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TOPICS OF TO-DAY.

It is proposed to form a joint stock company to operate the oil fields of the Kootenay district, B. C.

The postage on a letter from the United States through England to India is 5 cents. The postage on a letter mailed in England for India is 10 cents. On account of this the English business public is making a big kick against the English postal department.

At a recent great ball at the Russian court all the ladies appeared in white, without any other ornaments than diamonds, pearls and their own beauty. The Empress herself was present, and danced in nearly every dance. The scene is said to have been marvelously beautiful. The White Room in the Winter Palace, where the ball was held, is so large that 3,000 persons danced there with ease.

An extensive society in Vienna, devoted to pan-Germanism, is engaged in diffusing the German language among the opposing nationalities of the Austrian empire. Its efforts are at present being concentrated against the Slavs of Bohemia, Moravia and Styria, as it was found necessary to abandon the attempt to eradicate the Italian language in those of the empire's provinces where its vitality has always been strong and is now increasing.

Prince Bismarck is fond of walking, and whenever his health allows he still goes out on foot (always accompanied by his big dog), and wears his military cap and tunic; but, instead of dangling a sword, as a few years back, he now leans on a cane. When the young Emperor William either rides or walks out he is invariably in full regimentals, with a long cavalry sabre hung from his waist, and on foot it is his custom to manipulate in addition a stick, not quite as substantial, however, as the stout, tall Chancellor's staff.

An interesting controversy is under way in the English papers as to whether ladies should ride man fashion, it having been hinted that several well-known lady riders contemplated taking a bold step this season that direction. Field, in a long editorial, condemns the scheme, declaring that the side saddle is a better seat for the woman than the cross saddle, safer and more comfortable while riding, and less dangerous in case of accident. Among other arguments it advances is the one that the natural roundness of a woman's limbs renders her unable to keep a secure seat on a cross saddle. Plump and round-limbed men, it asserts, can never be good riders.

The Bible Institute in Chicago, of which D. L. Moody is the head, has been fortunate enough to secure the services of Prof. W. G. Moorehead, of Xenia, Ohio, for the three months of April, May and June. Prof. Moorehead is regarded by many as the most suggestive, thorough and stimulating Bible teacher in the country. Mr. Moody sends out a cordial invitation to all ministers, evangelists, theological students and other Christian workers in all parts of the land to take advantage of this opportunity. The new building of the institute is open; and those who come will, as far as possible, be accommodated in it. Those who desire rooms in the building should send their names and references at once to the superintendent, R. A. Torrey, 80 W. Pearson street, Chicago. Four dollars per week will cover all necessary expenses.

Denmark has organized a new system of state butter shows. The scheme includes a continuous butter show at the expense of the State during several months in each year, where fresh samples of butter will be received every fourteen days, the judges' decision to be given on the butter as received and its condition at the end of fourteen days. The samples are to be sent immediately on the receipt of a letter or telegram so that the dairymen will not be able to make a special cask for exhibition, and the samples are to be repeated as often as required. Competing dairies must send in a return of the feeding and system generally followed on the farm, with special reference to the week during which the samples are sent in. At present the number of dairies entered is 360. Nine judges have been selected, and these act in groups of three each, each group recording an independent opinion on each sample, which is checked by those of the other two groups. Each group will consist of two butter merchants and one dairy expert. The exhibitors are paid the usual market rate for their exhibits. The shows will be held at intervals of a fortnight during eight months of the year.

To be Married and Hanged.

DALLAS, Tex., March 3.—Tom Angus, in jail for the murder of Bradley, the baseball player, has got a license to marry Martha E. Shipp.

An Emigrant Family Murdered.

OKLAHOMA, I. T., March 3.—News from Shawnee, a town 30 miles from this city, says that the dead bodies of a man named Holmes, his wife and two children, were found on Thursday a few miles west of Shawnee. They were returning to their claim, a few miles from this city, when they were killed, it is supposed, for their money by the outlaws that infest the Pottawatomie reservation. There is no clue to the assassins.

Firewater and Fire.

JOHNSTONBURG, PA., March 3.—Martin O'Malley and Peter Faley were burned to death here Saturday night. O'Malley lived in a little shanty near the railroad track. The two men mentioned and a third name unknown, were on a spree. O'Malley and Faley repaired to the shanty about 9 o'clock in the evening. During the night one of the men, while under the influence of liquor, must have turned on more gas. The over-pressure set fire to the building and burned it to the ground, with its occupants.

