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LABOR LAWS.

A Grand Rally of Philidelphia Workingmen—The Omaha Strikes.

PHILADELPHIA, March 16.—There was a labor demonstration here to-night, in which three thousand workmen participated. Resolutions were adopted demanding the passage of laws for the incorporation of labor unions, the abolition of the contract system and convict labor, the establishment and enforcement of the eight hour law, endorsing the anti-Chinese bill and asking the co-operation of follow workingmen in other sections of the state and nation in any movement for the amelioration of the condition and elevation of the laboring classes.

OMAHA, March 16.—The grand jury indicted President Walsh and Committeman Shannon of the labor union with intent to murder. Both jailed.

AMERICAN TELEGRAPHIC FLASHES

There are 200 cases of smalpox at South Bethlem, Pa. There has been six deaths.

The bill establishing capital punishment in Wisconsin was defeated by a close vote in the legislature.

One hundred and sixty-three doctors graduated from Bellevue hospital medical college, New York, yesterday.

At a meeting at New Rochelle, N.Y., Wednesday night the desecration of the Andre monument was denounced.

Governor Cornell has decided to commute the sentence of Flanagan, the Buffalo murderer, to confinement in Auburn prison for life.

Sergeant Mason arrived at the Albany penetintiary yesterday. When he read in the papers about his plea for the protection of his wife and child he cried.

Ann Herman, an inmate of the asylum for the insane at Charleston, Ind., died yesterday after refusing food for sixty-three days. She drank water freely.

Nearly every ship which arrives at New York brings paupers from Switzerland, who are sent out by the different communes. The United States authorities have determined to sent them all back.

LATEST CABLE CHAT.

The Danish polar expedition is to start in July.

The British navy estimates for 1882-83 call for £10,484,000.

Reports of the mobilization of Montenegrin troops is unfounded.

At Bellmullet, Ireland, Carter, a justice of the peace and an extensive landlord, has been fired at and seriously wounded in his leg.

A Berlin correspondent says Austria has determined to annex Bosnia and Herzegovina for good and all and that Bismarck favors such annexation and is using pressure to induce the porte to acquiesce.

Burglars Carnival at Oakville

OAKVILLE, March 16.—Last night thieves broke into Gorman's stables, near the Great Western railway station, and stole two dark bay mares, sixteen and fifteen an a-half hands high. One of them has whit on the right hind foot. One buffalo robe, one blanket, and two bridles belonging to E. Nelson, who travels for W. Patterson, of Hamilton, were also stolen. The thieves also broke into Fairfield & Whittaker's carriage works and Steeley's blacksmith's shop, and took a number of tools, some of which were found around town this morning. They then proceeded to Moore's tinshop, where they broke in, but nothing is missed yet. The next place was the office of Andrew & Howarth, bankers. They bored a hole near the lock, then broke a pane of glass in the door and took off the catch of the lock, ransacked the drawers of the front office, but did not get into the back office, where the safes and a dog are kept. The dog alarmed Mr. Howarth, who sleeps above the office. He came down, but the thieves were gone, having secured no booty.

GOSSIP AT THE CAPITAL,

MR. RYKERT OCCUPIES THE ATTENTION OF THE HOUSE.

A Slow Day in the House—An Incident of an Absent-minded Speaker—Adjourned Over St. Patrick's Day.

(Special Despatch to The World.)

OTTAWA, March 16.—In the house of commons this afternoon the budget debate was resumed by Mr. Rykert, of scrap-book fame. He had hardly uttered a score of words before he had announced his intention of once more utilizing his famous *vade mecum* by saying that he intended to convict the opposition out of their own mouths. He then charged Messrs. Paterson, Charlton and Ross of inconsistency on the trade question, quoting extracts from former speeches of theirs to prove that they had even favored protection. He had not concluded this line of argument up to the 6 o'clock recess. He is by no means either a favorable or a pleasing speaker and his manner cannot perhaps be better described than by the following lines, which are a specimen of a number written about him by the boys in the gallery:

His argument is weak,
His voice is but a squeak,
And he talks just like a streak
Of lightning from the sky.
His speech, there's little in it;
Sure fame he never can win it;
Now, why did he begin it,
Come tell the reason why?

