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About the Solid South.

It is already among things talked of that President Harrison will in his plans and in his policy favor such a course as is calculated to break up the "solid South." That Congress has been controlled by the South since Cleveland became President is allowed by his own friends. And one of them—The New York Herald—says that the result has been to do the Democratic party more harm than good. The irrepressible census tells the story that the North must rule by weight of numbers. Now, although Northern Democrats like to see their own party in power, yet they may kick when they see the solid South ruling the whole concern, and even themselves made as of no account. And, according to The Herald, to this complexion it has come already. But if Northern Democrats are getting restive under the rule of the solid South, what about Northern Republicans?

This is what gives to aspects of Northern ascendancy their great present importance. The South has ruled the Union in time past; but, no use crying over spilt milk, the thing "can't be did" any more. That terrible census, the Rep. by Pop. business, as it used to be called in Canada, has wrought a revolution, and is going to work it some more yet. And this gives us fit occasion for remarking what a blunder those Free Traders have been making, who see in last November's elections only this result that a Protectionist Republican has been chosen President. A good deal more than that has happened, my Christian friends. The House, formerly Free Trade Democrat by a small majority, has now a majority the other way sufficient to put a Protectionist tariff bill through it well handled. In the Senate the Protectionist-Republican majority, before very small, and on the verge, will now be what we may call a fair working majority, at least. But even this is not all. It has been shown that the new States in the West are going Protectionist, *en masse*. We should say—both new States and old States—for Protection is in the ascendant in Dakota as well as in California. Now, ye who profess to draw lessons from history and to judge the future by the past—what light do you think that recent tendencies in the West and Northwest throw upon the probable fate of Free Trade in the Great Republic in time to come? Premising merely the survival of common sense, we should say that the question is already answered.

The struggle which came to a wind-up last November meant more than the election of a President merely. It meant also the breaking up of the solid South and the still further growth and spread of the greater North. Observe that the country's progress as a whole is and must continue to be in the way most favorable to Protection, and against Free Trade. We are permitted to say, then—that what happens to the solid South has an important bearing on what happens in Canada. Aye, not only in Canada, but all over the civilized world as well, the cause of Free Trade has gone back more than ten degrees on the dial since the great American event of November last. What we would chiefly wish to draw attention to is the movement in the history of our neighbors as it affects ourselves. And the main lesson to be drawn by us from the recent event should not be for a moment doubtful.

A Base Surrender Suggested.

Again we ask, Should the Bill [Jesuit] be allowed or disallowed? A Protestant of a practical turn of mind may well answer, "I can't tell—it's six of one and half-a-dozen of the other." The truth is that the people of Ontario are at the cross-roads where they must decide either to continue with or separate from a Quebec that is ever becoming more thoroughly Roman Catholic. If Ontarians wish to perpetuate the Confederation they will quietly accept Sir John's allowance of the Jesuits Bill. If they can't stomach that allowance they may as well face the music like honest men and acknowledge that they really do not think the Confederation worth preserving. The course of The Globe has been, and will be, perfectly straightforward. We mean to blame Sir John Macdonald if he stands by his disallowance theories and vetoes the bill. We will not in any way aid any persons who may endeavor to rouse the entire race and creed passions over the affair. If the people of Ontario hold great meetings to press for disallowance, and if they otherwise signify that they are sincerely desirous to enter upon a serious struggle with Quebec, we will advise them that the end can be nothing else than the destruction of the Confederation as it now is. It would be incomparably better for all concerned that the Federal compact should be quietly dissolved now than dissolved after and in consequence of a long, bitter sectarian conflict, which would be a savage verbal struggle, and at worst one marked by riot, bloodshed and civil war.

Of all the mealy-mouthed surrenders that we have ever read, the above from yesterday's Globe is the most dishonorable and insincere that it has ever been our lot to come across.

Only an Annexationist or a moral and physical coward could have written the above. The Globe would now appear to be all three. Imagine George Brown lying down in the mud and asking the French-Canadians to trample him under foot!

And is this surrender the final one to all The Globe's previous surrenders to Riellism and the Nationalists of Quebec?

Is this the end of the legacy that George Brown bequeathed to Mackenzie and Blake and Cartwright? At last the once proud Reform party humiliates itself in the dust and says Confederation is a failure and must be a failure. If we wish to remain even Canadians it is at the price of subserviency to French aggression.

The World for one refuses to swallow such humiliating doctrine. We desire to remain Canadian and we desire to preserve our Canadian liberties even if we have to fight for them. And out of the struggle, make no mistake, there will come a united Canada. History is full of instances where a reactionary section of a community have been disciplined by the majority, but we have yet to find another instance of a British paper recommending such an ignominious surrender as that contained in The Globe.

Canada's Mineral Wealth.