Steamers Arrived.

March 1.	Reported at	From
Rhætia	New York	Hamburg
Trave	New York	Bremen
Spain	New York	London
Brooklyn City	New York	Bristol
Nederland	Philadelphia	Antwerp
Aller	Bremerhaven	New York
Vancouver	Halifax	Liverpool
March 2.		
Aurania	New York	Liverpool
March 3.		
La Normandie	New York	Havre
Utopia	New York	Glasgow
Calland	New York	Rotterdam
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[illegible]land	London	New York

A LONDON ROMANCE.

How Earl Russell Won His Bride.

William's Recent Rescript Suggested by the Pope's Speech.

Lisbon Students Threaten to Attack the British Minister.

Young Lincoln's Condition Unchanged—Salisbury in Better Health.

Emin Pasha.

ZANZIBAR, March 3.—Emin Pasha has arrived here.

A Glorious Time in Kilkenny.

LONDON, March 3.—Father Kinsella and fifteen others imprisoned for their actions at Clongory have been released. Kilkenny had a glorious time over it.

Free Education in England.

LONDON, March 3.—Mr. Chamberlain writes that he believes free education will be conferred by the present Government before Parliament is dissolved.

Snow and Frost in Europe.

LONDON, March 3.—Severe snow storms and frost are reported in England and in various parts of Europe. Among the regions so visited are Rome and the Riviera.

The Sick.

LONDON, March 3.—Lord Salisbury has returned to London. He is much stronger than when he went away.

The condition of young Abraham Lincoln is unchanged. He is very feeble.

Inspired by the Pope's Speech.

ROME, March 3.—The Vatican's official organ claims that the German Emperor was inspired to issue the labor rescript by a former speech of Pope Leo XIII. to the French workingmen. It commends the Emperor's attitude.

A New Nihilist Plot.

LONDON, March 3.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg reports the discovery of a fresh Nihilist conspiracy to commit outrages. The headquarters of the plotters were at Basiliskland, where a number of arrests have been made.

European Labor Troubles.

LONDON, March 3.—The carpenters employed in nine of the shipyards on the Thames have struck for an advance of 6d per day in their wages.

At a meeting of 800 miners at Essen a resolution was adopted opposing the demand for a 50 per cent. advance in wages.

Lisbon Students Threaten Trouble.

LISBON, March 3.—The students of this city threaten to attack Glynn Petre, the British Minister. They have formed a league, the members of which have pledged themselves to make an assault upon Petre. Their action is due to the fact that the Government has refused to withdraw the exequatur of the Minister.

Death of Sir Edward Baines.

LONDON, March 3.—The death is announced of Sir Edward Baines, proprietor of the Leeds Mercury, one of the most influential Liberal organs in the north of England. He was born in 1800, was member of Parliament for Leeds from 1859 to 1874, and was knighted in 1880. He was the author of a number of works bearing upon the industrial progress and commerce of the nation.

Pope Leo's Birthday.

ROME, March 3.—Pope Leo XIII. was 80 years old yesterday, and to-day will be the twelfth anniversary of his coronation. In honor of these two anniversaries he gave a reception to the College of Cardinals. Replying to the congratulations of the cardinals, the Pope declared his intention to give the most earnest study to the social question, and said he hoped to receive the assistance of the European powers in solving this difficult problem.

French Designs on Dahomey.

PARIS, March 3.—A report has been received by the Goverment from the Governor of Senegal stating that 800 of the King of Dahomey's troops attacked the French force under Commandant Terrilon at Atzeba. After a severe fight the French repulsed the natives, killing and wounding 100. It is reported that the Government intends to annex the kingdom of Dahomey to the French possessions in Africa, and that a large expedition will be sent to the west coast.

The Labor Conference.

LONDON, March 3.—The St. Petersburg Grashdanin comments on what it considers the lack of wisdom shown by the powers that have consented to take part in the labor conference at Berlin. The conference, the paper believes, will tend to add economic superiority to the military preponderance already exercised by Germany over Europe, and it is on this ground that it censures the powers for giving their support to the project.

Austria and Hungary will send separate delegations to the Berlin Conference.

