financial article says that the most plausible explanation of the break in the stock market to-day is that the Gould party desired to break the Ives-Stayner party who, it is alleged, have run against Gould's plans by securing control of the Vandalia line so St. Louis and their proposed amalgamation of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton, the Vandalia, and Baltimore and Ohio.

CONVENTION OF CAPITALISTS.

Sault Ste. Marie to be the Scene of a Rich Gathering Next Month.

A convention of capitalists is to be held at Sault Ste. Marie July 20 and following days to consider the natural advantages of the place and inspect the water-power for milling industries, etc. So far as heard from many of the leading millers and capitalists of the United States and Canada will attend as delegates, thus showing the interest that business men are taking in the building up of this future commercial point. Amongst those who will be present are O. H. Simonds, President of the Chamber of Commerce, Duluth; Russel Blakely, President of the Board of Commerce, Duluth; S. Ellsbury, Director of the Board of Trade, Minneapolis; S. D. Caldwell, President of the Lake Carriers' Association, Buffalo; Wm. Edwards, President of the Board of Trade, Cleveland; N. W. Bailey, Vice-President of the Merchants' Association, Boston; Frank J. Firth, President of the Erie & Northwestern Transportation Company, Philadelphia; J. T. Whiting, General Agent of the Lake Superior Transportation Company, Detroit; James R. Smith, President of the Merchants' Exchange, Buffalo; Wm. B. Dean, Chairman of the Transportation Committee of the Jobbers' Union, St. Paul; Owen Ferguson, President of the Board of Trade, Duluth; James McMillan, General Manager of the Detroit Transportation Company, Detroit; William Hanna, President of the Vessel Owners' Association, Cleveland; A. M. Clerihew, President of the Jobbers' Association, Minneapolis; H. B. Goodwin, President of the Chamber of Commerce, New York.

AN INVASION OF LEGISLATORS.

Members and Senators En Route From the Deserted Capital.

The city was invaded last night with M.P.'s and Senators returning to their homes from the "Deserted Capital."

At the Rossin were registered James McMullen, North Wellington; Robert Watson, Marquette; J. Armstrong, South Middlesex; G. R. R. Cockburn, Centre Toronto; A. Campbell, Kent; J. Masson, North Grey; Arthur Boyle, Monck; John Charlton, North Norfolk; J. F. Lister, West Lambton, and James Sutherland of North Oxford.

At the Walker were booked: Henry Cargill, East Bruce; James Somerville, North Brant; J. E. Bowman, North Waterloo; Col. Tyrwhitt, South Simcoe; J. Eisenhauer, Lunenburg, N.S.; Col. Wm. E. O'Brien, Muskoka and Parry Sound, and N. C. Wallace, West York.

At the Queen's: Dr. Montague, Haldimand; William Paterson, South Brant; George Casey, West Elgin; Senator McKindsey of Milton, Senator McCallum of Stromness, and Senator Merner of New Hamburg.

Notes of Amusement.

Prof. Crocker will give his two closing performances with his trained horses at the Toronto Opera House to-day; matinee at 2, evening at 8.

At the Toronto all next week Mr. J. W. Ransone will appear in his thrilling drama "Across the Atlantic," of which The Montreal Herald says: "The drama is replete with striking scenes and situations, giving full scope for the versatile genius of the star. Whether as Blue, the colored servant, Jacob, the German guide, or Miles O'Flynn, the eccentric Irishman of the old school, Mr. Ransone was perfectly at home. He has capital support in his charming sister, Miss Ella Ransone, who, in the many specialties she introduced—particularly her clever dancing—at once captivated the audience, and elicited any quantity of well-merited applause."

The Amateur Orchestra's jubilee concert on June 30 promises to be the greatest event of the celebration. Among the soloists is Mr. W. F. Howe, solo French horn of the Royal Artillery Band, Woolwich—England's finest brass band. Mr. Howe is in the city for a short time, so that this will be the only opportunity of hearing this delicate instrument played by an artist. He will take part in a serenade by Titt'l for flute and horn with Mr. Arlidge, and will play as a solo Sullivan's "Last Chord." Reserved seat plan opens on Monday at Suckling's. Tickets have been selling well.

Fire at Oshawa.

OSHAWA, June 25.—About 12 o'clock last night a fire broke out in a frame building owned by Mrs. Hedlar and occupied by Hern, flour and feed; Smith & Adams, grocers; Rice, butcher, and Mrs. Brimscombe, milliner. Damage to building about $600; covered by insurance.

CHAT ACROSS THE CABLE.

Emperor William's departure for Ems is fixed for July 5.