The World took the foremost part in drawing attention to the untold mineral resources of Canada. The outcome of this was the appointment of the Mining Commission for Ontario, the result of whose labors surprised those who took a pessimistic view of Canada's mineral wealth. The Commission has proved that almost every locality of the Province is more or less rich in mineral deposits. Interesting were the fragmentary reports of the Commission published from time to time, but more interesting to the general public is the display now to be seen of specimens collected by the members whilst on their investigating tour. These make a grand show in the Canadian Institute and form the strongest proof of Ontario's mineral dower. They include gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc, nickel, phosphate of lime, limestone, gypsum, mica, asbestos, marble, and granite and other minerals, all of which are duly classified, tabulated and the localities from which they were derived specified. A visit to the Canadian Institute will be a revelation to some and a pleasure to all.

"How," said a St. Louis man, paying a short visit to Toronto and casually dropping in to see an acquaintance in one of Toronto's mammoth wholesale houses, "How are you getting along with the Annexation movement?" "Rats," said the Canadian, "didn't you read the long accounts of the funeral of the last of the Annexationists, when Governor-General Stanley, Sir John A. Macdonald, Hon. George E. Foster, Hon. Oliver Mowat and every one in the country who was anyone at all, turned out with white shirt fronts and hammer claw coats, to give them a good send-off?" "Why, no," said the St. Louis man, "but, stay, you mean the night of the Board of Trade banquet? Oh, yes! Oh, yes! say, that was a big funeral, and I guess it must have been buried for good."

JUST BEYOND THEIR REACH.

Blaine of Maine on Annexation—Waiting for the Apple to Drop.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The Herald's Washington special says: Recently Congressman Milliken, of Maine, and his cousin, Seth Milliken, of New York, who is a large manufacturer, and has invested in the south, called on Mr. Blaine on private business. During the conversation the merchant, who has known Mr. Blaine for years, asked him if he was in favor of the annexation of Canada. Mr. Milliken says Mr. Blaine replied that he was, but did not think it would be brought about by agitation. In the course of time he thought the Dominion would naturally gravitate into the American union.

"Canada," said Mr. Blaine, "is like an apple on a tree, just beyond our reach. We may strive to grasp it, but the bough recedes from our hold just in proportion to our effort to catch it. Let it alone, and in due time it will fall into our hands. If we were reaching after territory to increase our wealth and strength, as well as to protect the health of the nation, I should say Cuba is the outlying island which the interests of the United States would naturally seek.

"First, as to its relation to health, Cuba is the natural home of pestilential diseases, especially yellow fever. Under the direction of our eminent sanitarians, I have not the slightest doubt that the existing cause of this dreaded disease could be exterminated from every part of the territory of Cuba. The knowledge which science gives us to the propagation of the germs of yellow fever has put it in the power of health officers, well provided with means, to remove the breeding spots from the face of the earth; and I have not the least doubt but that it could be done were the island under our control. In point of economy it would be cheaper for the United States to buy the island from Spain at almost any cost, rather than that it should be a constant menace to the health and prosperity of the Southern States. The cost directly and indirectly to the business of the country during the last yellow fever epidemic in the Mississippi valley was greater than the value of Cuba, even if you put it on a mere money basis. But when you consider the peril of life which the fever constantly brings, its purchase price would not be dear at any price.

"The next object which makes it valuable is its relation to the United States as a stratetic point. It lies very close to the southern extremity of Florida and its western end is still nearer Yucatan. In this way it practically controls the Gulf of Mexico. It actually commands positions which we ought, in the natural order of things, to possess and control. In regard to its contributing to our wealth, Cuba in the hands of the Yankee people, and by that I mean the thrifty, energetic, inventive American race, would add immensely to our prosperity. It is a fertile island, and under the control of skilled labor its productive resources would doubtless be increased a hundred-fold."

An Independent Witness.

PARIS, Feb. 12.—Patrick Casey now here says he is prepared to testify as an independent witness before the Parnell Commission. He says he knows better than any other man everything connected with the matter.

M. de Lesseps Ill.

PARIS, Feb. 12.—M. de Lesseps is ill. Old age has suddenly fallen upon him with the collapse of the Panama Canal scheme.

Instigated by French Agitators.

ROME, Feb. 12.—It has been proved that the recent riots here were instigated by French agitators.

Invited to Subscribe.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Dhuleep Singh has sent to India a proclamation inviting the people to subscribe £4,000,000 with the object of throwing off the English yoke.

The Honored Guest.

