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FOREIGN NEWS OF A NIGHT

A BIG BUDGET OF NEWS FROM THE OLD WORLD.

Another Murder in Whitechapel—Strike Riots in Spain—Vienna in Danger—That Mine Disaster—The Broken London Bank—Arrest of 2000 Nihilists.

LONDON, June 9.—A curious statement in an anonymous article in The Fortnightly Review credits Mr. Gladstone with the intention, if he gets a majority, instead of introducing a Home Rule Bill, to invite the leaders of the Unionist faction to a conference, for a settlement of the question. Mr. Gladstone has always professed indifference as to whether the Liberals or the Tories should settle the question, and, unlikely as the suggestion appears, there may be a substratum of truth in it, particularly if he should secure only a small majority.

THE SILVER MINE DISASTER.

The Terrible Loss of Life Charged Upon the Officials of the Mine.

VIENNA, June 9.—The Austrian Social Democratic Congress has made a report on the Borkenberg mine disaster, in which it is alleged that the immense loss of life in the mine was due to the officials driving the miners back from the shaft when they were trying to escape after the fire broke out. These officials, the report declares, told the men there was no danger and persisted, in the face of many appeals to them, in their refusal to allow the men egress from the mine. The report also alleges that the key to the stables in which the fire engines belonging to the mine were kept could not be found, and, instead of breaking into the stables, search was made for the keys. As matters turned out, however, the time thus lost was of no consequence, for when the engines were got out of the stables it was found there was no water available. The report that the fire was started by incendiaries is absolutely without foundation. The probable cause of the fire was the ignition by lighted tapers of a wooden altar that had been erected in one of the lower galleries by the miners in honor of the patron saint of Bohemia.

He Still Walks the Wire.

LONDON, June 9.—Although Blondin, the hero of Niagara, has not been much heard of lately, he is still to the fore, and has not abandoned his perilous vocation. Yesterday he performed at Longton, Staffordshire, and forthcoming engagements include one at Cardiff on the August bank holiday. Although 68 years of age, he is a picture of perfect health. When at home, Blondin, or to give his right name, Jean Francois de Gravelet, lives near London with his family and domestic pets, in a picturesque old-fashioned country residence.

Le Carron, the Spy, Seriously Ill.

LONDON, June 9.—Le Carron, who played such a prominent part before the Parnell Commission, is lying seriously ill in a quiet country place, whither he retired some time ago, dropping his too famous nom de guerre. He has employed his leisure time in writing the history of his strange and eventful life. The manuscript has been purchased by the manager of one of the theatres, and arrangements are now going forward for its publication.

CAUTERIZED THE SPOOKS.

A Doctor Breaks Up a Seance With a Syringeful of Caustic.

BERLIN, June 9.—Dr. Moll, a well-known medical man of this city, attended a seance given by Dr. Pinkert, who is one of the leading mediums of Germany, and adopted a novel method of testing the genuineness of the spirit manifestations. He had concealed on his person a syringe filled with a chemical solution and when the spirit forms appeared he squirted the caustic liquid in showers upon the shadowy forms. Instantly there were shrieks of dismay, the spirits scattered with undignified haste and the seance came to an abrupt close. The sceptical doctor has proved to his own satisfaction and that of some friends who were with him that the proceedings of Dr. Pinkert were fraudulent, and as a result of the exposure Pinkert has been arrested.

NO HOME RULE WANTED.

The Protestants of Ulster Appeal to the Dissenters.

BELFAST, June 9.—A statement giving the views of the Protestants of Ulster on Irish Home Rule and signed by the chief officers of the Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist and Congregational churches of Ireland, and 6,044 ministers, elders, etc., has been posted to every dissenting minister in the United Kingdom. The statement argues that Irish Home Rule would inevitably bring about an attempt by the Roman Catholics to oppress the Protestants of Ireland, and that the latter would never submit to such oppression, and the result would be most calamitous. The dissenters in Great Britain are therefore appealed to to stand by their brethren in Ireland.

Demands Reparation of England.

PARIS, June 9.—Cardinal Lavigerie and Mgr. Lavinhoc, vicar apostolic of the Nyanza region, are preparing to demand of England the payment of an indemnity for the destruction of the Catholic missions in Uganda. It is stated the Vatican will support the demand.

Two Thousand Polish Nihilists Arrested.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 9.—The Warsaw police authorities have for some time past been making visits to the homes of persons in Poland suspected of being Nihilists in search of explosives or incriminating documents. Many persons have been arrested in the different provinces of Poland, the total number of those taken into custody being 2000. Most of these are men under 30 years of age. One hundred of the persons arrested have been exiled to Siberia. The adoption of these energetic measures on the part of the authorities is believed to be due to the approaching visit of the Czar to Warsaw.