There is every prospect that the Afghan rebellion will soon collapse.

Despatches from [illegible] an effort will probably be made at the [illegible] Bavarian Parliament to throw [illegible] insane.

A French [illegible] foreign consuls [illegible] tions to the Queen's jubilee.

THE PACIFIC MAIL SUBSIDY.

The Subject Discussed in the English House of Commons.

LONDON, June 24.—In the Commons last night, on the question of the adoption of the Peninsular and Oriental Company's India-China mail contract,

Mr. Anderson, member for Elgin and Nairn, moved that the Canadian Pacific proposals be first considered. The Canadian rate, he said, was three-and-sixpence, with fourteen knots speed, as against the Suez Canal rate of six-and sevenpence, with eleven or twelve knots speed. On military, commercial and general grounds he urged the adoption of the Canadian proposals.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer said the Canadian route proposed was only supplemental, not competitive, to the Suez Canal. The Government were fully considering the Canadian proposals, which were quite distinct from the Peninsular and Oriental contract, which would continue. One Canadian proposal was for £100,000 subsidy for five ships, the Canadian Government paying £20,000, and another for a monthly service of three ships for £30,000, the Canadian Government paying £15,000. The Government had to consider whether the postal, military and commercial advantages of the Canadian route were worth the large sum asked in the extremely comprehensive Canadian proposals. He urged the withdrawal of the amendment.

The Postmaster-General said the attitude of the Government towards the Canadian proposal was sympathetic.

Admiral Commerell earnestly supported the Canadian proposals.

The amendment was withdrawn in view of the sympathetic tone of the Government's reply. The general debate was then adjourned.

PARENT DISGORGES.

After Giving Up $28,000 He is Committed for Examination.

BUFFALO, June 24.—The Hochelaga Bank of Montreal has succeeded in obtaining all but $9000 of its money from Alphonso D. Parent, its absconding cashier. Parent disgorged $23,000 and gave L. J. Bieque, the attorney of the bank, a key to a safe-deposit vault in Chicago where he has $5000 deposited.

Parent was before the Police Court this afternoon on a charge of having stolen funds and securities of the bank in his possession. It was stated that the bank officials having recovered all that was possible of the amount embezzled did not desire to prosecute the fugitive.

Justice King said that if a crime had been committed the guilty party should be punished, and decided to hear the evidence. Parent was held for examination on Monday, and, in default of $10,000 bail, was committed to the care of Sheriff Gilbert.

The Tourist's Guide to the St. Lawrence, with description of principal American summer resorts, maps, etc., 50c. McAinsh & Ellis, opp. Postoffice.

THE NIAGARA CAMP.

Artillery Inspection by Lieut.-Col. Irwin—Three Batteries Leave for Home.

NIAGARA, June 24.—To-day the artillery were inspected by Lieut.-Col. Irwin, Inspector of Artillery for Ontario. The Colonel expressed himself as thoroughly satisfied with the appearance of the men and the fine condition of their equipments, especially the harness.

The Welland Field Battery left at 6.30 a.m., Hamilton at 2 p.m. and the Toronto Field Battery embarked on the steamer Chicora at 6.10 p.m. to-day. The Chicora comes back to-night to take the cavalry over to Toronto.

The statement that appeared in a Toronto paper stating that the bread supplied was "indigestible" is utterly untrue.

The shooting at Port Colborne so far has resulted as follows: Hamilton 444, Toronto 397, Welland 293, with two batteries to shoot.

The annual cook's parade was held last night, and was leaded by the Scotch pipers of the 20th Lorne Rifles, Col. Allan's regiment, and were greatly admired.

SUSPENDED PAYMENT.

MacIver & Barclay, Montreal Brokers, Broken on Telegraph Stock.

MONTREAL, June 24.—MacIver & Barclay, stock brokers, suspended payment to-day. The liabilities are not known. The announcement caused quite a panic on the market.

The firm makes this statement: "The decline in telegraph and one or two losses through clients has been the cause of our having to suspend. We have been carrying telegraph from 130 downwards, and our loss on that alone would be about $80,000. Our total loss will exceed $100,000. The liabilities to the Stock Exchange will be about $6000, and there will be enough left out of the wreck to pay the amount in full."

ANOTHER MYSTERY.

A Volunteer of the 56th Battalion Poisoned in a Peculiar Manner.

OTTAWA, June 24.—Private James Perreault of No. 1 Company, 56th Battalion, in camp here, was found in an unconscious condition on the roadway near New Edinburgh Thursday evening. He was taken to the camp, where it was found that he was in the last stages of exhaustion caused by poisoning. The usual restoratives were applied. Perreault is still alive but in a bad condition.

