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CABLE NEWS.

The Pacific Mail Scheme—More Cuban Defeats—Earthquakes in Athens.

The Trial of Italian Anarchists—Submarine Cable on the African Coast.

LONDON, May 23.—The Times this morning in a leader on the Pacific mail scheme, says that if there is one feature by which the history of the twentieth century is likely to be distinguished beyond all others it bids fair to be the development of the open shores of the Pacific by a movement of civilization, which will add yet another to the great civilizations of the world already seen on the shores of the Mediterranean and of the Atlantic. The article considers that the government is justified in bestowing an annual subsidy of £100,000 on the Pacific mail and cable service. It suggests that that amount is now absorb by Bechuanaland and might be liberated by giving Bechuanaland to Cape Colony under a protectorate to a chartered company.

In the course of a long election speech to-day Signor Crispi said that the budget showed a reduction in expenditure of 80,000,000 lire and an increase in the revenues of 100,000,000 lire. The emigration for 1894 showed a reduction of 23,000 persons compared with 1893. The position of the treasury, he said, is assured and its credit had been restored to the position held prior to 1893.

Prince Bismarck's neuralgia of the face has reached an acute stage. Otherwise his health is in a satisfactory condition.

General Booth, of the Salvation Army, is seriously ill.

There is a great deal of rejoicing in official circles at Havana over the news of the defeat of the rebels in Eastern Cuba and the reported death of Jose Marti, proclaimed president of the Cuban republic by the revolutionary party. The Spaniards captured documents which compromise persons at Santiago de Cuba, Holguin and Havana. Important arrests are expected to follow. Prisoners say that Maximo Gomez and Estrada, rebel leaders, were either killed or wounded, as their bodies were not found. A Madrid dispatch says the Spanish newspapers attach much importance to the fact that Jose Marti and several leaders of the Cuban insurgents were among the killed.

The Standard has further advices from Athens of the recent earthquakes, from which it appears that their most disastrous effect was felt in the southwest portion of Epirus, which is a portion of Albania, in European Turkey. Intelligence has been received at Athens of the destruction of seven villages in the locality, and fifty deaths are already reported as the result of the earthquakes. There are no large cities in the district, but in the small villages and out of the way localities which have experienced the shocks the distress is reported to be acute.

The Koelnische Zeitung says that if the Porte rejects the Armenian reforms proposed by the powers, a European conference will be convoked.

The Times announces the death of Hon. Sir Charles Gilbert Brydon Elliott, K. C. B., Admiral of the Fleet. Sir Charles Elliott was born in 1818, and his title dates from 1881. He was an uncle of the present Earl of Minto.

A dispatch from Paris to the Times says that M. Cachard, legal adviser to the American embassy, will shortly publish an English translation of the Code Napoleon.

It is stated at St. Petersburg that the Russian government has declined to agree to the military occupation of Korea by the Japanese forces and demands that the government at Tokio recall the garrisons stationed there.

The trial of seven anarchists charged with the murder in July last of Sig. Bandi, editor of the Gazetta Livornese, of Leghorn, was concluded to-day. The murder was committed on the same day President Carnot was assassinated, by a man named Luchesia, who was sentenced to imprisonment for thirty years.

Further details of the loss of the Spanish steamer Gravina, wrecked off Manila, Phillipine islands, during a typhoon, show that 168 persons were drowned.

A dispatch from Copenhagen states that the governor of Santa Cruz, the largest of the Virginia islands, West Indies, which forms with St. Thomas and St. John a Danish colony, cables that all is quiet there and nothing is known of a reported insurrection on the island of St. Thomas.

On March 21 the French steamer Francois Arago laid the short end of the sub-marine cable to be constructed between Mozambique and Majunga, Madagascar.

There is a local rumor to the effect that China repudiated Japan's demand for an additional indemnity for the relinquishment of the Laio Tung peninsula.

Dispatches received at Yokohama from Seoul give further details of the trouble in Korea. Evidence has been discovered showing that Bokuo, recently appointed acting prime minister, has formed an alliance with the Russian minister at Seoul. Count Inouye, Japanese minister at Korea, has returned to Japan.

A dispatch from Paris says Dr. Achille Adrien Proust, the distinguished physician and member of the French academy of medicine, who represented France at the international sanitary conference, in an interview published in L' Eclair is quoted as saying that the refusal of Great Britain to apply the decisions of the conference is absolutely criminal. He adds that if Europe is invaded by cholera Great Britain will be to blame. Dr. Proust is author of a number of medical works, including one on cholera.

