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REV PRINCIPAL GRANT.

Thinks the Remedial Bill A Very Pocr

Kingston, Ont., March 2 .- The fol-

wing expressions are taken from Prin-

"The propesed remedial bill, in my

pinion, is well adapted to irritate

veryone, without doing a particle of

ood. It combines the prospect of a

ag-continued Donnybrook between the

"To entrust such powers to nine gen-

mpted to think that the measure must

When, however, we look a little deep-

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But his salary and the sal-

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sent to it by the government.

Circumstances.

olics, assessed for the support of sectarian schools, are to be exempt from the taxation of public schools. The British North America Act gives no power to the Dominion government to make such exemptions. If it does, why not also exempt the Mennonites, who came to Manitoba under promise of the most favored race treatment, and the Anglicans, who had more schools in 1870 than the Roman Catholics, and people who have no children and corporations. "Then the province would have very The Remedial Bill, He Shows, is few people left to tax. Of necessity the province must proceed against any man who refused to pay a provincial tax. What a verifable lucullus banquet to the lawyers is suggested by all this liti-

As the Government Has Not Carried "Again, if the trustees of a school district require a loan for the purpose of building or for any other purpose,, and the lieutenant governor in council clines to sanction the loan His Excellency the governor-general is to have

the power. Ottawa, March 7 .- The debate on the "Can the British North America Act sides what means are provided for inarthy. Hon. Joseph Martin continued at every point. The government would at every point. The government would do a brave thing if it called its followthe fallacies of the government's con- ers together and announced its decision ntions that the constitution as well as to begin again on the basis of acceptthe judgment of the Imperial privy ing the proposals of Manitoba. "Should its supporters from Quebec

ing taken. On the contrary, he con- Mr. Laurier in power and let him do ended that the present bill, if passed, the very thing which seems to them would be unconstitutional. The consti- outrageous. in council to pass an order and send the penny-half penny matter which three or

did not carry out the law in this | critical and secularized bigots." isdiction. It got jurisdiction only the law had been carried out and ONLY DISCOVERED LATELY

CATARBH.

ba, if approached, would not have agto negotiations. Instead of doing Read the Sworn Statement of Three of the government passed the remedial Hamiston's Citizens.

Dominion of Canada, County of Wentworth, Province of Ontario, to wit: I, William G. Cox, of the city of Hamilton, in the county of Wentworth, flour and feed merchant, at 374 King street west, in said city, do solemnly declare and say that it affords me great pleasure to add my testimony as to the wonderful properties of "KOOTENAY" Now, when the government CURE" for catarrh, with which I have the lines of the order, they begin to tried almost every advertised medicine between Italy and that country. think of compromise. However, the for this disease, but without success untime for the enquiry was before the til I began taking Ryckman's "KOOTEat negotiation unless the govern- mend it to any one thus afflicted, and first repealed the remedial order. feel confident that if its use is persevermitoba considered the order a harsh ed in for a reasonable time, and direcgment, passed in the absence of tions faithfully observed, that it will

roof, and so refused to obey it; but she lead to a positive cure. And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act.

WILLIAM G. COX. (Signed) Declared before me at the city of Hamilton, in the county of Wentworth, ipal Grant's views on the remedial bill this 18th day of February, A.D. 1896. (Signed.) W. FRED WALKER. Notary Public.

Dominion of Canada, county of Wentworth, province of Ontario, to wit: I. Margaret Sovereign, of the city of Hamilton, in the county of Wentworth. vince and the Dominion, with a bar- province of Ontario, residence 376 King de feast for the Manitoba Roman street west, do solemnly declare that I olic minority. There must be doz am pleased to make the following deof men in parliament, who, after a claration: My daughter, Lulu, aged 14, tle reflection, will see how it is sure was troubled with catarrh for two years, work The bill puts all the powers of and during that time her health was provincial government into the very poor. Our family physician was ds of a board of education, which is called in and pronounced her case inflammation of the lungs and catarrh. Her constitution gradually ran down, en of whom nothing is required and until she commenced taking Kootey shall be nominally Roman nay Cure we were feeling alarmed about her. She has now taken one bottle and a half of the medicine and has gained eleven pounds in weight, has rosy cheeks, her general health has been is being cured of catarrh.