A comrade, who brought the volunteer to camp, has given information to the effect that the latter when discovered rallied sufficiently to state that he had spent the evening with a young woman from Prescott. He also directs suspicion towards this same woman by swearing that she has been threatening Private Perreault with a suit for breach of promise for several years past.

DETERMINED TO PROCEED.

The Manitoba Government Will Build the Red River Valley Railway.

MONTREAL, June 24.—Hon. Dr. Harrison, Minister of Agriculture of Manitoba, who is at present in town, in conversation with a reporter to-night stated that the Manitoba Government has fully determined to proceed with the construction of the Red River Valley Railway to the boundary line, so as to make connection with the spur of the Northern Pacific road.

Charged With Intimidation.

George Turner and Wm. Owen were charged in the Police Court yesterday with assault and intimidation Thursday night in College-avenue. They are alleged to have led in an assault on Wm. H. Wright, a carpenter, who refused to join in the present strike. They will have a hearing on Wednesday week. Ald. Baxter told them that he had power to inflict a fine of $100 or three months for the offence, if it were proven.

Burglars North and West.

Early yesterday morning Wm. Slattery was caught climbing over the fanlight at the residence of Mrs. Galoska, 546 King-street west. In the Police Court the case was clearly proven, and Slattery was remanded for sentence.

Thieves entered Tolchard Brothers' grocery store, at Yonge and Alexander-streets, Thursday night and secured $108 in cash.

Report of Business Failures.

CHICAGO, June. 24.—The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days number for the United States 171 and for Canada 26, or a total of 197, as compared with 213 last week and 173 the week previous to the last. The corresponding week of last year there were 162 failures, 138 in the United States and 24 in Canada.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

Students at the Lutheran Educational Institution at Rock Island are forbidden to use tobacco.

The business of Whitely, Foster & Kelly, Springfield, Ohio, the greatest reaper manufacturers in the country, has been placed in the hands of a receiver.

James M. Webb was taken from the jail at Kosciusko, Miss., by a mob on Thursday night and hanged. Webb was charged with having poisoned his wife.

The entire plant of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Rolling Mills at Watertown, Wis., was burned on Thursday night. Two hundred men are thrown out of employment; loss $150,000.

THE CAPITAL DESERTED.

REVIEW OF A BRIEF BUT BUSY PARLIAMENTARY SESSION.

Interesting Scenes and Incidents Recalled—Important Questions Dealt With—How the Aged Premier Stood it—Death of Three Members—Homeward Bound.

OTTAWA, June 24.—The tale of the deserted village might be told of the Capital of the Dominion to-day. Here and there an odd representative, detained by a belated delegation from his native heath, wanders sadly and lonesomely through the empty corridors and silent halls of the building on the hill; but the great mass of the members of both Houses have gone and the town has resumed its normal quiet. A great many left by the late trains last night, the morning trains to-day completed the exodus.

Of the Toronto members Mr. Denison has been home for two or three days. Mr. Cockburn went west on the midnight train last night, and with him were Messrs. Brown, McKay, Clarke Wallace, Cook, Mulock, McCulla, Smith, Madill, Masson, Waldie, Wilson, and I don't know how many more. John Small is still here, winding up affairs, but may leave to-night. He is almost the last of the Mohicans.

The session just closed was remarkable for two things—for its brevity and the amount of work performed. It was essentially a hard working session from the start, and the last two weeks were something phenomenal in that respect. Aside from the budget speech and Sir Richard Cartwright's reply thereto there were no long addresses, very few that exceeded an hour, remarkably few that reached an hour and a half, and the way Sir Charles Tupper drove on the work was scarcely short of marvellous.

Two scenes of the late session will long be remembered—the examination of Returning Officer Dunn and the row Hon. Peter Mitchell raised the morning the final vote was taken on the Queen's County case. The first was a howling farce of the most agonizing description, the second was an outbreak of bad temper that transformed a deliberative assemblage into a bear garden and some of the members thereof into hoodlums for the time being.

A fact that developed early in the session was that The Globe's majority of one failed to bear swamp Dawson were not numerous. The first on J. J. Curran's Irish resolutions was not a party one, but later on a fair test of the strength of both parties was obtained and showed that on ordinary questions the Government have a majority of 42. Opposition management gave them a majority in one instance of 76, and the absence of many supporters from the House once reduced it to 19. The real strength of the Government is from 36 to 42.