NEWFOUNDLAND'S LOAN.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., May 24.—(Special)—It is practically conceded to-day that the report that Colonial Secretary Bond is likely to arrange a loan from the United States is correct. The only risk now is that England will interfere and block the whole negotiation. The directors and managers of the Commercial bank of Newfoundland, which collapsed in December last, were committed for trial to the Supreme court to-day. There is an agitation now for the prosecution of the directors of the Union bank, the sister institution, which is also insolvent.

CHINESE TRADE.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—Under date of April 8, Minister Denby wrote a letter to Secretary Gresham concerning the trade of China. In discussing the lessons of the Japanese-Chinese war, Mr. Denby has submitted nineteen articles which he thinks should be adopted in order to further trade relations and to insure greater protection to foreign interests in China. His suggestions are as follows:

During war the consuls of friendly powers, acting for a belligerent, have all the jurisdiction that its consuls had during peace. China to be opened to foreign residence as Western countries are. Missionaries to go where they please and reside and buy land and be protected. Foreign goods to be subjected to no taxation, except import duty, until they reach the consumer. They are not to be taxed, as is now done, as soon as landed.

No internal revenue tax to be laid on goods which discriminates against them, nor to be prohibitory, nor in any event to exceed two per cent., nor to be levied on foreign goods unless a similar tax is levied on native goods of the same character. Local authorities shall have no power to provide that freight shipped in native bottoms shall pay less export duty than freight shipped in foreign bottoms, and the export tax shall be uniform. Stringent measures shall be taken to prevent anti-foreign riots, and if such occur, the rioters shall be punished and damages shall be paid. All ports of China shall be open to foreign trade. The viceroys, governors and provincial authorities shall be prohibited from treating international matters, except to settle claims for damages done to foreigners. No viceroy or governor shall have power to make any contract with foreigners for the purchase of any material; such contracts shall be made or authorized by the imperial or central government. Every port in China ordinarily used and frequented by sea-going ships shall be opened to all the world. The coastwise duty of 2½ per cent. on goods sent down the Yangtsekiang, and intended to be sent abroad, shall not be paid in specie, but a bond shall be taken that if the goods are not exported within a certain time the coastwise duty shall be paid. The provincial authorities shall have no power to tax foreign goods for any purpose whatever. Such taxation should be ordered by the central government only. Libellous and scandalous publications affecting foreigners shall be vigorously suppressed.

EARTHQUAKE AT FLORENCE

LONDON, May 23.—A despatch from Florence to the Daily News gives some description of the scenes of panic and disaster in that city accompanying the shocks of earthquake on Saturday night. The damage was widespread and so general that the Daily News correspondent asserts that there is hardly a house in the whole city of Florence, cathedrals and repositories of treasures of art of all ages that has not suffered. A performance was in progress in the great opera house when the first shock was felt. A great rumbling was heard and the structure seemed to sway and rock to its foundations. People jumped from their seats and a great outcry ensued. The people were in a state of the utmost panic. Many fled from the theatre with the instinct to flee to the open spaces which always takes hold on a crowd in the presence of an earthquake. The more plucky, however, remained and, assuring each other that danger was passed, resumed their seats and the performance was continued. It was still in progress when the second and severer shock was felt, and the whole audience fled to the narrow streets.

At the hotels, which are frequented by crowds of tourists, the fright and disorder at the threatened calamity in a strange land were even greater. There was a babel of different languages, and frantic but vain attempts to secure a hearing from the servants, and to make appeals understood. Fabulous prices were offered for conveyances in which to get away from the city or else to sleep in the streets. Many rich Americans and English tourists were successful bidders in a lively competition to secure omnibuses in which they spent the night. All kinds of vehicles were employed as sleeping quarters. Some four hundred carriages were used in this way in Florence during Saturday night as a refuge for the Florentine ladies, who were driven in them to the open spaces of the city to escape as far as possible from the danger of falling buildings and walls. The less fortunate huddled about the carriages and the fountains in the squares. A few who could not help it remained within doors.

ROSSA'S STATEMENT.

NEW YORK, May 23.—Among the passengers who arrived to-day on the White Star line steamer Germanic was O'Donovan Rossa. When seen at quarantine he stated that while in London he succeeded in calling the attention of the whole world to the alleged libellous statements made in regard to him by Labouchere some ten years ago. This alleged libel was the statement that Rossa was in the pay of the British government. In consultation with eminent counsellors in England Rossa found that any suit for damages against Labouchere was outlawed by the English statute of limitations. He then visited the House of Commons and denounced Labouchere from the visitors' gallery. He was almost instantly seized and ejected, but afterwards held a levee on the terrace of the house. He expected to be arrested but was not.