New Franco-American Treaty.

PARIS, June 9.—The Paris Temps says that among the questions pending between France and the United States is a fresh commercial treaty making concessions in regard to frozen meat and live cattle.

VIENNA IN DANGER.

Austria's Gay Capital Threatened With An Overflow of the Blue Danube.

VIENNA, June 9.—The floods in the valley of the Danube are increasing alarmingly. The inhabitants of Vienna have been officially notified that there is danger of an inundation. Measures have been taken to dam the Danube canal. Steamship service between Pressburg and Passau has been suspended. Serious overflows are reported in the Inn valley. The lakes of Salzkammergut and Ischl have overflowed their banks, and railway communication is interrupted.

MURDER IN WHITECHAPEL.

A Little Boy Found Tied to Railings with His Throat Cut.

LONDON, June 9.—This evening the body of a boy of 4 years, who had been murdered, was found tied to the railings in front of a house in Goulston-street, in a low quarter of Whitechapel. The boy's throat was cut and there were numerous gashes on the body.

Strike Riots in Catalonia.

MADRID, June 9.—Riots resulting from a strike occurred to-day in Catalonia. Several persons were badly wounded. A number of workwomen of San Martin attacked a mill proprietor with stones and seriously injured him.

Visit from the General of the Capucins.

ROME, June 9.—Father Bernard Christen, general of the Capucins, will leave on the 15th inst. for the United States, to visit the houses of the order in America. He will also establish many new missions of the order.

SMOKELESS POWDER.

Warfare More Deadly With this New Explosive.

LONDON, June 9.—Some experiments were recently made in England with the new army magazine rifle and smokeless powder. Forty officers, using the new arm and the new explosive, fired 400 shots at a body of dummy lancers approaching at a distance of 800 yards. The number of hits averaged 18 per cent. After making allowance for the extension of the body of cavalry making a charge under such circumstances, it is estimated that not one-quarter of them would have reached the infantry firing the shots. Practice was afterward had with the Martini-Henri rifle, employing the ordinary powder. This brought out in strong contrast the value of the smokeless explosive. After a few rounds the men were enveloped in a cloud of smoke, making accurate aim impossible, while at the same time the enemy could distinctly determine the position of the firing party. With smokeless powder, on the contrary, it would be almost impossible for an enemy at a distance to mark the location of the attacking company or regiment of infantry.

The Broken Bank.

LONDON, June 9.—A circular issued by the directors of the New Oriental Bank gives the liabilities as £7,250,000 and the uncalled capital as £600,000. The directors recommend the depositors to withdraw only 20 per cent. of their deposits in order to allow of the successful reconstruction of the bank. The suspension is largely due to the depreciation in the value of silver, to the consequent increasing distrust in Great Britain of investments in silver countries and to the withdrawal of capital in the East, coupled with the unprecedented condition of trade in China, Japan and Australia, and losses incurred through the hurricane at Mauritius. The immediate liabilities are believed to amount to £5,500,000. The paid up capital of the bank is £600,000, with power to increase to £2,000,000. The bank has branches at Aden, Antananarivo, Badulla, Bombay, Calcutta, Colombo, Hong Kong, Jaffna, Kandy, Hiogo, Madras, Mahe, Mauritius, Melbourne, Newera, Ellia, New York, Paris, San Francisco, Shanghai, Singapore, Sydney, Tamatave, Yokohama and Zanzibar. It also has branches at Edinburgh and Dundee.

Suicide of an Officer.

BERLIN, June 9.—The suicide of Captain Ulrichs, of the Ninth Bavarian infantry, is attracting attention owing to the peculiar circumstances attending the case. The captain had made frequent reports to headquarters, complaining that a certain subaltern officer, a Prussian of aristocratic birth, was allowed to ill-treat the men under him. No attention was paid to the reports, whilst at the same time Ulrichs found his position becoming an embarrassing one on account of his action. The worry and depression of mind arising from this state of things led to the suicide, which has drawn attention to the situation in the regiment in such a manner that an investigation can now hardly be averted.

HE KILLED THE DOCTOR.

An Indian Who Slew the Medicine Man Who Failed to Cure.

WINNIPEG, June 9.—Governor Lawler, at the Provincial jail, gave shelter to four stalwart Indians of the Blood tribe, who were brought here from Fort Macleod. One of the number is under sentence of death and will be executed at the penitentiary on Thursday, 16th inst., while the other three are to be imprisoned for two years each for horse stealing. They were taken out to Stoney Mountain. The Indian under sentence of death, while realizing the fate before him, is quite indifferent in demeanor. He killed a medicine man of the band, and in talking of the crime he appears to think he was justified in taking the life of his victim. It seems that the medicine man was called in to administer medicine to the children of the prisoner who were ill, and as the little ones died the Indian considered he had a right to kill the doctor, who was supposed to have caused the demise of the children. The Indian used a tomahawk, inflicting five gashes on the head of the medicine man, each of which penetrated through the bone.

