

WESTERN ONTARIO CONFERENCES

Guelph Man Narrowly Escapes Being Burnt to Death.

An Elmira Farmer Breaks His Neck—An Escaped Lunatic Arrested in Berlin—Four Persons "Dipped" in Kettle Creek.

Woodstock has eleven barber shops. There is considerable scarlet fever in Mitchell.

Hopkins' photograph gallery, St. Thomas, was burglarized on Sunday night. No clew.

Agents of the Chicago Hosiery Company are looking for a location for a branch in Windsor.

Police—Magistrate Saunders, of Guelph, had eight different culprits before him on Saturday.

William May, Homer Dixon, formerly a bank clerk at Woodstock, died at Riverside, California, aged 25, from consumption.

Thomas Moons, of Guelph, narrowly escaped being burned to death by the exploding of a can of benzine, which set fire to his clothes.

The Seventh Day Adventists of St. Thomas baptized four persons in Kettle Creek on Sunday. The wind was whistling and the water bitterly cold.

Herman Blake, who was plowing on the farm of Henry Martin, near Elmira, was killed by the horses, which ran away from him. His neck was broken.

Joseph Smith, of Bayham, aged 72 years, died in the Elgin House of Industry Sunday from paralysis. He was admitted to the institution ten days ago.

William H. Tubby, a young man who is well known in St. Thomas, is dead. He passed away at the residence of his brother, James H. Tubby, station agent at Stevensville.

The trustees and friends of the British Methodist Episcopal Church, Woodstock, are taking matters to court, to try and make Rev. Wm. Le Burtis vacate the pulpit.

The Oxford County Prohibition Association meeting in the Y. M. C. A. rooms at Woodstock on Saturday did not materialize, as there were not enough members present to form a quorum.

Mr. Nell Murray, St. Thomas, employed at H. Lindop's mill, had the three first fingers of the right hand cut off by a circular saw Monday morning. Dr. Duncombe amputated the fingers at the third joint.

Daniel Black, of Dutton, has disposed of his 100-acre farm to Jas. Lodge for over \$4,000, and bought the old homestead from his brother, John A. Black, of California, for \$5,000, consisting of 130 acres.

George Dunnin, a young man about 23 years old, was arrested and lodged in jail at Berlin, Ont., on Sunday. His mind is deranged. He is supposed to have escaped from the Ogdensburg, N. Y., asylum. The authorities are investigating the case.

Sherman R. Miller, manager of D. M. Ferry & Co's Canadian branch at Windsor since 1890, has resigned. He will be succeeded by E. R. Des Roches, of the Detroit house. On Saturday the employees presented Mr. Miller with several valuable volumes.

Robert McLeay, one of the old residents of Watford, and for a number of years municipal clerk, was given an oyster supper on the occasion of his resigning the office, as he leaves for a lengthy stay in the Northwest, where he is interested in the ranching business.

Miss Florence Carlyle, the well-known Canadian artist, leaves Woodstock and Canada on Thursday for the wider field which the city of New York affords for the exercise of her genius. Miss Carlyle is a daughter of the inspector of public schools for the county of Oxford.

Unknown miners and imported Alabama negroes had a small battle at Panama, Ill., yesterday. Two negroes were slightly wounded. Major Butler sent a Gatling gun and soldiers to the scene, but no arrests were made.

A special from Ludington, Mich., says the schooner D. S. Austin lies on the beach a quarter of a mile north of the Peoria, and will be a total wreck. The crew were saved by the lifesaving crew.



Old Age Creeps Upon Us Quickly

The young man of to-day is the old man of to-morrow. In these days of busy progressive life, old age seems to creep more quickly upon us than it used to. The wear and tear of business life, to-day, seems to leave more ageing marks. Quick lunches and irregular meals tell on the system. The organs of digestion refuse to work as they should, and from this springs many trying ills. Regulate your system, and make your digestive organs healthful by the constant use of

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SUSPENDED!

Peace Commissioners in Paris Put Up the Shutters.

Visitors at the French Chamber of Deputies Disappointed—The Fashoda Matter Not Brought Up—Epidemic of Grip in Berlin.

