

News in Brief

The negotiations looking to peace in Morocco have proved futile and hostilities have been resumed.

The bill selecting Yassanbera as the site for the Australian federal capital has passed both Houses.

A fire entailing a loss of \$30,000 occurred at Oxford, N. S., on Friday in the main business section of the town.

Mr. Joseph Firstbrook, proprietor of the Havana cigar factory, London, died yesterday afternoon after eight days' illness.

James Hamilton, a C. P. R. fireman, is in the Vancouver General Hospital with several bones in his face badly fractured.

A contract has been let by the Provincial Steel Company to M. Jex & Co., Cobourg, for a 135 foot extension to the plant there.

Several applications have been made to the Paris authorities for permission to establish slaughter houses for the slaughter of dogs.

Mr. H. G. Read, father of the missing Montreal young man, has offered a reward of \$500 for information of the whereabouts of his son.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, speaking at Hackney, said his policy included a two-shilling tax on foreign corn, with a preference to the colonies.

A report that Mr. Hugh Allan, of the Allan Line, is to become a vice-president of the C. P. R. is authoritatively denied.

The House of Lords on Friday finally passed the Irish land bill, the Commons having compromised over some of the important objections raised by the second chamber.

W. J. Allen, ex-M. P. P., license inspector for North Hastings, died at his home in Madoc yesterday morning as a result of a paralytic stroke suffered on Sunday last.

With the sailing of the Canadian Pacific Railway steamship Montreal for London on Friday, ocean navigation was declared officially closed, the date being the same as last year.

The volcanic eruptions in Tenerife are diminishing. One of the craters has ceased activity. The lava is advancing slowly and will not reach Santiago and Tamara for several days.

Fred Carter, a retired farmer in South Dorchester, dropped dead while going to a neighbor's for his mail in that township yesterday. His body was found by a farmer while walking on the road.

The Kingston Street Railway Company and the Power Committee of the City Council have come to terms as to the time of a new power agreement, and the company resumed operations to-day.

The Nova Scotia steel directors, meeting in Montreal, declared a stock bonus of 20 per cent. and a dividend of 1 per cent. to holders of common stock.

The Chatham Board of Trade has, by a practically unanimous vote, recommended that a plebiscite be taken at the January elections on the question of securing a city charter authorizing government by commission.

A high wind which blew down the chimney and closed the damper of a parlor stove caused the deaths by coal gas asphyxiation of Charles Herrick and Miss Ida Lydston, his housekeeper, in East Lynn, Mass.

laid his rifle against a tree and it was accidentally discharged by a dog knocking it down. The youthful hunter received the charge in his foot.

Morgan Chambers, the negro who was taken from Town Marshal Broadway and Deputy Joe Camp at Meehan by a mob at Meridian, Miss., who riddled the body with bullets, had earlier in the day beaten and robbed Martin Dressler, an aged citizen of Point, a small station two miles west of Meehan.

Dr. Breckmann and Hugo Francke, the two most daring members of the Aero Club, of Berlin, have been killed through the collapse of their balloon "Kolmar."

In the Senate yesterday Sir Richard Cartwright announced that the Government desired to secure the ratification of the French treaty before the adjournment for the Christmas holidays.

After several weeks of searching the Brockville police on Friday effected the arrest of George Hoover, suspected of committing a series of burglaries at Summer cottages along the river front.

At Vozomanie, Wis., a woman's screams foiled a youthful bandit's attempts to rob the bank there on Friday. George Benlon, 18 years old, who has been working there as a laborer, entered the bank when the assistant cashier, Miss Smith, was alone.

In a dispute at Memphis on Friday over a street car transfer, Conductor J. H. Lowry shot and killed two negroes. The car was crowded with passengers when Lowry drew a revolver and shot at a negro with whom he was disputing.

An order-in-council has been passed providing for a fine not exceeding \$20 in the case of anyone found guilty of spitting on any passenger car, railway platform or other premises of the Government railways, and a similar penalty for smoking in any passenger station, car, etc., other than in places or compartments designed for that purpose.

The Milwaukee Sentinel quotes Ald. E. T. Melms, a delegate to the convention of the American Federation of Labor, recently held in Toronto, as saying that there were four times as many people arrested for drunkenness in that city as in Milwaukee on Saturday nights and Sunday, notwithstanding that the bars are supposed to be closed at such times in that city.

