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ENGULFED IN LAKE HURON

A STEAM BARGE GOES DOWN WITH SEVEN LIVES.

A Terrible Closing to a Disastrous Season of Navigation—One of the Rescued Dies and Another Becomes Insane.

PORT HURON, Mich., Dec. 10.—Four weeks ago the steambarge Enterprise went ashore near Cockburn island. The tug Balize of Detroit went to release her. Every care was taken and all went well until Point au Barques was reached, when the Enterprise's steamwhistle sounded. The Balize was stopped, the boat lowered, and the towline cut. But before the Enterprise could be reached she went down. Pat Quinn of Detroit reached the side of the tug but his hands being greasy be could not hold the rope and was lost, as well as J. McGraw of Oswego, Chas. Carbery, Dan Jones, Windsor, Chas. Williams, Chicago, and two firemen, names unknown. John Carbery, father of Charles, was picked up but died in five minutes. Mrs. Peters, cook, Wm. Samson, Windsor, Fred. Wagner, Buffalo, Arthur Metege, Ontario, and Wm. Burk, Lindsay, were saved. Peter Lyon, Sarnia, Ont., was picked up, but is so badly hurt that his life is despaired of. He is now out of his head.

The great feature of this case is the short space of time the boat sank in. All the rescued say that she just opened out and went down with one plunge. She was owned by McLennan of Port Arthur, who paid nine thousand dollars for her last August. She was insured for seven in the Big Four. John Williams of Windsor, captain of the Enterprise, did not come on the wreck. He is accused of saying that he knew she was going on the rocks. He afterwards refused the help of the tugs Messenger and Dispatch, and a small vessel. Others claim that he used the little steamer Jennie to take a full load freight off the Enterprise while ashore and attempted to get away with it at Sarnia, Windsor and Detroit.

IS TYPHOID CONTAGIOUS?

An Interesting Medical Case before the Hamilton Police Magistrate.

HAMILTON, Dec. 1.—A rather important case as regards medical men was tried at the police court to-day. Dr. Ryall, medical health officer, summoned Dr. Leslie for not making registration of a contagious disease, the said disease being typhoid fever. Two of the principal points involved in the case were, whether typhoid fever is contagious, and whether it is the duty of a physician to register the name of the disease from which his patient is suffering. Dr. Leslie, Dr. White and Dr. MacKelcan all stated emphatically that typhoid fever is not contagious, and gave authority for these statements. Dr. Ryall, on the other hand, declared that certain forms of the fever are contagious. As to the other point, the magistrate said he did not think it was necessary for a physician to register the particular disease which he is treating, but that, according to the statute, it was his duty to register it if, in his opinion, it was contagious and dangerous to the public health. Dr. Ryall, on the contrary, said it was the duty of the physician to register the exact disease; else the registration was useless. The magistrate was of opinion that Dr. Leslie had not complied with the law, but no punishment was inflicted in the case.

A RAG-PICKER'S FIND.

Fourteen Harmless Looking Packages That Contained Explosives.

MONTREAL, Dec. 10.—Joseph Brunnette, a rag-picker, on Friday last, while rummaging about the establishment of Daoust Bros., corner of Roy and St. Lawrence streets, put fourteen little rolls, each about four inches long, in his bag and made off with them. These harmless looking packages were nothing less than dynamite cartridges for blasting purposes, which had been left there by Mr. Bastien, the contractor, in order to be kept cool. The police were informed of the matter and Brunnette was arrested next day. The cartridges however could not be found and for a long time the prisoner denied his guilt. Finally he confessed that he had sold them to Madame Cabana, a second-hand dealer on St. Lawrence street. The constable ascertained that this woman had purchased them not knowing their deadly contents, and they were handed over at once. They were produced in court this morning and created a decided sensation, the magistrate ordering them to be taken to the central police station, but the chief of police refused to receive them. The prisoner was remanded until to-morrow.

A WOULD-BE BIGAMIST.

A Montreal Organist's Little Game Frustrated in the Nick of Time.

MONTREAL, Dec. 10.—George Cooper Barry, who has been living here and holding the position of organist in a prominent church for three years, and who was about to marry a respectable and wealthy young lady, turns out to be a married man who deserted his lawfully married wife in New York. She is now seeking a divorce from him in Scotland. The culprit has fled.

Disastrous Fire at Picton.