The questions of most importance dealt with during the session were the consolidation of the iron duties and the reorganization of the departments. The first carried out to the full the principles of the National Policy, and will, it is believed, at no distant date revolutionize the industries of the country. The second creates a department of trade and commerce, rearranges the department of customs, inland revenue and finance, and establishes the position of Solicitor-General. It also provides for members of the Government who are not members of the Cabinet, and increases the number of the Ministry by two. Other important measures passed were the bills amending the Exchequer Court Act, for providing for a better mode of trial of claims against the Crown, for the improvement of procedure in criminal cases, amending the Chinese Immigration Act, the Franchise Act, the Dominion Lands Act and the Indian Act, and for providing representation of the Northwest Territories in the Senate. The Sault Ste. Marie Canal, and the subsidies granted to railways were matters of the greatest importance.

There was, of course, the usual slaughter of the innocents at the wind up. It is a curious fact that not a single public bill introduced this session by private members reached the committee stage. Among the slaughtered were the three bills to amend the Scott Act, Mr. McCarthy's railway bill, Mr. Mills' motion to reform the Senate, Mr. Laurier's motion to abolish the Franchise Act, Mr. Gillies' motion declaring it expedient to relegate the power of prohibition to the provinces, Mr. Mitchell's resolution in favor of manhood suffrage and Dr. Platt's resolution in favor of commercial union. Eighteen bills were introduced in the Senate and 156 in the Commons. These 174 Senate and House bills passed. Three Government measures were introduced in the Senate and 50 in the Commons. Seventy-eight private bills were introduced, of which 40 were railway bills.

Three members died during the session—Mr. Moffat, Restigouche; Mr. Campbell, Digby, and Mr. Campbell, Renfrew South. Two elections were held during the session—Mr. Hudspeth was re-elected for South Victoria, and Mr. Moffat, a brother of the deceased member, for Restigouche. Seven new senators took their seats this session. They are: Hon. J. J. C. Abbott, Montreal; Samuel Merner, New Hamburg; Charles E. Cassgrain, Windsor; Wm. E. Sanford, Hamilton; Lachlan McCollum, Stromness; Louis A. Senecal, Montreal, and Commodore Fortin for the Kennebec District.

The question of disallowance was raised by Mr. Watson, and the large majority by which the Government policy was sustained showed that that policy is thoroughly endorsed by the people excepting, of course, a portion of the citizens of Manitoba. The action of the Manitoban Legislature has complicated matters somewhat and the action the Government propose to take will, it is expected, be announced in a few days. It is no secret that the intention is to stop the building of the road in one way or another.

One of the wonders of the session was the great vitality and endurance shown by the aged Premier. Sir John has been in Parliament for over forty years, this was the first session that he did not lose a day through illness. Nor did he lose a day from any other cause. The House sat seventy-two days, and the Premier was present on every one of those days, and never once left before adjournment. He never showed weariness, even when younger men were begging for a night's rest. Take the past three days, for instance. On Tuesday the House met at the usual hour and sat until 3.30 Wednesday morning, resuming again at 1 o'clock on the same day, continued in session until after 3 o'clock Thursday morning, resuming again at 10.30 and continuing in session until the last bill was disposed of shortly before 6 o'clock. Viewing all those long hours the old Chieftain was in his place and working like a beaver. When prorogation came last night, despite the tremendous strain of the session the Old Man, in his Windsor uniform with the broad red sash and star of his Order of the Bath, was as jaunty as the youngest man in the House, and if appearances are worth anything he is good for another ten years at least.

The retirement of Hon. Edward Blake left a woeful gap in the debating talent of the House. Both friend and opponent hope that retirement will be but temporary and that another session will see the member for West Durham in his place with his health renewed and his vigor restored. Party animosity does not run that high at Ottawa that Conservatives can rejoice in the physical breaking up of a foe, and the deep regret expressed from the Ministerial benches at Mr. Blake's retirement was sincere. Nevertheless, that he has had to lay aside his armor but illustrates the tremendous vitality that has enabled the First Minister not only to survive but triumph over what has driven many an apparently stronger man to his grave.

The conduct of the Opposition throughout was admirable, everything being taken into consideration. This was especially the case when Sir Richard Cartwright was in charge. There was no undue opposition, and aside from proper criticism the Government were assisted in every possible way. In fact not a little of the credit of the short session and the amount of work performed was due to Sir Richard.

Taken altogether, the session was an admirable one in many respects, a period of hard, honest work, where every man earned his money and where the man who was lazy got left.

THE CABINET STILL BUSY.

Council Meetings to Clear off Routine Work—Movements of Ministers.