The monotony of the proceedings was somewhat enlived by a rather funny incident. The speaker was giving a reception this afternoon and consequently was not in his chair which was filled by Mr. White of Hastings. When 6 o'clock arrived Mr. Rykert stopped but there was no speaker there to leave the chair. There was an awkward pause for several moments, but finally a messenger was despatched for the first commoner. The moment he entered the room, and before he had got near his seat, he declared, amidst much laughter, "It being 6 o'clock I now leave the chair." Every one gave a sigh of relief when they found that the constitution was safe.

After recess Mr. Rykert continued his scrapbook quotations until 9 o'clock.

Sir Leonard Tilley has given notice that he will introduce the resolutions to increase the Manitoba subsidy on Tuesday. It is proposed that the subsidy shall for the next ten years be as follows: For the support of the government and legislation, $50,000; on an estimated population of 150,000 at 80 cents per head, $120,000; indemnity for want of public lands, $45,000.

Mr. Patterson (Brant) followed, speaking vigorously against the tariff and the general conduct of the government until midnight.

Mr. Tom White then took the floor, and defended the tariff in his usual clear and incisive style.

The house adjourned at 2 20 a.m.

POINTERS.

Hon. Mr. Blanchet gave an "at home" to-day which was largely attended.

The new sugar and syrup company is now under full way.

The house adjourns to-morrow at 6 p.m., being St. Patrick's day.

Hon. Alonzo Wright is going to retire permanently from public life, and he was presented with a flattering address to-day by members of all shades of politics.

DR. GRAY FIRED AT.

A Maniac, Armed to the Teeth, Attempts to Assinate a Celebrated Medical Man.

UTICA, N. Y., March 16.—At 6.30 to-night a man stepped into the doorway of the private office of Dr. John P. Gray, of the state lunatic asylum, and fired at him. Chaplain Gibson, Dr. Blumer, and the doctor's son were present. The ball hit Dr. Gray in the left cheek, passed through the flesh and out on the opposite side of the left cheek. The wound is only in the flesh and none of the bones are broken.

LATER.—Dr. Gray's assassin gave himself up at the jail to-night. His name is Henry Reimshaw and he has been insane for eighteen months. On his person were two navy revolvers, one single barrel revolver and one repeater, one dirk with cleavers and a bottle of chloroform, with about thirty bundles of cartridges. He labored under the delusion that he was an ambassador from Heaven sent by Guiteau and others to shoot Dr. Gray.

[*Note.*—Dr. Gray was one of the chief expert witnesses for the government in the trial of Guiteau.]

THE SOUTHERN FLOODS.

Great Wind Storms Along the Mississippi—Vicksburg Under Water—The Damage.

VICKSBURG, March 16.—There was a heavy rain wind storm here this morning. At Yazoo City the river is rising twelve inches in twenty-four hours. The country in the rear of Mayersville is a sheet of water. Unless the rise is checked that place will be entirely submerged. The yard of the compress in this city is entirely under water, and every dray obtainable has been busy hauling cotton to places of safety. Platforms are being built from the elevator to enable the freight in that building to be removed, the floor of which is thoroughly immersed. The river has risen six and a half inches in the past twenty-four hours.

ARKANSAS CITY, Ark., March 16.—This place was visited by a terrible storm last night. Two houses were blown down. A house occupied by two negro families was lifted from its foundation and set floating with the current in backwater. The inmates were rescued with difficulty. A calaboose was blown from its foundation and floated on the water. Several other houses were injured.

CANADIAN DESPATCHES IN BRIEF

Farmers are busy plowing near Windsor. Boats are running on the Detroit river and on the Georgian bay.

Sixty immigrants arived at Montreal yesterday en route for Manitoba.

Nine hundred and thirty Canadians passed through Detroit on Wednesday night for Winnipeg and the Northwest.

Warrants were issued yester day against the managing director and editor of the Post for criminal libel at the suit of J. B. McNamee. A civil action is also on tapis, the damages being laid at $50,000.

On Wednesday evening, at Huntington, Me., John Rigg, cheese maker, after returning from a short drive and disposing of the horse at the livery, started for his house apparantly in his usual health, and dropped dead at his own door. Heart disease was the cause

BURNT CONTRACT AGAIN.

The Accounts for its Investigation — Officials Thought to be Overstepping Their Powers—Something Interesting for Next Meeting of Council.