REBELLION IN ECUADOR.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—Cablegrams received by the State department to-day from Ecuador announce that a revolution has broken out afresh in that country. While no particulars are obtainable, the movement has been regarded as serious enough to warrant the sending out of warships there to protect American interests. Accordingly orders were cabled this afternoon to the commander of the U.S.S. Ranger now at Panama to proceed with his ship at once to Guayaquil, Ecuador, where he will still be in cable communication with the Navy department.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder
World's Fair Highest Medal and Diploma.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Death of a Well Known Sister of Charity—An Ontario Village Destroyed.

The Hyams' Murder Trial—C. P. R. Traffic Returns—Presbyterian Mission Appointments.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

MONTREAL, May 23.—Rev. Mother Bastide died at the Sacred Heart convent, the Back river, yesterday, aged 86. She had been superioress of convents of the order in Ireland, and London, Ontario, for the last twenty years, and was employed directing the building operations of the order in the United States and Canada, an employment for which she had much aptitude.

TORONTO, May 23.—The foreign mission committee of the Presbyterian church yesterday made a number of appointments to foreign mission fields. J. Menzies, M.D., and R. A. Mitchell, B.A., graduates of Knox college and Toronto university, were appointed to Honan, China. A. P. Ledingham and J. J. Thompson, M.D., will be sent to Central India. Miss J. Dow, M.D., a Fergus graduate of the Women's Medical college, Toronto, has been appointed to Honan, China, in place of the late Miss Lou Graham, M.D.

MONTREAL, May 23.—The C. P. R. traffic for the week ending May 21, was $325,000. For the same week last year it was $322,000.

TORONTO, May 23.—Rev. A. C. Crews, of this city, was to-day appointed general secretary of the Sunday school and Epworth League Board of the Methodist church.

COBOURG, May 23.—Edward Ackley, alias Matt, was yesterday committed for trial charged with setting fire to the grist mill belonging to Louis Terry at Newcombe mills, township of Brighton, on April 15.

ARVA, May 23.—Two months ago the greater part of the business portion of this village was destroyed by fire, and early this morning the fire again broke out and completed the destruction. It started in Edward McNab's blacksmith shop, and spread rapidly to the adjoining building, destroying Charles Smith's workshop, Wm. Thompson's shoe store and dwelling, and Wm. Wyatt's paint shop. The village now presents a forlorn appearance.

TORONTO, May 23.—Mr. Lount's address to the jury on behalf of Harry Hyams lasted from 10 o'clock till after 4 this afternoon. Mr. Ostler for the crown following. At 5:30 p.m. it was decided to adjourn till to-morrow at 10, when Mr. Osler will continue. The judge's charge will follow, and it may be late in the afternoon before the case will be given to the jury.

KOOTENAY COUNTRY.

(From the Spokane Miner.)

W. T. Smith has ordered a horse whim from Denver, to be used on the Emma claim at the Summit Camp.

The Helena mine, a first class (though small) high grade property on Boundary Creek, has been sold for $10.

W. J. Twentyman has taken a contract to sink a 100-foot shaft on the Gertrude. The price is $20 per foot.

Work has been commenced on the "Lookout," now owned by L. R. Lindsay, G. E Kumpe and E. W. Talbot, of Spokane.

Recent operations on the Cliff mine show that the ore increases rapidly in value with depth. The Cliff is on the same lead as Monte Cristo.

The Great Western Mining Co. has been incorporated under the laws of the State of Washington. The capital stock is one million dollars. The shaft is now thirty feet deep and the ore is improving.

H. C. Munson, George Duzois and George McGaughey yesterday bonded the St. Patrick, Mount Hood and Only One to W. W. McCalley, of Spokane. The amount of the bond is $30,000; the payments are scattered over a period of a year. There is a stipulation in the bond that active development work must be commenced by the 26th inst.

During the winter 48 men have been washing the banks of the Lardeau, in British Columbia, for gold. Two men took out $3,000 in dust and nuggets between them, and all have made good wages. Some of the nuggets taken out were worth $25 each. A large quantity of float, carrying gold, was found in the creek, and the miners will combine and prospect the mountains with the intention of discovering the ledge from whence came this quartz.