The explosion of the acetylene gas machine at the agency of the Marine Department in Parry Sound yesterday is more serious than at first reported, the list of injured being five instead of three.

An inquest on the body of James Keane, being held, Foreman A. C. Jones, of the mechanical department, died from his injuries last evening, he being the second victim of this explosion.

Engaged without a word, Arthur R. Tremaine was married on Friday without a word to Estella L. E. Tucker, another deaf mute, of Detroit, by Rev. H. J. Sidney Bullock, pastor of Beulah Baptist Church, Detroit, before many other friends who use the sign language.

The Protestant lady school teachers of Montreal have been granted a \$20,000 increase by the School Commissioners. At the new rate the minimum salary will be \$420, while the maximum, which is now \$875, will be increased to \$925.

While dressing himself yesterday Geo. Greenwood, 80 years old, dropped dead in his room in the Union Hotel, at the corner of Union and Simcoe streets, Toronto. Heart failure was the cause of death. The deceased belonged to Palmerton.

Josie Carr, of Toronto, the girl who was sent west for serving part of a prison sentence for killing a child, and whose death was yesterday recorded, contracted typhoid fever while she was working in one of the hospitals at Edmonton.

Two New York milk companies will meet the brunt of the probe in the investigation started by the Attorney-General into the charges in regard to the existence of a combination to control or advance the prices of milk in Greater New York.

Game Warden Calbeck made an important seizure of tags and fishing equipment at Richardson's Harbor, Lake Superior. The tags, Argo and Alberta belonging to Gerow Bros., of Rosport, were captured, the charge being fishing out of season.

It was discovered that 26 prisoners in the penitentiary at Tehuantepec, Mexico, many of them murderers, had escaped by digging beneath the prison walls. The structure was erected in 1540, and the tunneling of the prisoners caused the crumbling walls to fall.

Pending a discussion of the whole question in the ordinary legislative course, the Russian Senate quashed the ruling of a lower court that Mme. Fleischetz, the first woman barrister to appear in a Russian Court of Justice, should be permitted to practise.

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The Art Exhibition

The citizens of Hamilton have an opportunity of seeing what they never saw before—the annual exhibition of the Royal Canadian Academy of Art, the leading exhibition of native talent in the Dominion, and the opinion is general that of the many exhibitions held by the Academy the present one is superior to all the others.

In giving the results of a hasty glance over the exhibition, the Times notes first the work of the Hamilton artists. The most notable of the home talent is the work by Jack Russell, a portrait of Archibald Brown and of Charles Williamson, as well as those of several Hamiltonians, and it is pleasant to be able to say that the latter does not suffer to any extent by comparison with the outside studies.

Mr. Albert H. Robinson (Tot), now of Montreal, shows two paintings—Morning, Montreal Harbor, and Jacques Cartier Market. Mr. Robinson is another Hamilton young man who is making a name for himself in the world of art. His pictures show good effects of light and atmosphere, and he succeeds in making the commonplace look interesting, even attractive. To coin a phrase, Mr. R. may be said to belong to the inspirational school. His work finds many admirers.

The Wooden Bowl, by Miss Otilie Palm, is a study of a young girl wiping a large wooden bowl. It is good in color and shows much promise. Miss M. E. Marlette's Bit of Old Quebec is interesting, and her Quebec is nice in color.

Early Morning in the Cornfield, by Miss Hortense C. Mattie, shows this young artist is making progress. Portrait of Mrs. B. by Mr. Julian R. Seavey, is well executed. The exhibits by outsiders are numerous.

Mr. Brynner, President of the Academy, has three pictures. The Letter being the most important. It represents a young girl in a green gown pondering over a letter, and appeals strongly to the imagination. His other studies are a Portrait and Autumn Landscape.

F. M. Bell-Smith shows the largest canvas in the room, A Glacier Taro in the Canadian National Park. It is a strong representation of a Canadian mountain scene with snow and ice. A smaller canvas is Moonlight, Indian Village, Pacific Coast.

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noticed. They are full of a vigor that lifts them above the common. A Pioneer Prospector, by Curtis Williamson, is a strong piece of painting. It's a pity more of his work is not shown.

The portrait of Miss Phyllis Sanford, by Henrietta M. Shores, is very interesting and much may be expected from this artist in the future.

Mr. R. Harris shows a portrait of Miss Canada. It is dainty in color and delicately modeled. The study of A Man's Head is more vigorously painted. A Stormy Day and The Old Landing Place, both Scottish scenes, by A. M. Fleming, are interesting examples of this well-known artist's work.

