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Ten Persons Attached to a Mission in China Murdered.

Several English Ladies Among the Slaughtered.

Athers Wounded, Including Two Children-Terrible Indignities Suffered by the Victims.

New York, Aug. 4.—The report of the massacre of Christians at Kucheng, a city 90 miles southwest of Foo Chow, in the Province of Fuh Kien, one of the southern Provinces, occasioned much alarm at the office of the Methodist Board of Foreign Missions yesterday.

board has had at Kucheng a flourishing mission, comprising a school for boys and girls and a hospital. Dr. Leonard, secretary of the board, at once cabled to Fou Chow to lear if the Americans were safe, as it was report ed that five foreign women were killed in the massacre.

The Methodist missionaries stationed at Kucheng are D. Gregory, of Dakota, who is in charge of the nospital; Rev. Dr. Wilcox, of Iowa; Miss Mabel Hartford, of Dover, N. H., and Miss W. H. Rouse, of Lakefield, Minn. There is also an English Church mission at this point in charge of the Rev. Dr. Ban-nister and Rev. Mr. Stewart, both of whom have their wives with them.

Rev. Dr. C. C. Baldwin, who has been a missionary in China since 1847, and left there last April because of the failing of his health, was seen at his home in Newark yesterday. "It is likely," said Dr. Baldwin, "that the trouble which culminated in the massacre was occasioned by friction between two native elements—the vege-tarians, who believed that they were unjustly discriminated against regarding taxes; and the anti-foreign group, who through their secret societies are constantly striving to prejudice the Government against the missionaries. The vegetarians are more amenable to Christian influence, and are, generally speaking, more moral, but the antiforeign group outnumber them.

"Before we left China the American consul at Foo Chow had ordered that all the women connected with interior missions should be brought to the treaty ports, where, if necessary, they could seek safety on the American men of war.

"The missionaries are in no way to blame for this outbreak, but if the report is true have undoubtedly been at the mercy of a lawless anti-foreign mob before troops could arrive to protect them. There are several thousand native Christians in Kucheng and in the surrounding country.'

Rev. Dr. L. Baldwin, of Brooklyn, who was a missionary in China for years, and is well acquainted with the city of Kucheng, said last night: the dispatch is true, there is no doubt that the five foreign women mentioned belong to our mission or to the

English Church mission. This is one of the most flourishing missions we had in China, and a vast amount of good has been accomplished there. I think our hospital at Kucheng is the largest one connected with any foreign mission in China. Trouble has been feared between the native factions for months, and I hope later reports will show that our missionaries heeded the consul's warning and safe at Foo Chow. The anti-foreign element is very lawless under excitement, and unless checked by Govern-

ment troops may have looted these mission stations completely." Washington, D. C., Aug. 4.-The State Department received the following cablegram from United States Consul Kerngen at Shanghai concerning the reported massacre of missionaries near Kuchenk:

"Americans safe; none hurt. Ten British killed."
THE KILLED.

London, Aug. 4.-The Telegraph tomorrow will print a dispatch from Shanghai stating that the massacre at Kucheng occurred on July 31. The officials suppressed the news for three days. The names of the killed are: Miss Elsie Marshall, Miss Annie Gordon, Miss Bessie Newcombe and Miss Flora Stewart, all of the English Zenana Mission; Miss Nellie Saunders, Miss Topsy Saunders, Rev. Dr. Stewart and Mrs. Stewart, of the Church Missionary Society. Five of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart's children were killed, and two survive. One had a knee broken, and the other—a baby—lost an eye. SAVED.

The following were saved: Miss Hartwell, of the American Mission; Miss Codrington, of the English Zenana Misssion, and Rev. H. S. Phillips, of the English Church Missionary So-

United States Consul Hixon, who is stationed at Foo Chow with a party of volunteers, upon receipt of the news of the massacre started on a steam launch for the scene, and has returned, bringing with him the wounded Americans. The experiencse of the survivors were terrible. They say that death was the least part of the sufferings of the butchered women.