The regular meeting of the executive committee was held yesterday afternoon. Present: Ald. Boswell (chairman), Ald. Love, Irwin, Taylor, Clark, Blevins, Geo. M. Evans and Woods.

Tenders for the supply of stationery and bookbinding were opened and referred to the city clerk.

The chairman read accounts from Mr. F. Fenton for conducting the prosecution in the burnt contract investigation and from Mr. Thomas Bengough for services as stenographer during the said investigation; also a communication from Mr. Craig, late clerk at the city hall, asking if Mr. McDougall's account for defending him at the said investigation would be paid by the corporation. All three accounts amounted to over a thousand dollars, Mr. Fenton's charges being $35 per day. It appeared to be the opinion of the committee that Mr. McWilliams, city solicitor, was responsible for the engagment of Mr. Fenton. The solicitor was called in to explain and said that he thought the city would not be satisfied with him conducting the investigation on behalf of the city, as he was one of the parties whose conduct was being sifted. He had, therefore, gone to the mayor and explained the case to him and asked if he would be satisfied for Mr. Fenton to conduct the case in the interest of the city. The mayor replied in the affimative but nothing was said about money. The mayor was under the opinion that Mr. McWilliams intended to pay Mr. Fenton, but the solicitor understood that the mayor authorized the employing of Mr. Fenton on behalf of the city.

Mr. McWilliams said that he and Mr. Fenton had gone to the mayor and asked on what grounds the trial was to be conducted, and had received the reply that the matter was to be probed to the bottom and thoroughly sifted. Mr. McWilliams thought this was evidence that the mayor recognized the engagement of Mr. Fenton, but the mayor said that it was only recognizing Mr. Fenton as acting for Mr. McWilliams. The chairman said that the city was certainly not bound to pay the account of Mr. Fenton, but that if Mr. McWilliams paid the account and then came to the council the same as Mr. Craig and asked if under the circumstances—the public not being satisfied with Mr. McWilliams conducting the case, being implicated in the charges—they would not pay the account the executive committee and the council might consider the matter. As it was Mr. McWilliams had employed Mr. Fenton without the authority of the council, and he was responsible; at all events the city was not.

In connection with the account of Mr. Thomas Bengough, the board thought that it would have to be paid, and the solicitor gave it as his opinion that Judge Mackenzie should certify to the account, and then the council would be responsible. This seemed to satisfy the board.

Mr. Craig's communication like the other two accounts created a great deal of discussion, some members thought that, he being forced into the investigation and not having been convicted of any complicity in the crookedness, the city, as prosecutor, should pay the costs of the case.

Alderman Blevins moved that the committee recommend that the accounts be not paid, but the motion was lost.

Alderman Love then moved, so as to bring the matter directly before the council, that the committee recommend the accounts to be paid. The motion was carried, Ald. Blevins alone dissenting.

While the committee was waiting for the solicitor to arrive and explain the mayor read a letter from Wm. Wainwright, assistant manager of the Grand Trunk, saying that a complimentary excursion had been extended to the boards of trade and corn exchanges of Montreal, Quebec and Toronto, to Chicago and return, leaving Toronto on the 25th inst., and that the general manager desired to extend the invitation to the mayor and corporation of Toronto.

The committee then took up the reports of the separate committees, all of which they passed except the extension of Bleeker street, which was deferred for a week to give opportunity for looking into the matter.

The committee then adjourned.

A BAD DAY FOR FARMERS.

Three Meet with Sudden Deaths—An Esquesing Farmer Killed on the Track—Another Suicides—Crushed by a Falling Tree.

ACTON, March 16.—John S. Scott, farmer, lot 24, con. 4, Esquesing, was killed last night. He left Acton in the evening under the influence of liquor, and proceeded down the railway track towards home in company with his son. Half a mile east of the Grand Trunk station, his son, thinking him capable of reaching home safely, left him and went through the fields to a neighbor's, where he had occasion to call, and it is supposed Mr. Scott being overcome with the effect of the liquor laid down by the rails, and a western bound train struck him on the head fracturing his skull and killing him instantly. Deceased was 50 years of age, and leaves a wife and family.

A young son of Mrs. Josiah Adams was badly scalded last evening by upsetting a basin of boiling water on himself.