OTTAWA, June 24.—A Cabinet council was held to-day, but nothing was done beyond reducing the mass of routine work which has accumulated during the session. The Ministers will take a rest to-morrow, but on Monday there will be another council meeting, and probably one almost every day until business is settled up for the summer and the Ministers go away for their holidays.

The movements of the Ministers this summer are pretty well settled except Sir John's. The story in some of the papers that Lady Macdonald left or would leave for Riviere du Loup to-day is nonsense. Neither Sir John nor Lady Macdonald are at all likely to go to Riviere du Loup this summer, their house there being rented. Lady Macdonald left Ottawa a week ago yesterday for Metapelin, and will probably on her return join her daughter at the Banff Hot Springs. Whether Sir John will accompany her or not is doubtful. Sir Hector Langevin will run down to Quebec next Thursday for a few days, returning the following week. He will probably visit New York and Washington this fall. Sir Adolphe Caron will be here all next week and perhaps longer before he can get away for his proposed trip to Manitoba and British Columbia. Speaker Ouimet is still here, but goes to Montreal to-morrow, and will leave for England next week to join the Wimbledon team, of which he is commander.

The Government has decided to establish a fog bell to be worked by machinery at Plumber Pass light station, British Columbia. This is only a part of the proposed system for improving the service on the Pacific coast.

A gentleman residing in Ottawa has received a letter from his brother in Dublin, from which the following extract may prove interesting:

My unbiased opinion as to this country, as it is now, is that there is little distress in it, much less than in England; that it would be preposterous if the people worked as hard as they do in other colonies, but they lose their time going about to political meetings, and a great deal of the money they earn they give its way to the public houses, to the priests and to needy adventurers who have got into Parliament that they were to take any steps to have it done. It will perhaps be scarcely credible to you that the member for Tipperary was, until recently, driving a sea-water van. His salary as a "patriot" is probably four times greater than his former earnings. I think it may rightly be advanced that, with a few exceptions, the National members are a self-seeking body, who really care very little for anyone but themselves. The Lansdowne tenants in Queen's County could all have paid their moderate rents, and would if allowed. Kilbride, who went to Canada on the mission of slander, brought up his sons to professions, and his daughter followed the hounds in the county hunt, but he did not pay his rent.

The Cape Breton pilotage authority resolutions have been approved of.

An order-in-council has been passed reserving for sale and settlement the island and shores of the northern end of Long Lake in the Northwest Territories.

A despatch from Downing-street is published containing the regulations governing the examination of naval cadets.

A circular despatch dated May 25, 1887, from Downing-street is published together with a copy of the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between Her Majesty's Government and the King of the Hellenes.

The Committee on Printing had a meeting this morning and ordered the printing of a number of returns brought down in the House yesterday and the day before.

His Excellency, the Marchioness and suite left by special train on the Canada Atlantic this morning for their fishing grounds on the Cascapedia River, Baie Des Chaleurs.

Hon. J. A. D. Thompson, Minister of Justice, will shortly visit Halifax in connection with the international fishery case now pending before the Admiralty Court. He will subsequently visit Manitoba, the Northwest Territories and British Columbia on official business.

Senator Miller leaves to-morrow morning on a trip to the Pacific.

Trumpeter Coates of the Prescott Cavalry now in camp here was thrown from his horse this afternoon and had his arm broken.

CANADA'S EXPORTS AND IMPORTS.

Statements for May—Balance in the Postoffice Savings Bank.

OTTAWA, June 24.—The following is a statement of exports from the Dominion for May:

Products of Canada.		*Other Countries.*
Produce of Mine	$ 275,005	$21,515
Produce of Fisheries	317,752	510
Produce of Forest	1,751,968	76,877
Animals and their Products	1,630,251	79,325
Agricultural Products	1,238,955	77,950
Manufactures	266,280	46,946
Miscellaneous Articles	80,145	22,355
	$5,619,956	$ 275,216
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Total		$5,895,272

The following is a statement of goods entered for consumption in May:

Dutiable goods	$5,860,898
Coin and bullion	17,615
Free goods	2,851,153
Total	$8,729,666
Duty collected	$1,729,384

The Postoffice Savings Bank statement for May shows that the amount deposited during the month was $685,901, and withdrawn $628,950, the balance at the credit of depositors being $18,538,719.

"A Fair Barbarian," "A Woman's Will" and "Little Lord Fauntleroy," all by Mrs. Burnett, 25c each. McAinsh & Ellis, opp. Postoffice.

The London Murder.

LONDON, June 24.—The knife with which Shaw is supposed to have been killed was found to-day in Stevenson's house. It had been lately washed, but a microscopic examination by Dr. McCallum revealed particles of blood on its jagged edge, which the physicians believe to be human blood.