INTENSE INDIGNATION. The indignation here is intense. Nevertheless the many warships in the harbor are idle. A mass meeting has been arranged for tomorrow to protest against the lack of energy on the part of the authorities and to urge that reparation be made and that the guilty persons be punished. The mandarins endeavor to blame certain secret socleties for the outrage. Europeans, however, regard this as nonsense. The officials are renewing their old tactics of stopping telegrams.

REPORTS MIXED. The reports of the outrage are rather mixed. The latest says it is now known that ten persons were killed, including Miss Lena Stewart and Dr. Stewart's whole family, except two. The American missionaries, Miss Hartford and Dr. Gregory escaped, but the for-mer was fearfully injured. Several English and American children were

PRESS COMMENTS.

The Standard tomorrow will demand that the murderers be visited with condign punishment, and that a stern example be made of the officials who virtually connived at the commission of the crime. The paper will say: "If the Emperor cannot, or will not, protect British residents, we must give him assistance of a kind he will not welcome.'

The Chronicle says it trusts Great Buitain and the United States will com- his sorrows, and his helpmeet."

bine to teach the Chinese a lesson that will cause foreigners to be respected for ever, but in view of the feuds existing in the country, the bodies sending missionaries there, especially women, incur the gravest responsibility. The whole position, the Chronicle adds, ought to be reconsidered.

The Times will say: The outrage must of course form the subject of strong representations to China from England, and probably from the United States also. It must not be passed over as a trifle. Immunity of the murderers would cause a standing menace to the lives and property of the whole European community in China.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT. The Times tomorrow will print a dispatch from Shanghai saying that the missionaries' sanitarium at Whasang, near Kucheng, was attacked, and five ladies were killed and two ladies and two children were wounded. Some others are missing.

Later reports, the dispatch adds,

state that ten persons were killed. Rev Dr. Stewart and his wife and one child were burned to death in their house. The Misses Yellow and Marshall, the two Misses Saunders, the two Misses Gordon and Miss Newcombe were murdered with spears and swords. Miss Codrington was seriously wounded about the head. This despatch confirms the report that Rev. H. S. Phillips and Dr. Gregory, of Hartford, escaped. Both of them were wounded.

FOUGHT AT CORUNNA.

One of Sir John Moore's Veterans Dies at Dresden,

Aged 108—Was at Waterloo—Knew John Wesley.

(Dresden, Ont., Times.)

Last Monday night, at the residence of Mrs. Eliza McDonald, Main street, the veteran centenarian, Wm. Chambers, passed peacefully from this world into the great unknown. Although he had been ill for about a week previous, the news of his death naturally created little surprise, as at his extremely advanced age all felt that the fatal summons might be sent at any mo-ment. In his case the poet's words were indeed true and particularly ap-

And we are glad that he has lived this long, And glad that he has gone to his re-

ward, Nor deem that kindly nature did him wrong, Softly to disengage the vital cord;

When his weak hand grew palsied, and his eye Dark with the mist of age, it was his

time to die. Mr. Chambers was born in the county of Antrim, Ireland, on the 12th Haven, South Haven, Muskegon, Holof September, 1787, and was conselland, St. Joseph, The Bay and Lakota quently in his 108th year. He enlisted in the British army in Dublin in 1808, when he was 21 years of age. His regiment formed part of the army under Sir John Moore at the battle of Corunna, in Spain, when the general was killed. Subsequently he served throughout the Peninsula war, and fought in the closing engagement at Waterloo. Eighteen or his relatives

were in the army during the contest with Spain, and most of them took in the battle of Waterloo. While his corps was in France at the close of the war, in the year 1812, his discharge from the army was bought for him. In 1831 he came to Canada, and had command of company during the rebellion in 1837-38. For many years past he had lived in the county of Kent, and for some time previous to his ath had been residing with his daughter here, Mrs. McDonald, where. during his illness, he received every care and attention that could be be-

stowed by an affectionate relative. He was an educated man, and the fact secured for him, through the late Dr. Ryerson, an appointment as inspector of some of the public schools in this county. His memory and intellect remained clear, despite his great age, to within a few days of his death, and he could relate with detail, and with much intelligence and interest, many of the stirring events in his early career. He knew both Charles and John Wesley, who were occasionally guests at the home of his family in Ireland.

