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God's in His heaven,
All's right with the world,
—Browning.

The Dying Year.

In the year 1896, which has come to a close, there have been many noteworthy happenings. This good city has made steady progress, and today is in a position of stability such as many a corporation on the continent might well envy. Probably the most acceptable local event has been the election of the G. T. R. car shops, the operation of which in the near future will materially augment our population. In the Provincial arena, we have a new Premier, Sir Oliver Mowat's trusted lieutenant taking the chair of the chief executive in succession to the veteran statesman. The change was necessitated by the call for Sir Oliver's services as a member of the new Liberal Government at Ottawa. It is apparent from the great gains made by the new Administration in every bye-election which has taken place since the 23rd of June that the Canadian people are well satisfied with the change which was decreed. The present smooth-running management of affairs at Ottawa is certainly in marked contrast with the spectacle presented to the Dominion by the late Government when it met Parliament on Jan. 2 of this year. There are many indications that the progress and national prosperity of Canada will be much more marked in the ensuing decade than in the past ten years. For some months the business outlook has been decidedly more buoyant, and as tariffs are settled on both sides of the border profitable trade will undoubtedly increase. In Canada, too, we are expecting big results from mining development in Ontario and British Columbia. If one half what experts contend is true of our mines, we have ample mineral wealth, as well as wealth of soil, of forest, and of waters. While we in Canada have been changing the Premier, the United States has voted to change its President, and after a very lively campaign has settled down to make the most of the result. What Mr. McKinley will accomplish it is difficult to prophesy; but much depends upon the wisdom with which he and his dominant friends face the problems confronting them.

The most remarkable episode of the year, outside the Dominion, is the treaty of international arbitration agreed to between Great Britain and the United States. When the present year opened, the two countries appeared to be perilously near the verge of war over the Venezuela boundary question, but cool-headed statesmanship on the part of the republic as well as of the motherland settled the dispute most amicably, and at the same time agreed to solve all similar difficulties by peaceful arbitration. For Canada, this convention possesses momentous importance. The Monroe doctrine has been acknowledged, but not in an offensive form. Under the new treaty, the Monroe doctrine has no terrors for Canadians, for it secures for the Dominion the protection against foreign not only of Great Britain, but of the United States, which is pledged to prevent any old world nationality from getting a foothold on the much-favored soil of America.

We make history rapidly. It was only on Jan. 2 of this year that the disastrous march on Johannesburg of Dr. Jameson and his fellow freebooters was brought to an end by the attack of the Boer forces under Paul Kruger, the Transvaal President. Yet Jameson and his associates have stood their trial in England, have been in jail, and are once more free, while ex-Premier Rhodes of Cape Colony is on his way back to Britain to give evidence before the Parliamentary commission appointed to set at the foot of the "war," and the Boer President is about to formulate his demand for damages for loss through the invasion. Jameson's ill-starred attempt to forcibly add the Transvaal to Britain's South African possessions failed, but it will be productive of some good if it moves the old Boer President to agree to something like decent treatment of British settlers, who by their enterprise and money, have added so much to the wealth of his republic.

In British politics, the chief event has been the resignation of the Liberal leadership by Lord Rosebery, not because there was any radical difference between him and his followers, but chiefly in consequence of the difficulty experienced by a Liberal leader

who is debarred from occupying a seat in the popular chamber. It is scarcely probable that the British Liberals will ever again select a Lord for a leader, unless, indeed, Lord Rosebery is able to carry out his idea of leaving it, optional with a peer to seek election for the House of Commons or to enter the other chamber.

Spain has been at war with her rebellious vassals in the Island of Cuba for many months. If self-government such as we possess in Canada had been conceded by the Spanish, the outbreak could have been averted and thousands of lives and millions of treasure would have been saved and untold privation and misery averted. Cuba should not have been made to fight for her natural rights, but Spaniards have always been stubborn. Italy exhibited more wisdom in her warfare with King Menelik of Abyssinia. One good defeat of her armies led the Italian statesmen to see that there was less in colonial aggrandizement than they had anticipated. And in the last few days the Italian authorities have been glad to renounce all their pretensions to King Menelik's possessions, and to be contented with the control of the small colony of Erythra on the Red Sea coast.