PICTON, Dec. 10.—A fire broke out to-day in Frank Cadarette's barber shop in the post office block. The post office fixtures were badly damaged, and Cadarette's furniture in the second story suffered considerably. The building, which is owned by R. Hadden, is badly wrecked. Loss $2500; covered by insurances in the Queen's, British American, Western, Royal, Lancashire, Imperial and Commercial Union.

A Buffalo Bill Organization.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 10.—About seventeen incendiary fires of the month past have been traced to four boys about 13 years of age, sons of refined people. The boys have been arrested. They had formed a "Buffalo Bill organization" and had a pirate's den, where they kept dime novels, guns and lassoes. From the dens they made raids on the pantries of well-to-do neighbors. One of the boys confessed.

An Execution in Mexico.

MATAMORAS, Mex., Dec. 10.—This morning in Monterey Hernandez, a Mexican, was shot on the public plaza for the murder of another Mexican, two years ago. He was escorted by a file of soldiers from the jail, was placed standing beside his coffin and was shot dead by a platoon of soldiers. Many women were among the spectators.

A FATAL WINTER ROW.

Five Men Undertake to Cross the Niagara River and are Drowned.

BUFFALO, N.Y., Dec. 10.—Max Reich, Robert Reich, Walter Schulz, Otto Haelzenburg and an unknown man, all residents of this city, intended to go out duck shooting, but being told there were no ducks on the Niagara river said they would row over to the Canada side. About a mile and a half below the International bridge, George Nettle, a resident on the Canadian shore, saw the men making tremendous efforts to keep their boat from sinking. Nettle took a boat and rowed to their rescue, but before he reached them the boat had capsized and four men had sunk. The fifth man Nettle pulled into his boat in an unconscious condition, but two hours' work failed to resuscitate him.

GRAVEYARD INSURANCE.

A Diabolical Scheme Unearthed at Fall River, Mass.

FALL RIVER, Dec. 10.—It is said there has been a collusion between medical examiners, agents and others for two years in a graveyard insurance scheme. Broken-down drunkards, consumptives and unhealthy persons have been insured for sums ranging from $1000 to $5000, and physicians, agents and others would hold the policies till the death of the insured and pocket the insurance or sell the policies to rumsellers, who would give the victims enough rum to hasten their death and then collect the insurance. A suspected physician and agent left the city recently.

O'DONNELL THE AMERICAN.

A Resolution in Congress and a Message from the Secretary of State.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—In the house to-day Representative Lowry of Indiana introduced a resolution requesting the president to communicate to the house any correspondence which had taken place between this government and Great Britain in reference to the trial of O'Donnell for the alleged murder of the informer Carey.

Secretary Frelingeuysen has cabled the American minister at London concerning O'Donnell, now under sentence of death for killing Carey.

A DECIDEDLY TOUGH EXPERIENCE.

A Man Buried Twenty-Three Days Under a Haystack and Yet Alive.

LACROSSE, Wis., Dec. 10.—Boys playing about a haystack this afternoon discovered the emaciated but living form of Louis Anderson, upon whom the stack fell and buried him Nov. 16. He has been there ever since, through some very severe weather, without food or water. He is a mere skeleton, but able to speak. It is believed he will survive.

Helplessness of the Law in Ohio.

DELPHOS, Ohio, Dec. 10.—Last night a large number of masked men appeared at the jail, took the keys from the watchman and took out Rost and Hoffechter, arrested for burglary. They demanded that they should give the names of their confederates in numerous burglaries recently, or be hanged. They refused and were strung up. When nearly dead they were let down again asked to give the names. They said they could not and were again hung up. The mob then left. The watchman cut the men down but they are still in a critical condition.

Fatal Fire at Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 10.—A fire occurred early this morning at the residence of Ella Martin on Boundary avenue. Carrie Martin, aged 32, jumped from a balcony and was fatally injured. Susie Martin dropped from the balcony on a mattrass and received severe bruises and sprains. Ella Martin, the artist who owns the building, and her sister Mary, aged 60, were rescued by ladder. The misses Martin are daughters of an ex-member of congress from Ohio.

The Terrors of a Dog's Bite.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Some months since a small son of Chas. Peitzel was bitten by a small dog. No attention was given the matter. The son lately exhibited signs of hydrophobia in a violent form. Yesterday another small brother, who had been sleeping with him, although not bitten by the former, was slightly attacked with the malady, while another brother, whom he bit in his ravings, is almost as bad. The lives of two of them are despaired of by the doctors.

Journalistic Copyright.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Among the bills presented in the house to-day was one by Rosecrans, granting copyright to journalistic articles.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

Congress will adjourn the latter part of next week for ten days.