Mr. Chambers was twice married. His first wife was Mary Murray, on the St. Lawrence. She died March 12. 1856. Her remains were interred at Dawn Mills. She left six children. Mr. Chambers' second wife was a woman named Cole, who died about 20 years ago and left a large family.

He was a man of an iron constitution, never having known any illness since his early childhood till a week before his death.

DEATH IN A KISS. So Says a Prominent Officer of

Health, Chicago, Aug. 5.—There were 2,532 deaths in Chicago during the month of July according to the Bureau of Public Health.

With the monthly report was this advice: Donotletothers kiss you indiscriminately, and never without first wiping your lips with carbolized rose water and thoroughly drying them.

This is a chunk of wisdom from Dr. Frank W. Reilly, pathologist, bacteriologist, geologist, meteorologist, archaeologist and erstwhile editor.

To your correspondent, Dr. Reilly said: "Yes, that is the way half the people get consumption.' "What is your opinion of kissing,

doctor?" "Vicious, intolerable, barbaric and vile. This question of kissing has been a hobby with me for some time, and I have studied its results. I know a consumptive preacher down in Nokomis who made a practice of kissing his flock after service every Sunday. The mortality in the village increased 22 per cent. in one year, and when I left there half the members of the congregation were leaning against fences for support. The germs were in the contribution boxes, in the

hymn book racks and all about the pulpit." A CAUTIOUS BISHOP.

Bishop Potter, of New York, while staying at a Syracuse hotel, was called upon by a reporter, who finally put the question: "Bishop, what do you think of the new woman?" "Why do you ask me that question?" the bishop replied. "They have Bishop Doane stretched upon a gridiron. Do you expect me to ascend the funeral prye? Every good work has received its impress from wo-man. The 'new woman,' if she be true to herself, will be, as she has always been, the sharer of man's joys and of served to spread the fire to the business

Mrs. Pat Quinlan Can a Ghastly Tale Unfold.

Mystery Regarding the Williams Girl Clearing Away.

A Story That May Lead to Finding Howard Peitzel's Body.

Chicago, Aug. 4 .- Mrs. Pat. Quinlan knew of the disappearance of Julia Conner in Holmes' castle, and saw the body of the woman after she was dead. She further knew, and has admitted, that Pearl Williams disappeared mysteriously in the castle after her return from a trip to the Quinlan farm at

Lakota, Mich.

Chief Badenoch took Mrs. Quinlan and her husband to the castle on Friday with Inspector Fitzpatrick and Detectives Fitzpatrick and Norton, What took place between them no one knows, but Chief Badenoch and his detectives are nearer a solution of the Holmes mystery than they were ever before. The chief now has proof positive that Mrs. Conner and Pearl, her daughter, or Cora, Quinlan, were murdered in the building, while the mother was in his employ. Mr. Quinlan has given in-formation within the last 24 hours which brings the charge of murder nearer to Holmes than it has been in Chicago at any time since the case opened. Quinlan and his wife, while demonstrating to the police that they were at no time guilty of the crime of murder themselves, have made admissions by which the chief could use them on the stand as valuable witnesses against Holmes in proving that Mrs. Conner and a child were made away with by Holmes for the purpose of securing insurance which Mrs. Conner carried on her life in favor of her daughter, or in which Cora Quinlan's

life cut an important figure. Further, Quinlan and his wife have proved to the police that Mrs. Conner was so well aware of the scheme which Holmes was operating that it became necessary for Holmes to put the woman out of the way. Mrs. Conner's body was disposed of by burial within the castle somewhere close to the spot where Pearl's supposed body found. Pat Quinlan and his wife had admitted partially—the woman more than the man-that a business of receiving and disposing of dead bodies stolen from country graveyards was carried on in the castle under the direction of Holmes. The graveyards of the western portion of Michigan, Grand were despoiled of bodies and coffins. The bodies were brought to the castle. chemically reated and then disposed of to medical colleges. were remade by Quinlan, Pietzel and Holmes, relined and disposed of to unundertakers at a fair profit.

Detective Gyer says the charge murder against Holmes is strongest in Toronto.