News From Manitoba.

WINNIPEG, June 10.—The Manitoba Methodist Conference is in session here. The following transfers are to take place: A. C. Crews into Toronto Conference, James Allen into Niagara Conference, J. N. McLaughlin into Bay of Quinte Conference, P. H. Robinson into Nova Scotia Conference.

Magnificent prospects for Manitoba's crop and the prosperity of the province are being felt beneficially in Winnipeg. Real estate sales are numerous, and there never was more activity in building. There is hardly a vacant house in the entire city, and there is a big demand for residences. Three hundred immigrants arrived yesterday and to-day, including Rev. R. Baron's party from the Isle of Man.

Lady Killed By Lightning.

WINNIPEG, Man., June 9.—At Russell, Manitoba, during a thunderstorm last night, Mrs. Butcher was killed by lightning. Her daughter, who was standing a few feet from her, was rendered insensible but will recover.

Mr. Norquay, M.L.A., Badly Hurt.

WINNIPEG, June 9.—Thomas Norquay, M.L.A., received serious injuries here to-night, falling under the wheels of a locomotive at the Canadian Pacific station. He is a brother of the late ex-Premier Norquay.

The Bodega.

"Fonell" at the "Bodega" has a fine new lunch counter, which epicures say is the best laden in Canada. Certainly every delicacy of the season is upon it. Down-town gents should lunch there.

The Cigarmaker and the Fireman's Wife.

KINGSTON, June 9.—At a moonlight excursion Mrs. Shaver, wife of a fireman on the Kingston and Pembroke Railway, met Frank Parkin, a cigarmaker. They were fascinated with each other, and, as Mr. Shaver was absent in London, Mrs. Shaver fled with Parkin to Uncle Sam's land, leaving her 4-year-old child with her sister.

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BRIGHT FUTURE FOR CANADA

THIS IS THE OPINION OF CHAIRMAN CARMAN.

Expressed at the Opening of the Toronto Conference Yesterday—Rev. George J. Bishop the Choice for the Presidency—Reports Reveal a Prosperous Year—Ladies and Missions.

Parkdale Methodist Church was thrown open to the public yesterday morning at 9 a.m. and to the 268 delegates, clerical and lay, who had assembled to the annual meeting of the Toronto Conference, as well as to the numerous friends who had come to watch the proceedings. After a prayer meeting, which was largely attended, the business meeting was constituted, Rev. Dr. Carman occupying the chair.

Believes in Canada's Future.

The Chairman's address was first on the program. He dealt with ministerial work in general, and in connection with his remarks as to the type of Methodism now growing up he declared his belief in the future of the Dominion and in the permanence of our connection with the British Empire. With the evident and heartily expressed approval of his hearers, Dr. Carman declared himself as strongly antagonistic to annexation. The establishment of a commercial policy was not the highest duty for man, and the treating commerce as the be-all and end-all of national life tended to degeneration. [Applause.] Let Canada's leading men consider her best interests and let her people emancipate themselves from political partisanship, and then satisfactory progress may be expected. [Applause.] He was not in favor of new doctrines, but he was in favor of greater spiritual life; he thought the old plan of carrying on revival services in connection with the conference a good one.

President Bishop.

The question of who was to be president came up, and after a close contest lasting one hour and a half and necessitating five ballots Rev. George J. Bishop of Parliament-street Church was elected, receiving 142 votes. Dr. Parker of Barrie came next with 120 votes. The other candidates were Revs. Dr. Galbraith of Berkeley-street, Dr. Langford of Brampton, and George Webber of St. Clarence-avenue. After a short address from the president-elect, the meeting was closed with the Doxology.

In the afternoon the Rev. R. N. Burns was elected secretary, and Revs. Benjamin Westwood, L. P. Bowles, W. S. Blackstock, R. P. Hill, Dr. E. Barrss and T. Manning were appointed assistants. The special committee's report, laying out a program of work, was adopted. A pleasant feature of the meeting at this stage was the distribution of the venerable Dr. Douglas of Montreal. A hearty burst of applause testified the estimation in which he is held by his brethren.

The following transfers have been made: Out of the Conference, Revs. Manly Benson, Samuel Down, H. L. Lovering and W. W. Andrews; into the Conference, Revs. A. C. Rews and Dr. James Elliott.