> (Sgd.) MARGARET SOVEREIGN. Sworn and acknowledged before me of Wentworth, this 18th day of February, A.D. 1896. (Signed.) W. FRED WALKER.

Notary Public. Dominion of Canada, county of Wentworth, province of Ontario, to wit: I, Josephine Stuart, of the city of Hamilton, in the county of Wentworth, province of Ontario, spinster, residing at 374 King street west, in said city of Hamilton, do solemnly declare and say as follows: That I have been suffering from catarrh for a period of nearly five years past; that during that time I have used various medicines, recommended of a fund to be voted by the for that disease, without receiving any relief for it. About two months ago, on the recommendation of a friend, I toba will not vote one dollar. The commenced to take "Kootenay Cure," ney of the high schools is to be de- and have used two bottles according to directions, and have experienced the governor in council, and greatest relief. While I cannot say I school is to be deemed efficient am completely cured, I am satisfied I am almost so, and shortly will be by the use of this medicine. I cannot too highly recommend it to all patients suf-

and finds a suprintendent who fering from catarrh. And I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act. (Signed.) JOSEPHINE STUART.

Taken and acknowledged before me North America Act. at the city of Hamilton, in the county rating the exclusive powers of of Wentworth, province of Ontario, this vincial legislatures, sub-section 2, is 18th day of February, A.D. 1896. (Signed.) W, FRED WALKER. Notary Public. \$15,000; insurance \$5,000.

More Hopeful Aspect is Apparent in the Italian Crisis To-day.

Rumor of Overtures for Peace and an Abandonment of the Colconial Policy.

The People of Italy Are Still in a. Disturbed State-Rioting Continues.

Rome, March 7.-The Italian crisis remedial bill was taken up yesterday by by any stretch of meaning be made to has assumed a somewhat brighter as-Mr. Moncrieff, of East Lambton, who cover this transference of power, bethe war office of a dispatch from Gen. Mr. Moncrea, or Ender I advantage of the Mark Moncrean and Mr. Moncrean, or Ender I advantage of the Mark Moncrean and Mark Mo devoted minded.

Mr. Laurier's position and charging to whether there is sufficient security for such loans. It is unnecessary to go that he was in league with Mr. Mcthat he was in league w that he was in league and the situation on criticising. The bill means friction is not so desperate as is generally imagined. He says he has 18,000 troops at his disposal, without counting the garrisons of the forts and reinforcements, amounting to 12,000 men, now on the way to Massowah. But the rebel, what could they do? Simply put general urgently requests the immediate dispatch of ammunition, supplies and this much detested ailment. particularly artillery, of which he "Surely at this critical epoch in the stands greatly in need, as about 75 life of our nation and Empire, Canada pieces are believed to have been caping grievances, for the governor general might cease convulsing herself over a two tured by the Shoans. In the meanwhile province which had refused four sensible men could easily settle, so everything possible is being done to rethe bill sent. The remedial as to satisfy everyone except a few lieve the besieged garrisons.

The war office has not yet made public its estimate of the number killed, wounded and missing of the army defeated at Adowah, but the general opinion is that the number killed will amount to about 5000. There is no It is Started by Young Men Cheer-THAT '. KOOTENAY' WILL CURE means of ascertaining the number of men captured by the Shoans.

The Tribuna this morning declares that the matter is not a question of a simple crisis in Africa or in Italy, but that the honor of Italy is involved, and urges the incoming ministry to adopt a policy of uncompromising revenge.