The Produce, bank, New York, is to be placed in liquidation. All deposits will be paid in full.

Fifteen hundred Italians taken south by railroad and levee contractors are idle in New Orleans.

A hundred moonshiners from Kentucky were convicted and sentenced at Cincinnati last Saturday.

Bacon & Co.'s jewelry store at Boston, was robbed of $900 worth of diamonds, watches, etc., on Sunday night.

Wm. Ramsay, bookkeeper, shot and killed his brother at East Saginaw, Mich., last night, mistaking him for a burglar.

It cost $3000 to arrest and extradite Major Phipps. Pinkerton is suing the corporation of Boston for $2330 as part of the claim.

It is feared four more of the overdue Gloucester, Mass., fishing vessels are lost, making nine in all, with at least 120 men on board.

Burglars entered Hudgins' dry goods store at Hot Springs, Ark., placed a revolver at the proprietor's head, and got away with $10,000.

At Dallas, Texas, on Sunday evening one "Tip" Wilson insulted a couple of girls and shot their escorts named Harry and Joe Johnson probably fatally.

The Nickel Plate express is a new fast freight line that is to run over the New York Central, Boston and Albany, Nickel Plate and C. C. C. and I. roads.

Owing to a judgment in New York that license became void on a transgression of the law nearly all the saloons were closed in the city on Sunday. Thirty arrests were made.

Eight hundred and twenty-four bills and joint regulations were introduced in the house of representatives yesterday, an average of nearly seven for each member from the states called.

THE GRAPHIC IN TROUBLE

A WINDING-UP ORDER SERVED ON THE MONTREAL OFFICE.

An Alleged Deficit of Nearly Three Quarter of a Million Dollars—Seizures Put Upon the Property.

MONTREAL, Dec. 10.—A sensation was created here this afternoon, when a winding-up order on Mr. Riddell, the secretary of the New York Graphic Co., with its head office here, was served at the suit of the following parties: D. L. Borne, New York; C. E. Brown, Chicago; M. H. St. John, Orange, N. J.; John Storer and C. F. Davenport, New York, who are creditors to the extent of $91,000. The petitioners allege that the company is insolvent and unable to pay its debts; that its assets are only $40,000, whilst its liabilities are $779,500, leaving a deficiency of $739,500; that moreover the company has entered into a ruinous and illegal contract with the present manager, Mr. W. Henckley, who has now virtually obtained control of the concern; that he has obtained by legal preferences and liens the surrender of valuable assets of the company; that he has illegally pledged these assets with the intent to defraud the creditors, and moreover that he has been conducting the affairs of the company in a wasteful and ruinous manner; that the employes of the paper becoming disgusted with its management have abandoned it and left their situations; that the effects of the company have already been levied upon by the sheriff of New York and seizures put upon the property. The petition concludes by demanding that a meeting of creditors, shareholders and members be called for at an early date. The president is Sir Francis Hincks, but he has nothing to say on the subject, as Mr. Henckley, who came here some time ago, got full control from the directors.

FOREIGN LAW IN AMERICA.

A U. S. Supreme Court Judge Makes a Vigorous Kick Against His Brethren's Decision.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Justice Harlan read a dissenting opinion in the supreme court of the decision in the Canada Southern railroad case as follows: "My brethren," he said, "adjudged the defence of the railroad company to be good. Thus a foreign statute arbitrarily depriving American citizens of their rights under the contract which by its terms was to be performed in this country is given effect in an American court to the injury of our own people. We deny to American holders of foreign railway securities what an English court would not deny to English holders of American railway securities. An English court would not permit the contract rights of Englishmen to be affected by foreign laws in hostility to the policy of the English government, while we permit a foreign corporation, to the injury of our own citizens, to have the benefit here of a foreign statute inconsistent with the constitutional policy of our government. If there be any precedent for this in the history of the American judiciary I am not aware of it."

IRISHMEN IN ENGLAND.

Growing Excitement—Failure of a Meeting in O'Donnell's Behalf.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—Owing to the growing excitement in Irish circles of this city relative to the sentence of O'Donnell, extra guards have been stationed at all the prisons and government offices as a precaution against any effort by O'Donnell's friends in the way of a reprieve.

A meeting of liberal workmen was held at Torquay to-night for the purpose of petitioning the home secretary to commute O'Donnell's sentence. A letter was read from Mr. Samuelson, liberal member of parliament, denouncing the object of the meeting. A motion in favor of a petition in O'Donnell's behalf was defeated by a large majority.