Paris, Nov. 8.—The Spanish-American peace commissioners have notified the minister of foreign affairs, M. Delcasse, that the joint session which was to have taken place today will not be held, and that they will notify the minister when they have determined upon the date of another meeting. Later—a semi-official note was issued announcing that the peace commissioners had informed the French minister of foreign affairs that their conferences were suspended.

CAUSE OF THE DELAY.

Paris, Nov. 8.—Inquiry developed the fact that the failure to hold a meeting of the commission today was only due to the Americans asking for a postponement of the joint session until tomorrow, in order to allow time for the translation of the reply of the United States to the latest Spanish proposition regarding the Philippine Islands, which was received here this morning.

IN THE CHAMBER—A DISAPPOINTMENT.

The chamber of deputies resumed its sessions today with a crowded attendance in anticipation of a debate on the Fashoda question. But those present were disappointed by B. Brunet announcing that he withdrew his interpellation on the subject.

THE GRIP EPIDEMIC.

Berlin, Nov. 8.—Influenza has become epidemic in this city. The first outbreak was in the 3rd regiment of the Berlin Guard. From the barracks it had spread to the other regiments of the guard and throughout the city.

MADE HIS MARK

The Czar's Secretary of State Left His Brand on a Burglar—The Grip in Berlin.

Monaco, Nov. 8.—M. Polovstov, the secretary of state to the Czar, reported to the police that he had been robbed in a room in the Grand Hotel of a large quantity of jewelry and a sum of money amounting to 65,000 francs. The Russian official related that a man rushed suddenly into his room at night, that he had a fearful struggle with him, and that he hit the burglar's hand severely.

The Monaco police at once communicated with the police in Paris, which resulted in the arrest of a young man, who gave his name as Joannoff. The latter was dressed in the height of fashion, but when his gloves were removed it was seen that one hand was badly wounded, evidently from a bite. Papers in his possession were in the name of Gourok, a Russian naval lieutenant. Some of the stolen jewels were recovered and about 43,000 francs.

SHOT HIS FRIEND

Serious Ending to a Lad's Hunting Expedition.

Cornwall, Ont., Nov. 8.—A very serious shooting accident is reported from Glenora, Glenora, Ont. Three young lads, John McPhee, Alex. McGillis and Chas. Richardson, took a gun belonging to the latter's father, and went to the woods on a hunting expedition. McGillis, in trying to shoot a bird on the wing, swung around so far as to bring McPhee within range of the gun. He fired, and McPhee fell with his face and neck full of shot. Dr. Kirk extracted 25 pellets, but some of them cannot be located. McPhee is in a precarious condition.

TOUCHED A BODY, STRICKEN DEAD

The Deadly Electric Current Passes Through a Corpse.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 8.—Honolulu advices tell of the accidental electrocution of Thomas Hannan, of San Francisco, and the narrow escape from death of Private Gertz, of San Francisco.

Hannan and Gertz were in a carriage on their way to camp. The night was dark and stormy. In the heart of the city their journey was obstructed by a horse lying in the street near a deserted hack. Near by the body of a man was seen.

Alighting, Hannan placed his hands on the body to lift it. He was stricken dead instantly. Gertz placed his hand on Hannan and was hurled to the ground. A passing fireman seized him by the shoes and pulled him away from the deadly current, saving his life. The electric current came from a live wire that had fallen to the street.

Hannan was a native of Tennessee, and a pressman by trade. He had worked several years on San Francisco papers. At the outbreak of the war he enlisted in the Third Battalion, Second Volunteer Engineers.

Hiram Powers and Young Leighton.

It was on the advice of the American sculptor, Hiram Powers, that as a lad Frederick Leighton was allowed to follow his predilection for an art career. The question was settled in Florence about 1845, when he was about 15 years old. His father showed a portfolio of sketches to Powers and asked if he would recommend him to bring him up as an artist. The sculptor asked for a week to think the matter over. At the end of that time he said, "Mr. Leighton, your son may be as eminent as he pleases." "Shall I make him an artist, then?" asked Mr. Leighton. "That is out of your power," was the reply. "Nature has done it for you." So it was agreed that young Frederick should study to become a painter, but only on condition that he should not neglect any other part of his education in consequence.