Great Britain was more successful in her attack on the latest edition of the Mahdi, who menaced the safety of Egypt. The forces of that woful ruler were routed, and good government was once more established in Dongola. It looks now as if Great Britain were in Egypt to stay, for next spring another British expedition will go to Khartoum to complete the reconquest of the Sudan. No one need be surprised if in the near future the British possessions in South Africa are carried up to join those in the central zone, while the territory on the north is so extended that there shall be British control from end to end of the Dark Land, with railway and telegraphic communication and all the other adjuncts of civilization cementing the bond. It will be a great day for Africa.

The situation on the European continent remains practically unchanged. Through lack of agreement among the Powers, the Turk has been permitted to continue his massacres of the Christian population, to the scandal of civilization, but gradually it is being made evident that the patience of Europe is exhausted, and that the day of Mussulman misrule in Europe must soon end. Partly to effect this object, partly for other reasons, a more cordial feeling has been established between Britain, Russia and France. The late tour of the Czar aided in promoting this cordiality. Bismarck's revelation of a secret offensive and defensive treaty between Russia and Germany, lasting from 1883 to 1890, has not tended to strengthen the German-Austria-Italy alliance. We in Canada can get some idea of the absolutism which prevails in Germany when we reflect that the treaty existed for seven years without the knowledge of the German Parliament or of any one but the Emperor and his Chancellor! When such things are possible, it is not surprising that distrust prevails in Europe, and that every country with frontiers to defend is piling up martial expenditures in a new frenzy of excitement. Meanwhile, Russia continues her remarkable cross continent railway from St. Petersburg to the shores of the Chinese territory of Manchuria. No country is making greater strides commercially and territorially than Russia. Let no one be astonished if the Russian Bear gulps one half of China one of these fine days.

Among the remarkable happenings of the year have been the discovery of the Roentgen rays, fraught with so much importance to the human race; the return of Dr. Nansen from his trip towards the North Pole, to which point he got nearer than any previous explorer; and the adaptation of the Falls of Niagara to the production of electricity for manufacturing purposes.

Many notable persons have fallen by the way. Harriet Beecher Stowe, author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin"; Archbishop Benson of Canterbury; Lord Leighton and Sir John Millais, presidents of the Royal Academy; Wm. Morris, the author; Hon. W. D. Balfour, Provincial Secretary of Ontario; Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, the noted Presbyterian divine; Senators David Macpherson and John Ferguson of Canada are among the noteworthy dead, though the list could be very much extended.

The year undoubtedly ends with fewer specks on the horizon and brighter hopes for the future than its predecessor. May it indeed be "A Happy New Year" to all of us!

Five Unseated. Another two members of the Dominion Parliament have been unseated—Mr. Hackett, of West Prince, P. E. I., and Mr. Marcotte, of Champlain, Que. This makes a total of five vacancies caused by the revelation of corrupt practices in the election courts. All five unseated M. P.s are Conservatives.

In the municipal government of New York city, 24,834 officials are this year employed. This is an increase of over 5,000 in the first year of Republican rule. The Democrats do not fail to point the moral.

DEPARTING LEAP YEAR. Sighing softly, softly sighing, Almost sobbing, nearly crying, As the leap year swift is flying, With her chance a man to win, So her heart is parched and arid, And she wishes she had married, Not so tardily, had married, And she sighs "It might have been."

Passed Away.

Death of Mgr. Edward Charles Fabre.

Roman Catholic Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Montreal.

Montreal, Q., Dec. 31.—Archbishop Fabre, head of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Montreal, age 69 years, died at 11:06 last night from cancer of the liver.