The Alleged Blessings of a Public Debt.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—In the senate Voorhees introduced the following resolution: "Resolved, that in the judgment of the senate a public debt is not a public blessing, and that any measures of financial policy looking to the perpetuation of the present interest bearing debt for the purposes of national banking or on any other account meets with the disapprobation of this body and should be viewed with alarm by the tax-payers of the United States.

PROMINENT PERSONS.

Salvini will make an American tour next year.

The queen has made Alfred Tennyson a baron.

Mr. Hugh McMahon, Q.C., of Winnipeg, Man., is in the city.

Mrs. Youmans, the temperance advocate, is ill at Dominion City, N.W.T.

Secretary Folger's health is so bad that he is anxious to retire from office.

Attorney-General Miller of Manitoba will be in town on Wednesday morning.

Sarah Bernhardt and Judic are to open the new permanent French theatre in London, Eng.

Mary Anderson, in her representation of Galatea at the Lyceum, London, has exceeded all her previous successes.

Sir Michael Costa has desired that the proposed testimonial to him should be withdrawn owing to the fewness of subscribers.

New York Truth thinks if Mrs. Langtry's request to be judged only by her merit is acceded to, her manager will soon retire from business.

Henry Irving drew $16,128.50 for his first week at Philadelphia and $16,780.50 for his second. Mrs. Langtry drew $17,200 in one week in the same city.

Henry Irving made his first appearance before a Boston audience last night as Louis XI. He will perform Much Ado About Nothing and Eugene Aram for the first time in America during his engagement there. He had an enthusiastic audience last night.

Mrs. Langtry says she has only been really angry once, and that was when a hideously overdressed woman in a private box suddenly arose at the most tragic part of the play, and cried in agonizing tones, "S-s-s-h! Everybody be quiet. Little Fido is having a fit!" And amid the piercing outcries of the owner an usher yanked Fido out of the theatre by its tail.

Some people prefer death to marriage. This is probably because after death there is no pain, but after marriage there is nothing else but payin'.

FRANCE'S COLONIAL POLICY.

M. Ferry Declares it is Entirely Conservative.

PARIS, Dec. 10.—In the chamber of deputies to-day the debate upon the Tonquin credits bill was resumed. M. Pelletan reproached the government for its colonial policy, and compared the events in Tonquin with what had been done in Tunis. M. Ferry declared that far from leading the country into the four quarters of the world in quest of colonial adventures, the colonial policy of the government was entirely conservative. In going to Tunis the government had in view solely the security of Algeria, and it went to Tonquin for the sake of the security of French Cochin China.

M. Ferry said the republican government of France was not responsible for the present expedition to Tonquin. Admiral Montagnac, minister of marine as far back as 1875, pointed out the necessity for establishing a French protectorate over Annam. The government far from entertaining any illusions regarding the attitude of China believed China would go so far as to resort to armed intervention. A rupture between France and China had not yet occurred, but the cabinet had never ceased to act as if a rupture were possible. The government had treated China as a great power, which of course he did not regret. The government had exhausted every combination and system of conciliation. The treaty was withheld in consideration of the possibility of conciliation. France might have broken off the negotiations when China proposed that France should evacuate Tonquin, but France desired to continue them. It was impossible to accept the proposition of China's occupying the left bank of the Red river and the establishment of a neutral zone. M. Ferry referred to the action of China in declaring that if the French forces went in the direction Sontay and Bacninh they might encouter Chinese troops. He said it was for the chamber to say whether it would leave Sontay to China, but that would be a singular way of avenging the death of Capt. Riviere. It was impossible to order the French troops to suspend their march on Sontay and Bacninh in the absence of a serious basis upon which an arrangement of the difficulty might be effected. "If the chamber," he said, "believes there is another course to pursue to maintain the honor of France and the safety of Cochin China let it say so distinctly. Diplomacy not having ended the military action will remain within the limits indicated. It is necessary for France to be strong in the Delta and to hold the strategical points in order to negotiate advantageously. The present force in Tonquin will not be increased until Admiral Courbet requests it." M. Ferry asked the house to give a vote of confidence in the interests of the army and of the negotiations carried on by the government.

M. Andrieux declared dissimulation existed in regard to the affair and the acts of the government.

Mr. Riebot denied that voting the credits would imply an approval of the entire conduct of the government. It was now impossible to advise the abandonment of Tonquin and a new cabinet would disastrously affect the army. No other cabinet was ready to take the reins of government.