Fit for the Ministry.

The following probationers were reported as fit for admission to the ministry: Messrs. R. G. Davey, B.A., B.D., Toronto West District; E. A. Pearson, B.A., and John Robson, B.A., Frederick Langford, B.A., B.D., and A. P. Latter, Brampton District; W. W. Walker and J. V. Flunket, Parry Sound.

The following are the probationers of three years: Messrs. H. L. Lovering, J. E. Gardiner, W. E. Hassard, W. C. Stevenson, Toronto East District; E. C. Laker, J. H. Oliver, F. E. Fletcher, B.A., Brampton District; Isaac Couch of Barrie District, and R. H. Johnston, Orangeville.

The following is the list of second year probationers: Messrs. A. J. Toye and A. G. Hudson, B.A., Toronto West; A. E. Swartout, H. T. Ferguson, G. Agar, B.A., Brampton District; C. W. Reynolds, Whitby District; W. F. Roach, Bradford District; R. J. Hart, B.A., Orangeville District; Thomas Scott, F. L. Brown, B.A., Barrie District; J. D. Fitzpatrick, Collingwood District; G. W. Mason, W. Elliott, W. T. Wilson, Bracebridge District; Henry Fish, A. P. Brace, W. H. Moore, D. G. Noble, Algoma District.

The following are the first year probationers: Messrs. John A. Jackson and George Lawrence, Toronto West District; G. W. Robinson, Bradford District; E. J. Adams, Orangeville; Gideon Powell, J. J. Sparling, E. T. Douglas, Bracebridge District; A. J. Paul, Parry Sound; F. G. McAteer, W. B. Sallans, Algoma District.

After miscellaneous business had been transacted the field was cleared for general motions, and Rev. H. S. Matthews, the ex-president, was complimented with a neatly worded resolution of thanks for his services, and responded in a short and equally complimentary address.

The Book Steward's Report.

Rev. William Briggs, the able and successful book steward, then presented his report, showing a most satisfactory state of affairs, the total periodical issue amounting to over 250,000 weekly and 100 books having been published, while the net gain has been over $22,000.

Rev. Dr. Dewart then addressed the meeting on the subject of the work of The Christian Guardian. He enlarged on the importance of the press as a public educator and on the need for professedly Christian papers. After a vigorous plea for more vigorous support of The Guardian, Dr. Dewart gave place to Dr. Burwash, who read the annual statistical report of Victoria University, showing a satisfactory state of affairs, there being now in the bank for building purposes some $80,000, while there will be $230,000 endowment and no debt when the building is opened. There is need, he said, for a further endowment of $150,000. The year just closed has been exceedingly successful and the outlook is exceedingly bright.

Rev. Dr. Shaw of Montreal then spoke on behalf of Wesleyan College, setting forth the condition and needs of that institution. It has an endowment of $100,000 and an income of $6000, with about 70 students. There is need for another chair and already a start has been made. Dr. Douglas then spoke briefly and was vigorously applauded.

The Circulation Falling Off.

There were a number of votes of thanks, and then ex-Ald. Boustead brought in a motion that the Sunday School Committee should enquire into the cause of the decrease in the circulation of The Methodist Magazine. The magazine was becoming Americanized, he said, and so is losing the confidence of Canadians. After some discussion, Mr. Boustead withdrew his motion, saying that he had anyway brought the matter before this conference's attention. "Hear, Hear! That's diplomacy," said the chairman.

The meeting then adjourned.

Evening Session.

The meeting was opened promptly at 8 p.m. There was a large turnout, the ladies being well represented in the audience and the church choir being present to add to the attractiveness of the evening. Rev. Dr. Carman was in the chair and efficiently directed the course of the meeting. Routine business came first, and the minutes of the afternoon meeting were read and approved. The Nominating Committee reported the list of committees struck off, together with those composing them. The report was read and approved.

The following are the committees and their conveners: Pulpit Supply, Rev. T. Manning; Educational, Rev. H. S. Matthews; Church Property, Rev. William Briggs; Sustentative, Rev. James Grey; Memorials, Rev. T. E. Bartley; State of Work, Rev. George Abbs; Sabbath Observance, J. B. Boustead; Temperance, Rev. J. E. Starr; Pastoral Address, Rev. Dr. Johnston; Obituaries, Rev. W. S. Blackstock; Contingent Fund, Rev. Dr. Galbraith.

Good Work Done in Temperance.

