## FOURTH YEAR.

# EXTRA-JUDICIAL DAMES.

HOW OUR SENATORIAL OLD LADIES BUNGLE DIVORCE CASES.

e Necemity of a Court—A Far too Cum-become System—No Rules, No Method, No Anything but Confusion.

Special Despatch to The World. OTTAWA, April 7.- No stronger argument an be advanced in favor of the establishnent of a divorce court in the dominion than the irregularities and delays that have characterized the proceedings of the senate divorce case committee in the Nicholson divorce case. The suit has been before the ommittee for a month, yet the prospects regard for precedent. The members not only officiate as judges, but take it upon mselves to integrupt counsel and witnesses at their own sweet will. For instance, when Hon. Wm. Macdougall, Q. C., counsel for respondent, asked a witness a question that was, perfectly in order, a senator from the lower provinces got very excited for some reason or other, and with red face and almost choking voice, gasped out that he wo ald not allow the learned gentleman to lead the witness or bulldoze the commit-

tee. Again another senator from the same district yesterday ordered a witput to him by Mr. Macdougall, and told the latter he was not going to bulldose the court. Nice language surely for a judge to use towardsa barrister conducting case before him. These are only two of many instances of the same kind and the manner in which the proceedings are carried on are rightly regarded by many as

The feeling in faver of a divorce court is gradually growing stronger, and it is to be hoped the time will come when the important and delicate duty of deciding as to the ant and delicate duty of deciding as to the ant and deficate duty of deciding as to the legal separation of man and wife will be placed in safer and more competent hands. Perhaps no barrister in Canada has had more experience in divorce cases than formerly from pains and swollen veins in the lower limbs, but there can be no doubt that the once iron constitution of the chanceller has undergone a change for the worse, so that he is now very

zribunal, he says, is incompetent, insufficient and complicated. "When a

honorable gentleman, "for advice as to a bill of diverce, I am not in a position to offer him any. A different committee is pended by him, he would dismiss the suit what evidence it will regard as admirable or otherwise, what rules of procedure it will that sum in establish, or what precedents it will regard as good. In fact, petitioner and respondent are entirely at the mercy of the whims and notions of the committee as a whole, and individual members of it."

Ample evidence of the truth of Mr. Macdougall's remarks is to be found in the proceedings of the Nicholson case. No order, no procedure governs the committee, which very annoying to barristers accustomed to plead before a regularly constituted court

HON. T. N. GIBBS.

### His Death on Saturday at Oshawa—A Busy OSHAWA, April 7-The Hon. T. N. Gibbs died at 8 o'clock this morning at his resid-

Thomas Nicholas Gibbs was eldest son of Thomas and Caroline Gibbs, who emigrated

from King oridge, Devonshire, England, in 1819, and settled at Terrebonne, province of Quebec, where the subject of this sketch was born, on March 11, 1821. In 1832 the family removed to Oshawa,

where the father engaged in the grain and flour trade successfully, and where he died in 1871. The eldest sen, after his return from England where he was educated, continued in the business, and since 1842 has been at the head of the firm of Gibbs Bros, dealers in produce and proprietors of the Oshawa mills, manufacturing as high as 100,000 barrels of flour a year. Mr. Gibbs was the first reeve of Oshawa, elected in 1850; and the first warden of the county, elected in 1854. He contested North Ontario unsuccessfully at the general election in 1854, and sat for South Ontario present South Ontario until the general election in 1874, when he was defeated. Upon the death of the sitting member, Hop. Malcolm Cameron, in 1876, he was again returned for South Ontario, and was decomposed to the sitting member. feated in 1878. He was sworn of the privy council, June 14, 1873, and was secretary of state for the provinces until July 1st, when he was transferred to the I. R. department, where he remained until the resigna tion of the government on the 5th of Nov ber of the same year. He was president and director of several companies. In August, 1843, he married Almira, youngest daughter of Joseph Ash, of Cobourg, by whom he had seven children. His surviving brother and partner is Mr. William H. Gibbs. Frederick W. Gibbs, C. B., formousin. The deceased was called to the sen-

NEW YORK, April 7 .- A Jacksonville, Fla., despatch says early on Friday morning while the train was running rapidly the coupling attaching the president's car to the train shead of it snapped suddenly. The bell-rope broke without alarming the engi: neer, and before he found out he had lost a great deal of running about with lanterns and much shouting before the