M. Clemenceau declared that nobody dreamed of abandoning the soldiers of France in presence of the enemy, but the operations and negotiations could no longer be confined to the present cabinet. A vote of confidence would mean a declaration of war with China.

The credits bill was then adopted by 381 to 146.

M. Ferry accepted the order of the day. It was proposed by M. Bert, "That the chamber is convinced that the government had displayed the necessary energy in defending the influence and honor of France in Tonquin—passes to the order of the day." This was carried by 315 to 206.

TRIALS IN IRELAND.

Nine Prisoners Plead Guilty at Sligo—The Murder of Mrs. Smythe.

SLIGO, Dec. 20.—Nine persons have pleaded guilty to a charge of conspiracy to murder Martin Leyden of Connemara.

DUBLIN, Dec. 10.—The trial of Robert Elliott, Swords, Magrath and Lestrange, charged with conspiracy to murder Wm. Smythe of Barbavilla was begun to-day. A true bill for the murder of Mrs. Smythe had been returned against Elliott, and his arraignment for a minor offence created surprise. Counsel for the crown said he would prove the men were waiting on all the roads leading from the church to the residence of Smythe to kill him. McKeown testified that before the murder of Mrs. Smythe the prisoners met in a barn and formed an assassination society for the removal of bad landlords. Five of the landlords whom the society condemned to be shot were Wm. Barlow Smythe, W. E. Smythe, Earl Longford, Wm. Keating and Wilde O'Connor.

A Discovery at Limerick.

LIMERICK, Dec. 10.—A policeman last night discovered in a lane here a vessel containing over twenty pounds of gunpowder with a fuse lying near. One Jarvey has been arrested on suspicion of having knowledge thereof.

A Mysterious Forty.

ARMAGH, Ireland, Dec. 10.—Forty men who absconded from Cross Maglen when the members of the patriotic brotherhood were being arrested have recently returned from America.

CHINA PLAYING AT BLUFF.

The Imperial Family and Ministry Unanimous Against War.

PARIS, Dec. 10.—A letter from Pekin states that at a meeting of the imperial family and the ministry the opinion was unanimous against war with France.

THE OLD WORLD IN BRIEF.

A sergeant of the black troops in the late battle with El Mahdi states that the Egyptians would have defeated the rebels but for the conduct of the Bashi-Bazouks.

The king of Abyssinia is collecting all the Abyssinians and the Golas tribes of the south, and is ready to make a dash upon Massowah and acquire the long-coveted seaports.

Notwithstanding its prohibition, a meeting of nationalists was held at Loughrea, Ireland, on Sunday. Police were despatched to disperse the gathering, but by the time they arrived an adjournment had been made. A resolution, denouncing emigration, was passed, and a letter was read from the bishop of Clonfert, stating that there was room in Ireland for twice its present population.

ELECTRIC LIGHT WIRES.

THEIR DANGER DISCUSSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL LAST NIGHT.

Annexation of Suburbs Deferred—Freight Sheds Built Across John Street—Extension of Streets—Other Municipal Matters.

The aldermen turned out in full force at the city council meeting last night. R. H. R. Munro asked the mayor to urge the street railway company to fulfil its agreement to construct a track on Bathurst street from College to Bloor. A number of petitions were presented, praying that the Toronto electric light company be allowed to extend their works and lights to the outer limits of the city. P. G. Close and others petitioned that the name of Locust street be changed to Gildersleeve avenue. H. C. Smith and others want a block pavement on Vanauley street, and Turnbull Smith and others one on Grove avenue. James Milligan and others petitioned against Robert street being blocked paved.

Ald. Baxter asked if anything had been done towards the removal of hydrants from Rosedale. Ald. Millichamp replied that Chairman Evans had a report on the matter, which would be submitted to the council at next meeting.

The question was put by Ald. Hall as to whether any communication had passed between the city and the Grand Trunk with reference to the latter building freight sheds across the foot of John street. The mayor replied in the negative. Ald. Maughan corroborated Ald. Hall's statement that the company had blockaded the street with sheds.

Ald. Davies wanted to know whether the legislative committee had taken any steps to procure legislation for the straightening of the Don. No, was the reply made by Ald. Turner. The mayor subsequently corrected Ald. Turner. The committee has the matter in hand.

The executive committee recommended that Riverside, Brockton and Rosedale be annexed to the city, with the understanding that farm and garden lands be assessed as such so long as these are actually used for such purposes. Ald. Baxter considered this proposition illegal. On motion of Ald. Clarke it was referred back.