One Hundred and Forty-Four Lives Lost

LONDON, March 3.—The report of the loss of the British steamer Quetta, while on a voyage from Queensland to London, is confirmed at Lloyds. The steamer struck a rock, not shown on the chart, at 9 o'clock Friday night, near Somerset in the Torres Straits, at the northern extremity of Australia, and sank in three minutes.

LONDON, March 3.—It is now known that 136 of the passengers and crew of the British steamer Quetta, which was wrecked on Friday night near Somerset, in Torres Strait, Australia, while bound from Cooktown for London, were saved. There were 280 on board.

Gullibility of the Times.

LONDON, March 3.—Earl Spencer, speaking at Wolverton Saturday, reproved the Times for its gullibility in swallowing so readily Pigott's forged letters, which were, in fact, the backbone of all its charges. He said that whenever, during the last fifteen years, inquiry into the doings or sayings of anybody connected with Dublin Castle had elicited any communication from Pigott what he said had always been found to be unreliable. He related many instances of Pigott's attempts to obtain money for pretended information while he himself was Lord-Lieutenant. He said: "If the Gladstonians are worthy of blame for their alliance with the Parnell party the Tories were also worthy of blame for the alliance of 1885 and 1886, and for the present offers of local government in Ireland." He believed that posterity would regard Mr. Parnell as one of the greatest reformers of the generation.

Breakup in the French Cabinet.

PARIS, March 3.—The resignation of M. Constans, French Minister of the Interior, was due to a quarrel with M. Tirard over the appointment of the Republican Senator, M. Mazan, as one of the judges of the Court of Cassation. The Cabinet met Saturday and offered M. Constans' portfolio to M. Bourgeois, a Radical. M. Bourgeois has accepted the portfolio. Premier Tirard also tendered his resignation, but President Carnot refused to accept it. There is a unanimous opinion that the Cabinet is weakened by the resignation of Constans, and that his leaving heralds its downfall. M. Bourgeois, the successor of M. Constans, is an advanced Radical.

Results of the German Reballoting.

BERLIN, March 3.—By the results of the second ballots the disastrous defeat of the Cartel coalition is confirmed, and the same figures put in a stronger light the triumph of the German Liberals and the Socialists. Four districts in this city in which the first canvass was undecided have now been carried by German Liberals. The official returns of second ballots so far show the election of 9 Conservatives, 3 Imperialists, 17 National Liberals, 38 Freisinniges, 13 Socialists, 3 Guelphs and 6 Democrats. Prince Bismarck is already actively planning and negotiating the reconstruction of a Government majority by the manipulation of parties. The elections have resulted in the full restoration of the Prince's control over the Emperor.

It is now looked upon as doubtful whether the labor conference will meet on the 14th inst., as has been arranged. M. Spuller, the French Minister, hesitates over a final acceptance of the invitation, because he has discovered that the programme admits the discussion and regulation of the hours of labor of adults. M. Spuller communicated his views on these points to the Marquis of Salisbury and to Prince Bismarck, and advised that points certain to raise the question of miners' hours be withdrawn from the programme. The Marquis of Salisbury approved of M. Spuller's suggestion. The clause will be modified so as to prevent any debate upon the limitation of the length of a miner's day. The Emperor still seems to sanguine of some practical result.

How Earl Russell Won His Bride

LONDON, March 3.—The young Countess Russell has completely recovered from her recent illness. A few days before her marriage she had been suffering from bronchitis, and she became so ill during the ceremony that she had to go straight to bed on returning from the church. Lord and Lady Russell now expect to start on their honeymoon. There is a romantic story told in London that the young Earl won and wooed his bride under the guise of a British workman. Earl Russell is a partner in the electrical works at Teddington, near the house in which Lady Scott lives, and is an entusiastic and practical worker in the business, which he constantly supervises. Lady Scott, it seems, ordered some electrical fittings at the works and Lord Russell took a gang of men over to the house and set to work, dressed in ordinary mechanic fashion, as foreman of the gang. Whether or not the young lady knew the rank of the "fereman" is not known. "Baby Scott" noticed his superior bearing and manners and begged her mother to ask him to lunch with them instead of with the workmen. Baby Scott fell in love with the noble workman and clandestine meetings and an engagement followed. Lady Scott was beside herself when she heard of this, and hurried off to the electrical works on vengeance bent, and inquired of the first man she met for the audacious young foreman who had attended to the work at her house. "Foreman, my lady!" answered the workman. "Bless your 'art, that weren't no bloomin' foreman. That was Hearl Russell my lady, and a good one he is, too, and knows his trade as if he weren't no lord at all, but a real Knight of Labor." Lady Scott was thunder-struck. The next time Baby Scott met the Earl she reproached him with his deception and stratagem. The Earl excused himself on the old plea that he wanted to be loved for himself alone, without the glamour of rank and riches. Lady Scott afterward told the Earl that she had seen "his native worth and nobility through the coarse disguise of a fustian jacket." Then came the marriage.