Art Amateur.

The City of Seattle has just arrived at Victoria, B. C., with over \$100,000. The tug Walloa was wrecked on Mary Island.

BENJAMIN WEST.

How the Great Painter Brought About a Revolution in Art.

Before the days of Reynolds, Gainsborough and Constable English artists did not expect any one to pay such prices for their pictures as for those of foreigners, or even to buy anything but a portrait. "What could I do with it?" an English connoisseur is said to have replied to a gentleman who had asked him why he did not purchase a historical picture he greatly admired. "You surely would not have me hang up a modern English picture in my house unless it were a portrait!"

The cause of this low estimate of English art may be seen in the facts mentioned by Mrs. Bell in her "Life and Works of Thomas Gainsborough." She says that the first attempt made in England to represent a modern historical scene exactly as it occurred was made by Benjamin West in his famous picture of the "Death of Wolfe," exhibited in 1771.

Such was then the rage for mythological subjects that when it was rumored that West was painting a picture in which the actors were represented in modern costume George III, the archbishop of Canterbury and members of the Royal academy declared that they would have nothing to do with the bold innovator.

Sir Joshua Reynolds and the archbishop visited West in his studio to urge him to clothe English and French soldiers in the costume of antiquity. West refused, saying that the event to be commemorated happened in the year 1758, in a region unknown to the Greeks and Romans and where no warriors who wore classical costume existed. His visitors went away, but returned when the picture was finished.

Reynolds seated himself before the picture, examined it for half an hour and then, rising, said to the archbishop: "West has conquered. He has treated the subject as it ought to be treated. I retract my objections. I foresee that this picture will not only become popular, but will occasion a revolution in art."

The picture turned the time against the classicism which had prevented English artists from producing original pictures.

Even portrait painters, except Gainsborough alone, represented their sitters as Psyche and Cupids, Dianas and Junos, the Graces and the Fates. One artist painted the portraits of a lady and daughter as "Virtue and Beauty Sacrificing to Diana."

RILEY'S FIRST HIT.

Wrote a Poem "by Poe" and Palmated It on the Public.

James Whitcomb Riley began his career in a newspaper office in Anderson, Ind., by writing humorous rhymes as "advertising locals"—"doggerel" he called them. At the same time he wrote many rhymes with the serious intention of having them, if possible, recognized as poems. But he could not get them published. Even compositions whose worth he had tested—those that "would please people when I'd stand up and read 'em to them"—would be returned promptly by every magazine to which he offered them for publication. The Hoosier dialect was too "low down" for the average magazine editor.

Finally in a freak of boyish indignation, to prove that what editors really wanted was not originality, but imitation, he devised the scheme of writing a poem in imitation of Poe and of palming it off on the public as a real poem of Poe's recently discovered. The scheme was very skillfully planned and very deftly executed and successful beyond anything the clever deviser of it had ever dreamed. From one end of the country to the other "Leopard" was hailed as a veritable "find," a bit of genius most genuine ore. Riley had his revenge. He had some trouble, however, in proving that he was not an intentional forger.

He lost his newspaper position, but he immediately got another and a better one—on the Indianapolis Journal. "Come and get pay for your work," said Judge Martindale, the editor. The turn in the tide had come. Soon appeared, in 1883, "The Old Swimmin' Hole and Levee More Poems." Indiana recognized her own. The "Hoosier Poet" was acclaimed by his compatriots everywhere. But when in 1886 the volume in prose and verse appeared, "The Boss Girl and Other Stories," James Whitcomb Riley became a name as well known in one state as in another—Chicago Record.

A HAMILTON CASE.

How Mr. Joseph Rickards Won His Freedom.

Bright's Disease Held Him in a Deadly Grip Which Nothing Could Loosen Till He Used Dodd's Kidney Pills—They Cured Him.