The Socialist deputies have issued nanifesto urging the people to join in a demonstration to urge the government to decide upon abandoning its costly colonial policy and withdraw the Italian troops from Africa. The future, it is said, may depend

onsiderably upon the secret mission which it is reported has been entrusted to Signor Franzo, the explorer. According to a rumor Franzo will go to finds itself unable to propose a bill on been troubled for fully ten years. I the ground work for an honorable peace Still further rioting occurred in Milan judgment was rendered, not after. The NAY CURE," in October, 1895, and were shattered with stones, and the ingovernment was now on its knees im- found after following the directions fantry, while trying to disperse the mob. fantry, while trying to disperse the mob. possible to maintain order, almost the oring Mr. Greenway to come here and closely, that it has exceeded my most were stoned. During the scrimmage them out of the trouble. If he sanguine expectations, and relieved me twelve soldiers and sixteen rioters were t them out of the trouble. If he sanguine expectations, and reflect to the ould come it would be no sign of from all the unpleasant symptoms of the Month of the disease. I can cheerfully recomfrom Milan has been suspended, as the mobs attack all trains attempting to leave or enter the city. Crowds are constantly assembled in front of the different barracks. One detachment of troops which was on its way to the coast for shipment to Africa, were detained at the suburbs of Milan, that being the only manner in which it was possible to get the men away to avoid mobs. A big anti-African meeting to be held to-morrow, is being organized at Milan, and steps to have similar assemblages are being taken in other large cities. The object of all the neetings will be to urge the government o abandon the policy hitherto followed v Italy in Africa, conclude peace with Abvssinia and bring home the Italian

roops. Dispatches from Milan and Florence this afternoon announce a very threat-

Further advices received here from Massowah to-day, show that the estimated Italian losses at Adowa are of ammunition for the artillery, 5,000 greatly improved, and she feels that she | head of cattle and about 1,000 rifles and |

the money chest. Nothing definite is known up to this hour concerning the change of the miniat the city of Hamilton, in the county stry. Signor Crispi had an hour's conference with King Humbert at noon, and this has caused much comment and has served to strengthen the argument of those who intimated that Premier Crispi would have to remain in power during the crisis, as his majesty would not be able to find any one else willing to accept the difficult task of forming During the whole afternoon there was a cabinet. On the other hand, friends of the Italian statesman say he is determined not to continue in office. London, March, 7.—The Pall Mall Gazette this evenig publishes a dispatch from Rome saying it is rumored there

that Adigrat has been captured.

Hamilton, Ont., March 9.-The board hold a horseless carriage exhibition here next July. The jockey club offers \$1,500 towards expenses, and also the use of the club's grounds. Orangeville, Ont., March 9-Yesterday morning Patrolman Parkins discovered a fire in the foundry of the Mc-Master Manufacturing Company's building. Owing to the fire having made such headway before it was discovered, it was impossible to save the two main wings, and these, together with the machinery, patterns and a considerable number, of binders and Miss Robinson. considerable number of binders and mowers, were destroyed. The engine

Canadian.

A MOST UNWORTHY OFFICER. R. B. Bell, of Ottawa, Given His Deserts for Cruelty to Children.

Ottawa, March 9 .- R. B. Bell, who was agent here for the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, was today sentenced to two years and two months in the penitentiary for cruelty to his two grand-children. His wife, Mrs. Bell, who was the perpetrator of all the cruel acts, Bell himself being an Senator Powers, of Halifax. Speaks accessory, elected to be tried by jury. TORONTO TAILORS.

The Strike Extends to All the Union Men in the City.

Toronto, March 9.-The tailors, wno have been on strike for the past eleven weeks, have called out the entire union in the city, which numbers over 600 members. There is a possibility that the strike may extend further in Canada. Liberal aid is being given by the unions in the United States.

CHILDREN CRY FOR IT.

Roentgen Rays a Panacea for Every thing From Crankiness to Toothache. London, March 9.-Dr. Valentine Mott's well-known prediction that the man who would find a permanent cure for toothache would be the richest man to make public his wonderful discovery. All he vouchsafed to his interviewer is pose and vote against the bill. the information that it is by means of the Roentgen rays that he dissipates

Spanish Mob at Bilbao Makes an Attack on the American Consulate.

ing Spanish Soldiers on the Streets.