THE ABORTION: 8 WORK. Petrolia Cirl Meets Her Death at the

PETROLIA, April 8.—Miss Sarah Coleman daughter of Mr. Miles Coleman of this town died last Tuesday morning. A few days before her death, she informed Dr. Dunfield that an abortion had been performed up n her by a Port Huron abortionist. A coroner's inquest was held on Wednesday with closed doors. The witnesses examined were Drs. Mearns and Dunfield and Mrs. Coleman, The verdict of the jury was that a certain person or persons by the name of Fraund or Fraund of Port Huron did on or or about the middle of February feloniously procure an abortion on the person of Sarah Coleman, which resulted in her death, and they further say that John A. Lawson, cutter at H. W. Lancey's store, did counsel, hire and procure the said person or persons to commit the said felony. The unfortunate young woman had been sick for several weeks. She was buried yesterday. ouer's inquest was held on Wednesday with

CANADIAN TELEGRAPHIC NEWS. A man in Peterboro' on Friday ate three An extradition treaty has been between this country and Salvador.

The late Mr. B. H. G. Vicars was given a military funeral at Ottawa on Saturday. The National Insurance company of Ireland has been licensed to do business in

Capt. Brown, company No. 6, 34th bat-talion, was presented with a gold watch and chain at Brooklyn, Ont., on Friday even-S. Peck, of Minden, has been appointed tipendiary magistrate for the provisional county of Haliburton, vice J. L. Whiteside

### FOREIGN CABLE NEWS.

can be no doubt that the once iron constitution of the chancellor has undergone a change for the worse, so that he is now very susceptible to atmospheric changes.

Some fortnight ago Mrs. Gladstone received a letter from Sir Henry Ponsonby, the queen's secretary, written by her direction, advising her to urge her husband to accept a peerage. The queen has of late frequently publicly expressed her wish to wisiters that he should accept a peerage, which, while lessening his labors, would enable him to continue prime minister. He prefers to remain in the house of commons, but retire from office.

Betty Goes Back on her Husband. New York, April 7—Bigelow, Sergeant Mason's counsel, states that if Mrs. Mason penned by him, he would dismiss the suit against her and the contributed fund, and look to Mason alone for a fee, in case of his release; also that he would again expend that sum in behalf of his client. It is alleged that Mrs. Mason intended to keep her husband from being in any wise benefitted from the fund.

### WHERE THEY WENT TO.

The Mysterious Movements of Four Po

There has been considerable speculation in police circles for the past two or three days over a little coup d'etat that occurred on Friday morning. Four of the best men in the force were detailed off on duty in plain clothes. They suddenly disappeared and have not been seen succe. They were Messrs. Cuddy, Vernay, Geddes and Patton. Some said they had resigned, some said they had gone off after the burglars that the detective force could not run down, while some said that they were going to make a wholesale descent on the disorderly houses. None of these conjectures, however, proved correct. They were sent to Ottawa to look after the alleged dynamite fiends that have now gathered at the capital. They arrived there on Friday night, and will make things pretty lively for the afores it fiends if they are in the paid.

The List Still swelling. Four more election petitions have been filed at Osgoode hall, all against conservative members. Mr. Henry Merrick, member for Leeds and Grenville, has had a petition filed against him. In East Elgin, Ermatinger, in Lennox, Mr. A. H. Roe, and in Wast York Major Gray has experienced the same fate. In the West York case the petition as to Mr. J. C. Farrier and Messra. Blake & Co., are his solicitors.

Sudden Death of a Hotelkeeper. Mr. James Kingsbury, who kept a hotel at St Lawrence and King streets for over 20 years, died suddenly on Saturday night at 11 o'clock. Mr. Kingsbury had been suffering for some time from acute rheumstism of the knee and on Saturday night one of the blood vessels in the leg burst. A clot of blood then formed on the heart, which was the immediate cause of death. Deceased was well known in the east end of the city. He was famous for the fine potatoes that he grew.

Lambton Mills received a call from the gang of cracksmen who are now operating in and around the city at present. On Fri day night three of them were detected in the act of drilling holes in the office door at Howland's mills. They were scared off by some of the mill hands. They then went to the hotel in the village and gained an en-trance. All they got for their trouble, how-ever, was a few cents, a few cigars and

The eleventh anniversary of the Metropolitan church was celebrated yesterday. At both services the church was crowded At the morning service Dr. A. Sutherland, D.D., president of the Toronto Methodist conference, preached an interesting sermon on true worship, taking for his text John iv.

MONDAY MORNING, APRIL 9, 1883. THE PRICE OF LIBERTY.

VIGILANT SOCIETY FORMED IN ENGLAND.