AYLMER, March 16.—Geo. Newell of this place, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. He was found in the hay mough of his barn this evening about 6 o'clock. It is supposed he shot himself about 1 o'clock this morning. He leaves a wife and six children.

Joseph Walls, a young man, whilst chopping in Jas. Brown's bush of this place, a falling tree struck another and falling crushed him to the ground, breaking his back and both arms. He died instantly without a struggle.

A Belleville Elopement.

DETROIT, March 16.—Two weeks ago Mary Jane Dameni aged 36 and Wm. Badgely, eloped from Belleville, Ont. to Muskegon, taking $70 with them. The girl's father, at Muskegon yesterday, caused the arrest of Badgely, who had an examination on the charge of larceny today. The girl is in Grand Rapids. Her father has gone after her. Badgely was soon to marry a Muskegon lady.

The Spruce Lake Wife Murderer.

ST. JOHN, N. B., March 16.—Tertullus Theall, a tavern-keeper at Spruce lake, St. John's county, who by a course of brutal ill-treatment caused the death of his wife, and who was tried at the November circuit court for murder and convicted of manslaughter, was to-day sentenced to fourteen years' imprisonment with hard labor. An appeal will be made to the Dominion supreme court.

THE DAY WE CELEBRATE,

THE RETURN OF AN ILLUSTEROUS SAINT'S ANNIVERSARY.

A Departure from By-gone Customs—Why do not "The Boys" Turn out now—An Opening Ode to the Memory of St. Patrick—The Day Elsewhere.

Let merrie England proudly wear
Her blended roses bought so dear,
Let Scotia trim her bonnets blue
With heath and harebells dipped in dew,
Upon Erin's favored crest be seen
The flower she loves of emerald green.

To day is St. Patrick's day, but all the fuss and feathers has been allowed to drop out of it, and it comes and goes with scarcely a sign. There are no knighly horsemen attired in the rich panoply which tradition says adorned the valiant Sarsfield, nor do we see counterparts of the self-loving St. Ruth, dashing in martial majesty over our modern pavements. In former years the rural bands and the city amateur musical companies of astonishing brass were wont to commence practice about a month before the anniversary, and every evening the strains of "The Minstrel Boy" and "The Wearing of the Green," in various stages of strangulation, were wafted over the housetops and far away. No one now it seems remembers the glories of Brian Boru. The Harp that once Thro' Tara's Halls has apparently grown so debilitated that it has given over throwing anything, and we still find Garryowen everybody. The glories of other days are gone. "That hat" of Milesian extraction that played such a prominent part on the 12th of July and the 17th of March has been relegated to inglorious retirement and droops disconsolately upon its dusty peg, and the cavalier sombrers, with its gaudy plumes and the heavy dragoon sword with its knot of green ribbons, stand idly by and wonder what all this inactivity means. "The boys" seem to have forgotten the melody that lives in the melancholy music of their native land, which brings comfort to the Irishman wherever he may be, and the lively jig and stately measure find no expression save through the wandering hurdy-gurdy man, who diligently improves the grinding hour. There is no "walk" so that "the boys" may show their beauty and their strength; there is no crash of music to cheer his generous heart, no speeches to stir up his effervescing blood, and not even "a bit av a fight" favors his bellicose propensities. The fact is he has his eyes turned too intently towards "home," and who better than an Irishman understands the meaning of that dear old word, to be interested in frivolities. These are the years of his trials, and these are the years that will see him assert himself as a man or forever lose his place among the people of the earth. So he sits silently watching those across "the say," and hoping that justice's humane, gentle touch may soften the hearts of his adversaries and turn them into friends. A St. Patrick's day parade is a thing of the past, and if it has been the cause of bitterness or hostility, so much more credit does he deserve for relinquishing it.

THE DAY AT PROSPECT PARK.

Rev. Father Lannigan, of St. Mary's church, Niagara Falls, has been engaged in drilling a large chorus of voices, who will to-day render Glover's cantata of St. Patrick at Tara, at Prospect park pavilion. The chorus is made up of the best local talent of Niagara Falls, Suspension Bridge and Clifton of all denominations, and in the solos and quartettes Father Lannigan will be assisted by some of Buffalo's finest talent.

THE DAY IN IRELAND.

DUBLIN, March 16.—There will be the usual official ceremonies here to-morrow. No trouble is expected.

A BELLICOSE BOARD.