ALASKA PROSPERING.

SEATTLE, May 23.—Captain James Carroll is in from Alaska. He said: "Juneau is booming, and all Alaska seems to me to be prospering. More miners went into the Yukon region this year than ever before, and a party of about fifty were waiting at Juneau when I left there who were en route for the Cook's inlet gold placer region. Alviza Hayward and James Lane, of California, are building a thirty-stamp mill on the Basin mines near Juneau. The mill will be of the wet crusher style and will cost about $50,000 These mines are similar to the celebrated Treadwell mine, but they are much richer. They cover 190 acres, and I sold them to their present owners for $150,000 about a year since. Juneau is enjoying a building boom at present, as fully twenty-five buildings are being constructed there. One of these is a stone store, which will cost $10,000. I am adding a 120x120 addition to my wharf and also a warehouse and coal bunkers. These have been made necessary by the increase in the shipping at Juneau."

NEWFOUNDLAND CONCERNS.

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., May 23.—The legislature adjourned yesterday for want of a quorum. Much indignation is expressed by the public at this action. It is believed to be a scheme on the part of the government to delay business until Colonial Secretary Bond's borrowing mission is ended. The budget has now been delayed over a week owing to the same cause. The comments of the British press indicate that a royal commission is probable. The Whiteway ministry is willing to accept one with a limited scope, but the Imperial government refuses to limit the power of the commissioners in any respect.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

Japanese Slave Girls Liberated by the Court—New Buoys on the Fraser.

Vancouver's Police Investigation—Capturing a Robber and Bringing Him to Justice.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, May 23.—Two Japanese girls, were before Japanese Consul Nosse at the police court this morning. They explained that they were in bondage, practically the slaves of a man who had sent them here and had told them that they would be employed at once on landing. They were met by a stranger, who took them to a house of prostitution kept by a notorious character, where they are held prisoners. The Consul asked the superintendent of the Japanese Christian Endeavor Society to address the court, which he did. See-mah said she would go back to Japan willingly, and her parents would pay back the passage money. Nan Kee cried, and said she was cruelly deceived, and she wanted to go home to Japan. The girls are slaves no longer, and will be sent to Japan on the next boat.

In the Kain trial to-day Laurence Mersey's evidence as to the prisoner having confessed to him was unshaken in cross-examination. The pistol found near the scene of the murder was produced, as the bullet found in the body of the murdered man was proven to be of 44-calibre such as would have been fired out of the pistol found.

After another long, tedious and uninteresting session last night the police investigation has been adjourned for a week.

The bark Hopetoun is ready for sea lumber laden. The City of Florence will load lumber at Hastings.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, May 23.—The American schooner Comet, with half a million feet of lumber, cleared for California to-day.

S. Richter stole a quantity of goods from a house at Mission. J. H. Fleming caught the thief, and tying his arms with ropes bundled him on to the train. Mr. Fleming's leading his prisoner through the streets of Westminster with a rope caused a sensation.

A special meeting of the Board of Trade was held last night to consider the bridge question. Three resolutions were submitted and finally one was passed asking the council not to attempt to sell the city's bonds for bridge purposes.

The pilots on the Mainland have suggested to the Westminster Board of Trade that buoys should be placed, one opposite the Brunette mills, another at the mouth of the river, and that when iron buoys are lost spar buoys be put in their place.

WESTMINSTER, May 24.—The sports were run off in rain and mud at Queen's park to-day, the steady downpour preventing any turnout and checking all enthusiasm. The wheelmen who took part were all from Vancouver, and the mud was so thick on the track that after each race the features of riders could not be distinguished. Barker was overtrained and in bad form, and George Emanuels, a very promising young rider took all the best prizes. The one mile novice fell to Kendall in 2 min. 57½ sec. The one mile open was taken by Barker in 2 min. 57 sec. The one mile boys' was gained by Hadden. Emanuels took the two miles. He had two hundred yards start from Barker on scratch. Time, 5 min. 30 sec. The five miles fell to Emanuels, who had three hundred yards start. At the close of this race Barker fainted from exhaustion. Time, 15 min. 46 sec. In throwing the lacrosse ball J. Cambridge was the winner with a throw of 335 feet 7 inches. Sculley, of Vancouver, won the hundred yards and the half-mile foot races. Eickhoff won the quarter-mile. The sporting committee deserve credit for carrying out the programme in spite of being handicapped by the wretched weather.

