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THE LIBERAL LEADERS TO BE CALLED TO ACCOUNT.

Reassembling of the British Parliament —Sir Stafford Northcote's Vote of Censure—An Attempt to be Made to Shirk the Issue.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—Parliament opened this evening. There was no crowd in attendance. The police allowed no persons to pass the gates unless able to show they had the right to enter. Mr. Gladstone upon entering was loudly cheered.

In the house of lords the government was at once assailed by the conservatives with a bombardment of questions concerning its intentions in the Soudan. Earl Granville stated that the government had left it entirely to Lord Wolseley to decide whether the British forces should proceed to attack Khartoum at once, or delay the attack until later, say some time next autumn. He admitted that the government believed that Lord Wolseley would decide upon a postponement of aggressive operations. The Marquis of Salisbury said everybody should be made to feel that the government would properly meet the present grave juncture in the public affairs of England. He said the statement made by Lord Granville was one which it became the lords to reflect upon.

Earl Granville continuing, said the finances of Egypt and the relief of Gordon, that heroic soldier, whose loss has excited the greatest sympathy and unanimous regret, are the prominent questions before the country. The government had hoped to be able to soon present papers to parliament to show that a complete settlement of Egypt's financial affairs had been arrived at, a settlement alike consistent with public engagements and honorable to the country, but just when the government were expecting to hear of a meeting between the British troops in advance under the leadership of Col. Wilson and Gen. Gordon, the dreadful news arrived that want of military strength and famine had failed to succeed in doing, had been accomplished by treachery, and that one of the greatest and most gallant of soldiers was no more.

Lord Salisbury said: "If the country is not satisfied with the government's explanations it will visit its bitterest censure upon those answerable for so fruitless a policy. [Cheers.] We do not propose to anticipate a discussion which must inevitably come later on, but we must hope that England will not retire from Egypt leaving no record of our presence there except the mischief done and the bones of our soldiers."

In the commons, Sir Stafford Northcote gave notice of motion of enquiry respecting the government's Egyptian policy. Mr. Gladstone, replying to interrogations about the government's conduct in Egypt, replied in much the same tone as that used by Earl Granville in the lords. He added, however, that the present situation did not allow the government to make overtures to the mahdi, because such overtures might defeat their own object.

Sir Stafford Northcote gave notice that he would move on the earliest day possible that a humble address be presented to her majesty representing that the course pursued by her present liberal government in regard to Egypt and the Soudan had involved a great sacrifice of valuable lives and heavy expense without any beneficial results (cheers), rendering it imperatively necessary to the interests of the British empire and the Egyptian people that the government should distinctly recognize and take decided measures to fulfil the responsibility now incumbent upon them to insure good and stable government in Egypt, and in those portions of the Soudan necessary for Egypt's security. (Cheers.)

Mr. Gladstone stated that the policy of the government to evacuate Egypt eventually remained unchanged. He had done all he could for Gen. Gordon and was not to be held responsible for his death. He would name a day to-morrow for the discussion of the proposed vote of censure. Our policy in the Soudan, he said, is still for evacuation. Recent events there prevented the immediate application of this policy. The fall of Khartoum altered in a military sense the whole situation in the Soudan. Lord Wolseley is authorized to take what measures he sees fit to overthrow the mahdi. No further communications will be made to the mahdi but any received from him will be considered.

The government will introduce a bill to enable the British colonies of Australia to organize a confederation.

Mr. Deasy (nationalist) gave notice of enquiry regarding the working of the crimes act.

Sir Herbert Maxwell gave notice of motion for the introduction of a measure empowering judges to order offenders under the explosives act to be flogged.

The discussion of the redistribution of seats bill has been fixed for Monday. Mr. Gladstone gave notice that he would move that the bill take precedence of the motion of censure.

Parnell Has the Whip Hand.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—Sir Stafford Northcote's motion for a vote of censure against the government meets with the approbation of a section of the liberals, a number of whom will absent themselves upon the division on the motion. The fate of the ministry depends upon Parnell. Mr. Gladstone will meet the motion of censure with a direct negative. It is expected the Parnellites will vote against censuring the government.

Excitement at Fever Heat.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—The excitement in political circles is at fever heat. There is a general conviction that the ministry will be beat on a direct vote of censure. It is rumored that the tories have agreed upon a policy which is calculated to attract support.

CABLE NOTES.

Mediation by Germany or England in the Franco-Chinese difficulty is again talked of.

The Knugden cotton mills at Blackburn were burned yesterday; loss $100,000. Two constables were killed by falling walls. Several employes are missing.

Advices from the west coast of Africa state Germany has annexed a strip of land along the coast to the westward of Berin.

The Italian government has ordered the immediate preparation of a torpedo flotilla and the overhauling of all iron-clads.

A Sequel to the Hugues Case.