Last evening in the Victoria Rink, Huron-street, a dinner was given to Mr. George Goldwin Smith Lindsey, on the occasion of his marriage to Miss Cora Bethune, daughter of the late James Bethune, Q.C. Mr. H. Brock was the chair and Mr. W. F. W. Cecelman vice-chairman. Amongst the gentlemen present were: Messrs. John King, Berlin; A. H. Marsh, John Wright, W. W. Jones, A. H. Collins, E. O. McCullough, F. S. Dickey, A. Winslow, R. Northcote, Harry Brown, W. L. M. Lindsey, C. N. Shanly, R. E. Cockin, A. G. Brown, Lyman Dwight, Dugald McMurchy, G. A. Simpson, A. B. Aylesworth, A. B. Cameron, H. J. Bethune, W. H. Godwin. The banquet was a sumptuous one and the proceedings enthusiastic. The loyal toasts were duly honored, so was "The Legal Profession," to which Messrs. King and Marsh made happy responses. The health of the guest of the evening was royally honored and Mr. Lindsey's speech was a happy one. The speeches were enlivened with songs by W. W. Jones, F. S. Dickey, A. H. Collins A. G. Brown and Mr. G. G. S. Lindsey.

Personal Mention.

Thomas Swinyard is at the Queen's.

Dr. J. W. Slavin, Orillia, is at the Rossin.

Hon. James Young, Galt, is at the Rossin.

Rev. Canon Brent, Newcastle, is at the Rossin.

W. Douglass, Q. C., Chatham, is at the Queen's.

James E. Smith of Owen Sound is at the Queen's.

H. Corby, M.P., Belleville, spent yesterday at the Rossin and left for Ottawa last night.

A. Sharples, Quebec; Dr. Lavelle, Kingston; Dr. A. F. Rogers, Ottawa, are at the Queen's.

Dr. J. B. Holt, surgeon of the C. P. R., arrived here on his way west yesterday. He will return in a month.

Messrs. Ed. Rosenburg and Frank B. McIlroy of New York are making a tour of Canada. They are staying at the Queen's.

Sheriff Paton, Whitby; T. H. James, Trenton E. Armstrong, A. G. Lambert, Oshawa; and John Carroll St. Catharines are at the Palmer.

On Dit.

That another large American insurance company is coming into Canada and will make the deposit at Ottawa shortly.

That another lawyer is in difficulties. Misappropriation of trust funds. For two years the clients have been getting their interest all right—from the lawyer—but no principal can now be found. In the meantime the friends of the lawyer are being asked to square it up.

—Caswell, Massey & Co's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil with Pepsin and Quinine, is recognized as the best preparation known. Prescribed by the leading physicians. W. A. Dyer & Co., Montreal.

Sale of Horses at Grand's.

Yesterday afternoon at Grand's Repository 75 horses were sold at prices ranging from $90 to $180, or about an average of $140 each. The horses were mostly general purpose and heavy draught, with but few drivers. Buyers present were mostly from Manitoba, the local interest being barely represented. The prices were not high and were considerably short of what are expected next spring, but on the whole they are reported fairly satisfactory.

To Whom It May Concern.

Editor World: A Loyalist lady wants to know why the National Anthem was not sung at the Albani concert Monday night.

LOYALIST.

THE SALT OF THE EARTH.

Experiences of Members of the Canadian Holiness Association.

The Canadian Holiness Association opened a four days' session in Temperance Hall yesterday. This is the tenth annual convention and the second that has been held in Toronto. Last year the association met at Brantford. The meetings are entirely informal and undenominational. The officers of the association are: President, Rev. N. Burns of Toronto; secretary Thomas Colling, Simcoe; treasurer, Isaac Anderson and Thomas Wilmot, Toronto. About sixty delegates were present yesterday. Here are some of the names: Rev. T. S. Linscott, Rev. R. W. Woodsworth, Fred Elliott, Brantford; Rev. James Webb and wife, Kelvin; A. B. Cranston, James K. Cranston, John H. Cranston, Mrs. Scringer, Mr. and Mrs. Wooley, William Henry, Galt; William Monkman, Weston; Mrs. R. Bond, Rev. A. Teuax, Sheffield; Miss Annie Wade, Miss Bessie Wade, Point Granby; David Kennedy, Bronte; Mrs. J. Bennett, Concord; William M. Eadie, Randalph; Miss M. Arnote, Oakville; Miss Amiss, Plattsville; Miss Fitzpatrick, Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. H. Dickenson, Woodstock; Mrs. Culbert, Seaton Village; Mrs. Dyer, Stoney Creek; Mrs. Hodson, Lockport, N.Y.; A. C. Kern, Gananoque; Thomas Bonsfield, Jarvis; Rev. R. Howell and wife, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Hall, Chatsworth; Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Adams, Rev. Mr. Russ, Goderich; Mr. and Mrs. Morris, Mr. Lessing, Somerville; H. Hartley, New Durham; W. Morris, Otterville; Walter Swanzie, St. Catharines. President N. Burns occupied the chair yesterday and gave an address in which he stated that the society believe in the guidance of the Holy Ghost rather than the Bible. A number of persons gave their experience of salvation. In the evening the association met in the Metropolitan Church parlors, when Rev. T. S. Linscott of Brantford preached. The President delivered an address. A large attendance was present. To-morrow evening the association hold another meeting in the Metropolitan Church parlors; all the other services will take place in Temperance Hall.