The program of the evening was then announced, and temperance delegations had the first place. The ladies of the W.C.T.U. had the place of honor, and a deputation consisting of Mrs. Forster, Mrs. Dows, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Chamberlain and Mrs. Jarmin filed upon the platform. They were heartily received and Mrs. Forster addressed the conference, telling her hearers of the work the W.C.T.U. has been doing and of their aims. Hearty applause testified to the audience's appreciation of the ladies' work. A resolution of thanks moved by Rev. H. S. Matthews and seconded by Sheriff Bowles of Orangeville, looking towards the speedy obtaining of a Dominion prohibitory law, was carried unanimously.

The Dominion Alliance's Wishes.

The following gentlemen composed a delegation from the Dominion Alliance: Rev. W. A. Hunter and Messrs. J. S. Spence, Kay, Mihell, Thompson and Faulkner. These were received and Mr. Spence first spoke, outlining the work of the Alliance, describing the working of the Local Option Bill and calling for funds to support a temperance representative to accompany the Royal Commission. Rev. W. A. Hunter then spoke briefly, congratulating the Methodist Church upon its noble record in temperance matters and asking for the continuance of their support. A resolution assuring the alliance of the goodwill of the conference and recommending their suggestions to the attention of the Temperance Committee was carried unanimously.

The Ladies And Missions.

After a duet by the Misses Joy, a delegation was received from the Women's Missionary Society, composed of Mrs. McKay, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Thomas Thompson. Mrs. McKay was the spokeswoman, giving a very interesting account of the position and work of the Women's Missionary Society. There are 450 auxiliaries, numbering 11,000 members, and raising last year $31,000. They have in all 13 missionaries and teachers. They do a good work also among the Indians in British Columbia and the Northwest, and here Mrs. McKay put in a stout plea for the Methodist Church's claim for Government aid, as they did more than any others to educate the Indians and because the Indians need more than secular training. After an earnest and thrilling address was moved by Rev. Hugh Johnston and seconded by Rev. Mr. Bishop, and passed unanimously. It was also resolved to recommend the holding of special services and collections for the benefit of the society.

Methodism and Education.

After the choir had rendered a selection the Ontario Ladies' College at Whitby engaged the attention of the audience. Mr. George A. Cox spoke first, setting forth the excellent work done by the college, showing the quality of the instruction given in music, modern languages, while a complete university course can be given, with special advantages in the line of modern languages. Rev. Dr. Hare then spoke emphatically on the advantages afforded by the college and on the high nature of the work done in preparing for teachers' certificates for university work. He declared that they were progressing in the direction of a university and would soon arrive at that goal. After a further description of the advantages and an invitation to pay a visit there on Monday next, Dr. Hare sat down and was made the recipient of a highly appreciative resolution. The meeting then adjourned till 2 p.m. to-day.

AN OIL CITY VICTIM.

Particulars of Rev. J. W. A. Bristol's Death—Interment at St. Catharines.

ST. CATHARINES, June 9.—The funeral of Rev. J. W. A. Bristol, one of the victims of the Oil City, Pa., disaster, took place from the residence of his sister, Mrs. Wesley Bowman. The story of his death is very terrible. His mother, who lives in Toronto, was staying with him at the time of the disaster, and when the news first arrived in Oil City that danger was imminent he took her in a carriage to the hills. Returning to the hotel where his wife was he told her that he was going to see how the flood was progressing. In company with four young friends he left the hotel and before five minutes he and his companions were dead, having been literally blown into eternity by the explosion of a gasoline car. So close were they to the car when the explosion took place that the clothes were torn from their backs, while they were so disfigured that none of the relatives were allowed to see them. Mr. Bristol's body arrived here bound together by strips of linen and but a small portion of the dead man's throat was visible. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moore of Toronto attended the funeral, Mr. Bristol being a brother of Mrs. Moore.

ANOTHER OIL REFINERY BURNED.

An Explosion Starts the Flames—Men Burned to Death.

BRADFORD, Pa., June 9.—The Acme refinery at Olean, N.Y., is burning. One man was burned to death. The fire was caused by an exploding still and the whole of the plant will be destroyed. It is the largest oil refinery in the country.

Wheelmen's Day To-Morrow.

Everything bids fair for the great cycling tournament on the Kingston-road to-morrow. Hundreds of cyclists will attend the event as spectators, and while comparatively few will turn out in cycling costumes all should at least grace the occasion in cycling caps. The newest English and American forms in cycling headwear are shown in the special display at Messrs. W. & D. Dineen's, the fashionable hatters, corner King and Yonge streets, and the assortment also includes the regulation caps of all the clubs. The matter of correct headwear for cyclists who will attend the races to-morrow is a proper thing to consider to-day, and the few moments spent in an inspection of the new caps at Messrs. Dineen's will be full of interest to patrons of the wheel.

Mercier and Pacaud Committed to the Assizes.

