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A blue book has been issued containing a report of the Transvaal concessions commission. It is clear, the commission avers, that a state which has annexed another is not legally bound by any contracts made by the state which has ceased to exist and that no court of law has jurisdiction to enforce such contracts, if the annexing state refuses to recognize them. The commission recommends that the government decline to recognize the dynamite and other concessions and adds that it is satisfied that Dr. Leids and others have received from certain directors shares and financial considerations. Regarding the Netherlands-South African Railroad, the report, while admitting that the concession was legally granted, considers it should be terminated. Its extraordinary action in the way precludes the possibilities of its continuance under British administration.

Dear Sirs.—Within the past year I know of three fatty tumors on the head having been removed by the application of MINARD'S LINIMENT without any surgical operation, and there is no indication of a return. CAPT. W. A. PITT, Clifton, N. B. Gondola Ferry.

As a compliment to his wife King Victor Emmanuel III. has ordered that the new postage stamp shall bear her portrait instead of his.

In the House of Commons Mr. Balfour said there was no foundation for the rumors of peace negotiations with the Boers. The Boer force now in the field is estimated at 17,500 men.

The Board of Control will not permit the removal of the Macdonald monument in the Queen's Park, Toronto, to make way for one of Queen Victoria until after learning the views of the donors of the Macdonald monument.

In his report to the British Government Sir David Barbour recommends a tax of 10 per cent. on the profits of the Transvaal mines towards the expenses of the war. This, it is estimated, will yield about £450,000 annually.

'The Delineator' for July, is a remarkable and beautiful example of typographical art. This is especially true of the color pictures illustrating an article on the Pan-American Exposition.

Canada is specifically excepted in the official announcement that the German Federal Council, on the basis of the law of May 25th, has decided, from July 30th, to extend to the products of Great Britain and her colonies the most favored nation treatment.

Frank, son of Mr. Hazen J. Dick of St. John, had a very narrow escape from death on Saturday evening last by falling from the platform of a car on the Baptist picnic train as it was approaching Fairville coming in from Westfield. Happily the only injuries sustained were some slight bruises.

In furtherance of her plans to make the institution founded by her husband the best school of engineering in the United States, Mrs. Philip D. Armour has decided to add \$250,000 to the recent gift of \$1,000,000 made by her son J. J. Ogden Armour, to the Armour Institute.

The directors of the New Brunswick Coal and Railway Company met Thursday and decided to call a meeting of the stockholders for an early date, with the view of calling for tenders for the construction of the road from Chipman to Gibson. The shareholders and directors of the company will meet in about a fortnight. A very satisfactory report on the coal areas was reported.

The death of Hon. A. S. Hardy, late Premier of Ontario, occurred on Thursday last, after a severe illness and an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Hardy was born in 1837, was called to the Bar in 1865, entered the Ontario Legislature in 1873, became Provincial Secretary in 1877, Commissioner of Crown Lands in 1889, became Premier in 1896, and retired from political life in 1899 because of ill health. Mr. Hardy was a man of large ability who rendered good service to his Province as a legislator.

Barney Morris celebrated the 109th anniversary of his birth Tuesday by getting to work in Prospect Park, Brooklyn, N. Y., a little earlier than usual. Morris, who says he was born in County Cavan, Ireland, on June 10, 1792, never drank or smoked. In a large measure he considers his long life as due to that. Morris is not only the oldest employe of the Brooklyn Park Department in point of age, but is the oldest man ever employed at Prospect Park or in any other branch of the department in any section of New York city. He is as active as a man of 60 and enjoys the outdoor work assigned him.

Borings for oil have been going on for sometime in Westmorland County, but though oil bearing sands have been found, the first indication of oil in paying quantities was encountered last week at a depth of 300 feet in a well on the St. Joseph College farm near Memramcook. It is expected that when the well has been sunk deeper and torpedoed a better flow of the fluid will be obtained. According to the reports of Professor Shaler of Harvard University and Professor Gooderich of Boston the indications are that oil in paying quantities will be found in the Westmorland and Albert belt. The success which attended the operations at Memramcook has greatly encouraged the Company which is prosecuting the undertaking.