RHEA'S DANGEROUS GAME.

The Fair Artist in a Happy Role—Other Amusement Notes.

Rhea and her excellent company played Sardou's popular comedy, "A Dangerous Game," to a large audience at the Grand Opera House, this being the cast:

Baron de Trouville	Mr. William Harris
Mon. Leverdier (Pere)	Mr. C. J. Brocck
Henri Leverdier	Mr. W. H. Owen
Flaupin, a country druggist	Mr. J. M. Francoeur
Tettilard, a country grocer	Mr. H. C. Bowers
Grinche, a market gardener	Mr. C. H. Drew
Mon. Forgemal, a country schoolmaster	J. E. Amory
Justice of the Peace	Lyman Jones
Pauline, Baroness de Trouville	Miss Ida Waterman
Madam Forgemal	Miss Ada Vaneta
Marlotte	Miss Marie Dantes
RHEA	HELENE

Rhea is always delightful in refined comedy, and last night she was at much better advantage than in "Much Ado About Nothing," in which she appeared the previous evening. In the part of Helene she displayed to all the gaiety of the French, as she is well able to do, and in this, one of her favorite plays, she won rounds of applause. Mr. Harris, as the baron, played excellently, while Messrs. Birbeck and Owen and Miss Waterman also contributed well. "Much Ado" will be played this afternoon and "Adrienne Lecouvreur" this evening.

Amusement Notes.

The last three nights of this week at the Grand Opera House will be given to W. H. Powers' "Fairy Will" company, which is said to be a typical Irish drama with a beautiful love story interwoven. It is said to be a side-splitter.

The sale of seats for the farewell Albani concert opens at Messrs. A. & S. Nordheimer's music store to-morrow morning. It is seldom that such a musical treat has been offered the Toronto public.

Mr. Wallick in "The Bandit King" is delighting large audiences at the Toronto. Commencing to-morrow night "The Bandit King" will be the attraction for the rest of the week.

The Toronto Philharmonic Society held a rehearsal in Victoria Hall last night at which a full orchestra and chorus were present. The oratorio "Samson" was performed under Mr. F. H. Torrington's direction. The society will give this well-known oratorio in the Pavilion on Feb. 26.

HEROES OF LAND AND SEA.

Interesting Meeting of Army and Navy Veterans—Proposed "Chelsea Home"—Welcome to Militia.

The Army and Navy Veterans' Society met last night in Temperance Hall. President John Nunn occupied the chair. The business of the evening was confined to the subjects of a home for destitute soldiers, and the motion by Capt. Bridgewater for inclusion of Canadian volunteers of the active militia of five years service, in the society. The question of a home for sick and destitute soldiers has been before the society previously, and is now being revived. A committee of twelve members was formed some time ago to attend to this matter. The committee will be summoned to meet and take action at an early date, and in the meantime will confer with prominent citizens as to the best means of establishing a veterans' home. Mr. Martin introduced the subject of including the Canadian active militia men of five years' service in the society, when Captain Bridgewater made a motion to that effect setting out:

"That it is deemed desirable, in order to augment this society, and as a means of its becoming a more useful and prominent organization, Her Majesty's Army and Navy Veterans' Society be supplemented by adding the words 'and auxiliary forces,' and include as members therein officers, non-commissioned officers and men who shall have served five years in the Canadian Volunteer Active Militia, subject to such rules and regulations as may hereafter be embodied in the constitution and bylaws of this society."

A large attendance of members was present, among whom was Captain John Gibbs Ridout, late of the 100th Foot and lately elected a member of the society.

St. Mary's Church Opening Next Sunday.

The opening of the new St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Bathurst-street next Sunday will be a grand affair in Catholic circles. This handsome new church, of which the rector is the Very Rev. F. P. Rooney, Administrator of the Archdiocese, is a grand addition to Toronto's many religious edifices. At 10.30 Sunday morning Grand High Pontifical Mass will be celebrated by His Lordship Bishop Cleary of Kingston, while the sermon will be preached by His Lordship Bishop Walsh of London, who was once priest of this parish. Gounod's mass will be sung, and in the evening grand musical vespers will be rendered. The musical service will be sung by a choir of 50 voices of the choirs of St. Mary's and St. Basil's, assisted by an orchestra of 20, with Rev. Father Chalandard of St. Basil's as conductor and Miss Nellie Clarke of St. Mary's at the organ. The chief soloists will be Mrs. Caldwell and Mrs. J. C. Smith.