QUEBEC, June 9.—In the Police Court this morning Judge Chauveau gave his decision in the conspiracy case against Mercier, Langelier and Pacaud. Mercier and Ernest Pacaud will have to stand their trial at the Court of Queen's Bench October term. Personal bail was accepted. The charges against Hon. Charles Langelier, ex-provincial secretary, were dismissed.

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His Skull Crushed.

NIAGARA FALLS, June 9.—George Campbell, a carpenter, fell from a derrick on the new Globe Theatre building, in the rear of Falls-street, to the floor beneath and was almost instantly killed. The derrick fell on top of him and crushed his skull in a horrible manner. Campbell was about 45 years old and came from Toronto to this city last Saturday. Nothing is known of his family or friends. He began work on this building the day of the accident.

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The World has resumed its Kew Beach and Victoria Park delivery.

MERCIER'S FINANCES.

He Abandons all His Property to Satisfy His Creditors.

MONTREAL, June 9.—Something of a sensation was created among Mr. Mercier's friends to-day when it was announced that the ex-Premier had made a voluntary abandonment of his property for the benefit of his creditors. The total liabilities amount to $60,000 or thereabouts. The abandonment includes the Cote St. Denis Property, valued at $20,000; the St. Hyacinthe property amounting to $5000; and the Tourouvre property, which is valued at between $15,000 and $20,000. This step of Mr. Mercier is said to have been taken in view of the recent suits brought against him by the several banks to recover the amount of promissory notes held by them and indorsed by him. It is stated by some of Mr. Mercier's friends who are supposed to be in his confidence that he will be left without a penny.

McCARTHY'S AMENDMENT DEFEATED

By 109 Votes to 62—The Liberals Supported Mr. D'Alton McCarthy And Col. O'Brien.

OTTAWA, June 9.—When the House met this afternoon an attempt was made by Mr. Beausoleil to get the report of the Committee on Banking and Commerce, throwing out the bill to amalgamate the National Mutual Loan and Building Society of Montreal and the National Mutual Loan and Building Society of Hamilton, referred back to the committee for further consideration, but after some discussion the motion was defeated, 53 for to 96 against. There seemed to be an impression in the House, as there was in committee yesterday, that these societies charged too much interest, and that they were a drawback instead of a help to the poor man.

No More Private Legislation.

On motion of Sir John Thompson Government business was given precedence on Monday after questions put by members. This practically closes all private business for the session, and leaves Mr. Armstrong's dual language and separate schools in the Northwest resolution hung up for this year, as well as Mr. Dalton McCarthy's motion and Mr. Devlin made an appeal to have a day set for his Home Rule resolution, but met with no encouragement.

Toronto Entitled to Eight Members.

After this the redistribution debate was resumed by Mr. Boyle, who made a good speech in defence of the bill. He was followed by Mr. Bain of Wentworth, who spoke up to recess and for a short time after in support of Mr. McCarthy's amendment.

Mr. Cockburn followed, making a short speech, in which he expressed dissatisfaction with both the amendment and the bill. He was not satisfied with the representation given to Toronto, which he said was entitled to eight members, and he announced that he should move an amendment to that effect when the House got into committee on the bill.

The debate was continued by Mr. McMillan (Huron).

Defeat in the Early Morn.

The debate was continued by Messrs. Lister, Mackintosh, Edwards and Christie until 12.40, when the members were called in and Mr. McCarthy's amendment was defeated by a vote of 62 for to 109 against.

The mover and seconder of the amendment, Messrs. McCarthy and O'Brien, were the only Conservatives who voted for it and they were supported by a solid Liberal vote.

Chit-Chat of the Capital.

OTTAWA, June 9.—Lady Abbott left for Ste. Annes this afternoon, where she will spend the greater part of the summer. Sir John paid a visit to Room 16 this evening and enjoyed a pleasant chat with his followers for some time. He is looking extremely well just now and shows no sign of the hard work he has had to go through this session. Sir John is a very busy man, and although he seldom comes out in the evenings or does any night work, if it can be avoided, manages to put in eight or ten hours a day at his office in council and in the Senate. He said to-night that he would be glad when the session was over, as he had accepted an invitation from Lord Mountstephen to pay him a visit at Metis, and he thought that a sniff of salt water and a little fishing would do him good.

His Excellency has gone for a short visit to the Cascapedia River, where he has built a comfortable summer residence, and not to the Metapedia, as erroneously stated in some papers. He will probably return to Ottawa next week.

POWDER MILL EXPLOSION.

One Man Instantly Killed and Several Badly Injured.