It was recommended by the works committee that the street railway company be allowed to continue the Yonge street track down to Front. This clause was sent back to the committee, so as to allow a deputation of Yonge street merchants to be heard on the matter. The extension of the Dundas street track was also deferred.

The fire and gas committee's report contained the following clause: Your committee have under consideration the petition of the Toronto Electric light company for permission to erect poles within the area of the city limits for electric light purposes, and, where necessary, to replace those already erected with ones of greater height; and after considering the same they would recommend that the company be permitted to place the poles on Front street, only as far west as Bathurst street, at which place the company contemplate placing additional plant, on the same terms and conditions as the privileges already accorded the said company. A long discussion ensued. Ald. Saunders opposed the recommendation on the ground that the matter required further consideration. The experience in New York was that electric light wires were dangerous to life and property, a team of horses having been instantly killed by stepping on a broken wire. He moved an amendment that the clause be referred back to the committee for enquiry as to the danger arising from this source. James Beaty, jr., Q.C., Dr. Beckwith and Mr. Hamburger were heard in support of the company's request. The burden of their argument was that the switch placed on the poles removed all danger to firemen and others who might come in contact with the wires. Ald. Farley, Baxter, Clarke, Pape, Walker and Millichamp favored the extension of the wires, as many storekeepers in the west and east wanted the light introduced into their premises. Ald. Maughan and Moore thought the council should stop before it granted the company further privileges. They, along with Ald. Saunders, advocated the use of underground wires. Ald. Turner did not object to the extension asked for, but would vote against anything further. Ald. Saunders' amendment was lost. The following rider, submitted by Ald. Moore, was added to the clause: and that the company shall indemnify the city and citizens against any loss of life and property that may arise through the instrumentality of its wires.

The following clause was added to the works committee's report: That tenders for the supplies for the works department for 1884 be advertised for.

The executive's clause that Mrs. Jane Hill and Mrs. Rebecca Heffer be paid $25 and $15, respectively, as compensation for injuries sustained by reason of defective sidewalks was sent back to the committee.

A deputation from the Canada land law amendment association was heard in favor of a petition asking the Ontario government to adopt the Torrens system of land transfer. J. Herbert Mason and David Blain were the spokesmen. On motion of Ald. Clarke it was ordered that the mayor and city treasurer sign the petition on behalf of the corporation.

Ald. Crocker's bill to extend Hope street was read a third time and adopted. Ald. Hastings' bylaw to extend McMurrich street was put through the preliminary stages.

The council rose at 10.50.

Chicago Resolutes.

CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—A mass meeting, at which the mayor presided, passed resolutions to-night declaring O'Donnell's sentence unjust and urging the president to interfere as far as he can properly do to prevent the execution.

Police Court Pointers.

Eighteen drunks bowed to the beak and were variously disposed of. Thos. King, alleged larceny, discharged. Several youths were fined for swearing on the streets. Patrick Kirby and James Crowe, alleged malicious injury, discharged. The colored man Richards and the others found in his disorderly house on Buchanan street were remanded for a week. The defence is that the house is a club. Chas. Jacobs, arrested for robbing James Mahon, was put back until to-day. A second charge of stealing a jacket from a man named Rose was preferred against Jacobs.

MARGARET MATHER AS JULIET.

Her First Appearance at the Grand Opera House Last Night.

The audience that went to the Grand last night went in a spirit of pure curiosity.

It may safely be said that as regards the majority of the audience they went to see and hear an entirely new actress.

Heaven help that audience; they went to see a new actress act in one of Neilson's favorite roles.

Adelaide Neilson who beyond all others is remembered best and therefore loved best in Toronto.

They saw the new actress.

Saw her in the role of Juliet!

And heaven help that audience.

Margaret Mather is an actress of great talents and greater audacity. She is, to a certain and palpable extent, modest, and one may see that if she had been left to herself she would be diffident. And never, never, never have attempted the part of Juliet if she had not had an ambitious manager.

One of the greatest, one of the sincerest, and one of the most lamented—for alas, he has only just passed away—critics and writers of England once said of the play of Romeo and Juliet that it marked a double glory—a glory in the full-blooded life of him who wrote it, and a glory in the life of written passion. And he says markedly in this play above all others ever written, "Passion swept like a tide of resistless delight."

This critic was no less a man than the historian of the Short History, J. R. Greene.

In Miss Mather's rendering of Juliet one seeks in vain for passion or emotion of any kind or description whatever.

But regarded as an elocutionist she is eminently fair and pleasing, and it is in this regard we have to view her. And we may say that without doubt she shows real ability in this respect.