City Hall Small Talk.

The Property Committee meets this afternoon.

A building permit was granted S. Crawford yesterday for alterations to a building on the corner of Queen and Peter-streets to cost $3500.

The Court House Committee will attempt to make some progress in the matter of the new municipal building this afternoon.

The authorities of the town of Stayner sent a man down to Toronto for treatment, who was suffering from acute mania. He had himself to the City Hall in search of a free pass to the hospital, but was given instead a pass back to Stayner with a note to the authorities there to the effect that Toronto's hands were full looking after its own indigent sick.

The City Clerk yesterday received a note from the Provincial Government requiring him to furnish full information about all the charitable institutions at present in receipt of grants from the city. He turned over the document, which was a very formidable looking affair, to City Relief Officer Taylor.

The Ontario Artillery Association has sent a letter to the Mayor, thanking him and the Council for the $10 donation recently given it by the city.

First and foremost among external curatives of pain is Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. Nor is it less esteemed as a remedy for coughs, pains, swellings, corns, bunions, etc. It is an economic as well as inexpensive article, since the results produced by it necessitate the use only of a small quantity.

From Police Blotters.

The Police Commissioners met yesterday and discussed the appointment of an additional detective and probable promotions.

The police of No. 1 division complain that length of service is overlooked in the apportionment of the soft snaps.

Hamilton Powers, Halifax, was arrested by Policeman Young yesterday afternoon on the corner of Bay and King-streets for threatening people with a big dirk knife. At Headquarters $69 in small silver was found on his person and he was wearing four suits of clothes, one above the other.

Robert Lewis, employed as a porter in Charles Taylor & Co.'s stationery warehouse, Front-street west, was arrested yesterday on a charge of stealing from his employers. Some of the goods found with Expressman Martin were recognized as belonging to the firm, and Lewis is suspected of having stolen them and selling them to Martin. The latter appeared in the Police Court yesterday morning, pleaded not guilty and was remanded.

James Ryan of Port Colborne complained to the police yesterday that on the previous night he had been set upon by a gang of toughs in Dundas-street and robbed of $8.

If your children are troubled with worms give them Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator; safe, sure and effectual. Try it and mark the improvement in your child.

THE PERILS OF A JOCKEY.

BILLY DONOHUE'S MANY NARROW ESCAPES FROM DEATH.

More Falls Than Any Other Race Rider Living—The Acceptances for the English Spring Handicaps—Toronto Wins Twice from Aurora at Curling.

At the recent bookmakers' billiard tournament in New York a good looking and athletic young man was an interested spectator at every game. Everyone appeared to know him and all had a pleasant word and a good-natured smile for "Billy" Donohue, for the young man was no less a personage than the popular and successful jockey.

William Donohue, who is a Canadian by birth and is well known in Toronto, has ridden many of the crack horses in the past ten years on the American turf, has been the hero of many close and exciting finishes and has probably received more severe falls, broken ribs and hips and sustained other injuries than any living jockey.

In an interview he said:

"Since my first public mount—a filly named Violet—in Canada twenty years ago, when I was but fourteen years old, I have had 'a leg up' upon many of the horses that have made the American turf famous. I have not ridden them all to victory, to be sure, but I have had a fair share of luck and—some accidents. My first experience in the saddle was in 1869, when I was employed by Mr. C. J. Alloway, whose stable was situated near Fergus, Canada. I had a natural love for horses and horse racing without which no boy can become a successful jockey, and, beginning at the bottom of the ladder, worked hard and faithfully and was quickly advanced. The two seasons I spent in England and France, where I rode the American filly Girofle, were beneficial, to me in many respects.

"Which of your many falls was the worst?"

"The most severe was at New Orleans on April 24, 1882, on the grounds of the Louisiana Jockey Club. It was in the Cottrill Stakes for three-year-olds at one mile and a half. I had the mount on John Grayer's chestnut gelding Warrington. Anglia was the favorite, with Babcock second choice, the other starters being Effie H. and Mamie W. Before an eighth of a mile had been covered Effie H. fell ahead of me and Warrington stumbled over her. Anglia, who was behind, came on top of me, crushing his hoof into my right groin and breaking two ribs. I was in bed fourteen days, but suffered no after effects whatever. In fact, I have been particularly fortunate in all my falls, as I have never been annoyed by any of them after I have once got well."

"Didn't you have a severe tumble at Monmouth a few years ago?"

