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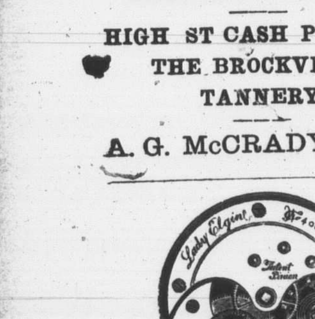

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Men's Solid Leather Nar. S. Oxfords	1.00
" Fine M. S. Oxfords	1.25
" Dongola kid M. S. Oxfords	1.50
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Brockville, April 18, 1893. W. L. MALEY

CANADIAN CURRENCY.

INTERESTING EVENTS OF THE DOMINION FROM FAR AND NEAR.

The Developments of Each Day During the Week Caught Fresh From the Busy Wires and Carefully Edited and Condensed for Our Use.

THURSDAY, MAY 4.

Seeding is now general in Manitoba.

Col. Higinbotham has been elected president of the Guelph board of trade.

Ten ocean steamships arrived at Montreal yesterday.

The London Street Railway company has reduced the working day of all its employees to ten hours.

Mr. E. Gustin, one of the oldest of native Canadians, died yesterday in London township, aged 94.

Henry Gooder, an English tailor, committed suicide yesterday at Toronto Junction by hanging himself.

Wm. McMillan, an employee of the Arnprior mill, aged 28, was instantly killed by an accident to the shafting.

D. A. Carey of Toronto was re-elected grand president of the E. B. A. for Ontario at the convention in Stratford yesterday.

The City of Collingwood, a new screw steamer built at Owen Sound for the North Shore Navigation Company, was launched yesterday.

Rev. T. W. Winfield, pastor of Emmanuel Reformed Episcopal church, Ottawa, has resigned and will enter the Presbyterian church.

Hon. G. E. Foster, Hon. Mackenzie Bowell and Hon. A. R. Angers were in Toronto yesterday. They received deputations from the various trades interested in the proposed tariff revision.

An official of the department of agriculture stated in Montreal last evening that he had just received positive information that the scheduling of Canadian cattle by the British government would be abolished on June 1.

FRIDAY, MAY 5.

Albert College, Belleville, reduced its debt $3,000 last year.

Thomas Thompson, one of the oldest citizens of Belleville, died yesterday, aged 86.

Several persons were injured by a collision of electric street cars at Brantford yesterday.

A hurricane prevailed at Quebec last night and considerable damage was done to fences and light structures.

Mary Grant, a middle-aged servant, living at 179 Bleury street, Montreal, committed suicide by swallowing rough on rats.

A young woman named Mary Baptist, living in Toronto died yesterday morning under circumstances that caused the refusal of a certificate of death.

The induction of Rev. R. J. M. Glassford, late of the Presbyterian church, Streetsville, to be pastor of Chalmer's church, Guelph, took place yesterday afternoon.

A registered letter containing $50 and some small change were stolen from Smithfield, Ont., post office on Tuesday night. The door was broken open with a chisel. No arrests yet.

The famous Senator Ross will case was decided at Quebec yesterday in favor of the plaintiffs, and sustaining the judgment of the Superior Court. This means that the appeals of Frank Ross and Theodore Ross are dismissed.

Prof. Robertson, Dominion Dairy Commissioner, has received from the English tea merchant who purchased Canada's mammoth cheese a pound of tea valued at 22 guineas. The tea will be distributed among the Cabinet Ministers.

SATURDAY, MAY 6.

Sheriff Glass of London continues critically ill.

Dr. A. M. Shaver of Blenheim died Thursday night, aged 34.

Mr. James Cahill, police magistrate of Hamilton, died yesterday morning, aged 77.

Successful mica mining operations are reported at the village of Portland, on the Rideau.

At Strathroy yesterday Mr. J. E. Chute of Caradoc was ordained to the Baptist ministry.

Eleven stowaways were each sentenced to two weeks' imprisonment at Montreal yesterday.

Dr. Bell has been re-elected president of the Peterboro' Rifle association and Chas. Curtis secretary-treasurer.

Bradstreet's reports 30 business failures in Canada this week, against 35 last week and 41 in the like week last year.

At Montreal the coroner's jury has returned a verdict of manslaughter against Wallace Ross, who kicked John McVey so severely that he died.

Frank McLeod, who lived near Tilbury Center, was killed in a stave mill at McGregor, near Essex, yesterday by being caught by a revolving shaft.