She has been carefully taught, and she has been an apt pupil. Whatever can be taught she has learnt well. That of course is always a comfort.

She has been also more carefully and judiciously advertised than any actress we know of (although Mrs. Langtry is an adept in this art also). And, in fact, the truth is she has been puffed beyond her limit.

This is evident wherever in the play comparison is admissible.

Even in dancing the minuet in the first act Mrs. Langtry has shown a model which it is almost useless for Miss Mather even to hope to imitate.

In the balcony scene such a wretched triviality as throwing the end of her shawl to be kissed by Romeo would never have been countenanced by an actress to the manner born.

In the catastrophe Neilson could never have been or died so limp.

And as regards the rest of the play it is quite certain that if Rhea attempted it she would leave Miss Mather out of sight and mind.

As for the company it was rather good. Mr. Alexander Salvini as Romeo was absolutely wooden, but Milnes Levick made an excellent Mercutio, and Davidge made a clever enough Peter.

As for the house it was an excellent one for a first night. And it was kind and liberal in its applause.

GARROTED AND ROBBED.

Two Sailors Attack a Farm Laborer on the Esplanade This Morning.

At 1.30 this morning Policemen Wallace and Davis heard that a man had been garroted and robbed at the foot of York street. They went down in that direction, and at the corner of Front and York met the victim. He gave his name as John Robinson, and was about half drunk. Robinson stated that he had been attacked half an hour previously by two men, who, after a hard struggle, stole his watch. The policemen traced the men to the St. James hotel, where they had registered as Capt. Clark and Daniel Matherson. They were getting into bed when disturbed by the officers, who, on searching them, found a watch answering to the one Robinson had described as his. The whole party adjourned to the Agnes street station, where Clark and Matherson were locked up for highway robbery and Robinson was detained for drunkenness. Clark had $50 in his pocket. He says he is a sailor. Robinson was rich to the extent of $121.

PARKDALE POINTERS.

Increase in the Assessment Widening of Streets—Addition to Church Membership.

The widening of Callender street and Close avenue was done at the same time. The former is charged in this year's taxes and the latter is not. How is it?

The assessment of Parkdale this year is $1,375,790, an increase of $168,498 over last year. This increase is chiefly due to assessing property higher and while the council of this year have kept the general rate the same as last year the increase in the assessment will give it $1642 more.

Rev. Messrs. Clement and Hunter of the methodist and presbyterian churches held a union communion on Sabbath afternoon when forty-one waited to partake of the communion.

Twenty-two members were added to the roll of the presbyterian church last week.

A Toronto, Grey and Bruce flat car left the track at the Queen street crossing yesterday evening and blocked the way, just at the time when Parkdalians were homeward bound from the city.

A Glorious Bowl.

To-day may be seen at Cleghorn's a splendid live turtle imported especially for Jewell & Clow direct from Florida. His turtleship is according to Mr. Clow, "as pretty as a picture," and will be served up on Thursday and for the balance of the week. Get a bowl.

THE WORLD WOULD LIKE TO KNOW

Why the Sperry light gets a free advertisement without giving any light at the corner.

Why the council don't make them light up or come down.

Why Canadian volunteer officers don't get a better show in the brigade office appointments.

Who dropped the plate and contents in St. Anne's church on Sunday.

If Miss Mather hasn't been overboomed.

TWO MONTHS UNBURIED.

TREVELYAN RIDOUT'S BODY FOUND AT HIGH PARK.

Horrible Discovery in a Lonely Ravine—Unrecognizable Remains—An Insane Man's Suicide.

In going his daily rounds through High park yesterday Caretaker Wise made a discovery which discloses the fate of a Toronto man who has been missing from home for the past two months. About 1 o'clock Mr. Wise was walking along a dreary path near the Bloor street entrance to the park. Instead of continuing on as he usually does, he diverged from the path and descended into a ravine. When about twenty five yards from the path his eyes fell upon the dead body of a man. The body was very much decomposed and the features were unrecognizable. Wise did not touch the ghastly remains but retraced his steps towards the lake shore road and hurried to Parkdale where he notified Coroner Lynd of his discovery. The doctor returned with the caretaker to the place, where he took notes of the appearance of the body and its surroundings. The man was lying on his back, his face and form decomposed beyond recognition. His overcoat and other apparel were in good order, and his hat rested on a stump close by. A revolver lay at his side. There was a bullet wound in his right temple. Dr. Lynd made an examination of the dead man's clothing. He found some letters addressed Trevelyan Ridout in the pockets; also a prayer book with the name of Trevelyan Ridout written on the fly leaf. The gold links in the cuffs bore the initials of T. R. A gold watch and chain and some money were also on his person. By these means, the identity of the deceased was established. The body was none other than that of Trevelyan Ridout, barrister, who was last seen near Slattery's hotel, Bloor street, about two months ago. He had gone from there to the lonely nook in High park and shot himself through the head. Two chambers of the revolver were empty; the other four contained cartridges. Dr. Lynd left the remains in charge of Mr. Wise and came into the city and notified Mr. D. C. Ridout and Mr. George Ridout, brothers of deceased. An inquest was not considered necessary and the body was subsequently removed by an undertaker for burial.