"You mean that fall with Wandering. Yes, it was a big shake up, but I was not severely hurt. I believe it was in a purse race at a mile in July of '85. There were eight starters and I had the mount on the late John Sullivan's chestnut gelding Wandering. As the post Wandering commenced his old tricks, and with buck jumping stood 'straight as a steeple' in the air. I hung on with tooth and nail and enjoyed the laughter from the grand stand and the lawn. The old horse delayed the start some minutes, but when he finally fell he was full of running. I had him well in hand turning for home and was preparing to make my effort when Greenland, with Menton up, fell. and Compensation followed, with Willie Martin. I was on top of them before I knew it, and then all was a blank. Willing hands carried me under the trees close by, and it was not long before I was able to ascertain my injuries. I was laid up for several days, and when next I appeared on the track it was with a black eye, contusions on forehead and a disabled arm."

"Do you remember any other falls?"

"Oh, yes, lots of them. I recall my first tumble at Saratoga, away back in the seventies. The mount was old Warwick threw me and though unconscious for nearly half an hour I was ready to ride in the next race. But it was on the Gravesend track in '87 that my left leg was broken through the carelessness of a brother jockey. There were eights of us in a sweepstakes at a mile and a furlong, and Ada Pi was a hot favorite. My mount, Santa Claus, was thought to have a good chance and was freely backed by his people at the respectable odds of 8 and 10 to 1. Tornado, however, took the lead and was never headed. I would have been second, if not first, had not one of the boys crowded old Santa into the rails on the home stretch. My horse stumbled and fell, turning a complete somersault with me. My mind was too confused to think until after I struck the ground. This time I did not lose consciousness, but suffered great pain, as my leg was broken. I was laid up for nine months."

"Which do you regard as the best horse you ever rode?"

"That is a difficult question to answer, as I have ridden many good ones and lots of bad ones, but among the best were Thora, Girofle, San Savior and Eole. In my opinion Monarchist was the greatest racehorse this country ever saw. He won twelve straight races from one mile to three miles, and was up to any weight.

"The riding is much improved in the past 10 years, and so is the racing. There are more starters now than in the old days, when three or four made up the field. Now ten or twelve frequently go to the post, and sometimes even more. I have ridden thirty odd at Brighton, and as you know twenty odd have started in big handicaps at Sheepshead and Brooklyn.

"The horses of 10 and even 20 years ago were equally as good over short courses and much better over long ones than are the horses of the present day. Few thoroughbreds of to-day can go over a distance of ground like the old timers."

Acceptances for English Handicaps.

To give publication to the acceptances for the English Spring handicaps the Racing Calendar was published a day earlier than usual. As a whole the declarations are not large, especially among the top weights, and in a few instances only are the weights raised under the rule. Take the races in the order they will be run, the Lincolnshire (March 27) had 21 declarations out of 64 entries, leaving Fullerton the top weight at 134 lbs., and Lord Lurgan's Acme the second at 119 lbs. It is rumored in England that Acme has be on sold to go to America, but will not probably go until after the Lincolnshire (America may mean the United States and again it may mean Buenos Ayres). For the Liverpool Grand National Steeplechase (March 29) there were 15 declarations out of 65 entries. The top weights are a grand lot of old horses that have fought many a battle over the Liverpool four miles and a half. The top eight are: Sailor-Boy, 175; Roquefort, 168; Gamecock, 166; Savoyard, 165; Coronet, 164; Johnny Longtail, 164, and Playfair 163 lb. For the Newmarket fixtures the Crawford (April 9) lost 26 out of 53 and the weights had to be raised 2 lb., bringing Hazelhatch the top weight. The Babraham (April 10) lost Fullerton, Acme and Veracity, and as a consequence the weights had to be raised 10 lb., with only 27 left in. With the weights raised King Monmouth went up from 114 to 124 lb. Both the Epsom races held their own, the Great Metropolitan having 22 acceptances with Grafton at the head of the list, with 55 for the City and Suburban, last year's winner, Fullerton, being top weight at 124 lb. Thus the complaints against Messrs. McIntyre and Lawrence practically fall to the ground, even allowing for the difference in dates. The Sunurban will be run April 24, and the performances of Fullerton and Kinsky, the two top weights, are about equal to those of The Bard and Kingston. The Chester Cup (May 8) lost 22 out of 46 entries, while the Jubilee Handicap at Kempton (May 10) lost 21 out of 62, leaving Friar's Balsam, the top weight, at 127 lb., with Crowberry next at 121, and Mephisto third at 118 lb. The total acceptances for the eight races are 277 out of 412 entries, as against 296 acceptances last year out of 422 entries for the same events.

Gossip of the Turf.

Mr. Fred C. Whitney of Detroit has bought a couple of colts from Mr. Langstaff of Thornhill. They are both sired by Gen. Brock and said to be very promising.

Final for the Tankard.