Cyrus N. Garrison, proprietor of the "Little World," has reported to the Peterboro' police that he was garroted and robbed of $65 at the C.P.R. station in that town Thursday night.

Over two hundred women waited on the Ontario government last night, and demanded the ballot for all women in parliamentary elections, and for married women as well as spinsters and widows in municipal elections.

MONDAY, MAY 8.

Prisoners in Montreal jail cost 7 1-2 cents per day for food.

West Hastings Conservatives will banquet Mr. Corby, M.P.

There is a potato famine in British Columbia, and "Murphies" are selling wholesale at $45 per ton. Several cars are on the way from Manitoba.

Frederick Koch, a milkman, was thrown from his wagon in Toronto yesterday morning. His skull was fractured, and he lived but a few hours.

Dr. Phillips, medical health officer of Winnipeg, has been suspended for removing quarantine on a residence in which a smallpox case was found recently.

At a special meeting of Guelph presbytery at Berlin, Ont., on Saturday, Rev. Robert Atkinson, of Pictou, N. S., was inducted to the pastorate of St. Andrew's church, Berlin.

The Grand Trunk freight handlers at the Bonaventure station, in Montreal, are on strike for an advance of 25 per cent. in wages. The company refuses to concede the demand.

Why He Went.

Suburban Housekeeper—Here, you promised me if I'd give you a warm meal you'd help me with my garden.

Tramp—Yes, mum, and you did well by me, mum, and I'm much obliged.

"But you are going without digging the garden."

"Yes, mum. I'm a landscape gardener, mum, and I'm going off to hunt up a landscape."—New York Weekly.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

INTERESTING HAPPENINGS OF THE WORLD FROM FAR AND NEAR.

The Developments of Each Day During the Week Caught Fresh From the Busy Wires and Carefully Edited and Condensed for Our Use.

THURSDAY, MAY 4.

An earthquake shook Sicily yesterday.

The whole force of rebels in Cuba have surrendered. There were only 30 of them.

Lieut.-Gen. Sir James Charlemagne Dormer, K.C.B., commander of the British forces in Madras, is dead.

John Wood, the furniture dealer who is the chief lieutenant of Dr. Talmage in the Brooklyn tabernacle, has failed.

The consolidation of the principal belt leather manufacturers of the United States has been accomplished, with a capital of $120,000,000.

A Schitkine girl, 17 years old, has been rescued at Bogorodska, near Moscow, after being buried in the snow for 51 days. She subsisted on snow and a few crusts of bread.

The St. Petersburg Church Messenger says that out of 1,000 pilgrims journeying to Nazareth the majority perished from exposure during the terrible weather encountered on the way.

The Indianapolis, Decatur and Springfield railroad was sold at auction yesterday under foreclosure, for $2,410,000, the purchasers being the members of the Reorganization Committee of the road.

It was announced at Philadelphia yesterday that Speyer & Co., of New York, have extended their $3,000,000 loan to the Reading. This, it is believed, practically completes the plan for rehabilitation.

Near El River station, Ind., yesterday three men were working in a blacksmith shop. A piece of red hot iron flew into a box containing 50 sticks of dynamite. The fragments of the three men were gathered up in a basket.

FRIDAY, MAY 5.

Marshal McMahon, of France, is seriously ill of influenza.

Dr. Charles Tanner, Irish Nationalist M.P., is critically ill in London.

Richard Bennett has just died at Bentonville, Mo., 110 years of age.

Ten thousand workmen in Cincinnati furniture factories threaten to strike.

The number of paid admissions to the World's Fair yesterday was 18,000.

A cyclone in North Carolina Wednesday night did $200,000 damage in the neighborhood of Raleigh.

In Milwaukee 5,100 converts are reported as the result of evangelistic services held by Revivalist Mills.

Two men were killed and three badly injured by the explosion of a piston head at Chattanooga, Tenn., yesterday.

The National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, has made an assignment. Liabilities, $75,000 to $100,000; assets, small.

A section of the Williamsport, Pa., boom broke yesterday and about fifteen million feet of logs escaped, passing down the river.

Rev. William Lawrence, of Boston, the Broad churchmen's candidate, has been chosen as bishop of the diocese of Massachusetts.

The union dock laborers at Bristol, Eng., have struck against the employment of non-union men, and the shipping trade at that port is blocked.