A NEW STORY. Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 4.—Charles J. Thorpe, who is looking up evidence in the Holmes case, has arrived here. He tells a story of Holmes and two trunks that may lead to the finding of Howand where Holmes used to be a frequent visitor. I think it was about Oct. 8, 9 or 10, that Holmes came to Franklin for the last time. It was as near as I can figure out about the same time that the boy disappeared from Indianapolis. When he came to Franklin he was not in the habit of carrying any baggage, and it was remarked that the last time he came there he brought with him two trunks and a plain wooden box about three feet long. They were taken to the Yokes' house by the hack driver of Franklin, and they stayed there. No one ever saw them taken away from that house, and the next day Holmes left Franklin for good and all. I believe he went from there to Detroit. One of those trunks may have contained the body of Howard The boy may have been killed in some hotel in this city and placed in the trunk and afterwards taken away to Franklin and then disposed of."

IS MINNIE WILLIAMS ALIVE? Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 4.-Minnie Williams, of the Holmes' case celebrity, s said to be in this city, and the declaration is made by one who claims to lave seen and conversed with and heard a partial admission of her identity from the woman's lips.

Late Canadian News.

A Toronto dispatch says an unsuc essful attempt was made on Friday night to wreck the north-bound train on the G. T. R. south of the Davenport station.

Two big petitions are being circulated by Senator Casgrain and other influential Windsorites praying for the reinstatement of W. L. Baby, the super-

annuated customs officer. The steamer Daisy was burned on the Trent River early Saturday morning, about two miles east of Hastings Loss \$3,000. The crew, who were mostly asleep at the time, had to save them-

selves by swimming ashore. Two more notices of application to Parliament for divorce appear in the Canadian Gazette. They are given Mr. James Pearson, barrister, of Toronto, and Mr. Hector Morrison, of Vankleek The usual charges of desertion and adultery are made.

BIG BLAZES.

Over \$160,600 Worth of Property Burned in a Washington Town.

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 4.—Sprague the county seat of Lincoln county, and division point and location of the Northern Pacific car shops, and having a population of 3,000, was almost de troyed by fire yesterday. A high wind, amounting almost to a hurricane, was blowing, and the fire swept the town with resistless fury, destroying over \$1,000,000 worth of property in two hours.

The fire broke out in a livery stable on the south side of the railroad track, and from here the flames swept across the north side, and within half an hour both sides of the track were a seething mass of flames. The huge oil tanks in the rear of the shops exploded, and portion of the town. The firemen were

powerless to stay the flames, and within an hour every business house, with the exception of three small stores and the First National Bank, were in

Woodstock, Ont., Aug. 4.-A twostory frame building, occupied by A. Pullen as a general store and postoffice in the village of Holbrook, eight miles south of here, was burned last night. Building valued at \$900; stock, \$2,500. A house and barn on Grover street, Woodstock, were destroyed this morning. Insured for \$900, which will not nearly cover the loss.

" HIP-HI-LARITY,"

Was What Little Johnnie Reardon Shouted,

And the Next Moment He Fell 39 Feet from a Tree-Arm Broken in 1 we Places-Internal Injuries.

"Hip-hi-larity!" shouted little Johnnie Reardon, of Ontario street, on Saturday morning, as he swung himself backwards and forwards amid the topmost boughs of a tall beech tree in Maurice Baldwin's field near the C. P. R. Johnnie is 12 or 13 years old, and full of animal spirits, and when he found himself up so high he gave vent to his feelings by the boyish whoop. The next moment there was a sharp crackling and a changed and a terrified cry as the boy's body shot down thirty feet through the tree, breaking the small twigs, and bounding from the larger branches until he lay, limp and silent, at the foot of the tree and within six inches of a fence that he luckily missed striking. Reardon was skylarking with a young fellow named Cox, living close by, and the lad, terrified, gave the alarm. The unconscious boy was carried to his home at the corner of Ontario street and Princess avenue and three doctors summoned. Just how great the internal injuries are will not be known for a day or so. His right arm is broken in two places, and the doctors think the brain is affected by an injury to the spine. The boy remained unconscious for 24 hours, but was able to speak a little yesterday afternoon.

DROWNED IN A TANK.

Another Cistern Proves To Be a Veritable Death Trap.

An Eight-Year-Old Lad Named Walsh the Victim-Was Not Missed for Ten Minutes.