MARSEILLES, Feb. 19—Mlle. Therese Nerangier, cousin of M. Clovis Hugues, whose wife recently shot Morin, to-day attempted to murder her paramour, M. Souchon, with a revolver. The bullet lodged in the man's lungs. He is believed to be dying. Souchon refused to marry the woman. She expresses no regret for her deed.

Mlle. Grangier was imprisoned in 1879 for a similar attempt upon a former lover.

SAMSON A SUCCESS.

Handel's Oratorio as Rendered by the Toronto Choral Society.

The second concert of the season by the Toronto choral society was given last night in the pavilion at the gardens before an audience which completely filled the building. The society took occasion to celebrate the bi-centennial anniversary of the birth of Handel by performing the oratorio of Samson. The choice was an excellent one for two reasons. First, the work was new to most of the audience, this being its first representation in Canada; and secondly, although new, it is quite apparent that it will rank in the future amongst the music popular and ever welcome to Toronto audiences.

The principal soloists were: Mrs. Bradley, soprano; Miss Ryan, alto; W. J. Winch, tenor; and D. M. Babcock, basso. Mr. Winch, who is not a stranger in Toronto, sang the part allotted to Samson. His voice was pleasing, and great expression was evinced in his rendering of many of the recitatives, but in the declamatory and florid passages a smoother and more finished tone was desirable. Mr. Babcock possesses a deep and sonorous voice of excellent quality and he soon had the sympathies of the audience. He sang with great clearness and expression, and gave an able interpretation of the music of his part. Mrs. Bradley was in good voice and the care with which she sang was fully appreciated. An encore was demanded to the beautiful solo, Let the Bright Seraphim, with cornet oblagato, and it was repeated. Miss Ryan's part was not the least important, and was one of the most beautiful. Her voice was on the whole effective, especially in the solo, Return, O God of Hosts, but her upper notes were lacking in fulness. Miss Hillary was also one of the soloists, and although her part was but a small one, it was rendered with sweetness and expression.

The chorus was manifestly weak in numbers, especially in the tenor and bass, and this was greatly felt in such choruses as the closing one, viz., Let Their Celestial Concerts, but it must be said that for so limited a body of singers, about 180 in all, the performance was excellent. The attack was firm and in time, and there was a general evenness throughout, while great attention was given to the marks of expression. The orchestra did capital work, and responded unanimously to the conductor's baton. The accompaniments to the solos were always subservient to the voices, a fact which it is a pleasure to note.

The audience applauded liberally the various efforts of the soloists and chorus. Mr. Fisher conducted with his usual ability, and he is to be congratulated on achieving another success for his society.

Welcoming Their Pastor Home.

A large number of the congregation of Grace church, Elm street, assembled in the schoolroom last night to welcome back their pastor, Rev. J. P. Lewis, after an absence of six months spent in a tour of Europe and the holy land. After tea Dr. Morton, on behalf of the congregation, presented Mr. Lewis with a beautifully illuminated address, expressive of their thankfulness at his safe return and of the high esteem in which he is held by them. Mr. Lewis, after thanking the donors for the address and the kind wishes contained in it, delighted the audience with a vivid account of his travels through so many places of interest mentioned in bible history. Some good singing and music completed an enjoyable evening.

Death of Robert Roddy.

This sad but not unexpected event occurred yesterday. For twenty-seven years Mr. Roddy was a faithful servant of the corporation. He entered its service as messenger and gradually rose from one post to another, until he attained the highest position in the gift of the council, that of city clerk. No official was better posted on corporation affairs, and none served the ratepayers with greater fidelity and efficiency. Mr. Roddy's marked characteristic was unswerving integrity. His death will be deeply deplored throughout the city.

A TENANTS' UNION.

A Scheme Whereby Landlords are to Have no Voice in the Fixing of Rents.

DUBLIN, Feb. 19.—United Ireland to-day proposes a novel scheme for settling the rent question in Ireland. It recommends tenants on each estate to combine for the purpose of protecting their individual interests by united action. Let the tenants of each estate, it says, determine for themselves what would be a fair yearly rental for individual holdings. When they have done this let them pay over the whole amount of the year's rent to trustees, whom they are to choose from the clergy and members of the central league. Then when the landlords demand a settlement of the tenants the latter should simply refer them to the trustees.

Russia Refuses to Show Her Hand.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—The Russian authorities refuse to allow Simpson, the artist for the Illustrated London News, to return from Russia by way of Astrabad and Krasnovodsk. As the latter is the strongest Russian military post in the East Caspian region, and likely to play an important part in the probable encroachments of Russia towards India, it is surmised the Russian agents fear that Simpson might report facts about the alleged extension of a Russian railway in the direction of Saraks.