The lumbermen of Tonawanda, N.Y., are getting poles from Buffalo to unload lumber, and there are fears of trouble with the union lumber shovers.

A Melbourne cable says that the Bank of Victoria and the City and Commercial Banks re-opened their doors Wednesday. It is expected that all the other Australian banks which closed will be reopened.

SATURDAY, MAY 6.

Francis Henshaw & Co., stock auctioneers, of Boston, have failed.

The chambermaids of New York's large hotels are now threatening to strike.

The infanta Eulalia and the other members of the Spanish royal party who are to visit the United States have arrived at Porto Rico.

A fifteen-foot freshet is reported in the Hudson river. Considerable damage to property has been caused at Albany, N.Y., and other points.

News has reached Panama of the complete triumph of Gen. Vasquez, leader of the government troops against the revolutionists in Honduras.

Two hundred switchmen employed in the Pan Handle yards at Columbus, Ohio, struck Thursday night against the importation of non-union switchmen from Pittsburg.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lipp, who died in a dentist's chair in Buffalo while under the influence of laughing gas, was a daughter of Mr. Jacob Lipp, of Plattsville, Oxford county.

A Washington despatch announces that the international monetary conference, which was adjourned to reassemble in Brussels on the 30th inst., will not reassemble until some time in November.

MONDAY, MAY 8.

The Mississippi valley is threatened with one of the greatest floods ever known.

The striking dock laborers at Bristol, Eng., have returned to work unconditionally.

Three important cities of Nicaragua have fallen into the hands of the revolutionists.

A great fall of snow is reported throughout Hungary. Railway traffic is blocked by snow drifts.

The Panhandle switchmen at Columbus, Ohio, are still out, and traffic is continued with difficulty.

A verdict for $5,000 damages has been returned at Detroit in the case of Mrs. Metcalf against Mrs. Tiffany for alienation of a husband's affections.

The World's Fair council of administration has decided that smoking is permissible within the grounds of the exposition, but not inside of the buildings.

The steamers Paris and Campania started from New York on their race across the ocean Saturday morning. One of the passengers on the Paris is Ignace Paderewski.

Rev. Thomas Spurgeon will sail from Auckland, N.Z., for San Francisco on May 20. He will remain a few days in Chicago, and will probably assist Mr. Dwight Moody in his work there.

Truly a Sad Ending.

Emeline—Have you heard how Jennie's marriage turned out?

Agnes—No. He was a foreign nobleman, wasn't he?

"He pretended to be, but he wasn't."

"And so she was deceived, poor girl?"

"Yes, horribly deceived. He proved to be nothing but a rich American."—Texas Siftings.

DETECTIVE PHAIR'S DEATH.

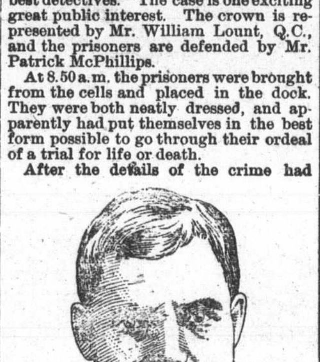
Burke and Wilson Found Guilty of Manslaughter in London.

LONDON, Ont., May 5.—At the assizes here yesterday before Hon. Mr. Justice Street the trial opened of John Burke and Thomas Wilson, charged with murdering Harry Phair, one of London's best detectives. The case is one exciting great public interest. The crown is represented by Mr. William Lount, Q.C., and the prisoners are defended by Mr. Patrick McPhillips.

THOMAS WILSON.

At 8.50 a.m. the prisoners were brought from the cells and placed in the dock. They were both neatly dressed, and apparently had put themselves in the best form possible to go through their ordeal of a trial for life or death.

After the details of the crime had been given in evidence, the judge instructed the jury that their verdict must be either for manslaughter or acquittal. A verdict of manslaughter was returned; sentence deferred.



JOHN BURKE.

Twelve Years in the Penitentiary.

LONDON, Ont., May 7.—Burke and Wilson, who were convicted of manslaughter on Thursday at the Middlesex Assizes for the killing of Detective Harry Phair, on Oct. 6, 1892, were brought before Judge Street yesterday and received a sentence of 12 years each in Kingston Penitentiary, with the indifference which characterized them upon the day of their trial.

Hanging from a Bannister.