Hamilton, Nov. 7.—The Ambitious City is never behind her rival, Toronto, in any enterprise, commercial or otherwise, and, recently, would seem to have made fair progress towards outstripping her neighbor in one respect, viz., the number of cures of Kidney Diseases effected here by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Hardly a day passes without recording a cure by means of this famous and wonderful medicine. Interest just now is centered in the case of Mr. Joseph Rickards, of the Emerald street. Hundreds of Hamiltonians know that Mr. Rickards suffered for more than six years with that terrible complaint, Bright's Disease. He had known nothing of it until he engaged the best medical assistance he could secure, but without receiving either cure or relief.

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St. Louis, Mo., will ring a curfew bell hereafter.

The Washington correspondent of the Detroit News says: "A complete investigation of the cause of the explosion and fire in the old capitol building shows that it will not amount to more than \$10,000. Not a book or record was destroyed, nor a bust broken."

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REV. DR. SCADDING

Long and Honorable Life of the Ex President of the York Pioneers—Author of Many Books.

Rev. Dr. Scadding, two president of the York Pioneers at Toronto, recently resigned that office; hence a brief sketch of his long and honorable career will be as interesting as it is timely.

Rev. Henry Scadding, D.D., is the youngest son of the late John Scadding, for many years factor to Major-General Simcoe, afterwards Lieutenant-Governor of Upper Canada, on his estates in Devonshire, England. He was born at Dunkeswell, Devonshire, July 29, 1813. In 1821 he joined his parents in Canada. He received his early education at Upper Canada College, where he was head boy of that institution in the first year of its existence, 1830. In 1839 he was appointed a King's scholar, which enabled him to obtain a free course at an English university. He proceeded to St. John's College, Cambridge. While there he shared in the influence resulting from two movements, which were then causing a good deal of stir in the minds of young and old. These were the revival of reality in church life and usage consequent on a renewed examination of church records and documents anterior to the division with East and West, and the Brougham movement in behalf of less antiquated methods of education and the diffusion of useful knowledge among all classes.

Graduating B.A. in 1837, he returned to Canada in 1839 to become at once a busy pioneer in the promotion of learning in both its branches, first as teacher of youth in the institution where he had himself formerly been trained, and second, as organizer and incumbent of the first free church in Toronto, now known as Holy Trinity.

After many years of labor in these two posts he was compelled by a threatened breakdown of physical powers to retire into comparative privacy. He had gained his M.A. in 1840. On revivifying Cambridge in 1852 he received the degree of D.D. at Oxford.

Dr. Scadding was for some years editor of the Journal of the Canadian Institute, Toronto, contributing to its pages many important papers on philology, numismatics and Canadian and aboriginal archaeology.

His "Toronto of Old, or Collections and Recollections of the Early Settlements



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of Canadian Life in Ontario," first appeared in successive numbers of the Journal, as did, subsequently, his annotated edition of D. W. Smith's "First Gazetteer of the Province of Upper Canada." His "Four Decades of York, Upper Canada" formed the first part of Dent's memorial volume, entitled "Toronto, Past and Present," 1884. He also edited with G. M. Adam another memorial volume in 1891, entitled "Toronto, Old and New, Historical, Descriptive and Pictorial," designed to mark the 100th anniversary of the passing by the British Parliament of the Constitutional Act of 1791.

Of his other writings the best known are "Shakespeare, the Seer, the Interpreter," 1864; "Truth's Resurrections," 1865; "The First Bishop of Toronto, a Review and a Study," 1868; "A Memoir of King's College, Toronto," 1887; "Early Pioneer Life in Canada," 1887; "Lapsed Names in Local Nomenclature," 1897; "Senneca's Prophecy and Its Fulfillment," 1897; "A Memorial of A.D. 1897, the four hundredth anniversary of the sighting of the Northeast Coast of North America by John and Sebastian Cabot, Sailing Under a Commission from Henry the Seventh, King of England."

Dr. Scadding was elected president of the Canadian Institute in 1870, retaining that office up to 1876. He was one of the founders of the York Pioneers, and first president of that body. He is also honorary president of the Pioneer and Historical Society of Ontario. In 1885, in acknowledgment of his literary services he was awarded the Confederation Medal by the Governor-General-in-Council.

He married August, 1841, Harriet Eugenia, eldest daughter of John S. Baldwin, Toronto. Mrs. Scadding died in 1843.

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