Slaughter of Russian Exiles.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—A large number of Russian exiles at Irkutsk, Siberia, revolted, but were subdued after a desperate contest with the authorities. Nine soldiers and thirty exiles were killed and many wounded on both sides. Great excitement prevailed, but affairs are now quiet. A number of the unruly fear swift punishment.

The Irish Convention.

PARIS, Feb. 19.—The Irish national convention to-day decided to establish a press for the purpose of printing manifestoes. It is stated a manifesto has been sent to members of the English cabinet threatening them with death in the event of a renewal of the crimes act.

DOMINION DASHES.

The Nova Scotia legislature was opened yesterday.

The Brantford firemen have decided to hold a tournament June 3.

London, Ont., is threatened with a coal famine. The trouble lies across the border, where the shippers are neglecting Canada and pushing orders to various points in the States, the roads having been nearly all blocked.

Nelson Sage of London, Ont., shipped yesterday two fine stallions, French Rock and Lord Hadda, to Larned, Ks. They are both choice animals with excellent pedigrees, and are intended for the Pawnee Stock Breeding association's farm. One is a Norman and the other a Clydesdale.

A FORTUNATE ESCAPE.

COL. BULLER'S RETREAT APPROVED AT THE WAR OFFICE.

Ministers Trying to Conceal the True State of Things—A Probable Retirement to Dongola—The Effect on the Natives.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—The first battalion of the Coldstream guards, 846 in number, started to-day for Suakim. They left Wellington barracks amid pathetic scenes of leave taking. The route of march to the steamer was crowded with people who cheered enthusiastically. The men presented a splendid appearance. A detachment of Hussars left Aldershot to-day for Portsmouth where they will embark for Egypt. The steamer Tyne sailed from Portsmouth, to-day with reinforcements and stores for the Soudan. In consequence of the news that there is imminent danger of seditious outbreaks in Ireland, the government will not recall any troops from there for service in the Soudan.

A Fortunate Escape.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—The war office considers Gen. Buller's retreat from Gubat as a most fortunate escape. Buller will reach Gakdul wells to-day and return with his entire force to Korti. The ministerial speeches in parliament conceal the true situation in the Soudan. Wolseley has applied for reinforcements on the Nile. It is reported he wants 2000 English troops to attempt to march from Korosko across the desert upon Abu Hamed, where Gen. Brackenbury has been ordered to remain until a simultaneous advance with Gen. Graham's forces from Suakim can be made upon Berber. Should the mahdi threaten Dongola Lord Wolseley will retire to Debbeh. It is feared that the appearance of the mahdi near Dongola would lead to a general rising in Nubia and Upper Egypt in his favor. The Egyptian troops are echeloned between Assouan and Wady Halfa. The disaffected tribes are ready at any moment to declare for the mahdi.

Lord Wolseley's Tactics.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—Khartoum having fallen and the death of Gordon having rendered the main object of Wolseley's expedition impossible, the general has deemed it expedient to change the whole plan of the campaign. Gen. Brackenbury has been ordered to abandon his advance on Berber, and to concentrate his troops at Korti. Gen. Buller also has been ordered to fall back on Korti. All the available troops in Wolseley's command will be concentrated there, and at Debbeh and Korosko, the main body being at Korti. It is probable that Wolseley may evacuate Korti and retire to Debbeh, where the desert routes from Omdurman, El Obeid and Darfour converge to the Nile. He will there await help from England. At Korti he could be surrounded. In retirement all available supplies will be swept up, and the whole army, entrenched at Debbeh, could hold its own if necessary until the rising of the Nile. Dongolo, Hannek, and various other points on the river between Debbeh and Halfa are held by weak detachments of British troops. There is a line of telegraph which possibly might be maintained, while steam launches on the clear reaches could keep up some sort of communication with the second cataract. The moral effect of retirement will be rather serious, though it would be to a certain extent neutralized by action in unmistakeable strength from Suakim. Wolseley will probably return to Cairo to consult with Gen. Stephenson and others regarding the situation.

Gen. Brackenbury's Advance.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—Gen. Brackenbury telegraphs from Ussi island that a cavalry corps entered Salamat on the 15th inst., finding it deserted. The cavalry were about five miles in advance of the infantry. They got safely through the Shukook pass, which had been prepared for defence but was also abandoned by the enemy. Brackenbury hopes to reach Abu Hamed on the 25th inst. The natives around Gakdul wells assert the rebels are in strong force at Abu Hamed.

The New Governor of the Soudan.