CINCINNATI, June 9.—During a severe storm yesterday lightning struck the cartridge house of King's powder mill, twenty miles from here, and an explosion followed. Archie Grubbs, aged 20, was instantly killed by a piece of iron being driven through his head. Joshua Clotte had his leg broken and back injured; Louis Ludcke, arm and face badly hurt; Miss Bettie Horner, prostrated by shock; Edward D. Boris, face cut and head bruised. Several others were slightly injured. A bolt of lightning struck one of the powder hoppers on the top floor and ran down an electric wire to the cartridge machine. The factory is a total wreck.

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Another Novelty for Chicago.

SINGAPORE, June 9.—The Sultan of Johore, one of the most prosperous States in the East, situated in the western part of the Malay Peninsula, is causing to be prepared for the Chicago Columbian Exhibition a model Malay village, in which the trades and industries peculiar to the Malays will be carried on by natives. It is highly probable the Sultan himself will visit Chicago during the exhibition.

The manufacture and sale of the Eureka Garden House (cotton rubber-lined) for the entire Dominion is controlled by Toronto Rubber Co., 28 King-street west. Note the brand "Eureka." In durability and strength it is unequalled.

Police Force on Strike.

FAIRFIELD, Conn., June 9.—The town is without police protection, "the finest" of that community having gone on strike. The trouble is over the order of Mayor Harrall that the police report every hour at a wooden post in front of his house.

Ask for the Toronto Rubber Company's Tennis Shoes. Finest in the market. For sale everywhere.

Hanged to a Bridge.

LOUISVILLE, June 9.—Austin Porter has been hanged by a mob. On May 25 Porter killed his wife. The mob gathered at midnight, forcing the jailer to deliver the keys, and took Porter out and hanged him to a railroad bridge.

Thousands upon thousands of people enjoy robust health and feel hearty and vigorous all the year round by using Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum.

Millions of feet sold! Of what? Of Eureka Cotton Garden Hose. Look for the brand "Eureka." Toronto Rubber Co., 28 King-street west.

IT WAS THE CRITICAL DAY.

BIG WITH THE FATE OF THE AMERICAN PARTIES.

The Harrison Men Are Uppermost in the Reception of the Majority Report of the Committee on Credentials—The Minority, or Blaine Party, Report Rejected by 463 to 423 Votes at an Early Hour This Morning—This Is a Black Eye for the Plumed Knight.

MINNEAPOLIS, June 9.—The convention gathered at 11 o'clock under the chairmanship of Major McKinley. As the report of the Committee on Credentials was not ready the convention was adjourned till 8 o'clock.

Harrison Men Claim a Majority.

The Harrison leaders called a meeting suddenly to-day for 1 o'clock for the purpose of bringing together the Harrison delegates. It was in a sense a confidential meeting, for those not in the confidence of the Harrison men were not invited and the press was not admitted. It is claimed there were 406 delegates present.

Mr. Depew declared that the contest in view of that meeting was practically ended.

The Evening Session.

The convention was called to order at 8.50 p.m.

The platform of the 10th Republican National Convention is shorter than any of its predecessors. It is rather practical in its suggestions, and devotes much less space than usual to wordy generalities and threadbare platitudes. Now that the long sessions of the committee entrusted with its preparation are over, members feel at liberty to talk in respect to their proceedings. They were harmonious throughout.

How the Oracle Is Worked.

If the silent walls could speak the echoes of the whispers uttered in secret conference and darkened chambers to-day, the world would be astounded at the revelations of the ways of political conventions and the means that are employed to create the popular sentiment that makes or unmakes leaders and parties.

The hour for street parades or exuberant demonstrations in the corridors and rotundas of the hotels has passed and has been succeeded by an era of silent and almost frantic political activity on the assurance of a Blaine majority of the Committee on Credentials.

Both factions seemed to be glad of the brief respite afforded, and the interval from noon to 8 o'clock was assiduously employed by leaders of both elements in making a last strenuous attempt to hold their forces together and defeat the opposition candidate.

There Are Three Parties.

At no time since the convention opened have the demands for a compromise candidate been so generally and persistently expressed as to-day. Indeed it can be almost said the convention is now divided into three elements: The administration people, the Blaine factions and the Conservative element, which is demanding nothing but the party's success and which gives evidence of aggressiveness in insisting that both of the leading candidates should give way to some one man free from factional affiliations who can carry the party to victory.

McKinley's Chance.

The favorite compromise candidate, whose name is on every lip to-night, and who, in political parlance, has almost ceased to be a "dark horse," although disclaiming any pretence as to being a candidate, is Governor McKinley of Ohio.

The governor is apparently not making the slightest effort to add to his boom, which had its infancy 72 hours since, and now has assumed such magnificent proportions as to become a constant menace to both of the factions.