There are four pictures shown by Mrs. Elizabeth A. McGillivray Knowles. In The Dew-drenched Stillly Night she has a very truthful piece of work. Many other pictures are to be seen, all well worthy of public notice and of being seen. The public should not miss this fine opportunity to see the best in Canadian art.

GOOD SELLERS LATER. (Toronto Globe.) The opening of the Royal Canadian Academy exhibition at Hamilton so soon after the Art Loan exhibition was opened in Toronto fortunately or unfortunately challenges comparisons which it is not quite fair to make. It is undeniable that the display of so much work by foreign painters in Toronto has put local artists on their mettle and probably led to criticisms of some of the foreign work which are undeserved.

On the other hand the very names of some of the masters whose pictures are displayed in the Art Museum is a talisman that suggests quality not always existing. It would be unjust to say that the best work of Reynolds, Romney, Corot or Israels is shown in Toronto. Far from it. But some of the best painting ever done by Canadian artists is now being produced, and were a representative collection made, the difference would not be as great as may be supposed. On the contrary, a survey of the Hamilton exhibition suggests that fifty years hence good prices will be paid for not a few canvases by such men as Walker, Williamson, Knowles, Challener, Watson, and many others. Their style and subjects are different from the work of European artists, but with a little further development the Canadian school of art will take its place as an expression of the carefulness, sanity and vitality of our national life.

LEPROUS GIRL. Contracted the Disease From False Hair.

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 26.—Miss Marie Gillespie, who until four weeks ago was employed in the glove department of a large Pittsburg department store, to-day is on an island off the North Carolina coast, suffering from leprosy.

Until three months ago Miss Gillespie was head of the glove department in the largest department store in Pittsburg. One day, about that time, she went to the false hair department and purchased a switch. Within two weeks after she had purchased the switch her body, from the breast up, was covered with a malignant growth. She went to a physician, Dr. L. M. Golden, and after numerous consultations with the best physicians in Pittsburg, he announced that she was suffering from leprosy and that she would have to be isolated. The young woman rebelled, declaring that she would not be isolated unless the United States Government took a hand in the matter and traced the switch to its original owner, the same being human hair.

After several weeks, the Government reported that the beautiful blonde locks had come from an island in the Caribbean Sea, where the Cuban Government sends its most malignant leprosy patients, and that there was hardly a single doubt but that the young woman had contracted the disease from the switch she had purchased in probably the most representative department store of Pittsburg.

When seen to-day, Dr. Golden said: "While I regret to make this statement, it is a fact that Miss Gillespie has leprosy. She contracted it from a false switch. So sure am I that this is but the first case of this kind that I have notified my patients that in future they must not wear false hair of any kind."

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Everybody's Column

THE MAYORALTY VOICE. Editor Times—Can you tell us what vote Stewart polled for Mayor, also his opponent, and what was the vote at the Mayoralty election last year?—Ratepayer.

Stewart polled 4,149, Findlay 3,226, and Barrett 910. Last January McLaren polled 6,345, Bailey 4,360. Stewart's majority was 13; McLaren's majority was 2,285.—Ed.

ALLWAYS. Dear Times—Why do not the legislators who are considering the assessment amendments do some hard thinking about the effect of taxation of industry and production? They can tax them, but the result will be to repress and restrict them. They can tax wealth wherever it is get-at-able, but the result will be to drive it away. Why not levy taxes according to what the community does for them? That would be fair.—Taxpayer.

NOT FLEET CRAZY. To the Editor of the Times: Sir—They doesn't appear to me to be any great call for spending millions on millions of hard-earned Canadian money either to build warships or make presents to the British navy. If we behave ourselves, we are in no danger. And Britain is in no danger that has not been created by the fancy of place-seeking politicians and fellows who want to excite a stir in politics. And we get stuck. The Government will do well to get slowly about this matter.—A Born Briton.

GOOD SHORT STORIES

A shrewd old Vermont farmer came into a lawyer's office the other day and proceeded to relate the circumstances in a matter about which he thought it would be profitable to go to law.

"You think I've got a good case?" he finally asked. "Ver good, indeed!" the lawyer assured him. "You should certainly bring suit."

"What would your fee be for the whole thing?" the old farmer asked. "Fifty dollars," was the prompt response. The client pulled out his old wallet, extracted a roll of bills and counted out \$50.