Chicago Tribune: "Young man," the rising statesman said to the reporter, "newspaper notoriety is exceedingly distasteful to me, but since you have asked me to give you some of the particulars of the leading events of my life I will comply. I do so, however, with great reluctance." Here he took a typewritten sheet from a drawer in his desk and handed it to the reporter. "I suppose, of course," he added, "you will want my portrait, and although I dislike anything that savors of publicity, I can do no less than comply with your wish." Here he took a photograph from a large pile in another drawer and gave it to the reporter. "When this appears in print," he said, "you may send me two hundred and fifty copies of the paper."

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The New York Mail and Express announces the incorporation of the Dominion Securities Co. with a capital of \$1,500,000, as the first step in the direction of permanent control of all Nova Scotian transportation and industrial companies. One of the features will be the establishment of a steamship service between New York and Nova Scotia. Dr. Wm. Seward Webb has been made president of the company and the directors are John Jacob Astor, S. R. Callaway, Edward Vanetten and Percy Clemon. The first stretch of tracks of the Cape Breton Railroad Extension Co. is being laid. Within four years 600 miles of track will run from Yarmouth to Halifax and from Port Hawkesbury to Louisburg and Sydney. This enterprise is a move made by the Vanderbilt railroad interests. It will open a new lane for American commerce and fill the great coal sheds of the New York section from the extensive coal mines of Nova Scotia.

Mrs. Hatterson—I am going to meet my husband at 1 o'clock to select some decorations for the drawing-room.
Mrs. Catterson—What do you want him with you for?
"Well, in case they don't turn out right, I can say it is his fault.—(Life.

THE DEER'S EYES.

A Canadian hunter tells this incident of how he once came face to face with his quarry and had not the heart to fire: "It wasn't a case of 'back fever,' such as a novice might experience, for I had been a good many deer. This was a particularly fine buck that I had followed for three days. A strong man can run any deer to earth in time, and at last I had my prey tired out. From the top of a hill I sighted him a few miles away. He had given up the fight, and had stretched himself out on the snow. As I stalked him, he changed his position and took shelter behind a boulder, and using the same boulder for a shelter, I came suddenly face to face with him. He didn't attempt to run away, but stood there looking at me with the most piteous pair of eyes I ever saw.
Shot? I could have no more shot him than I could have shot a child. Had the chance come from a distance of 100 yards, I would have shot him down and carried his antlers home in triumph, but once having looked into those eyes it would have been nothing less than murder. I have hunted deer since then, but I find the sport affords me little pleasure. Whenever I draw a bead, the picture of those mute, appealing eyes comes before me, and, though it has not prevented me from pulling the trigger, I have always felt glad somehow when my bullet failed to find its mark."—Witness.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

The thunder and lightning storm which passed over the city on Friday afternoon did some damage in this vicinity. A house

on the Red Head road, owned and occupied by a family named McNamara, was struck by lightning and badly wrecked. The lightning apparently struck the chimney and passed through the house, knocking the plaster from the walls and tearing up the interior. A curious feature was that it split large splinters from the posts of a bed. No one in the house was hurt, but Mr. McNamara, who was outside the door when the bolt struck, was knocked down unconscious. He soon revived. The lightning demolished a tree on Goderich street during the storm on Friday.—Globe.

HIGH MOUNTAINS OF THE MOON.

The Leibnitz range attain enormous altitudes above the average level of the moon's surface, and are sometimes seen projected far beyond the regular curvature of disk, thus destroying the circular contour and giving it a notched or serrated aspect. Several of the peaks of these southern mountains measure 30,000 feet in altitude, while one has been estimated to attain the great height of 36,000 feet. All the chief mountains of the moon which can be seen from the earth with a telescope have had their heights ascertained. The German observers, Beer and Maedler, have calculated the height of no fewer than 1,095 lunar mountains. The Doriel Mountains supply an instance of great elevation, the peaks of the three leading ones being between 25,000 feet and 26,000 feet high. Among other lunar peaks may be mentioned Huyghens, 21,000 feet; Hadley, 15,000 feet; Bracley, 13,000 feet; and Wolf, 11,000 feet.—"Tit-Bits."

A BLOW ADDER.

On Saturday, May 25, William Hill, of Ruthven, Ont., had a very startling experience. He was ploughing in a field near the lake, when he came across a large blow adder. The snake at once showed fight, and swelled up to twice its natural size and puffed out a deadly odor, which Mr. Hill says almost knocked him down. The snake was killed and was found to be the most poisonous kind of blow adder. Mr. Hill says he never wishes to meet any more of them.

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