Cattle Shipment Safely Landed.

MONTREAL, June 24.—The Allan S. S. Lacerne, from Montreal for London, arrived out on Friday and landed her live stock shipment of 274 oxen and 11 sheep in good order and condition.

Detained by Fog.

QUEBEC, June 24.—The royal mail steamship Parisian, which left here yesterday at 10 a.m., only reached Rimouski at 1 p.m. today, owing to dense fog. She was detained seventeen hours.

Nominations in West Algoma.

PORT ARTHUR, June 24.—The nominations for West Algoma took place yesterday. James Flaherty, seconded by W. C. Dobie, nominated James Conmee, who was declared elected by acclamation.

George Rankin, who was nominated yesterday in opposition to R. A. Lyon in East Algoma, has retired.

A Mill at Newmarket Burned.

NEWMARKET, June 24.—This morning the flouring mill of B. F. Reesor was destroyed by fire. Loss $20,000. Insurance on building and machinery $13,000, on stock $9000.

"Madame Delphine," "Caranoro," and "Grande Pointe," in one vol., by G. W. Cable, 25c; "Old Creole Days," 25c; "Huckleberry Finn," by Mark Twain, 25c. McAinsh & Ellis, opp. Postoffice.

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

The raising of a battalion of volunteers at Stratford is talked about.

American capitalists talk of erecting an oatmeal mill at Dorchester.

Mrs. Villiers, wife of Col. Villiers, D.A.G., of Kingston, died yesterday morning.

Jane Ruhle has been committed for trial at Hamilton for cruelty to her child.

The only Sunday paper issued in Canada is The News, published in Vancouver, B.C.

Mr. Robert Watson, M.P., will be banqueted by the Liberal Association of Winnipeg on his return from Ottawa.

Chief of Police Wilson of Ingersoll, who is charged with retaining money belonging to the corporation, has been suspended for six months.

—C. H. Tonkin, 718 Yonge-street, North Toronto, is selling off his summer stock of hats, etc., at low prices. Special reduced rates all next week. 2

THE PATENT MEDICINE CASES.

The Seizures of Ayer & Co.'s Goods Before the Exchequer Court at Montreal.

MONTREAL, June 24.—The Exchequer Court opened here to-day, Chief Justice Sir Wm. Ritchie of the Supreme Court presiding, to hear the cases of the Crown against J. C. Ayer & Co., one to confiscate the goods valued at $79,000 and the other to recover penalties amounting to about $380,000. The defence claims that the goods imported were practically of little value and possessed no market value whatever. The whole value of material sold consisted of what was added to it in this country and the Government was really imposing a tax on this. The Government claim that the goods seized were imported in a nearly complete condition, and that they had been misrepresented and introduced at a valuation much lower than the correct one and not in accordance with the requirements of the act of 1883. The mere fact that the goods imported had no market value under the names put on them did not alter their actual character.

The Crown is represented by Messrs. Hogg and Ferguson of Ottawa and Atwater, Q.C., of Montreal, and the defendants by Messrs. McMaster, Q.C., McGibbon and McLennan. Several witnesses were examined and the case will be continued to-morrow.

Not Much of a Mystery.

BRANTFORD, June 24.—The Expositor of last evening says: "The Toronto News publishes rather sensational articles in Tuesday's and Wednesday's issues regarding the disappearance of Jennie Denton from the city. When the matter is investigated there does not appear much mystery about it. The girl whom The News states has mysteriously disappeared has not lived at home for any length of time since she was 5 years of age. It appears she lives at various places with her friends, and therefore it is nothing unusual for her to be away from home. Her father lives on Egerton-street, in the North Ward, and is an employe at the soap works of A. Watts & Co. On April 1 she paid a visit home and started off, stating she would return at tea time. She has not come home since, but her father and stepmother have no alarm as to her whereabouts, in fact she could, it is believed, be very easily placed if they were to take any steps to have it done. But they do not wish to do this, as they are satisfied the girl is all right, and have so instructed Chief Vaughan. As The News has brought the matter up, they ought to satisfy themselves and those of the public who read their articles as to the girl's whereabouts. They are in possession of enough facts to trace the girl, if they wish to. That the girl is fully capable of taking care of herself, is manifested by the way in which the girl has lived since a child.

A French Church in Toronto.

From The Evening News, June 24.