"Now," he said, "you've got all you would get out of this case anyhow; so 'spose you tell me honestly just what you think my chances of winning a suit are?"—The Green Bag.

When Willie's father came home to supper there was a vacant chair at his table. "Well, where's the boy?" "William is upstairs in bed," he answered came with painful precision from the sad-faced mother.

"Why, wh—what's up? Not sick, is he?" (An anxious pause.) "It grieves me to say, Robert, that my son—your son—has been heard swearing on the street. I heard him."

"Swearing! Scott! I'll teach him to swear!" And he started upstairs in the dark. Half-way up he stumbled and came down with his chin on the top step.

When the atmosphere cleared a little, Willie's mother was saying sweetly from the hallway, "That will do, dear; you have given him enough for one lesson."—Judge.

THE COMET.

G. Parry Jenkins, F. R. A. S., Spoke About Halley's. One of the largest meetings ever held by the Hamilton section of the Royal Astronomical Society took place last evening in the Board of Trade rooms, when G. Parry Jenkins, F. R. A. S., gave an interesting and instructive address on Halley's comet, illustrated with lantern slides.

Mr. Jenkins was chairman for the evening, and fulfilled his duties in a capable manner. Mr. Jenkins opened his address by giving the general theory of the comets, and explained how they were supposed to be bodies connected with the solar system, and whose orbits extended out beyond the orbit of Neptune. He also explained the laws of gravitation, by which they were able to predict the comet's return. He then went on to explain the history of Halley's comet and how it had returned to the earth about thirty-five times in intervals of seventy-five years.

It was stated that the comet would be visible to the naked eye in the early part of February, and would disappear and reappear at various times during the following few months. Mr. Jenkins said that if the earth passed through the tail of the comet, as was generally believed, there would be no injurious effects, as the average tail of a comet was so light that if condensed into solid form it could be put into an ordinary sized room.

Mr. J. Kneeshaw also spoke a few words on the comet of 1843, which he had seen.

THE TEST.

It is easy enough to be pleasant When life goes on like a song. But the man worth while is the man who can smile When the telephone rings and he answers it and says "Hello!" and the operator says "What number?" and he says, "The bell rang," and she says, "No, it didn't."—New York Evening Mail.

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SCRAP BOOK POETRY

UNKEMPT EDWARD. There was a little boy Who wouldn't comb his hair; He thought he hadn't time And said he didn't care.

At last his mother said: "Since you are so restless, And won't comb your hair, The thing we'll do is this— We won't cut your hair."

"We haven't time you know; It's such a bother too, We'll have to let it grow."

And Edward cried: "Hurrah! I'll never have to stop My games and waste my time At Thompson's barber shop."

Again he cried: "Hurrah! It's one less thing to do." And for a little while he thought He played the whole day through.

But pretty soon it seemed The children in the throng Said: "Isn't it too queer That Edward's hair is long?"

And longer, longer yet, He grew and grew and grew; Till Edward was distressed, Nor knew what he should do.

And then the children said: "We're playing house to-day And you've got a man to play. Or else you cannot play."

And Edward hastened home And left the happy sport, And cried: "Oh, mother, dear, I must cut my hair out short!"

"I'll keep it smooth and neat And brush it all the day; I won't be a girl, And so I cannot play."

And Edward's hair is now No longer a disgrace, Edward, instead, is brushed Exactly in its place.

THE WOMAN AND THE ANGEL. Robt. W. Service. An angel was tired of heaven, he lounged on the golden street; His halo was tilted sideways, his harp lay blunt at his feet.

Fill the Master stooped in his pity, and gave him a pass to go. For what he had done to the earth-world, to mix with the men below.

He doffed his celestial garments, scarce waiting to lay them straight; He bade good-bye to Peter, who stood by the gate.

The sexless-elves of Heaven, chanted a fond farewell, And they bowed and went on as they pattered, on the red hot flags of hell.

Never was seen such an angel, eyes of a heavenly blue. A form that would shame Apollo, hair of a golden hue.

The woman simply adored him, his lips were like Cupid's bow. But his eyes were so beautiful to use them, and so they voted him stars.

At last he met one woman, a marvel of loveliness. And she whispered to him "Do you love me?" And he answered, "I'm a woman, 'yes,' and she said 'put your arms about me, and kiss me, and hold me to dad.'"

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