The late Mgr. Edouard Charles Fabre was the third bishop of the Ecclesiastical Province of Montreal, comprising with this diocese those of St. Hyacinthe, Sherbrooke and Valleyfield. As the Catholic population of the archdiocese exceeds 400,000, it is one of the most populous in North America. The late archbishop was born in Montreal on Feb. 25, 1827. His parents had decided to give him a sound education, and at the age of 8, he was sent to the College of St. Hyacinthe.

After a classical course extending over seven years, his parents sent him to Paris in 1843. On Sept. 7, 1844, he assumed the cassock at Chateaufort, and on Oct. 18 he entered the Sulpician Seminary at Issy.

In 1846 the young ecclesiastic visited Rome, and had the honor of an audience with Gregory XVI. In later life he had the same honor conferred on him on several occasions by two other popes—Pius IX. and Leo XIII. Shortly after he returned to Montreal and became attached to the bishop's palace. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1850, and for nearly twenty years was one of the most prominent priests in the diocese.

In May, 1876, he became Bishop of Montreal. In 1886, at the time of the elevation of Mgr. Taschereau to the rank of cardinal, Mgr. Fabre was made an archbishop, and placed at the head of the Ecclesiastical Province of Montreal.

During the whole of his career he always strove to promote harmony and good-will among all classes and creeds. After many years of difficulties he succeeded in bringing to an end of the Dark Land, with railway and telegraphic communication and all the other adjuncts of civilization cementing the bond. It will be a great day for Africa.

Canadians in Brazil.

Sold Like Slaves—Wages Very Low—Provisions High—Starvation—Dogs Every Door.

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Mr. J. O. Lefebvre, secretary of the public school board, has received a letter from his son, Mr. Euclide Lefebvre, who with his wife went with the shipload of French-Canadian emigrants to Brazil a few months ago. Mr. Lefebvre gives a bad account of Brazil, and asks his parents to warn others of the unendurable conditions of the country as a place for settlement. He says that the emigrants were almost auctioned off like slaves, going to the highest bidder. He is now working on a plantation, and receives only \$20 a month, and has to work long hours and very hard. They are allowed a room to live in, but have to furnish their own food. The necessities of life exist for seven years without the knowledge of the German Parliament or of any one but the Emperor and his Chancellor! When such things are possible, it is not surprising that distrust prevails in Europe, and that every country with frontiers to defend is piling up martial expenditures in a new frenzy of excitement. Meanwhile, Russia continues her remarkable cross continent railway from St. Petersburg to the shores of the Chinese territory of Manchuria. No country is making greater strides commercially and territorially than Russia. Let no one be astonished if the Russian Bear gulps one half of China one of these fine days.

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Trains leave London for the east—3:45 a.m., 4:30 a.m., 8:20 a.m., 12:40 p.m., 2:55 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 7:55 p.m.

MAIN LINE—GOING WEST.

Trains arrive at London from the east—3:05 a.m., 11:07 a.m., 11:20 a.m., 12:40 p.m., 6:25 p.m., 9:50 p.m.

Trains leave London for the west—7:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 6:45 p.m.

Sarnia Branch.

Trains arrive at London—2:30 a.m., 8:05 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 6:35 p.m., 7:50 p.m.

Trains leave London—3:10 a.m., 7:30 a.m., 11:42 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 6:35 p.m.

London, Huron and Bruce.

Arrive at London—10:40 a.m., 6:30 p.m.

Leave London—8:45 a.m., 4:45 p.m.

St. Marys and Stratford Branch.

Arrive at London—9:45 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 6:40 p.m., 10:35 p.m.

Leave London—7:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 2:40 p.m., 5:55 p.m., 8:30 p.m.

L. E. & D. R. R.

Going South—Trains leave London, 6:25 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. Trains arrive at Port Stanley, 7:25 a.m., 3:38 p.m.

Going North—Trains leave Port Stanley, 7:45 a.m., 4:30 p.m. Trains arrive at London, 8:45 a.m., 2:55 p.m., 6:40 p.m., 10:35 p.m.

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Trains leave London for the east—4:15 a.m., 8 a.m., 4:30 p.m.

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