Jove 1. 16 this run be displayed his mirror of colors and still in circuits and holds are considered to the colors and still in circuits and holds are colored to the colors and the color stances. As long as Rosas and his friends confine themselves to talk, nothing can er will be done, but any act performed with the avowed intention of endangering life in England or destroying public propertythere, will probably be dealt with. Among other papers referring to the matter is the Brookly Eagle, which says: "There ought to be no hospitality in this country for the abetters of promiscuous assassimation. The American eagle is a mighty free bird, fond of its liberty, but its ample wings should never be extended to shelter men who deliberately plot wholesale arson and murder. To the careless observer this majestic fowl shows no signg of perturbation, but there is a look in its eye and a nervous contraction of its claws that bode ill to the dynamite propaganda."

Fears in France.

NEW YORK, April 7-Joyce, the secre ary of the New York council of the fenian brotherhood, asserts that there are over two hundred dynamite and nitro-glycerine fac-tories in England. He claims to be entirely

Quebec Defeats Toronto in the Telegraphi The telegraphic chess match, which has been in progress at intervals for the past two weeks between Quebec and Toronto was finished on Saturday night, the ancient capital winning by 7 to 5 as follows:

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Quebec.
E. Sanderson
F. H. Andrews
C. Champion
R. Blankington
E. Pope
D. R. McLeod
E. Burke
E. F. Fletcher
E. Sanderson jr
E. H. Duval
A. H. McCallum
A. H. McCaimm
Dr. Severs
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Total

Majority for Quebec 2 games. SCHAESER AND VIGNAUX Details of the Closing Contest of the Great

Chicago, April 7.—The largest and finest audience that ever assembled in Chicago to witness a billiard match was that which filled Central Music hall to overflowing last night on the occasion the closing game of the great internation balk line tournament for the championsh of the world and \$500 gold emblem. Pr viously Maurice Vignaux of Paris had won five games and lost none, and Jacob Schaefer of New York had an exactly similar record. It was the first time that the present champion of America had ever been matched against the champion of France. Either player by selling the game could have made himself comtortable for life. The game proved to be close enough to be of the most exciting nature, and especially so toward the end, when so much depended upon a hair's breadth.

In banking for the lead Schaefer won, took the black ball, but failed to being kissed off. Vignanx made 11 points, closing on a missed two-cushioned shot. In the second inning Schaefer began to play by neatly collecting the balls at the upper right corner. 2 The spectators were demonstrative corner. The spectators were demonstrative to the noisy point, applauding almost every shot indiscriminately. The play was of Schaefer's usual kind, chiefly for position and opportunity to nurse. Schaefer missed a difficult masse after running 38. Vignaux responded with only 4 buttons. Schaefer miscued in his third inning, while the imperturbable Frenchman got 16, retiring on a draw to cushion.

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In the fourth inning the wiry American speedily called the balls together with his magnetic cue into his favorite lower corner. When the marker had called 37 Schaefer when the purker had called 3/ Schaefer researce, preached an interesting sermon rie worship, taking for his text John iv.

"God's a spirit, and they that worship him in spirit and in s the Hantan-tenth." Rev. High Johnstone, the pastor, preached at night on the subject This House. half of the inning, did the first great play-

of men having explosives cause considerable uneasiness here, and it is feared attempts will be made to blow up buildings in Paris. To prevent the introduction of explosives the owners of large establishments are stopping up the openings of their cellars.

them within easy counting distance up to almost 60, when they get away temporarily. With the greatest coolness and nerve he gathered them again, and, to make a long story short, ran the game out. The applause which followed was deafening. The crowd rushed forward and almost tore applause which followed was deafening.
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the little New Yorker to pieces with arm
wringing. He was hoisted upon strong
shoulders and carried about the platform.

The Frenchman was discomfited but took his defeat with good grace.
The following is the score: Schaefer—0, 38, 0, 40,1, 220, 10, 0,13, 9, 0, 3, 10, 0, 7, 2, 96, 16, 19, 108. Total, 600. Average, 28 12-21; highest run, 220. Vignaux—11, 4, 16, 5, 139, 17, 3, 77, 9, 21, 16, 109, 0, 0, 3, 0, 2, 52, 17, 17. Total, 509. Average, 25 9-20: highest run, 139.

Annual Meeting of the U. S. Cricket Asso New York, April 7.—The American cricketers' association held its fifth annual meeting last night at Monquin's hotel, in Fulton street. Delegates appeared from the St. George, the Staten Island, and the Manhattan club of New York, the Pittsburg club, the Venne Marion, the Belmont, the Grard, the Germantown, and the Oxford clubs of Philadelphia, and the Chester club of Chester.

delphia, and the Chester club of Chester. These officers were elected: President, D. S. Newhall: vice-presidents, T. R. Moore and James White; scoretary and treasurer, W. R. Phelan; corresponding scoretary, A. J. D. Dixon; executive committee, Messrs. Green, Moeran, Meyer, Haines, and Bissel. A committee was appointed to confer with the Maryleborne club of London on ravision of the playing rules. After the adjournment of the convention the delegates became the guests of the Manhattan

elub at dinner.