TORONTO, May 4.—In a two-story roughcast house in Uttley street, Toronto Junction, Henry Gooder was found by his wife shortly after 5 last evening hanging from the upstairs balustrade. Gooder was an Englishman, 70 years of age. He came to Canada some four or five years ago. At that time he was worth $9000. This money he invested in Junction property and in the erection of several houses, in one of which he lived. These investments consumed his entire capital. To such straits was he driven that it is said that had it not been for the kindness of friends, he and his wife would have died of starvation during the past winter. Yesterday at noon he accompanied his wife to the Brockton bridges, where she took a car for the city. He promised to meet her in the evening. Wondering at his failure to keep the appointment, Mrs. Gooder made her way home at 5 p.m. to find her husband cold and stark.

McCarthy at Kingston.

KINGSTON, Ont., May 8.—The City Hall on Saturday was packed to the doors to hear D'Alton McCarthy.

Principal Grant opened and applauded Mr. McCarthy's platform throughout.

He spoke for free trade modified only by revenue requirements or national conditions. We have fostered protection till it has become a virus in the blood. It must be purged away, but it will have to be done gradually.

He favored first knocking the walls down against Great Britain.

G. Osborne read an address to Mr. McCarthy, who spoke for an hour and a half. He said he wanted the tariff lowered in favor of England. He urged the people to continue to agitate for tariff reform. The agitation had aroused the Government and it must be kept up.

Big Fire at Hamilton.

HAMILTON, May 4.—Shortly before 7 o'clock yesterday fire broke out in the Grant-Lottridge Brewing Company's premises on Bay street north and before it was got under control more than $60,000 damages had been done. The fire is supposed to have originated in the drying kiln and it spread with great rapidity. It burned fiercely for two hours and by the time it was under control the large building was almost completely gutted, the walls alone remaining. The engine and boilers are not seriously injured and the office contents were saved, but the valuable plant is destroyed and with it 27,000 bushels of malt and 24,000 pounds of hops, valued at $35,000. There was also 1,470 barrels of ale in process of fermentation, which is a total loss. The insurance amounts to $60,000.

She Was Poisoned.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I., May 4.—The inquest on the body of Miss McEachren, the victim of the poisoning affair, which is the sensation of the day here, was held last evening. The evidence of the doctors was to the effect that the girl had taken poisonous drugs to conceal her unfortunate position. The girl admitted this to Dr. Johnson, but refused to give the name of the man who is responsible and who had given her the medicine. The jury returned a verdict that the deceased came to her death by poison, which was administered to her by some other persons with felonious intent.

The Shipman Trial Postponed.

BROCKVILLE, May 4.—The Shipman murder trial has been adjourned until the fall sittings of the Assize Court. This course has been rendered necessary by the serious illness of Mrs. Wheeler, an important witness.

New Use For a Map.

A Boston school inspector having a few minutes to spare after examining the school put a few questions to the lower form boys on the common objects in the schoolroom. "What is the use of that map?" he asked, pointing to one stretched across the corner of the room, and half a dozen shrill voices answered in measured articulations:

"Please, sir, it's to hide master's bicycle!"—New York Mercury.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

Work Done by Provincial Legislature During the Week.

TORONTO, May 2.—At the legislature yesterday the day was given over to a debate on the feasibility of adopting a law prohibiting the retail sale of liquor throughout the province. Hon. G. W. Ross moved the following resolution which shows the Government's position in the matter:

Messrs. Marter, Balfour and Ross, spoke exhaustively on Mr. Marter's motion and its amendments, and Mr. Whitney moved the adjournment of the debate.

TORONTO, May 3.—Yesterday the House continued and concluded the debate and reached a vote on the prohibition resolutions, amendment and amendment to the amendment. Mr. Marter's bill was given the six months' hoist, and the vote stood 51 to 38 in favor of the government resolutions. All the leaders spoke and placed themselves on record. The vote was a straight party one.