A TRAIN BURNED.

Three Men Killed and Eighteen Cars Destroyed.

MASSILLON, O., March 3.—A wreck occurred on the Fort Wayne road at Wakeville this morning. When the third section of a freight train going east reached that point an oil tank on the train exploded and set fire to the cars. The fourth section ran into the third killing John Cowen engineer, Gatehouse, fireman, and Miller, the fourth brakeman, all of the fourth section. Eighteen loaded cars were burned. The heat was so intense that it melted the bell on the engine of the fourth section, and it ran down in molten form over the boiler. The ties were burned for a distance of 500 feet, and the track was bent and drawn into all kinds of shapes. Cowen and Miller lived at Alliance, and have families. Gatehouse is a single man.

The Missionary Ship Glad Tidings Safe.

VICTORIA, B. C., March 3.—A letter has been received from Port Simpson stating that the missionary steamer Glad Tidings, previously reported wrecked and a total loss, has arrived safe at that place.

Cattle Freezing to Death in Texas.

ST. LOUIS, March 3.—Reports from Northern Texas say hundreds of ranch cattle have been frozen to death during the present cold spell, and unless the weather speedily moderates the loss will be very severe.

Many Homes Under Water.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 3.—Fifteen hundred persons living on the low lands along the Cumberland River have been driven from their homes by the floods, and there is much suffering among them. Many homes are under water.

Eight Thousand Dollars for a Leg.

BUFFALO, March 3.—The Supreme Court jury Saturday rendered a verdict for $8,000 in the case of C. F. Pitcher against the Lake Shore Railroad Company for the loss of a leg, caused by the sudden starting of a train carrying a carload of horses, of which Pitcher had charge.

IDENTIFIED!

Light Let in on Blenheim's Murder Mystery.

The Victim Identified—A "Suspect" Arrested.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., March 3.—Some facts came to light Saturday in regard to the man found in the subway near Princeton some days ago. When the Toronto express arrived two large wooden chests, addressed to H. Benwell, Clinton, Ont., were found in the bonded compartment of the Canadian Express Company's office here, having arrived on Feb. 18 in bond through the United States from New York. Upon making inquiries at the hotels it was learned that two young Englishmen by the names of J. Burchell and Mr. Pelley, the former a married man who had his wife with him, had been stopping at Mr. Baldwin's private boarding-house for the past two weeks, and knew something of who the man found dead at Princeton was, and that Mr. Burchell and wife had left here Friday for Princeton and Mr. Pelley had returned to New York the same day.

BURCHELL'S STATEMENT.

It was learned at Mr. Baldwin's that Burchell would return this evening, and he did by the 8 o'clock G. T. R. train, and the following statement was made by him: "The dead man's name was Fred. C. Benwell, of London, Eng. He was 34 years of age, and well connected, his father being an officer in the British army. Benwell, Pelley and myself and wife sailed in the White Star steamer Britannic from England on Feb. 5 last, arriving in New York on Feb. 14. Benwell, with the intention of locating in Canada and buying a farm, after remaining at the Metropolitan Hotel, New York, a few days, came on to the Falls, remaining a day over at Buffalo, stopping at the Stafford Hotel. Upon arrival here Benwell left me at the G. T. R. depot, saying he was going to London, Ont., prospecting, and was to let me know the result. He took with him a large valise, leaving in my charge two trunks, and I received by mail last Wednesday week from London, Ont., a ticket to release two chests which are in the express office here in bond. On viewing the body at Princeton this morning after it had been exhumed I recognized it to be that of Fred C. Brenwell, who had accompanied me from England. I know he had from $50 to $100 with him when he left me, also a watch and chain. Taking everything into consideration, I feel he has been foully murdered. He was a man of temperate habits. I knew him personally six or seven months before we left England.