Bilbao, Spain, March 9.-Another anti-American riot occurred here to-day of greater importance than any previous disturbance. Some 12,000 people took part this afternoon in a popular demonstration. The excitement was started by a group of young men at a street corner who began cheering every soldier who passed by. Their conduct was soon imitated by other groups of people, and every soldier seen was cheered by the crowds. Some street musicians who refused to repeat the national anthem were beaten. The excitement increased and riotous groups formed in the main streets cheering for Spain and denouncing the United States. The authorities did everything entire police force being turned out as soon as the populace assumed a threatening aspect, and the rioters were dislowever, the mob became so numerous and excited that the police were almost

After the first demonstrations of sympathy with the army, the crowds armed themselves with sticks and cudgels, and their numbers became so great that the police were swept aside and an immense crowd gathered on the leading thoroughfares, whence they marched towards the residence of the United States consul, shouting "Long live Spain," "Down with the Yankee." On the way to the consul's residence the crowd hurled stones through the windows of stores and private residences. overturned a number of vehicles, pulled several mounted policemen from their horses and generally behaved in a most threatening manner. The stores sup posed to be dealing in American goods naturally received most attention from ening state of affairs among the troops the mob. The windows of the consul's n garrison there. It appears that the house were badly shattered, although soldiers became so excited by the at- the police defended the buildings. The titude of the populace, that they almost | mob then proceeded in the direction of broke out into open mutiny, threatening the United States consulate, evidently to leave their quarters and join the intending to stone that building as well, ricters. With difficulty the officers in but the authorities had taken the precommand succeeded in calming the sol- caution to send a strong force of police diers, and, according to last reports, it to guard that building. Another deis believed that the danger has passed | tachment of police was stationed across the streets leading to the consulate. Therefore, when the mob neared the United States consulate they were confronted by the police with drawn about 1,000,000 cartridges, 5.000 rounds swords. The mob halted and then began pelting the police most vigorously with stones and pieces of brick. The police, however, held their ground and a squad of officers charged the rioters. The latter began firing pistols at the police, two of whom were wounded. This caused the police to charge in a body, using their swords with good ef fect, and the rioters were dispersed, yelling and hooting at the authorities, and shouting "Long live Spain." The police made a number of arrests, but experienced considerable difficulty in esmore or less disorder. After the mobs had been quieted down and the police had been recalled, it was decided to keep both the police proper and the gendarmes confined to the barracks until further orders, as there seemed to be danger of another outbreak of popular fury. The United States consulate is now guarded by a strong detachment of gendarmes armed with carbines, revolof trade has endorsed the proposition to vers and swords. They have instructions to protect the consulate at any cost.

DEATH OF LADY ROBINSON.

The Widow of the Late Sir J. A. Robinson Passes Away.

ROYAL Baking Powder house and moulding shop were saved. has been awarded highest During the progress of the fire, Chief Jack Aiken narrowly escaped being burhonors at every world's fair ied under falling walls. Loss about where exhibited.

Plainly on the Remedial Act's Effect.

Mr. Laurier's Policy of Conciliation He Considers Best Course After All.

Government Waiting for Greenway to Relieve Them of Their Trouble.

Ottawa, March 9.—Senator Power, an Irish Roman Catholic, of Halifax, N.S., has written a pamphlet on the school trol. case. He shows that the remedial act, few buckets of water. toothache is now surely a thing of the that if the remedial bill was dropped, past. The paper founds its news on the and Mr. Laurier's policy of conciliation assertion of Dr. Levett, an American pursued, the whole matter would be dentist in Paris. Though hard pressed satisfactorily arranged by the province by Le Soir's representative, he declined without any material changes in the existing laws. As a Catholic he will op-

It is reported that the government has decided not to extend an invitation to Mr. Greenway and representatives of the Manitoba Roman Catholic minority to a conference regarding the school question, but will give the remedial bill a second reading if possible and pass it to the committee stage, when, if the Manitoba government have any propositions to make with respect to an amicable settlement, a minister, or Sir Donald Smith will go to Manitoba to discuss the proposal. It looks as if all parties were standing on ceremony, each knowing that something should be done, but believing that the other ought to make the first advance.