Hassan Bey is the third son of Ismail Pasha, the ex-khedive, and younger brother of the present nominal ruler of Egypt. In their youth the Princes Tewfik and Hassan were almost inseparable, and devoted to each other, as is frequently the case with boys and men of diametrically opposed dispositions. Gentle, soft and undecided, Tewfik used to find in his brother the energy and firmness which he personally lacked, while Prince Hassan's wild and boisterous spirit required cooling down by the example of his studious brother. For him nothing had attraction but the noise of arms; he was born a soldier, indefatigable in all manly exercises, and the sound of bugle and drum had for him irresistible attractions. Yet, when the khedive determined sending the younger princes to complete their studies on the continent, he selected England for Prince Hassan, thinking perhaps that his son's martial disposition would be sobered down by a few years spent in that country—the only non-military nation amid the great powers of Europe, and, after staying with Colonel Gamble for about a year in London, the prince went to Oxford, where he remained three years. Oxford life, studies and associations had a most beneficial influence on the young prince. He learned to love and respect England, English ways and institutions. Prince Hassan left England at the close of 1872, got married and then passed two years and a half at Berlin as an officer of the first regiment of Dragoon guards. A perfect master of English, French and German, he devoted all his time to the study of his profession in all its branches, except during a three months' leave of absence to join the Abyssinian expedition as a volunteer. After completing his military studies, he was appointed commander-in-chief of the Egyptian army, such as it was, and minister of war. When 25,000 Egyptians were sent to Turkey, he commanded the force, remaining for about 14 months at Varna, and taking an active part in the engagement of Mehemet Ali's army, of which he commanded the left wing, with the Russians. His force was not given much of a chance to meet the enemy, but Prince Hassan was enabled to display genuine soldierly qualities, and to endear himself to his troops and to the inhabitants of the Turkish districts which were placed under his command. Returning to Egypt, he again acted as minister of war the greater part of the time up to the deposition of his father in August, 1879. He followed Ismail into exile and remained with his father in the latter's wanderings through Europe for some time. It is considered not unlikely that Hassan's return to active duty in Egypt at this time may possibly pave the way to his ascent of the viceregal throne in case its present weak and vacillating occupant should be deposed.

Soudan Scraps.

A camel corps numbering 2000 men and 500 laborers for the railway are going to Suakim from Calcutta immediately.

Lieut. Col. F. C. Denison is with Gen. Brackenbury's division, as also are Lieut. Col. Kennedy of Winnipeg and Surgeon-Major Neilson of Ottawa.

Gen. Sir Evelyn Wood has arrived at Gakdul wells with three companies of infantry.

The offices of the British legation at Madrid are besieged by Spanish officers seeking employment in the Soudan. The Carlists have offered the legation 4000 volunteers.

The condition of Major-General Stewart continues critical.

An engineer, telegraph and commissariat corps sailed from England yesterday for Suakim.

Egyptian consols touched 98⅞ yesterday, the lowest since 1878.

The queen inspected the Third Battalion of Grenadier Guards yesterday, prior to their departure for the Soudan.

BOUND TO GET EVEN.

A Kentuckian Kills His Spouse and Her Paramour and Elopes With the Latter's Wife.

HODGENVILLE, Ky., Feb. 19.—Ben Coombs, who suspected improper relations existed between his wife and a neighbor named Jake Mason, told his wife he was going to an adjoining village and would not return until the next day. He hid in the vicinity. In the afternoon Mason came to his house and Coombs' suspicions were confirmed. Seizing a gun Coombs fired both barrels at the guilty pair, filling their heads with squirrel shot, killing Mason and fatally wounding Mrs. Coombs. Coombs then went to Mason's house, related the circumstances to Mrs. Mason and eloped with her.

Conflagration at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 19—Grannis block on Dearborn street, near Washington, occupied principally by architects, lawyers and insurance agents, and on the ground floor by the Continental National bank and the National bank of Illinois, was burned this evening. The suddenness of the fire came near resulting disastrously to the valuable books and papers of the banks, as the vaults were open, and on account of the panic it was rumored the vaults had not been closed. It was found however that the vaults had been closed and no danger to their contents is apprehended. Two of the most valuable law libraries in the city were burned, besides valuable papers in the other offices. The loss on block and furniture will amount to a quarter of a million.

President Cleveland's Cabinet.

ALBANY, Feb. 19.—Report now puts the democratic cabinet as follows:

Secretary of state—Thomas F. Bayard of Delaware.

Secretary of the treasury—Daniel Manning of New York.

Secretary of the interior—Allen G. Thurman of Ohio.

Postmaster-general—L. Q. C. Lamar of Mississippi.

Attorney-general—A. H. Garland of Arkansas.

Secretary of war—William F. Vilas of Wisconsin.

Secretary of the navy—Joseph E. McDonald of Indiana.

Fatal Fire at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 19.—At a fire on Chestnut street this morning J. G. Beyer and John Kay were killed by a falling wall. A horse attached to a hose cart was killed. John McCourt, driver of the hose cart, was dangerously injured. Nine large business houses between Second and Letitia streets were almost completely burned out.

McCourt has since died from his injuries. A body supposed to be that of Joseph B. Lyler has been identified as that of Thos. Marshall, drayman.