Mr. Ridout was out of his mind for weeks before he ended his life in that lonesome ravine, and many were aware of this fact. None but an insane man would have done the things that he committed. For six weeks he did nothing but ride round in cabs, and write letters to the family of a young lady in this city, who were convinced that Mr. Ridout was out of his mind and had closed the house to him. Thereupon he wrote letters by the scores and had postcards printed by the hundreds and sent through the post till the authorities had to interfere and stop their transmission. The cards were full of ravings. Yet nothing was done in the way of putting him in a safe place. When the unfortunate gentleman was out acting as registrar to an election court he telegraphed long despatches to the same family and put the cost therefor in his bill of expenses. The government had to refuse to pay the expense bills that he put in: they bristled with items for cabs and telegraphy. His family seemed to know that something was wrong with him, but as he was of a violent temperament when interfered with they thought it better to leave him alone.

On Oct. 13 there appeared in the Mail the following verses by Mr. Ridout, almost a week after his disappearance, and they show how his mind was running. How the Mail came by them is not yet known:

TO IANTHE.

We passed o'er the sparkling waters
You and I together,
Fairest of Kingston's daughters,
In the sweet summer weather.

We watched the red sunset flushing,
The sky with its color rare,
But methought that the evening's blushing
Could not with your's compare!

I go unto Life's stern battle,
To the strife that is fierce and long,
Where cease not the din and the rattle,
And the weak are crushed by the strong.

But 'mid the excitement and danger
And the struggle Death only can end,
I'll recall thy bright face—lovely stranger,
Or rather my newly found *Friend*.

—TREVELYAN RIDOUT, LL.B.

Sept. 1, A.D. 1883.

The nature of the verses, and the style of the signature and of the date, both go to show that he was of unsound mind. Mr. Ridout's family relatives are old and highly esteemed residents of this city.

A METEORIC METRIC.

A BEAUTIFUL METEOR.—At 1.12 this morning a beautiful meteor crossed over the city in a northeasterly direction and almost on the horizontal. Its duration must have been of several seconds and when it burst it broke into varied colored fragments of remarkable brilliancy. Two old observers who viewed the wonderful sight said it was the finest meteor they had ever seen.—Friday's World.

Staid, sober age should always have
The best consideration:
And old observers occupy
A high, exalted station.

Looked up to, they should always be,
Great praise they are deserving
For having spent their valued lives
In thinking and observing.

They know of things, that other folks
Are far from een expecting;
And are particularly smart
At *meteor* detecting.

Now meteors are often found,
The midnight hours adorning;
But are to best advantage, seen
At very early morning.

The old observers know this well;
And, while they, therefore, keep
The latest hours, they *toddy* take
In draughts both long and deep.

For toddy observation helps
And causes men to see
Things that without its aid, to them
Invisible would be,

Now when, in meteoric mood
You'd at the heavens gaze,
And 'mongst the stars and planets brood
O'er constellations' maze,

You'll stay out late, and have a treat
Of meteoric whisky.
'Twill make you feel a little meteorically frisky.

And, if your wife should scold at home,
You'll stop her tongue direct
By saying that you stay out late
The *meteors to inspect*.

—*The Ragamuffin.*

AND STILL NO SNOW.

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, TORONTO, Dec. 11, 1 a. m.—*Lakes and Upper St. Lawrence: Fresh to strong winds, from the south and southwest; cloudy to fair weather, with light rain in a few localities; not much change in temperature from yesterday.*

SAFE OVER THE SEA.

Date.	Steamship.	Reported at.	From.
Dec. 10	Italia	New York	Hamburg
Dec. 10	Sarmatian	Liverpool	Portland
Dec. 10	Canada	Havre	New York
Dec. 10	State of Nevada	Glasgow	New York