"Mr. Pelley left here yesterday for New York. He has been with me here since Benwell left for London. He went to New York in search of Benwell, who had friends in that city. I cannot say how much money Benwell had on his arrival in New York. I have made several trips to this country buying horses and shipping them to England. Pelley came with me on the same errand. It was through no inducement from me that Benwell came to this country."

BURCHELL ARRESTED.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., March 3.—J. Burchell, who identified the remains of the murdered man found near Princetown as those of F. C. Benwell, of London, Eng., was arrested here yesterday morning on suspicion of being connected with the murder. After Burchell returned to his boarding-house last evening Detective Thomas H. Young, chief of the Ontario police here, had police surveillance placed on the house all night and went to Buffalo to see if he could find any information with reference to Benwell and the party while they stopped at Buffalo before coming here.

All the trains from New York were watched closely. When the Erie flyer arrived at 7:30 yesterday morning Pelley stepped off the train, and was taken to Police Magistrate Hill's office, where a private consultation was held, after which Burchell was arrested, being found at Baldwin's boarding-house.

ALIAS SOMERSET.

It has come to light since the arrest that Burchell was in this place one year ago accompanied by his wife, the same woman that is with him now, and stopped at the Imperial Hotel, registering as Mr. and Mrs. Somerset, arriving at midnight and remaining a day or two. Upon their return on Feb. 19 last they went to the same hotel. The proprietor recognizing them, they renewed their acquaintance, but said that on account of his good family connections and his coming on this trip trading in horses he took the name of Burchell and wished to be called and known by that alias.

THE SUSPECT.

Burchell has a dark complexion, black mustache, sharp features, front teeth badly decayed, is about 5 feet 9 inches, weighs about 150 pounds, about 30 years of age, has a tired expression around the eyes and is of a jovial disposition. His wife is a slender, rather pleasant-faced blonde, and has the appearance of being a highly-educated and refined English lady. Burchell will be brought up this morning for a hearing before the Police Magistrate.

BURCHELL FURTHER IDENTIFIED.

I. F. Hellmuth, barrister, of this city, on inspecting the photograph of the murdered man identifies him as Mr. Benwell, who crossed the Atlantic on the steamer Britannic with him last month. Mr. Benwell came on board at Liverpool. Mr. Burchell has frequently visited Canada. The photograph, said Mr. Hellmuth, is that of Mr. Benwell; there can be no mistake about that.

Government Detective Murray was in the city to-day, trying to find some trace of Benwell, the man murdered at Princeton, who is said to have been here some time ago. Up to the present he has not been able to find anything of Benwell's visit. Mr. I. F. Hellmuth left for Niagara this morning to identify Burchell, who was arrested in Niagara on suspicion of being implicated.

THE DEAD MAN'S MOVEMENTS.

Feb. 5—Left Liverpool in the White Star steamship Britannic.

Feb. 14—Arrived at New York.

Feb. 16—Arrived in Buffalo.

Feb. 17—Arrived at Niagara Falls.

Feb. 18—Left Niagara Falls for London, Ont., via the Trand Trunk Railway.

Feb. 17—Burchell alleges that he gets a letter from Benwell, dated at London, Ont.

Feb. 21—Benwell's dead body found in the Blenheim swamp.

Feb. 28—Pelley starts for New York and Burchell for Princeton.

March 1—Body of Benwell identified at Princeton by Burchell.

THE MOTIVE.

There does not seem to be the remotest doubt but that the motive for the murder of Benwell was to obtain his money, and it may turn out that he may have had a large sum, coming as he did to Canada to purchase a farm in the best part of Ontario. It is even said that he intended to visit the fine stock-farm of T. C. Patterson, near Eastwood, and look that outfit over, having heard that a portion of it was in the market. One of the strangest things about this murder is that the body was discovered in the loneliest part of the county of Oxford. If Benweil's old country friends knew anything of the murder then how did they know of so lonely and desolate a spot to deposit the body? It would be supposed that no one but a person with a thorough knowledge of the whole neighboring country could select the Blenheim swamp as a hiding place for his ghastly victim. There is abundant evidence to show that Benwell was not murdered where he was found. He was done for at some other point and his lifeless body driven to the swamp where it was expected it would never be found.

SEVERELY COLD.

Frost Nips the Fruit-Buds in Florida.

Charleston, S. C., Has a Three-Hours' Snow Storm—Blizzard in New York—Violent Storms Elsewhere.