Clever Move of a Murderess.

JANESVILLE, Wis., Feb. 19.—The famous Mack murder case has been brought to a peculiar termination. Mrs. Mack was charged with murdering her husband in 1878, and was convicted and sentenced for life imprisonment. She secured a new trial in which the jury disagreed. She has since married the principal witness against her rendering his testimony worthless, and has been released on her own bond.

More Criminal Negligence.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, Pa., Feb. 19.—A fire broke out early this morning in the Thurston orphans' home. The attendants aroused the occupants, who were quickly removed to the adjoining buildings. When the firemen arrived at the fire the plugs were found to be frozen. A bucket brigade was formed and the fire extinguished. The children were badly frightened.

More New Orleans Failures.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 19.—Chaffee & Powell, cotton merchants, have assigned; liabilities $360,000. Gidiere, Day & Co. have failed; liabilities $404,000. The liabilities of individual members of the firm are $138,000. The assets of both firms exceed the liabilities.

Yseult is Mad.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Mrs. Dudley, who remains in prison, thinks her bail of $3000 excessive, and denounces judges, counsel and everybody else in round terms. O'Donovan Rossa declares he will not prosecute, and Mrs. Dudley thinks his presence should be compelled.

It Was a Love Match.

BIRMINGHAM, Conn., Feb. 19.—Harry Baldwin, aged 22, was married last night to Mrs. Charles Canfield, aged 75. The lady is worth $20,000. Baldwin made a speech to the crowd, saying it was a love match.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

The Pennsylvania senate yesterday defeated the wife-beaters' whipping post bill.

The Union Bridge company, Buffalo, has shut down, throwing two hundred men out of work.

The infernal machine received by the New York police on Wednesday was addressed to Fitzjohn Porter.

A suit involving $1,600,000 has been brought against the Erie railway by holders of car trust bonds. Interest on the bonds was not paid when due.

At a meeting of the directors of the Northern Pacific railroad yesterday the sale of $2,000,000 worth of first mortgage bonds to a syndicate at par was agreed upon.

It is reported that the governor of Sonora, of Arizona, has given the mormons the right to settle the Yaqui country. This is one of the richest sections in the world.

THE SIEGE AT OTTAWA.

SIR JOHN PROMISES THE LIQUOR DEALERS COMPENSATION.

An Association Formed for Opposing Sumptuary Legislation—Mr. Kyle Cautions the Crowd Not to be too Trustful.

OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—This was an anxious day in the capital. All morning the liquor men looked forward to the meeting of Sir John and other members of his government. It was thought last night that the gathering would be at 11 o'clock, but it was 2.25 before Sir John Macdonald, Sir Hector Langevin, Hon. John Carling, Hon. Mackenzie Bowell and Hon. John Costigan put in an appearance. The opera house was filled by about 300 delegates at this hour. Owing to the disappointment of yesterday a couple of hundred of the pilgrims left the city last evening for Montreal, where there is supposed to be more attractions than in Ottawa. This is probably very correct.

At the hour named the ministers entered the opera house by the front door. Sir John was loudly applauded as he walked up the side aisle. The people whom he faced he afterwards complimented as being respectable and representative. They were in truth well dressed, well behaved and decorous.

Without prelude or excuse John Schiller of Toronto came to the front and proposed that J. P. McMullen, county crown attorney of Dufferin, should be made chairman. The proposition was unanimously accepted and Mr. McMullen, although he said he had no interest in the liquor traffic, was made the presiding officer.

The business of the convention was started by Wm. Kyle of Toronto reading a memorial. The document was vigorous and propounded the doctrine of compensation for the abolition of vested rights—that is that parliament should if it passed a prohibitory law recoup the men who have invested their money in real estate representing the liquor traffic. Then there were memorials from the bankers, real estate and monetary institutions of Toronto, calling for a commission to investigate the whole matter.

Eugene O'Keefe presented this memorial. All of the signers favored a commission of enquiry. Representing the trades were the coopers' union and the brewers' employes. They looked at it from a bread and butter point of view and naturally prayed that the government would not countenance any confiscation of their means of subsistence.

J. S. Fullerton of Toronto was called upon to voice the opinion of the convention. Mr. Fullerton made a very creditable argument in favor of a commission, and a protest against what he called the spoliation of property recognized by law. Mr. Fullerton spoke for an hour and was afterwards complimented by Sir John and the convention.

Of course the premier's answer was noncommittal. He said the cabinet was an unit on the liquor question. An inference of this remark is that Sir Leonard Tilley and Mr. Carling are not opposing factions. Sir John assured the convention that he voted for the Scott act as a measure of parliament, but amid cheers he declared that if parliament passed a prohibitory law he would vote for compensation. The liquor dealers of the province of Ontario, who are as a rule conservative in politics, will receive this announcement from the premier with a great deal of favor.