For sometime past the French-Canadian Roman Catholic residents of Toronto have been moving in the matter of securing a church for themselves, where their language would be spoken, and that part of the Catholic litany not necessary in Latin, spoken in the French tongue. With that view they have collected a fund of $3000, and are now looking about for a suitable site for their church. The parish priest, the Rev. Mr. Lamarche, who has been deputed to take charge of the new congregation, arrived this morning. He was met at Union Station by a committee consisting of J. Roy, A. J. Herbert, S. H. Lematter, J. Labelle, James Laforce, F. Bernier, N. Crener, F. Trudel, C. Gerre and T. J. Jobin. Pending the erection of the new church divine service will be held every Sunday in St. Vincent's Chapel.

Dr. McGlynn's Case.

ROME, June 24.—The period of grace granted Dr. McGlynn of New York is about to expire, and he has made no sign of submission. It is stated that the Pope will without further delay formally excommunicate the priest.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

The Humane Society will meet Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Canadian Institute.

Persons afflicted with chronic diseases should call and try the treatment of combination Turkish and Russian baths.

The whole medical section of the Board of Trade decided yesterday to observe both Thursday and Friday, July 30 and July 1, as holidays.

Dr. Wilson of St. George's Church, New York, will preach to-morrow morning at St. George's Church, and the Bishop of Qu'Appelle in the evening.

John Hillman, a boy of 19, who lives on Alice-street, was locked up at the Yorkville Station last night charged with using profane language on the street.

Mr. Joseph P. Howe has opened an Electro-Therapeutic Institute at 349 Jarvis-street, and is treating (with electricity) sufferers from rheumatism, sciatica, etc., etc.

Edward Lawson, Toronto's Pioneer Tea Merchant, gives a splendid jubilee picture of the Queen with each five pounds of tea sold. The picture is an excellent one.

A valuable bulldog was run over in Yonge-street by a horse car last evening. Policeman Mills had to shoot four bullets into the injured animal before he succumbed.

John M. McFarlane & Co. will sell by public auction on Wednesday next, at 108 St. Patrick-street, the whole of the valuable household furniture. Sale at 11 o'clock sharp.

The Canadian Pacific Railway will issue round trip tickets on June 30 and July 1 at single fare, good to return same day, and at a fare and a third good to return until July 4.

John McAuley of 150 Ontario-street lost two children yesterday afternoon. One was found early in the evening at Police Headquarters and the other at 10 o'clock last night at the Agnes-street Station.

The contract for the hot-water apparatus for the new residence of N. Freeman, St. Mary's-out, has been awarded to Frank Wheeler, hot water and steam heating engineer, 56, 58 and 60 Adelaide-street west.

The contract for the hot-water apparatus for the residence of D. McCausland, Yorkville-avenue, has been awarded to Frank Wheeler, hot-water and steam-heating engineer, 56, 58 and 60 Adelaide-street west.

W. D. Murdoch & Co. advertise an excursion to Rochester and return, Fare $2. Steamer Empress of India will leave Geddes' wharf at 10 p.m. Monday, leaving in Toronto on return journey at 6 a.m. Monday morning.

The contract for the steam-heating apparatus for the new hotel for W. C. Dillon, Esq., Forest, Ont., has been awarded to Frank Wheeler, hot-water and steam-heating engineer, 56, 58 and 60 Adelaide-street west.

The contract for the hot-water apparatus for the villa residence of G. Cleworthy, Esq., Cecil-street, has been awarded to Frank Wheeler, hot-water and steam-heating engineer, 56, 58 and 60 Adelaide-street west.

The usual monthly meeting of the Merchant Tailors' Association was held in Shaftesbury Hall last evening. It is intended to revise and publish the names of delinquents by July 1. The Montreal list of 300 is the road.

The Sons of Canada met on Thursday night and decided to take part in the jubilee parade. Mr. John Gilpin being appointed marshal. The members will meet at Richmond Hall at 9 o'clock on the morning of Dominion Day.

Geo. Lachapelle, the man who was detected acting suspiciously with little girls in Dundas-street Tuesday night, was merely charged with drunkenness in the Police Court yesterday and fined $1 and costs. Cornelius Burt, who was arrested for shouting at the police whilst Lachapelle was being taken to the station, was remanded till to-day.

Mr. G. N. Morrison, Anchor Line agent, 9 Adelaide street east, reports the following saloon passengers from Toronto sailing by City of Rome and Circassia this week from New York: Mr. and Mrs. Brimer, Mr. and Mrs. Hirst, Mr. and Mrs. Melville, R. L. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer, W. S. Thompson, Wilfred Thompson, C. H. Fisher.

C. M. Henderson & Co., commence a big sale of furniture, bronzes, etc., at the Mutual-street Rink on Tuesday next. A large lot of valuable furniture belonging to Senator McMaster will be sold at the same time. Over $40,000 worth of furniture, etc., will be offered. Rink open to view goods on Monday evening.