The first draw in the final competition for the Ontario Tankard begins on the city rinks this morning at 9 o'clock. The following matches will be played:

On Granite Rink: Toronto [illegible] v Berlin; Galt v Lancaster; Wau[illegible] v Walkerton.

On Mutual-street Rink: Toronto G[illegible]lies v Bobcaygeon; Fergus v Meaford; Thamesville v Bright.

On Prospect Park: Whitby v Hamilton Thistle; Chesley drew the bye on the condition that they play against any club whose opponent fails to turn up.

Two Wins for Toronto.

Aurora and Toronto played two friendly games yesterday at the Victoria Rink, two rinks a side. In the first game the visitors were beaten by this score:

Toronto.		Aurora.	
RINK NO. 1.			
Capt McCorquodale,		J Gower,	
Jno McCracken,		W H Perram,	
W W Belding,		Dr Rutherford,	
Jno Wright, skip	23	T H Brunton, skip	8
RINK NO. 2.			
Geo Edwards,		I J Hartman,	
J R Riddell,		P Querrie,	
Jno Bain,		R Miller,	
D S Keith, skip	22	E Braund, skip	15
Total	45	Total	23

Majority for Toronto 22.

The second game was played with this result:

Toronto.		Aurora.	
RINK NO. 1.			
Stewart Morrison,		J Gower,	
A W Godson,		W H Perram,	
Wm McLean,		Dr Rutherford,	
L A Tilley, skip	20	T H Brunton, skip	10
RINK NO. 2.			
C W Taylor,		J J Hartman,	
W B Smith,		R Querrie,	
Geo Bertram,		E Braund,	
Jno Bain, skip	21	R Williamson, skip	7
Total	41	Total	17

Majority for Toronto 24.

Dust From the Diamond.

The American Association will continue the Ladies' Day feature this year.

Baltimore claims to have signed Catcher Grimm, engaged by Toronto.—New York Herald.

The movement to establish a Maine State league seems to have failed.

President Young is beginning to hear from classified players who are dissatisfied with their rating. Denny, Whitney and Sutcliffe are all kicking about the alleged injustice done them by the president of the League.

Manager Trott of the Newarks signed "Bobbie" Miller, the clever local pitcher, on Monday. Miller has played with the Newark team for two seasons.

Lou Brown, the old time catcher, recently took part in a wrestling match, fell down, broke his knee and died in a hospital. Tub Welch, a Buffalo catcher, also tried a wrestling match, was thrown and had his throwing arm broken. He is now on the shelf.

The Wanderers Snowshoe Club will have a tramp to-night, starting from "The Guns" in the Queen's Park at 8 o'clock.

AMONG THE SOCIETIES.

The Dorothy Club held an "At Home" in Shaftesbury Hall last night.

L. O. L., No. 140, met in Victoria Hall last evening, Bro. W. Adamson in the chair. Several initiations were made and propositions received.

Court Queen City, A. O. F., held its fortnightly meeting last evening in Shaftesbury Hall. Secretary Trowbridge resigned. The meeting was for business purposes.

Crimson Banner Lodge, Prentice Boys, held an open concert in Victoria Hall last night. J. Lackey occupied the chair.

Hope of Toronto Lodge, I.O.G.T., held their weekly meeting in Temperance Hall last night. Bro. Wilson, C. T., occupied the chair. The installation of officers was the business of the evening.

Toronto City Council, R. T. of T., met in Temperance Hall last night. Degrees were conferred by Bros. F. Knibbs and J. T. Richardson on two of the members.

Eureka Council of the Order of Chosen Friends held their fortnightly meeting in Shaftesbury Hall last evening. G. Benson occupied the chair. Five initiations were made and six propositions received.

Mystic Lodge of the Knights of Pythias, held their regular weekly meeting last night in Richmond Hall. Joseph Armstrong presided. Several applications for initiation were received.

Mr. Middleton delivered a lecture on "Yeast Microscopically Considered" before the Master Bakers' Association last night in Temperance Hall. The lecture was illustrated by a series of models loaned the association by Prof. Ramsay Wright of the School of Science. Mr. Andrew W. Carrick occupied the chair.

At the monthly meeting of the Toronto Caithness Society in Temperance Hall last evening the following were elected honorary members of the society: David Mathison, Ottawa; Thomas Mason, Robert Ferayth, James Shearn, Montreal; James Smith, Harriston. After the meeting a concert was given at which the following local talent assisted: Miss Maggie Banks, Miss Addie Smith, Messrs. Rogers, Johnston, Falconer, Geary, Foley, Budge, and G. and W. Banks.

At the conclusion of the regular meeting of Beaver Lodge Sons of Canada at Temperance Hall last night the members adjourned to the basement where a bountiful repast was spread. Richard Castle presided. Songs and speeches were the order of the day or rather of the night. A most enjoyable time was spent. Amongst those present were J. Meyerhoffer, W. McMurchy, T. Saunders and Dr. J. A. Burgess, Grand Lodge officers; Drs. W. J. Orr, E. E. King, W. H. B. Aikins and Ald. John Ritchie.