In the conduct of the convention Mr. Kyle was received with enthusiasm, and he warned the delegates not to build castles in the air on the government's answer, but to wait for realization. He however thought the memorials of the different bodies were received with a great deal of courtesy.

When the members of the government left the hall the convention passed resolutions favoring an association for the opposal of sumptuary legislation against invested rights, and the foundation of an association with this object in view was laid. Mr. Kyle was made provisional president pending future developments at Toronto, which will be recognized as the headquarters.

Many of the pilgrims from western Ontario went to Montreal to-night, and others who had not time or wealth to spare took trains for home.

A Good Comedy at the Grand.

Three Wives to One Husband is something new in the comedy line. And what is better still it is really funny. None of those off hand, nonsensical bits of trash too frequently seen on the stage, but an original piece in which ingenuity, wit and laughter go hand in hand. As the play bill says: "The plot concerns two young men, Ralph and Andrew, and their matrimonial adventures. Ralph doesn't want to marry; but he has a wealthy uncle, who will transfer him a fortune on consummating a union; while Andrew has also a rich uncle, who, having been married three times himself threatens to disinherit his nephew if he slips his head into the hymenial noose. Andrew has secretly become betrothed. His uncle pays him a visit on the eve of his wedding. Ralph, to save his friend from exposure, pretends to be married, and then, for other reasons he makes believe to be the husband of two other young women. After innumerable ludicrous escapades on the part of both young men, the truth comes out and things are satisfactorily adjusted." The caste is large and well filled. E. A. Sothern and Raymond Holmes as Ralph and Andrew respectively supplied most of the fun, although not a little came from Mrs. Annie Deland as Mrs. Caricol, Jay Hunt as Mr. Caricol, Rudolph H. Strong as Andrew's uncle, and Bart W. Wallace as Ralph's. If you want to laugh see Three Wives to One Husband. It is here for the remainder of the week.

Clow's Latest Attraction.

Clow, of restaurant fame, is bound to keep up with the procession. His latest attraction is a snow and ice palace, approached through winding ways, studded with grottoes and surmounted by a light-house. The structure sparkled with light yesterday evening and was a pretty sight. Hundreds of visitors registered there yesterday. Go down to Colborne street and see it.

A Pointer For Lt.-Col. Williams.

Editor World: If Lt.-Col. Williams has so much military enthusiasm to throw away, let him stay at home and impart a little of it to the volunteers of his county instead of going off to the desert in search of fame that he will not find.

Newtonville, Feb. 18 ONE OF THEM.

Amusement Notes.

The audiences at Montford's museum increase with every performance. A decided hit has been made by the Holywood juveniles in Cinderella.

The Adelaide street roller skating rink continues to draw, notwithstanding the cold snap.

MEETING AMONG THE VOYAGEURS.

A Gun Boat and a Strong Force Sent to Suppress Them.

QUEENSTOWN, Feb. 19.—It is reported a mutiny has occurred among the Canadian voyageurs on the steamship Poonah. A gunboat with a strong force has gone to her assistance. The officials are reticent as to the nature of the trouble.

Later reports state that the disturbance arose among the Canadian boatmen during which three soldiers under arrest escaped.

JOTTINGS FROM HAMILTON.

The Knights of Labor Co-operative Store Trouble.

HAMILTON, Feb. 19.—The democrats of this city will celebrate President Cleveland's inauguration by a ball on March 4th.

At the police court this morning Allan Studholme, Thos. Towers, Fred Moore and David McGorman were charged by the manager John Ailes with forcibly entering the knights of labor co-operative store. Ailes testified that the association owed him $253.93, that he refused to go out until he was paid, and that the defendants endeavored to take forcible possession by ejecting him. Asked what authority he had to order the committee appointed by the knights out he said, "I had their own authority in the instructions they gave me not to allow any loafers around the store." Defendants were remanded until to-morrow, the magistrate expressing a hope that an arrangement would be arrived at. Meantime Ailes holds the fort.

St. James' reformed episcopal church has extended a call to Rev. Thos. J. McFadden, of New York, who has been officiating for three Sundays past.

Annie Smith, aged 9, tried to jump on a sleigh to-day and was run over, being perhaps fatally injured. Her face has been horribly lacerated and it is feared she has been hurt internally.

Andrew Chrystal, the man frozen to death yesterday, was buried to-day. He was a son of Rev. James Chrystal, of Auchinleck, Ayrshire, Scotland, and had no relatives in America, except J. S. Playfair, of Messrs. Byron, McMurrich & Co., Toronto. Information was sent to Toronto, but did not reach Mr. Playfair, who had just started for England.

Chief of Police Stewart at present only receives $1200 a year, but he thinks he has brought the force up to such a state of efficiency that he deserves at least fifty per cent. more. He has, therefore, started an agitation among his friends, who in turn are circulating among the citizens and trying to induce them to sign a petition to the council to make the salary $1800 a year.