The management of the New Brooklyn baseball club has decided to lay out a plot 50 feet wide by 100 long for a cricket field for the local clubs to play championship games upon. The Brooklyn cricket club will play its games here.

Race Horses in Chancery. In consequence of a dispute between Charley Boyle and Leon Burgess, the horses Rody Pringle, imp. Castaway, and Pringeton have found their way into chancery. Rody Pringle is favorite for the Queen's plate to be run for at Woodbine work on May 24 at 2 to legainst him.

Chicago to train for her match for \$2000 with Disturbance in that city on May 10. Blaylock will ride her and Alley Gates will have the mount on Disturbance. The

Last week a member of the hunt club sold Lorette, a fine-looking brown mare and a good jumper, to a Mr. Bush of Buffalo for \$375. Lorette is 4 years old and is by

Terror. She was shipped to her destination Saturday.

Dr. Smith intends to train his horses, Vici, Lady D'Arcy, Rescue and Roderick to harness this summer, after the fashion prevalent in some parts of the south. Wise

The Proposed Hanlan-Ross Race. Prescott and Ogdensburg want to have the Hanlan-Ross race take place on the St. Lawrence opposite those towns. Commit-

and the Dector Pays the Costs of Court.
The case of H. E. Moore of London against Dr. Robert McWilliams of Diayton Ont., for slander, was concluded in the

the recess a compromise was effected, whereby the plaintiff was to receive \$20, the defendant to pay the costs of the suit. This is taken as a vindication of the plaintiff's character.

The following apology was handed into court by the defendant's counsel, Mr. B. B. Celer:

I believed the statement made by me to Miss Gibson, referred to in her evidence, to be true when

Had the case been fully heard there is little doubt but that the jury would have given the plaintiff a verdict for the full amount claimed. It is the general opinion with the parties to the case that Dr. Mc-Williams was a suitor for the hand of Miss

THE BAY BREAKING UP.

The streets running south from King, together with the Esplanade and all the wharves on our water front which have been almost entirely deserted on Sunday afterneous during the winter, yesterday teemed with life. The pleasure seeker was down at the whorf to see what was going on. The life of names and hiss Ewing are on the program. wharves on our water front which have been lake captain was there and carefully scan-ned the condition of the ice to accertain acter of the charity should draw a full ned the condition of the ice to accertain acter of the charity should draw when his season's work would begin, and house. Tickets at Nordheimer's.

genial rays of old Sol who was shining yesterday afterneon with almost summer warmth. The ice in the slip at the foot of Yonge streethas nearlyall gone and the island ferries which have lain all winter as quiet and calm as a house with a good foundation, once more recked with the gentle breeze. Near the edges of the wharves the ice too is gone. In those places in which, by reason of a jam, the cakes have been turned on their sides, it is seen that the ice is now very thick and that a few days of warm weather, coupled with a light breeze, will clear the bay of ice for the season. Away to the east and approaching the eastern gap and marsh the ice appears to be thinner and almost gone, in fact it looks to be but a seum on the surface of a riley pond. To the west, however, and sentre it is more firm, but still bears evident marks of an early break up.

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The aged Fees of the City.

At a meeting of the committee for the establishment of a home for the aged poor of the city at Shaftesbury hall on Wednesday last Mr. W. H. Howland occupied the chait. It was agreed by resolution that it was desirable to establish a home for the are alarmed is the arrival of five. day last Mr. W. H. Howland occupied the chair. It was agreed by resolution that it was desirable to establish a home for the respectable aged poor. Sub committees were appointed to wait on the house of industry to ascertain if that board were favorable to attaching to their institution almshouses and sinfirmay and on what condition of support they would agree to. Also to consider and asport on the feasibility of the establishment of a separate home and on the basis of maintenance of the same. The committee appointed to wait on the board of the house of industry were Goldwin Smith, Rev. Mr. Parsons, Mrs. Anker, Mrs. Harvie, Mrs. Clapp. The committee appointed to report on the separate home were Mrs. Leigh, Miss Gilmour, Mrs. C. Morrison, Miss Muttlebury, Rev. S. J. Hunter, convenor, Rev. Mr. Ballard, (St. Annes, Brockton), Mr. Baneley, Mrs. Barnett, Mrs. Miller. These committees will report to a meeting of the committee to be called on the second Monday in May.