Pistols and Clubs in the Troy Common Council Chamber—Who is President.

TROY, N.Y., March 16.—A lively scene occurred in the common council chamber this evening. Ald. Whelan and Morris, both claiming to be president of the board, took seats on the platform at 7 30. Morris called the meeting to order. The clerk refused to call the roll until directed by Whelan. A quorum not being present Morris declared the meeting adjourned, but in attempting to leave the chamber was seized by a detective and forced to remain until Whelan declared the board adjourned. During the uproars pistols were drawn and at one time a serious riot was imminent. F. P. Smith was arrested with a pistol in his possession. Anthony Dunn was also locked up. Morris was elected president at the annual meeting. Whelan was said to be elected by an illegal gathering of democrats, who declared the chair vacant. The republican members were not present.

SKOBELEFF SUSTAINED.

A Brilliant Reception Given Him at St. Petersburg—He Says the Emperor is With Him.

LONDON, March 16.—St. Petersburg advices states that last night a reception was given to General Skobeleff at the rooms of the Russian officers' club. The rooms were crowded, the audience representing leading Russian thought and influence. Skobeleff was received with tremendous cheering. Replying to an address of welcome Skobeleff said he ment every word uttered in his speech to the students. He was prepared when he made the speech for the consequence that might follow. He felt he was speaking for all Russia. He had had a conference with the czar since his return. The whole matter discussed at the conference was the speech. The czar endorsed the speech, every word of it, but never hinted any word should have been left unsaid. The czar assured him he had no desire to have him either recall or explain a word of the speech. Skobeleff intimated that the czar assured him that the only reason he did not care to approve the speech openly was because of the dependence of Russia upon Germany in certain diplomatic violations which he did not at present deem it wise to rupture.

The Czar Weakening.

COPENHAGEN, March 16.—It is stated the czar received convincing proofs of the nihilists determined abandon policy of assassination. Imperial clemency will consequently be extended to political prisoners and the number of executions will be reduced as far as possible.

RESCUED FROM FLAMES.

How a Policeman Saved Two Children from a Burning House on Jarvis Street Early this Morning.

At 1:30 this morning Policeman McKee noticed a bright light in Daniel O'Connell's one story frame house at 87 Jarvis street, opposite Lombard. The shrieking of children at the same time fell upon his ears and he ran over to the place, only to find it in flames. The officer kicked in the door, when a mass of fire burst out. Through the flames he saw two little children running wildly about in their night-clothes and crying they knew not what. To dash through the fire, pick the little ones up in his strong arms and rush out into the back yard was the work of a minute, and McKee did it in less than that time. O'Connell and his two other children had got out a few seconds before. The policeman re-entered the burning building, but finding no other person there he ran down to the corner of King and Jarvis streets and rang an alarm from box 65. The Court street firemen were on hand in less than three minutes, being quickly followed by other sections of the brigade. The house being small and only one story high, it was not difficult to get at the flames, which were speedily extinquished. The contents were more or less injured by fire and water, and the house was pretty well damaged. O'Connell told a World reporter that the property was owned by the Blairs and said he had no insurance. He was smoking a short clay pipe and somewhat under the influence of liquor. When questioned as to the origin of the fire he says the "childer" must have capsized the lamp, while he was asleep in bed. This is a very improbable story, as the little ones were undressed and looked as if they had just got out of bed, while O'Connell himself had all his clothes on when Officer McKee saw him in the back yard. Those who heard his story came to the conclusion that he was the "childer" who upset the lamp. The fire awakened the little colony of Irish people who live in the mass of frame houses adjoining, and many were the thanks to providence that the flames had been checked while they were yet young, and that no harm had been done to the children of St. Patrick.

PANAMA NEWS.

Pierola in Lima—The Earthquake in Costa Rica—The Damage.

PANAMA, March 8.—Advices from Lima say Pierola is still there, and the tendency of events point to him as coming in Peru. Montero has been imprisoned.

The earthquake in Costa Rica extended from Cartage, at the dividing ridge between the two oceans, to the Pacific coast. Three churches, and a number of dwellings were ruined in Cartago. In San Jose, Alajuela, Grecia and San Pamon public and private buildings were shaken down or otherwise damaged in Purtarenas. The upheaval occasioned some damage. No loss of life is reported.

NEW TRANSCONTINENTAL ROAD.

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