Mr. G. D. Roberts, comic vocalist, and Messrs. Gill and Shilton took part in the Temperance Reformation Society's entertainment last night. Henry Jackman presided. These concerts are growing in popularity and a large attendance was present.

Grant & Co. of Ingersoll, Celebrated Wiltshire Sides, Hams and Breakfast Bacon.

The above brands of meats take the lead in the English market, and are undoubtedly the finest ever offered for sale in the Dominion. Mara & Co., 280 and 282 Queen-street west. A few doors west of Beverley-street.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Several contracts have been let for the erection of cottages in our Canadian "Long Branch." This resort will soon be a suburb of Toronto.

The Hospital visitors desire to acknowledge receipt of further money towards the building fund of the Home, now nearly completed: C. Robinson, $20; Mrs. Neale, $5; various collections by visitors, $35. Contributions for this excellent object may be sent to Walter S. Lee, 70 Church-street, or H. O'Brien, 68 Church-street.

On the occasion of Mr. S. F. Cuthbertson leaving the city to accept a situation in Berlin, he was presented by the employes of the Copp, Clark Co. (warehouse) with a valuable gold ring.

In the Victoria Rink, Huron-street, to-morrow night the grandest fancy dress carnival of the season will be held. The Citizens' Band will discourse sweet music and a swell gathering is expected.

The employes of Mr. A. W. Webb, 34 George-street, enjoyed a pleasant drive to Eglinton last night. During the festivities Mr. Samuel Thompson was presented by the employes with a valuable piece of plate by his co-workers, as a token of their appreciation of his kindness to them, as foreman of the establishment.

Rev. Geo. H. Sandwell delivered his lecture on "Society" at Bond-street Congregational Church last night to a large audience. Dr. Wild occupied the chair. The lecture was given under the auspices of the Young Men's Society. A short program of music was also given.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

John Powers of Middleton, N.Y., aged 11, has become a raving maniac from the effects of cigarette smoking.

All danger of an ice famine is past in New York.

The people of Missouri yesterday voted in favor of a constitutional amendment giving the Legislature power to establish lotteries.

Charley Stein, a notorious renegade in Oklahoma, who killed Deputy United States Marshal McAlister a few days ago, was overtaken by a posse and riddled with bullets.

While Ralph Cohen, keeper of a Boston pawnshop, was at supper last evening his clerk, John Cohen, took over $7000 worth of jewelry and some money and decamped.

Susie B., the 16-year-old daughter of Colonel D. R. Anthony, and Edwin Pierce were drowned last evening at Leavenworth while skating on a pond. Miss Anthony was niece of her namesake, Miss Susan B. Anthony.

Luke Palmer, an old and wealthy citizen of Burlington, Ia., has been buncoed out of $5000 by a fine-looking man, who pretended to be a nephew of a bank president. The victim is a brother of General John M. Palmer of Illinois.

The steamer La Gascogne left Havre in a storm on Feb. 2, and when 250 miles out a great tidal wave suddenly rose up before the vessel and rolled over it. Chief Officer Masclet and four sailors were on the bridge, and the wave fell, crushing them in a heap against the iron railing. All were injured and one died shortly afterward.

The New York Tribune's Indianapolis special says it is announced that M. M. Estee of California has written a letter in which he practically says that the Secretaryship of the Interior has been offered to him, and that he has accepted it.

Welcome ever smiles and farewell goes out sighing. Yet, this is the way at the Army & Navy stores. We make you all welcome with a smile, and after you have carefully looked through our immense stock of ready made clothing and made your purchase, either large or small, and are taking your departure we almost sigh to say farewell, but it will be only for a short time as those who once buy at the Army & Navy stores always return again and increase their purchases.

DISPUTE ON 'CHANGE.

Two Men Want a Car of Wheat—One Gets It.

On Call at the Board of Trade yesterday afternoon, Mr. Walter Taylor wanted to sell one car No. 2 hard wheat at $1.21. The caller announced the offer and Mr. John Brown of the Citizens Milling Co., who was standing near the rostrum, remarked in a conversational tone that he would take it. Before the Caller had time to announce the sale, Mr. George A. Chapman bid $1.21 and claimed the purchase. Mr. Brown objected and asked for the Caller's ruling, which was given in his favor. Mr. Chapman appealed on the ground that all offers or bids on Call must be made in an audible voice so as to be heard by all present. When the question was put to the members present Mr. Chapman's appeal was sustained and he got the wheat.

Diamonds and Jewelry.

Money is saved in buying diamonds, watches and jewelry