An 8-year-old boy named Robert E. G. Walsh, the son of Robert Walsh, a met with a fearful fate Sunday morning. The young fellow went to the cistern to draw some water. On the covering of the cistern is a box with a lid opening from the top, and the unfortunate lad had evidently stooped through this to get at the water. This was so far out of his reacn as to cause him to lose his balance, and he fell head-foremost into the tank. Whether or not he called for help will never be known. No one heard his calls, if he made any. He probably scrambled about in the water for a few moments, but the tank was a veritable deathtrap, there being absolutely nothing to support the drowning boy. Ex-

hausted, he sank to the bottom. He was not missed until ten minutes after, when his coat was found in the yard. The father lowered himself down into the death-trap, and was horrified to find his son dead in several feet of water. Every effort was made to save the boy's life, but without avail. Deceased was the youngest of seven or eight children.

TORONTO INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION

Overwhelmed With Exhibits - Horses and Cattle-Special Attractions.

Toronto, Aug. 5.-Though space in the buildings of the Toronto Industrial Exhibition, which opens Sept. 2, has for some time been all taken up, applications continue to pour in. Many manufacturers will be unable to show unless some method of providing for the accommodation of the surplus can be arranged. The bicycle display, which will be very full and representative, including exhibits sent by over 30 firms in Canada and the United States, will be on view in the western end of the carriage building, where an area of 7,500 feet has been assigned to it. Entries of horses, cattle and other live stock are coming in in great num-

bers, so that the display, more especially in the finer grades, will be considerably in excess of last year. Entries close on the 10th inst. Manager Hill has been in New York

for some time arranging for special attractions and musical talent. amusement feature of the fair will be very varied and thoroughly up to date, including a grand aquatic spectacle of a unique character and the newest entertainments in vogue.

EXPENSIVE FIERWOOD. All who have traveled on the conti-

nent will recollect the exorbitant charges for wood, and the expensive luxury of a constant fire. One gentleman, who was spending some weeks in a German city, asserts that he found wooden dolls, which Were plentiful in the shops, gave him a better fire, since the wood was wellseasoned, and cost less than bundles of wood bought at the hotel.

He aroused much curiosity as day after day a large basket of dolls was sent from one or another shop to his room, until it was discovered that he used them for firewood.

While Mark Twain was in Paris one of his friends was married there, and with his customary humor he bought a basket of wood, tied it fancifully with bright ribbons, and sent it to his friend, with his card, upon which was written: "The most expensive present I could find." This, as one may readily imagine, afforded much amusement.

Have you seen Trafford's new ar rivals in bird's eye maple, curly birch, and quartered oak rockers; also latest style bookcase and secretaires and box couches in corduroy, at 95 and 97 King street. Phone, 864.

Even a dull girl can out you on the 19 years of age.

Hamilton Defeats Them in the Morning Game.

Radway and Carman Both Break World's Records

In the Twenty-five Mile Race at Detroit -Local Sporting News.

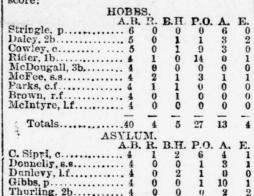
BASEBALL

(Special to the "Advertiser.") Hamilton, Ont., Aug. 5.-A big crowd today saw the Hamilton ball club defeat the London Alents, who came fresh from their Toronto triumph. It was civic holiday here. The visitors were handicapped by the absence of a regular battery, Hiscott having pitched in Toronto Saturday, and Carney being saved for this afternoon. Tierney, their crack third baseman, occupied the box, and had he had first-class support, he would have held the home team down to fewer runs. Tierney, too, was missed at third. Score:

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Batteries-Moore and Baker; Tierney ANOTHER ACCOUNT. Hamilton, Aug. 5.-Today is Hamilton's civic holiday, and two ball games were scheduled here today in the Canadian League series. About 1,000 people witnessed a good exhibition of hall this morning, London and Hamilton being the opposing teams. Tierney and Thorpe were in the points for the Forest City team, and the former was an easy mark for the Hamilton batters, and the team gave him but poor support in the field. The visitors failed to locate Moore's balls until near the close of the game. The home team played an errorless game up till the eighth inning. Player, an old London man, played a magnificent game at third for the Hamilton team, and Watson, of Dundas, at first and "Chub" Collins, the old International League player, also helped the Hamiltons to down their opponents.