COLD WEATHER AT THE SOUTH.

At St. Augustine, Fla., on Saturday night, the mercury fell to 32°.

It snowed for three hours at Charleston, S.C., yesterday, but the snow melted as fast as it fell.

Pensacola, Fla., reports a frost on Saturday night that cut down growing plants in all parts of the State.

At Savannah, Ga., there was a hard freeze Sunday morning. Ice was formed, snow fell, and vegetation was killed.

There was a heavy fall of snow all day at Fortress Monroe, Va., on Sunday, and the temperature was down at 25°.

A BLIZZARD IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, March 3.—A blinding snow storm set in about 9 o'clock last evening accompanied by a brisk south wind, and the city was soon covered with a mantle of white. Many accidents, due to falls on the slippery sidewalks, were recorded at the various police stations and hospitals before midnight.

SNOW IN CONNECTICUT.

NEW HAVEN, Ct., March 3.—The storm of snow here has been increasing in force and violence, and a high wind prevails. Six inches of snow had fallen at midnight, with a prospect of more.

AT THE HUB.

BOSTON, March 3.—1:30 a.m.—A heavy storm has been raging in this city since about 1 p.m. Sunday. About seven inches have fallen up to this time. Advices from points on Cape Cod report the worst storm of the winter, accompanied with a severe northeast gale.

THE HEAVIEST STORM IN YEARS.

At Newport, R. I., the storm is said to be the heaviest that has visited that city in years. Dispatches from Portsmouth, N. H., and New Bedford, Mass., also report heavy snowfalls.

A KILLING FROST.

A killing frost occurred here yesterday morning, in all probability destroying the fruit crop throughout the country. Owing to the mildness of the winter all kinds of fruit were fully a month ahead of the usual time. Consequently greater damage will result.

NORFOLK, Va., March 3.—A heavy snow storm spread over Norfolk and tide-water district yesterday. Budding strawberry patches, blooming orchards and great fields of vegetables were ruined.

HAD TO EAT HIS HORSES.

REDDING, Cal., March 3.—There has been terrible suffering in parts of Modoc county, where snow has fallen to a great depth. A man named Best, living in Squaw Valley, became cut off from communication with the outside world and was obliged to kill and eat his team of horses to avoid starvation.

FORTY-TWO BELOW.

GENESEE, Idaho, March 3.—On Wednesday morning the thermometer fell to 42° below zero here. Several persons have had their ears and noses frozen. Stock is dying by the hundred.

Strangely Affected by a Bee's Sting.

HILLSBORO, Ill., March 3.—A very peculiar result arising from the sting of a bee is reported here. The Hon. C. W. Bliss, a well-known Democratic candidate for the Legislature, was conversing on the street when a bee stung him on the finger of his left hand. The poison went to his heart, and in a few seconds was so serious as to create considerable alarm and require medical attendance. He was conveyed to the drug store of Dr. E. Douglas, where a sting antidote was administered. In an incredibly short time the poison, after leaving the heart, settled in the left eye, and a swelling took place which nearly destroyed that optic.

"Don't Shoot Me, Papa!"

ROCHESTER, N. Y., March 3.—A special from Waterloo says: Wilfred Sykes, a boss in the finishing department of the Waterloo Woollen Mills, was cleaning his gun Friday night preparatory to his usual Saturday hunt. His only child, a little girl 4 years old, was playing about the room near the father, who playfully pointed the gun at the girl. She at once cried: "Don't shoot me, papa!" He supposed the gun was empty and pulled the trigger, but it was loaded. The whole contents struck the child, completely tearing out the left side of the head. Her death was instantaneous. The father was completely prostrated. His wife has been upon a sick bed with consumption for the past four months. It is doubtful now as to her recovery.

The St. George Trial.

TORONTO, March 3.—At the St. George trial Saturday the witness stand was taken by Engineer Wellington, who gave evidence as to the various methods of bridge building. Witness gave many interesting facts regarding stub switches, such as are in use on Canadian railways. He considered it dangerous for fast trains, and especially so on curves where the pressure of the wheels was more liable to displace the switch. He could tell when riding over a stub switch by its peculiar jolt. The witness was asked his opinion as to the propriety of running 45 miles an hour on such a roadbed as that near the St. George bridge. He considered is highly improper. The breaking of the tire was next treated of, and the witness explained that they could be more easily broken in winter than in summer. He had seen tires much worse.