Intending purchasers of the Dennis estate should apply to Messrs. Roaf & Roaf for a copy of the book issued by them with particulars of the property. They will require a large issue to satisfy all the demands which will be made upon them for copies.

All who are interested in knowing the teachings of the most intellectual class of religious people should hear Rev. Chauncey Giles either on Sunday at the New Jerusalem Church or Monday evening's lecture in Victoria Hall. He is a most popular speaker.

Seven hundred Sunday-school children from Old St. Andrew's Church picnicked at Lorne Park on Thursday and 200 from St. Andrew's Church yesterday. The grounds at the park are in a beautiful condition, and the steamer Quinte, which runs to the park, is quite well fitted for excursion parties.

Police Court yesterday: Thirteen drunks, Wm. Johnston, larceny, discharged; Peter Kelly, burglary, discharged; John Ryan, burglary, remanded till June 28; Wm. Harris, picking pockets, sent for trial; Robert Bunie, deserting employment, discharged; Thos. Jackson, stabbing his wife and daughter, remanded till June 28. Several other cases were also remanded.

The Bank of Commerce deserves praise for the way in which the old hay buildings have been removed at the corner of King and Jordan street. The sheds have not been inconvenienced in the least; the usual thing is to block the way and smother passersbyers with mortar dust. Hereafter all demolitions ought to be conducted on similar lines.

The petition presented at the City Council last Monday night for a granolithic sidewalk on the north side of King-street, between Yonge and Toronto, was signed by every property owner in the block, property owners to the exception of Joseph Dennis' estate, no one having power to sign for this estate at present.

A. F. Webster, general steamship agent, books the following Toronto passengers this week: Cunard steamship Errurie—James Scott, James Scott, jr., Mr. Dack, Miss Dack, Reginald Northcote, H. N. Gooch, J. D. Ivey, J. B. Mills, R. Mill, State steamship Nebraska—Richard Donald, Mrs. Donald, Miss Donald, D. D'Esterre, Rev. John Locke, S. Carr, R. Carr, J. Gott, Miss Gogers, M. Sellgrove, Dallas steamship Parisian—Wm. Mortimer Clark, Mrs. Clark, the Misses Clark, Master Clark, Chas. Heath, Mr. Cawthra and Alice Barnombe.

A VERY SMALL BUSINESS.

THE ALIEN LABOR ACT PUT IN FORCE AGAINST CANADIANS.

Manufacturers in the State of New York Notified that They are Violating the Law in Employing Canadians who Live Across the Line.

LOCKPORT, N.Y., June 24.—The recent order of the Dominion Government to the Canadian Custom officials at Windsor to make record of all Americans residing in Detroit and vicinity who daily cross the line to engage in work in Canada has led to a counter movement by Collector Cutler at Niagara Falls and Suspension Bridge. This morning as the Canadian laborers, numbering about 200, who are engaged in employment on this side, reached our frontier they were surprised to find at this end of the two suspension bridges deputies stationed by Collector Cutler, who demanded their names, age, residence, occupation and where and by whom they were employed. During the day notices were served upon the employers of these foreigners that if they should continue to employ such foreign labor after July 1 the United States District Attorney would be recommended to proceed against them according to law.

What Minister Bowell Says.

OTTAWA, June 23.—I had an interview tonight with Hon. Mr. Bowell, Minister of Customs, with regard to the Associated Press despatches from Lockport, N.Y., to the effect that on account of the "recent order of the Dominion Government to customs officers at London to make a record of all Americans residing in Detroit and vicinity who daily cross the line to engage in work in Canada," it had been decided to put the American Alien Labor Law in operation against Canadians.

"There is not one word of truth," said the Minister, "in the story that a circular has been issued by the Canadian Government with reference to American citizens working in border towns. No such order has been given by this department, nor any other order of similar purport. We have never had any count made by the Customs Department, not even for statistical purposes. Far from it being the case that Canadian officials have been intervening with American workmen who reside in the United States but are employed in Canada, the very reverse is the fact, for the American customs officials at Detroit have lately been causing great annoyance to residents of Windsor, Ont., who are engaged in business in Detroit and cross the ferry daily."

"Do you think the despatch is true?"

"I know nothing of it officially," he said. "If the alleged action of Collector Cutler is true, then it is a very unfriendly action on the part of the United States Government."

"What is the motive?"

"To keep Canadian workmen from competing with American workmen. If any such action has been taken it has probably been done at the instance of the labor organization, under pressure from these bodies.