HOBBS VS. ASYLUM. A most enjoyable game of baseball was played on Saturday afternoon between the Asylum and Hobbs baseball clubs. Both teams were well represented and played in good form. The excitement incident to good playing was well sustained throughout the game. The utmost good-feeling prevailed, the home team treating the visitors in a courteous and gentlemanly manner. This, coupled with the fact of playing on the wellkept and beautifully situated asylum grounds, enabled the participants to enjoy a very pleasant afternoon's sport. The Hobbs team hope to have the pleasure of again laborer, residing at 266 Clarence street, | meeting their asylum friends before the close of the season. Appended is the full score:



Totals......36 2 9 27 Asvlum...... 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0 0-2

Earned runs-Asylum 1, Hobbs 2. Home run—Sippi.
Two-base hit—Dunlevy.
Stolen bases—Hobbs 7, Asylum 4.
Struck out—By Gibbs 6, by Stringle 9.
Umpire—Inwood.

LAWN TENNIS.

The Icelanders of Winnipeg have formed a lawn tennis club, said to be the first in the world under Icelandic auspices. CRICKET.

Of the concluding game between Capt. Hyman's Canadian team and All-Chicago on Saturday, the Herald of that city says: "The crowd was the largest ever seen at a game in Chicago and completely filled the grand stand. That the best team won there is no question, but the good showing made by the local clubs is gratifying as being evidence of the strength of the locals when pitted against such formidable players as the visitors." THE WHEEL.

LONDON RIDERS DISTINGUISH THEMSELVES. Frank F. Radway and W. M. Carman, the crack riders of the London

Bicycle Club, returned today from De-

troit, where they distinguished themselves in the great Hisendegen 25-mile road race at Belle Isle on Saturday. There were 30,000 people present, and the finish was the finest ever seen in America. There were 163 starters, including some of the fastest men on the continent. Radway was placed among the five scratch men and Carman given a start of two minutes. The world's record for the distance was 1 hour.5 minutes and 58 seconds. Both of the London boys had the proud distinction of beating ft. Radway finished fifth among the scratch men in 1:05:26, the winner being T. R. Eddy, of Columbus, O., whose time was 1:05:15, only 11 seconds ahead of Radway. Carman covered the distance in 1:05:42. The Detroit

Free Press says: "The finish between Patterson, of Bay City, one-minute man, and Carman, London, two-minute man, was sensational in the highest degree. Patterson came in ahead by but a foot or two. Carman, going at a tremendous rate of speed, struck one of the timers, who had incautiously stepped out too far, and went headlong in the dirt. He was helped to his feet in a half-sensible condition, but was found to be not seriously hurt.

'The time prize was won by Thomas R. Eddy, of Columbus, O., in the remarkably fast time of 1:05:15, or 43 secends faster than the track record for 25 miles, which is also the world's record. Eddy is a rather small man physically, but, as his achievement would indicate, possesses remarkable lung power and ability to withstand He stands about 5 feet 8 fatigue. inches in height, and claims to be only

"The finish between Eddy, Gable and tary doctors.

Leonard was one of the most sensation-al ever seen on an American track. The three men stuck to each other like leeches on every lap, and in the stretch down Central avenue on the last turn they were riding like demons. On they came, neck and neck, until within 200 feet of the tape, when Eddy spurted and won, Gable second, only two-fifths of a second later, Leonard third, onefifth of a second behind Gable."

ENGLISH RACES. London, Aug. 5-At the Huerst Park bank holiday meeting today the bank holiday handicap was won by Mr. Fox-hall Keene's Bohemond; Lord Hindlip's Powick second, and Mr. E. Yeres' Barsac third. Seven horses ran. Mr. Fox-hall Keene's Dimity ran second in the race for the Hounslow plate. Mr. T. Phillips' McAlpina won, and April Fool was third.

BLUNDERERS DEFIED.

Premier Greenway of Manitoba Replies to Threats.