Catellier, under secretary of state, is to be superannuated and Joseph Pope, who was secretary to Sir John A. Masdonald, will succeed him.

In an interesting paper on the history of the Behring Sea question, prepared by Mr. Venning, of the fisheries department, a summary is given of the claims for the society at Sandon, sends more for damages filed by Canada on account of the seizures extending over the years pects for shipment this year. In ad-

follows:
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WELLINGTON. (From our own correspondent.)

Wellington, March 9 .- On Wednesday ext the board of licensing commissioners meet to discuss the applications for our town. David H. Davis is applying for a hotel license and C. Marro for a wholesale license. The two temperance lodges are working against the granting of these.

Still they come! The Daughters Ruth have come to swell the ranks. We must have nearly twenty lodges of secret societies.

The enrolment of members of the arillery company is completed. Captain Dillon expects to see a drill shed erected here, as has been done in the other owns.

Mr. T. W. Bucklee is again on our treets, but it will be some time before he regains his former strength and vig-

Our football team will play Victoria on Saturday next if the weather continues favorable. The following are the head pupils for ebruary of the first two divisions of

ur public school: Sixth class-Addie S. Matheson, Geo. eighton and Fred C. Fisher. Fifth senior-Arthur N. Morrison. Nora Stephenson and Bertha Cameron. Fifth Junior-Jennie Bird, Jas. Sloan, ydia Copeland. Fourth Senior-Orville Randall, Mary Kerr, Florence Morrison. Fourth Junior-Amelia Savy, Stewart

Davidson, Samuel Turner.

NANAIMO. (From our own correspondent,) Nanaimo, Marc. 6 .- Quite a little stir has been created here in political circles

that the present provincial ministry are in the forthcoming Dominion general elecnearing a collapse. If such is the case tion, met in Temperance hall, Dupont and should an election follow, it is not block, Tuesday afternoon, and, in the likely to make any material difference in the representation from the city. There are some who believe that Dr. Walkem would be defeated at the polls, but even this is doubtful. Owing to the severe weather of the

past week, the buildings that were being commenced have been abandoned for the present. The football match arranged to take

place to-morrow has been postponed. C. Bamford and J. McKinley have been selected to represent Nanaimo at the meeting of delegates of the Rugby Football Union to be held at Vancouver on Saturday.

> MIDWAY. Midway Advance.

D. Thompson, who comes from Marus, was sent to jail for three months for stealing a pair of blankets at Grand Forks. Sixty horses are now being used on

the different stage lines between Marens and Penticton, and soon this number will be increased. There will be no scarcity of professional assayers in the country this sum-

mer, as already six assay offices are in Mr. Kane's claim, the Blue Jay, in

Skylark Camp, is looking remarkably well. The ore is very rich in silver and carries high in gold.

Another shift has been put on at the Gold Drop. Six men are now working on the claim, which in every sense is justifying the expectations of the bond-

The rush to the Colville reservation has not abated, though would-be locators are now obliged to go further afield. There will undoubtedly be a season of great activity this summer.

Mr. Munro has thrown up his bond on the Nugget claim, a valuable free gold proposition. The property been bought outright by Mr. R. Stuart. who, it is understood, has instructed his London agent to be prepared to float the stock on the market at any time.

Inland Sentinel. R. Buchanan is directing the work being done on the Companion on Peterson Creek. A dump is being prepared for the ore.

The provincial home had a narrow escape from being burned down on Tuesday evening. A small blaze was discovered on the roof of a small lean-to at the back of the building. It had just reached the extent that another minute or two would have put it beyond con-It was easily extinguished by a

Some prospecting has already been done by some parties on the Tranquille this spring. Mineral bearing rock has been found to the westward of the stream. W. J. Norfolk and partner went down this week and on Thursday recorded four placer claims about five miles from the mouth of the Tranquille. and about two miles above the dam, The prospects are good, and the company will begin sluicing at once. names of the partners are W. J. Norfolk, E. Parkes, O. Bartlett and L. Didillion.