Beal Estate Transfers.

At McFarlane's on Saturday the following lots on the Runnymede estate, north of High park, were sold: Two lots on Vernon Looney, a stone-mason, living at No. 88 St. David street, 50x120 feet each, at \$3.25 per foot, and one at \$3, to King Brothers, one to F. G. Lee at \$3, one to C. H. Herne at \$3.76 and one at \$3, one to C G. Lee at \$3, one to C. H. Herne at \$3.75 and one at \$3.25, and three lots to W. J. Murray at \$3, 3 50, and \$3.75. Two lots on Main street, 50x92 feet each, at \$3 and \$3.25, two to Alex. Foley at \$3.25, one to Donovan, the builder, at \$3.26 and two to James Hagite at \$3. Three frome rougheast stores and dwellings, with brick venered fronts in the township of York, two of which are rented for \$17 a month, and one vacant, were offered under a power of sale contained in a mortgage, when the highest bid was \$2000. They were withdrawn at \$2000.

spond to the following alarms, which is the Vincent streets; 78, Czar and North streets; Belmont and Davenport road; 162, Elgin and Avenue road; 164, Bleor and Church streets; 165, St. Paul's hall; 167, Yonge and Belmont streets

tawa yesterday morning, where he had been ronto, will introduce in the house of comronto, will introduce in the house of commons to-day. The provisions of the bill have already been published in The World. His worship states that there is a good prospect of the bill passing, as all of the city members will give it a hearty support. On Saturday night, previous to starting for home, Mayor Boswell was entertained at dinner by Speaker Kirkpatrick in the speaker's apartments in the parliament buildings.

mence an engagement this evening at the already appeared in Toronto it is unnecessary to introduce them to the public at length. It must be said, however, that their success has been unbounded wherever they have been, and that the further they go the more popular they become. Torontonians know how to appreciate a good thing and therefore crowded houses will doubtless be the rule during the brother's

At 10:30 o'clock on Saturday night Mr. John Berwick, who keeps a grocery storelin the Rossin house block, was attacked by three men in Simcoe street near his own residence, just above Anderson street. The garroters snatched a small basket which Mr. Berwick carried, but all that was in it was the empty dishes from which he had eaten his supper. They thought there was a good haul of money in the basket. They afterwards threw their booty over a fence. Mr. Berwick was roughly handled, but he was not injured to any extent. not injured to any extent.

The Ontario Gazette of Saturday contains the following appointments of license commissioners : Toronto-Williense commissioners: Toronto—william Winslow Ogden, Charles B. Doherty, Henry E. Mamilton. East Elgin—Walter C. Hoag. West Elgin—John McCallum, Archibald N. C. Black, David King. Welland—John Drew, William Mellanby, James Smith. Henry Woodruff and John Scott for the license district of the county of Lincoln. P. E. Ward for the license district of the county of Frontenac. the county of Lincoln. P. E. Ward for license district of the county of Fronter

To-morrow night a concert will be given in Shaftesbury hall in aid of the hospital for rich children, at which a number of our

PRICE ONE CENT

Hall Cut and Futilated? 18
OTTAWA, April 8.—Considerable alas ion authorities by two or three recent events

Looney in Willoway's lane, off St. David

new fire division for North Toronto: 42, Yonge and Isabella streets; 48, Jarvis and Walleslay streets, 76, 84, Albana and St.

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There are three stonehookers out at Port Credit who have their crafts all loaded and set waiting for the opening of navigation when they will race to gain the hat given for the first arrival of the season in Toronto bay. They hardly get any sleep for watching one another.

I'm here to stay—The spring.
We'll down the Corsican Brothers—Hanlon Bros. I'm waiting for my first picnic party-The Island: I'm looking for the busy burglars-The Forento

By jove, Graham, the others are ahead, they

I am the tallest and should be on one of the flanks these seats between us—Sidesman Hamilton.
Church work amuses me while the novelty lasts but I'll get tired of it much sooner if the marching

I gave the time, but they did not seem to catch it

APTER GAZING UPON THE PARTY CONCER With expansive cerulean ize; Every time he did wink

With pants disguised by mud, A man passed over a crossing to-day, Knee-deep in the slimy flood ; And his sentences, scattered, when put together

And water, and dirty snow, That each of the crossings flood, With many despairing groans,
A lady travelled across Yonge street

Upon the stepping stones.
And she spoke of the beautiful spring, Called a step-stone a "nasty thing," And screamed when she slipped and almost cap-But a "cop" near by said "do not be surprised.

For its mud, mud, mud, 188 And without this trifling flood all The pring would be incomplete."