DOMINION RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Annual Meeting and Election of Officers at Ottawa.

OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—The meeting of the Dominion Rifle association to-day was one of the smallest that has ever taken place here. This was owing to a caucus of the liberals going on at the time. Lord Lansdowne was present and said that there was no time in the history of the country when it was of such national importance that the Dominion Rifle association should be accorded substantial support. The officers elected were:

President—Lieut.-Col. the Hon. Geo. A. Kirkpatrick, M.P., Kingston. Vice-presidents—For Ontario, Lieut.-Col. Allan Gilmour, Ottawa; for Quebec, Hon. R. Hamilton, Montreal; for New Brunswick, Lieut.-Col. Hon. A. E. Botsford, Sackville; for Nova Scotia, Lieut.-Col. A. K. Mackinlay, Halifax; for Manitoba, the Hon. M. A. Girard, Winnipeg; for British Columbia, the Hon. W. J. Macdonald, Victoria; for Prince Edward Island, Lieut.-Col. Hon. T. H. Haythorne, Charlestown.

At a meeting of the council afterwards Col. Ouimet, of Quebec, was elected chairman.

THE ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION.

A Satisfactory Balance Sheet—Election of Officers.

OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—The governor-general, General Middleton and Lord Melgund, A.D.C., were all present at the meeting of the Dominion Artillery association. The affairs of the association were shown to be unusually prosperous, the receipts having exceeded the expenditures by nearly $800. Lt.-Col. Oswald was re elected president, and Lt.-Col. A. H. Macdonald was elected chairman of the council. The names of Col. Mackenzie and Lt.-Col. Gray of Toronto were added to the list of vice presidents. Capt. J. B. Donaldson, militia department, Ottawa, was re-elected secretary.

THE SUPREME COURT.

Mr. Landry Heads the Annual Attack on its Functions.

OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—The business of parliament to-day was perceptibly interfered with by the engagements of the liquor convention.

Mr. Landry (Montmagny) made an attack on the jurisdiction of the supreme court. The matter was brought up in the shape of a bill and he asked for its second reading. Mr. Landry's bill looks for a curtailment of the powers of the court as far as provincial civil rights are concerned. The bill was voted down by 125 to 34 on a division being called.

At 10.30 the house rose.

IN A REBELLIOUS MOOD.

British Columbia Will Officially Oppose the Dominion Liquor Act.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 19.—Instructions have been received from Ottawa to enforce the Dominion liquor law. It is believed the provincial and city authorities will resist its enforcement with police.

Live Stock Lost at Sea.

HALIFAX, N.S., Feb. 19.—The steamer Newcastle City left here on Thursday last for London with a general cargo and 154 cattle. On Sunday, when about 200 miles south-east of Sable island, she experienced a severe storm. A heavy sea washing over her carried away 100 cattle, destroyed her boats, and injured the hatches. She put back to this port and arrived to-day, where she will be repaired.

A Railway Bylaw Sustained.

SARNIA, Feb. 19.—To-day his honor Chas. Robinson, judge of the county court of Lambton, gave his decision in the matter of the bylaw of the town of Sarnia granting a bonus of $16,000 to the Erie and Huron railway, sustaining the legality of the bylaw.

A Boy Stabber.

James Douglas, 51 Arthur street, has been arrested as the boy who stabbed little Johnny Kerby on Givins street Wednesday evening. The wound has turned out to be more serious than at first supposed, and yesterday the sufferer was low.

Steamship Arrivals.

At Liverpool: Servia from New York.
At Havre: St. Simon from New York.
At New York: Alsatia from Glasgow.

A SCHOOL SALARY GRAB

THE PUBLIC BOARD USES THE PEOPLE'S POCKETS FREELY.

Printing Contract Awarded—Extending the Night School Session—A Demand For More Accommodation.

The regular meeting of the public school board was held last night, the absentees being Trustees Meredith and Dr. Ogden. Chairman Roden appeared in full dress and sported a geranium in his button-hole. He wore immaculate white kids and a shiny plug hat. Secretary Wilkinson was also similarly attired, minus the geranium and hat.

Petitions were received from the scholars of the Jesse Ketchum, Elizabeth, Bathurst and Mabel street night schools, praying that the classes be continued from one to two months longer than March 1, the time fixed for closing.

George Patterson wrote to say that he did not lose the printing contract last year through not being able to perform the work, but because there was a tender lower than his.

W. B. McMurrich, solicitor of the board, sent in a communication to the effect that the action of Macdonald v. the school board had been dismissed.

Miss Mamie Walker tendered her resignation as a teacher in Winchester street school on account of family bereavement.