The Blundering Remedial Order Must Be Withdrawn.

A Winnipeg dispatch to the New York Times says: Premier Greenway does not seem at all alarmed at the report that he is to be dismissed from office by Governor Schultz. Mr. Green-way said: "The Governor knows, and Earl Aberdeen and Sir Mackenzie Bowell should know, that no Government in Manitoba which would recede from the position which the Province now occupies on this question could live one week after it should get the Legislature. The Dominion Government requests us to see how far we will go in a compromise measure. As the Dominion Government makes no move to withdraw the order demanding the restoration of the separate schools, the re-

quest savors of insolence.
"The Privy Council of England, which declared that the act abolishing separate schools was quite constitutional, added the opinion that the Catholics had a grievance. The Dominion Government has made no effort to find out for itself whether Catholics suffer by the establishment of national schools. The obligation to ascertain whether the facts and circumstances justified the Manitoba Legislature in withdrawing the privileges manifestly lay upon the Dominion Government. They made no effort to obtain the necessary information. They made no inquiry into the facts or circumstances. They simply, like a pack of reasonless and obsequious lackeys, rely on an expression of the judgment of the Privy Council, without in the first asking whether the Privy Council was not exceeding its functions and infringing on theirs by using such an expression. Neither have they made the slightest attempt to demonstrate by argument or by a citation of facts that the action of Manitoba was on the merits unsound or unjust, politically, economically or morally.

"The present request of the Domin. ion Government calls for no reply. The farce should cease. Let Sir Mackenzie and those associated with him carry out their foolish and reckless programme and let us see what the result will be. The Province of Manitoba can gain neither in dignity nor in any other way by joining in this absurd game of burlesque 'diplomacy.' "

Sparks From the Wire.

Last Minute News Received from All Parts of the World.

The garment workers of America are holding their annual convention at Chicago.

Rains have ruined the rice crops in many parts of Japan, and a famine is feared. Many lives have been lost. Fires wept Berlin, Md., last night. Seventy-five houses burned. Loss \$200,-000; insurance \$25,000. A spark from a cigar was the cause.

By the fire near Sprague, Wash., on Saturday, the Northern Pacific Railway lose 24 locomotives, 54 freight cars, \$325,000 in shop machinery, etc., \$50,000 in headquarters' passenger station, freight warehouse, etc. Half a mile of track was destroyed, with 7,000 tons of coal and 5,000 cords of wood, bringing the Northern Pacific loss up to \$750,000. John Little, a Winnipeg teamster, is alive, though his neck was broken

Benjamina McNeil, alias John Kelly, a convict from Woodstock, escaped from Kingston Penitentiary. The steamer Canada, from Chicouti-

on Saturday.

mi to Quebec, ran on a rock in a fog yesterday, but got of this morning. She is not badly damaged. The many friends of Nichol Kings.

mill, Q.C., will be deeply grieved to learn of the death of Mrs. Kingsmill, which occurred on Sunday evening at Niagara-on-the-Lake.

THE BALLOON TOOK FIRE,

And the Two Aeronauts Were Dashed to Earth,

man and a Woman-May Both Die.

Jackson, Mich., Aug. 5 .- Two aeronauts were fatally injured in a balloon accident at Vandercock's Lake last night. The balloon used was one of the largest of the hot-air variety, with double bars. At 6 o'clock it was successfully inflated. Ella Peake, a trapeze performer, took the upper bar, and Charles Elliott, the lower. At the moment the retaining ropes were cast off a gust of wind caught the canvas, and carried it to one side, and it took fire. The monster balloon snot into the air, some distance, with both of the aero-nauts on the bottom. Then it came crashing down. Miss Peake is a large woman, and fell heavily, breaking both legs, besides suffering internal injuries. Elliott struck on his shoulder, and is badly crushed. His injuries are said to be fatal.

The spectators dragged them from the burning balloon and carried them to the nearest tent. where surgeons attended them. Elliott has been in the business seven years. This is the first serious accident he has been in. Miss Peake is a niece of Prof. Hogan, who lost his life on Campbell's airship in the Atlantic Ocean five years ago.

NEARLY 10 per cent of the living holders of the Victoria Cross are mili-