C. Richter, convicted of stealing jewelry and money from the house of J. H. Fleming, of the Mission, has been sentenced to nine months' imprisonment.

NANAIMO.

NANAIMO, May 23.—In Protection shaft, D. Evans, a rope rider, had his leg broken in two places while at work. He was removed to the hospital, where he will be for some time, as his injury is severe.

NANAIMO, May 24.—Captain Charles V. Smith, for some time in command of the steamer Estelle, was yesterday afternoon united in matrimony to Agnes D. Smith, daughter of Peter Smith, of Newcastle townsite. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D. A. McRae, Presbyterian minister.

It is reported that at an early date fares to and from Vancouver by both the steamer Cutch and the steamer City of Nanaimo will be raised.

VERNON.

(From the News.)

Hay at Ashcroft is worth $18 to $20 per ton, and the market is very scantily supplied.

Commencing on Monday the summer time table of the S. & O. branch went into effect, and until the fall daily trains will be run each way to and from Sicamous.

Supt. Marpole came in on Friday in his private car, and returned to Kamloops the following day.

Mr. C. Leiroy, of New Westminster, who has been spending a few weeks in the city, went back on Saturday to the coast. It is probable that he will return before long, as he has expressed the intention of investing in real estate in this district and making it his future home.

On Thursday last Mr. Wm. Postill left for Alberta with about 175 head of young cattle and a few horses. He has secured a location in the Red Deer district and will devote his whole attention to stock-raising in that country. A large number of his friends were at the station and all united in hearty well-wishes for his prosperity in his new home, while regretting that this district lost in him one of its best known and most esteemed stock-men.

It would be difficult to overestimate the value of the refreshing rains which fell throughout the district this week. They came just in the nick of time, as the boiling hot sun of last week had exhausted about all the moisture from the ground and the crops could not have stood a much longer continued period of drouth without sustaining injury. Sunday's showers brought joy to the heart of the farmers; Monday was cloudy, and in the evening commenced a steady downpour of rain which penetrated the earth to the depth of several inches, and was repeated on Tuesday night. From Sicamous to Kettle river the grain is wonderfully well advanced and even should the remainder of the summer prove dry a good crop is now almost a certainty. The area in wheat is larger this year than ever before and the despondent feeling which prevailed a few months ago owing to the poor crops of last year, has given place to a feeling of hopeful confidence which is very apparent among the agricultural section of our population.

DUNCAN.

DUNCAN, May 22.—Richardson's hotel at Cowichan wharf, occupied by James Kinnear and T. Vicevich, was burned to the ground with its contents yesterday morning. An overheated stovepipe is said to have been the cause.

EXCHANGING INFORMATION.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—An attache of the French legation connected with the army of France, under instructions to procure naval as well as military information for his government, recently applied to Secretary Herbert for plans and drawings of the proposed new submarine torpedo boat. This officer had frequently been given every facility of obtaining information. The request of the Frenchman was debated for some time, and he was finally informed by the Secretary that the naval department would be glad to furnish him all possible information concerning the submarine boat in exchange for like plans and information of submarine or military vessels to be constructed by France. Further, this government would exchange plans of battleships for those of the vessels of the French navy. The offer was not accepted, and in conversation afterwards the French officer showed some pique at what he termed "ungenerous treatment."

WOMAN'S CONGRESS.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23.—Cookery and kindred topics were the main subjects of discussion yesterday at the meeting of the Woman's congress. Many speakers expressed great regret that so many mothers permit their daughters to grow up with little or no knowledge of the art of preparing a meal. Mrs. E. O. Smith, of San Jose, in a paper on "Cooks and Cookery," discussed this weak point in the modern young woman's education and advised mothers to instruct their daughters not only to cook, but to do other household work. Other papers were read by Mrs. Sturtevant Peet, who discussed "Our Household Limitations," and Rev. Ada C. Bowles, of Pomona, who touched on "Home Industries, Past, Present and Future."

MATTERS IN NEWFOUNDLAND.

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., May 23.—It is supposed that Colonial Secretary Bond has secured the promise of a loan from New York. Premier Whiteway informed the legislature this afternoon that it was probable that the colony will be able to meet its liabilities in full on June 30, and afterwards moved an adjournment until Monday, when he promised to present a full statement of the correspondence between England and Canada relative to the assumption of a portion of Newfoundland's debts by the former. This was presented to England, but she refused to entertain the proposition, and must have a full inquiry by a royal commission into the colony's condition before undertaking any responsibilities. A declaration of the future policy of the government is expected on Monday.

DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.

NIAGARA, May 23.—Five men were more or less seriously injured by the explosion of a dynamite cartridge this afternoon. The accident was caused by the using of a drill in a hole in which there happened to be an unexploded dynamite cartridge. The cartridge was fired and the flying rocks were sent in every direction. The two persons most seriously injured are Harry McDonald of Thorold, Ont., and James Cleary. Cleary's eyes were blown out and both arms and both legs were broken. Pieces of his nose and lips were blown off. McDonald's arms were broken and he is seriously injured about the face, but will recover. The injuries to the others are not serious.

ATTEMPTED TRAIN WRECKING.

CHATHAM, May 23.—An attempt was made at an early hour this morning to wreck a train on the Grand Trunk railway about five miles west of this city. Two tramps had been put off a train before midnight and they sought revenge by placing a rail, braced with ties, across the south track. The accommodation from London encountered the obstruction, but without being derailed. The matter is in the hands of detectives.

OKLAHOMA LANDS.

OKLAHOMA, May 23.—Sharp at noon today at least 15,000 men, with a large number of women, made a grand rush from all sides of the Kickapoo reservation for the 450 odd claims open to white settlement. In less than an hour afterwards there were scores of contestants on each of these claims in addition to the "sooners," who had already taken possession of the lands long coveted by them.

TORONTO, May 22.—Sir W. C. Van Horne denies the rumor that the C.P.R. telegraph system has been sold to an English company for $10,000,000.

The World's Fair Tests showed no baking powder so pure or so great in leavening power as the Royal.

CAPITAL NOTES.

School Negotiations Cause the Return of Sir C. H. Tupper, Though in Poor Health.

Congratulations to the Queen—Booming the Exhibition—Artillery Inspection Returns.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, May 23.—The efficiency return of the inspection of the British Columbia artillery was issued to-day. The full marks totalled 260. The different companies averaged as follows: No. 3, 167; No. 5, 132; No. 1, 116; No. 2, 101.

Sir C. H. Tupper returned to the city unexpectedly to-day. He is still in poor health. He had not been expected back until next week, but the school negotiations have caused him to return.

Premier Greenway went to Toronto tonight.

Governor Mackintosh is here booming the Northwest exhibition.

The Governor-General sent a message of congratulation to Her Majesty to-day on behalf of the Royal Society.

OTTAWA, May 24.—The following are the Queen's Birthday honors as applicable to Canadians: The Governor-General receives the grand cross of St. Michael and St. George; Dr. W. H. Hingston, Montreal, Knight Bachelor; A. R. Milne, collector of customs at Victoria, Companion of St. Michael and St. George, the latter honor being in recognition of Mr. Milne's valuable services in connection with the Behring sea dispute.

The committee of the Royal Military tournament of Great Britain have offered to present several medals for competition at the assault at arms or tournaments in Canada to be held under duly constituted military authority.

Hon. Messrs. Greenway and Sifton had another conference with the Governor-General to-day on the school question. This will probably be the last for some time, as Mr. Sifton went to Toronto to-night. Mr. Greenway goes to Montreal to-morrow en route for New York. The prospects of a compromise are said to be good.

WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

WINNIPEG, May 23.—(Special.)—The Manitoba Christian Endeavor convention is in session at Portage la Prairie. Rev. Canon Richardson, of London, Ont., extended greetings to-day from the Ontario Endeavorers.

Two men are reported dead at a Fort Francis hotel by eating poisoned ham. Their names cannot be learned.

At the clearing house the total clearings for the week ending May 23, 1895, were $952,733; balances, $205,509. The total clearings for the week ending May 23, 1894, were $707,591; balances, $152,720.

Two hundred immigrants arrived from the East to-day, principally bound for the Edmonton district.

Normon Brock, eldest son of J. H. Brock, and a popular young citizen, died of typhoid this afternoon.

CAR CONSTRUCTION.

NEW YORK, May 23.—The Railway Gazette in its issue to-morrow will publish a tabular statement of orders for cars placed by the railroad companies this year which shows an investment of over $10,000,000—a very important expenditure and worth considering among the influences working to make times better with many people. In less than five months the total output exceeds the entire output of 1894 by over 5,000 cars—freight and passengers included.

Mrs. May Johnson.

Ayer's Pills

"I would like to add my testimony to that of others who have used Ayer's Pills, and to say that I have taken them for many years, and always derived the best results from their use.

For Stomach

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