RECIPE FOR JOHNNY CAKE.

One egg, three tablespoonfuls of sugar, four tablespoonfuls of melted butter, one cup of sweet milk, one small cup of cornmeal, one large cup of white flour, two teaspoonfuls of our BAKING POWDER; bake half an hour.

CAIRNCROSS & LAWRENCE,
Chemists, Etc.,
256 DUNDAS STREET - LONDON, ONT.

CANADA'S CAPITAL.

The Orange Bill at the Top of the Order Paper.

[Special to the ADVERTISER.]

OTTAWA, Monday, March 3.

The Orange Bill stands at the top of the order paper for this afternoon and the French members are still away. A western members says that the last man he saw when he left his constituency was an Orangeman who urged him to vote against the Incorporation Bill. "We want no favors from the Sir Johns," he said.

Adam Brown has issued an urgent "whip" to his friends, to be present on Wednesday, when he expects his pigeon bill will go into committee. This is a new departure on the part of a promoter of a private bill.

The press gallery dinner has been fixed for Saturday, the 22nd inst.

Great preparations are being made for the workingmen's dinner to be given to the Premier on Wednesday evening. The House will adjourn for the occasion.

Capital Notes.

Hon. John Carling has said there will likely be placed in the supplementary estimates a sum to defray the expenses of a Canadian representative to the Jamaica Exhibition of next summer.

The debilitated volunteer Hurrell, whose interruptions from the gallery on Friday afternoon rendered the Minister of War so nervous that he could not proceed with the debate, has received a vast deal of sympathy since the callous conduct of the Minister was exposed. He was given $50 on Friday before he left the buildings.

THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, March. 2—11 p.m.—The pressure is low off the Atlantic coast and in the far Northwest, and highest over the Southern States. The weather has been cloudy, with rain and snow in the Maritime Provinces, and fine elsewhere. Minimum temperatures: Prince Albert, 26° below zero; Winnipeg, 6° below; Parry Sound, 10° below; Toronto, 9°; Montreal, 2°; Quebec, zero; Halifax, 36°.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES YESTERDAY.

For 24 hours ending 8 p.m.—(Observations taken at 3 a.m. and 8 p.m: Highest 21°; lowest, 13°; mean (daily), 18°.

PROBABILITIES.

For the next 24 hours for the lakes: Moderate to fresh winds; generally fair, with a little higher temperature.

WORK AND WAGES.

New York Plasterers and Bosses Agree on Terms.

NEW YORK, March 3.—The journeymen plasterers of this city observed to-day as one of rest and jubilee to celebrate the consummation of an agreement by which they will commence on May 1 to work 8 hours a day at 50 cents an hour or $4 per day. The agreement is to hold good for two years.

On Hand for Lent.

NORFOLK, Va., March 3.—Vessels coming in from the Roanoke Island section say the coast is literally lined with blue fish. One seine fishery one Thursday caught over 600 shad and 30,000 herring at one haul. The pound net fishermen are also doing well.

Bad for the Bucket Shops.

CHICAGO, March 3.—The resolutions adopted by the directors of the Board of Trade cutting off the gathering and distribution of quotations after March 31 have created much discussion. Treasurer Hamill said the new rule would certainly close up the bucket shops.

Attempted Train Wrecking.

PORT DOVER JUNCTION, March 3.—The third attempt at train wrecking on the M. C. R. within a month was made at 1 o'clock Friday morning about a mile east of this place. Two large stones were rolled on the track, one of which would weigh about 500 pounds. The place chosen was at the west end of an embankment, about 40 feet deep, and just where the railroad crosses Big Creek. The express came dashing along at a high rate of speed, and struck the stones, sending one on either side of the track, a distance of about 50 feet, when they rolled to the bottom of the embankment.

A Bank Robber Shot Dead.

MERIDEN, Ks., March 3.—While a telegraph operator was receiving a message Saturday night from Valley Falls describing the man who had robbed Hicks & Cepha's Bank of $3,000, he was interrupted by a stranger who wanted to find accommodation for the night. The operator instantaneously recognized the stranger's looks as tallying with the description just telegraphed from Valley Falls and directed him to a hotel, where the stranger took a room. Police officers were notified and the man was arrested. He attempted to get at his weapons, but the officers were too quick, and he was shot dead. The stolen money was found on him.

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