The report of the finance committee was taken into consideration, Trustee W. S. Lee in the chair. The report recommended that Mr. Cassidy of Louisa street school, Mr. Boddy of Bathurst street, and Mr. Anderson of Givins street have their salaries increased from $950 to $1000 per annum; that Mr. Clark of Mabel street school be raised from $600 to $650; that Mrs. Riches of Palace street and Miss Dunn of York street get $750 instead of $700, and that Miss Gillen of Cottingham street get $650 instead of $600. The report also recommended that Inspector Hughes receive $2100 instead of $2000; Secretary Wilkinson $1600 instead of $1500; the truant officer $850 instead of $800, and the inspector's assistant $725 instead of $700. The salary of Miss Churchill of Rose avenue was recommended to be $750, and that of Mrs. Arthurs of Dewson street $600. Caretakers' salaries were increased in all $300, and the salary of the caretaker of Dewson street was placed at $140.

Trustee Bell thought the salary of Mr. Clark of Mabel street should be fixed at $700 instead of $650. He however accepted a compromise that Mr. Clark get a bonus of $25 for extra work performed.

Trustee Bell moved that the inspector's salary stand at $2000, but was the only person who voted for the motion. A similar motion by the same trustee regarding the salary of Secretary Wilkinson was negatived, Mr. Bell again being the only yea. On motion of Trustee Medcalf the salary of the caretaker of Eastern avenue school was placed at $125 instead of $110 as recommended in the report.

The committee having risen and reported, Trustee Bell again moved that the salary of the inspector be $2000. Trustees Westman, Downard, Hill and the mover voted for the motion, which was lost. His motion that the secretary's salary be placed at $1500 was also lost, the mover and Messrs. Downard and Westman only voting aye. The report as amended was then adopted.

The sites and buildings committee recommended the erection of a four-roomed school building on Morse street, St. Lawrence ward, according to plans prepared by Architect Windeyer. It also recommended that Mrs. Burns be appointed caretaker of Givins street school. Adopted.

The committee on printing and supplies recommended that the tender of the Model printing company be accepted, it being the lowest. Chairman Boxall said the company were prepared to give security for the performance of the work. Trustee Westman did not believe the company could perform the work. Full-dress Roden moved that bonds be accepted from the company to the extent of 25 per cent of the work done. Carried. The report was adopted.

On motion of Trustee McMurrich it was ordered that ventilating shafts connected with the sewers, and extending through the roofs be placed in all public schools.

Trustee Macdonald's motion to prepare plans for a school building on Morse street, Trustee Kent's to select a school site north of Knox college, and Trustee Bell's to enlarge the Mabel street building, were referred to the management committee. The rear portion of Victoria street school will be painted so as to agree with the new front; hereafter all blackboards put in will be of slate; the Niagara street yard is to be flanked or blockpaved.

On motion of Trustee Bell the time for the continuance of the night schools was extended one month if the attendance warranted it.

PERSONAL.

The pope is reported to be ill from an intestinal complaint.

Samuel Barker, superintendent of the Northern railway, is confined to his bed by illness.

The queen has returned to Windsor and the Prince of Wales is at Marlborough house, London.

Capt. Phelan is at Kansas City, but declares he will return to New York and prosecute Short.

Millais's genre picture, entitled "Little Miss Muffet," has just been sold in England for £5000.

Mrs. James Russell Lowell, wife of the United States minister to London, died yesterday afternoon.

It is authoritatively stated that the disease from which Gen. Grant has been suffering is superficial inflammation of the tongue, superinduced by excessive smoking. Cancer was at first suspected. The alarming symptoms have disappeared.

Miss Carrie Braham, a member of Mrs. Augusta Creamer's National comedy company, was received into the catholic church by the Rev. Father Parkinson, S. I. of St. Aloyson's, Oxford, recently. This makes the eleventh conversion amongst this gentleman's corps dramatique in a few years.

KYLE'S HYMN.

See the mighty host advancing,
Kyle is leading on,
On with reason, pocket pistols,
Off to meet Sir John.
And Sir John looks thro' the window,
Gazes on the mob,
Says to Tilly, "Got to see 'em,
But don't like the job."

But they are friends and strong supporters,
Working with a will,
'Tis a grand and noble vanguard
Soldiers of the still!
There's great and noble mission
They, too, promise well;
Don't much like this prohibition
Sound the Scott act knell.

And Still Not Much Change

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, TORONTO, Feb 20—1 a.m.—*But little change has taken place since yesterday. The pressure is still high over the west of the lakes and has increased slightly in Ontario and eastern Canada. Fair weather continues everywhere with temperature near or below zero in Ontario and along the St. Lawrence valley. In the Northwest the extreme cold weather has moderated slightly.*

Probabilities—Lakes and St. Lawrence, west and northwest winds; fair weather, with a few local snow flurries; not much change in temperature.