TORONTO, May 4.—Mr. Ross introduced yesterday the bill, of which he had given notice, for a plebiscite on the liquor traffic. The question to be submitted to the electors in January next is as follows:—"Are you in favor of the immediate prohibition by law of the importation, manufacture, and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage?" As already announced, all on the provincial lists, as well as unmarried women and widows on the municipal lists, will be entitled to vote. Male voters will receive yellow ballot papers and female electors blue ballots. A return is to be made of votes cast for or against prohibition by each sex. All the expense attending the plebiscite must be borne by the municipalities, and should any clerk fail to comply with the Act he will be liable to a fine of $200 and costs. No vote will be taken in the unorganized territories. The Government was attacked on the administration of the license law during a debate which arose out of a motion for returns. Mr. Campbell, of Algoma, made a serious charge against the license inspector in his riding. He asserted that the official was in the habit of frequenting hotels in an intoxicated state on Sundays, and that he gambled for whiskey. To these direct charges Mr. Gibson replied that this was the first time he had known the Opposition to get down to particulars in its attacks upon the license system. He promised a speedy investigation. Mr. McKay (of Oxford) proposes in a bill he has introduced that municipalities shall have the power to levy a tax upon animals that graze upon the public highways. The adjournment took place at 11.35 p.m.

TORONTO, May 5.—A great deal of time was spent yesterday in quiet consideration of the details of Mr. Gibson's bill for the prevention of cruelty to children. Some criticisms were offered by the leader of the Opposition with a view to protect parents from unnecessary interference. The bill provides that where a parent has been convicted of an offence causing bodily injury to his child a judge may take the child out of his custody and hand it over to the care of some other person or a children's aid society. The danger is that this might be used where the offence has been of a trifling nature or where a parent has in a passing fit of anger administered a punishment too severe, though soon regretted. Under the English law, upon which Mr. Gibson's bill is modelled, the parent must be guilty of a felony. After some discussion the clause was allowed to stand. The Provincial Secretary thought that the clause should be changed so as to refer to not less than grievious bodily injury, and when the matter is again discussed some such change will be made.

An insight was given by Mr. Fraser into what the probable cost of the Parliament buildings will be. The expenditure to date has been $1,250,000. Yesterday a further sum of $15,000 was voted, but that will not be all. The Central prison supplied bricks to the value of $62,000, and so far has been paid only $30,000. There is, therefore, $32,000 or thereabouts to be added for bricks. Mr. Fraser thinks that $1,300,000 will cover the cost of the building, but the equipments, including gas fixtures and elevators, have yet to be paid for. This will mean an addition of $87,000, and then will come the furnishings and the laying out and beautifying of the grounds. A vast amount of legislation has already been introduced, and much more will be brought before the House. There are now 160 bills awaiting sanction or receiving consideration. Of these 66 are private bills. Nineteen measures to amend the Municipal Act and several to improve the Ditches and Water Courses Act are on the paper. The House adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

TORONTO, May 6.—Some interesting statistics were brought down yesterday regarding the influct of immigrants into Ontario during last year. For the past seven or eight years there has been a steady decrease, and the falling off last year was specially large. Below are the returns of settlers who entered Ontario during the last four years:—

1889	23,196
1890	18,487
1891	16,072
1892	14,771

Back in 1883 Ontario received as many as 40,000 immigrants, and many are the explanations given for the falling off. Of those who entered Ontario this year 7,771 came under the attention of the provincial agencies. This was 2,564 less than in 1891 and 3,566 less than in 1890. Owing to the withdrawal of the Dominion agencies from Ontario the figures usually obtained from that source have been supplied by an approximate estimate, which may or may not be correct. The Department figures that 7,000, or about the same as last year, came into the province through the Customs agencies. The nationalities of the 7,771 settlers reported by the provincial agencies are quoted as follows:—English, 4,339; Scotch, 1,188; Irish, 1,048; German, 602; other nationalities, 529. From the figures given of child immigration it is clear that the Old Country philanthropists have not been idle. The imported juveniles numbered 1,552, or 129 less than in 1891; of these Dr. Barnardo brought in 614. Altogether 611,822 immigrants have come to Ontario, and 21,171 children have been brought here by the charitable organizations of the Old World. A bill with a very laudable object was to-day thrown out neck and crop. Mr. Rorke's bill simply provided that there should be one deputy reeve to every 750 voters instead of every 500. While many members considered that a reduction was necessary, the House took the view that until there was some general demand for reform it would not be wise to attempt to deal with the matter. Mr. Rorke's bill was consequently shelved. The House adjourned at 6 p.m.

Too Strong.

"I think Mr. Richmuch has very weak punch served at his parties," remarked young Swellgo to his friend Dashoff.

"I don't agree with you," answered his friend, "I got the strongest punch at his house I ever had in my life."

"On what occasion?"

"When I asked him for the hand of his daughter."—Detroit Free Press.

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