Other Probable Nominees.

In some quarters there is considerable mention of the name of Sherman, and some maintain that it would not be surprising if the convention finally settled down on the veteran senator for the nominee.

Senator Allison is also frequently mentioned, but Hon. Jeremiah Rusk of Wisconsin, Secretary of Agriculture, appears to be a more popular candidate.

The strength of Gen. Russell A. Alger of Michigan will develop on the first ballot.

Harrison the Committee's Favorite.

The majority report is favorable to Harrison and the minority report to Blaine. The vote will be a strong indication of actual strength of the two leaders in the convention.

The Crucial Time.

MINNEAPOLIS, June 10, 1 a.m.—Chairman McKinley was in his seat.

Chairman Coggswell, from the Committee on Credentials, took the platform and stated he was not prepared with a written report but if the convention wished he would give a verbal report. He considered that the minority was ready to report.

The chairman asked if there was objection to the reception of a verbal report from the committee. No objection was heard and Mr. Coggswell, holding in his hand a memo. sheet, began to announce the action of the committee. The majority report recommends that the committee be sustained as to 23 votes and not sustained as to 17 votes; recommending the unseating of 17 delegates given seats temporarily.

The net result politically was a gain of about 12 votes to Harrison as compared with the temporary roll.

The adoption of this report was moved. Mr. Wallis of New York made a minority report as to Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana, involving 10 Harrison votes.

They Got Warm.

A protracted and very heated discussion followed the presentation of the reports. After four or five speakers had their say Mr. Beethea of Illinois made a remark that he could prove anything from the section of Alabama from which the contestants came. The remark provoked prolonged hissing, which led Cannon of Illinois to suggest that the galleries be cleared. The feeling on the floor developed additional bitterness as the debate progressed.

Senator Wolcott of Colorado scored the office-holders roundly and told them to go back to their duties in Washington.

Mr. Clayton of Arkansas attacked Senator Wolcott and told him there were Senators who should go back.

Mr. Chauncey Depew spoke for the majority report and Mr. Warner Miller against it. Senator Quay and other leaders followed, taking a hand in the fray, which was ended at 10.40 p.m. by vote on question to substitute the minority report for majority report. The Alabama delegates whose seats were contested voted in favor of themselves. Active opposition at once developed on the part of the Harrison leaders, and finally at 11.22 p.m. the delegates whose seats are in question withdrew their votes and the roll-call proceeded.

A Black Eye for Blaine.

It was 12.30 when the vote on the motion to adopt the minority report was announced. This vote was taken as an indication of the strength of the Blaine and Harrison following.

The Blaine men favored the adoption of the minority report and made strenuous efforts to carry their point.

The result although the vote was close was a considerable disappointment to the followers of the Plumed Knight, and although the Harrison folks won the victory their vote is not sufficiently large to afford them much gratification.

Over 450 votes is required to nominate, and of the votes against the minority report, eight came from Michigan Algermen—and there were probably 30 or 40 other votes against the adoption of the minority report which are not strictly Harrison votes, so that neither side can be said to have made a decisive point, although there is no doubt that the vote is a black eye for the Blaine candidacy.

The Official Figures.

The official vote on the adoption of the minority report is as follows: Ayes 423, nays 463.

The announcement of the vote caused great cheering.

Following the cheers a motion was made to adjourn, which was defeated.

A roll of the states was demanded and is being proceeded with on the adoption of the majority report on the Alabama case.

The Harrison Delegates Seated.

The vote on the adoption of the majority report in the Alabama case, seating the Harrison delegates, resulted in 476 yeas, 365 nays, a distinct gain for the Harrison party.

At 1.10 a.m. Governor Foraker ascended to the platform to present the resolutions and the platform. He was received with cheers, which continued some time.

The Evening Session.

Platform Received and Convention Adjourned.

The platform was received with cheers, after which a motion to adjourn was put and carried, and the convention adjourned to 11 o'clock this morning.

First Ballots.

In view of the contest at Minneapolis, it is interesting to note that there was no contest over the Republican nomination in the convention of 1864, 1868 and 1872. The nomination in each case was by acclamation.

In the convention of 1876 this was the result on the first ballot: Blaine 285, Morton 126, Bristow 113, Conkling 99, Hayes 61, Hartranft 58, Jewell 11, Wheeler 3. The nomination was made on the seventh ballot and Hayes was chosen.

In the convention of 1880 this was the vote on the first ballot: Grant 304, Blaine 284, Sherman 93, Edmunds 34, Washburne 30, Windom 10. The nomination was made on the 36th ballot. Garfield, a "dark horse," was selected.

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