VERNON.

Vernon News. The Armstrong Flour Mill Association tion have decided to build an elevator of a capacity of 20,000 bushels. It is expected to have it completed by the 7th of

Permission has been accorded by the superintendent of education to all schools in the Okanagan and Spalfumcheen districts to close for two days in May in order to attend a teachers' con-

vention in this city, at which an institute will be organized. About seventeen cars of vegetables and other produce have been shipped to the Kootenay markets since last fall by the Shippers' Union of Kelowna, and Mr. R. S. Hall, who is acting as agent encouraging reports regarding the prosdition to this, large quantities of hay, oats, etc., have been forwarded by private parties, and Okanagan producers

are now fairly established in the markets of the various mining districts of Kootenay. The Black Horse mineral claim, situated near the B. X. ranch, and owned by C. F. Costerton, Simmons Bros., and E. C. Thompson, is showing up in great shape, as work is advancing on it. The ledge is one of the largest in the country being nearly 60 feet wide and can be traced for the whole length of the claim, 1500 feet. Several assays have been obtained which show the rock to

average about \$8 per ton in gold. A marked change for the better has taken place in farming met district during the past two years. Up to a very recent date it was the custom of merchants to import large quantities of eggs, butter, hams, bacon and lard, it being impossible for them to procure a sufficient amount of these commodities at home to supply their customers. This year, however, no eggs are being imported, and before very long the local market will be entirely supplied with bacon, butter, etc., produced in our own district.

Messrs. J. A. Mohr, Chas. Mohr and H. Chepmell left on Tucsday for the Similkameen country, where they spent last summer. On his return to Vernon last fall Mr. J. A. Mohr brought with him some splendid specimens of goldbearing quartz, and it is their intention to open up this lead at once.

THE MUCH HATED BRITISHER. Continues to Invest His Millions in American Enterprises.

Oakland, Cal., March 9.-Information has been received in this city that Henry Butters, of Berkeley, has closed a deal by which the entire street railway system of the city of Mexico has passed into the hands of an English syndicate. It is understood that not less than \$3,500,000 has been paid by London capitalists for the roads and that much more will be expended in the permanent improvement. The systems affected are extensive and exclusive franchises and are considered of great value.

CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION. Many Called, But None Chosen-Convention Adjourns for Two Weeks..

The Liberal-Conservative convention, to nominate a candidate to contest Westminover the rumors circulated to the effect ster district in the interest of that party rooms of the local association, in the even-

Sixty-two delegates were present, out of the total number of eight odd constituting the full list of delegates elected. The municipalities of Kent, Sumas, Chilliwack, municipalities of Kent, Sumas, Chiniwaca, and South Vancouver, were unrepresented, which is partially accountable for on the score of the weather for the last few days having interfered somewhat with travel

having interfered somewhat with travel by the river.

Mr. W. B. Townsend was elected chairman of the convention, and the following names, it has been learned, were before the convention as candidates: G. E. Corbould, M. P., Judge Bole, T. C. Atkinson, P. M., Lieut.-Governor Dewdney, Capt. Thompson, E. Hutcherson, W. B. Townsend, D. S. Curtis, Paul Ladner, and M. Sinclair. Discussion, it is understood, was warm and spirited—the Manitoba school question

and spirited—the Manitoba school question figuring largely as the subject of controversy, in addition to the very considerable difference of opinion that developed as to the desirability of making the nomination, or adjourning to a future date.

As a selection did not appear practicable, it was finally decided to adjourn the convention for two weeks, to give a chance for unrepresented districts to have their delegates present, which it is expected will facilitate the solution of the problem. At the close of the convention, with the withdrawal of some candidates and the demonstrated weakness of others, it is reported that the following were the only flames considered to be "in the running": T. C. Atkinson, E. Hutcherson, Capt. Thompson, and Paul Ladner.—Columbian.