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The 53rd annual session of the National Division S. of T. of North America, (which is International) was held in Montreal, June 23rd, 24th and 25th. Quite a large number from the United States and Canada was present. Nova Scotia was represented by R. T. Murray, P. G. W. P.; Grand Scribe W. S. Summers and W. J. Gates, Most Worthy Associate. The official reports were deeply interesting, and map out a good line of work for the future. Several delegations were received with the usual honors presenting cordial greetings to this old order. Excellent and encouraging addresses were delivered on the occasion. Among these were Mr. Dougall of the Montreal Witness, Pres. of Dom. Alliance, also Mr. Carson, Secretary of the same. Our order has initiated about four million members (4,000,000), and its good influence is felt on both sides of the Atlantic. The public sentiment on the country has been greatly increased by determined efforts of the Sons of Temperance, and merits the cordial support and hearty cooperation of our best people.

**ONE PRESENT.**

The Reformer says it learns from a good source that the entire Dhanis expedition to the head waters of the Nile, including Baron Dhanis himself, has been massacred. Baron Dhanis last year enlisted 6,000 men in the Congo Free State to take part in an expedition. The British government allowed a number of its Hussar troops to join the expedition, but it was officially denied that an Anglo-Belgian movement had been concerted against the Mahdists. The general impression, however, was that this force was intended to act in conjunction with the Anglo-Egyptian expedition up the Nile and take the Mahdists between two fires, and eventually complete the reconquest of the Soudan. Early in December last it was reported that the expedition had met with disaster and that Baron Dhanis had been killed. Later it was authoritatively stated that there was no ground for the report that the Baron had been killed and that when last heard from in September, he was at Stanley Falls, 600 miles from the nearest Derbish forces.

A few weeks ago a London hotelkeeper paid nearly \$1,400 for an egg of the great auk. There are only seventy or seventy-two of these remarkable specimens in existence so far as is known and many of these are cracked or badly broken. Their value has gone up enormously within the last few years. In 1839 a Paris dealer sold one for about \$1 and a few years later one went for about three-fifths of that sum. These two specimens are now in the Philadelphia museum. A specimen now in the Breslau museum changed hands in 1832 for \$10, but when sold again in 1870 brought \$150. In 1894 an English lord paid \$1,500 for a fine specimen. The record price paid for this huge egg, however was that of \$1,050, which was given in 1895 for the Edinburgh Museum of Science. The great egg measures about four inches and three-eighths in length and averages two and three-quarters in its greatest diameter. Its color is dirty cream-white blotched, streaked and lined with a reddish cinnamon brown.

**News Summary.**

Dr Jameson sailed from London Saturday for Cape Town, en route for Bulawayo.

Luke Patrick Hayden, Parnellite member of the House of Commons for South Roscommon, is dead.

James T. Kilbreth, collector of the port of New York, died Wednesday night at Southampton, L. I.

Prof. Aarpoth, of the Corlova (South America) observatory, asserts that the moon is not a satellite of the earth, but a planet.

Simo-Hamed, Ben Mousa, the special envoy of the Sultan of Morocco to the jubilee festivities in London, has returned to Morocco insane.

The statue of Bacchante, which was rejected in Boston, has been formally accepted by the board of trustees of the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Walter H. Lansil, one of the most promising cattle painters of the United States, died at Dorchester, Mass., Saturday night, aged 42. He was a native of Bangor, Me.

Wm. Philip Molyneux, fourth earl of Sefton, is dead. The family estates are about 20,000 acres. He is succeeded in the earldom by his eldest son, the Viscount of Molyneux, now in his 31st year.

After three days' debate the Italian Senate has adopted in secret ballot, by a vote of 63 to 27, General Pelloux's army reorganization bill, increasing the peace effective footing of the Italian land forces.

Herman Glide Lopes, convicted as an insurgent incendiary, has been executed at Matanzas. The Queen Regent has pardoned Pedro Diaz Rodriguez, an insurgent who was under sentence of death in the castle of San Soverenjo, Matanzas.

The Minister of Marine authorizes the Montreal Harbor Commissioners, if the pilots' strike continues, to place the required buoys between Montreal and Quebec, which will then enable almost anyone to navigate ships between the two ports. The pilots below Quebec have officially declared that they will not join the strikers.

The Madrid correspondence of the Times says: "The British colony gave a subscription banquet in honor of the jubilee, the British ambassador, Sir Henry Drummond-Wolff, presiding. Mr. Hannis Taylor, the American minister, was the only invited guest. Mr. Taylor in the course of the evening eloquently eulogized the virtues of the Queen and expressed the respect and love in which she is held by all English-speaking people."

When an old trunk was opened in the home of Joseph Melton, near Bordley, Kentucky, in Union county, the father found his two little girls laying in it, smothered to death, Laura, aged 7, and Jennie, 5. While their parents were absent the children had been playing "hide and seek" with three other tots. While searching for a good hiding place the two evidently thought of an old trunk in the cellar, crawled into it, and closed the lid. A spring lock made it an air-tight tomb.

A meeting convened to bring further pressure to bear upon the British government to grant amnesty to the Irish political prisoners now at Malborough jail, was held in Phoenix park, Dublin, on Sunday. Considerable surprise was expressed that jubilee week had passed without the release which had been expected. Mr. Wm. Field, Parnellite member of the St. Patrick's division of Dublin, in the course of a fiery speech said: "It is useless to look further to the English government. We will call upon the voices, and perhaps the arms of our countrymen in America."

In his latest address on college athletics President Eliot took occasion to tell the Harvard students that he regarded golf as "an old man's game." The point of this remark seems to lie in the application of it, especially when it is considered that two of the most formidable golf champions in the land are young girls—Miss Beatrice Hoyt, whose triumphs on the Shinnecock and Morristown links are well known, and little "Johnnie" Carpenter, the girl of sixteen who vanquished Chicago's society ladies on the links a year ago, and is now one of the most expert players in Illinois. Meanwhile, W. D. Smedley, the bespectacled veteran of fifty-one years, who won the Chicago bicycle road-race, has been doing a good deal to show that bicycling may be an old man's sport.—[LESLIE'S WEEKLY.



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The N. B. Western annual meeting will be held in the section of the called the Range, upper end of the John either by the ing the latter at the steamer May Queen and the Grand Lake was held Friday after delegates from the very small. This convenient travelling steamer must come and those who came the Range until even convenient means in the up river Counties, inconvenient, very for Carleton Counties and represent the full str At the Friday after bly spent in the pray officers of the Associ ator, H. U. Clarke, Assistant Clerk, R. Nathaniel Branscomb The evening sessio subject of missions. owing to the absence pure them, addresses ing the Home, Foreign of mission work. Re claims of the H. M. work. He had never the past year. Bro. Y to the Tobique country loped to Baptists others. His labors i sulted in the organiz At Cloverdale, some te had been organized churches. Another Northampton about eig great need in connectio men and more means to Rev. A. Freeman spe pressed his firm belief H. M. work. Baptists, give the whole word of mission they should be spirit of deep consecrat The Foreign Mission J. W. Manning in an ear work of missions has for and has behind it the aut toria rules over a great ar one of many earthly rule dom is Christ's, and it is bring all the world to Manning pleaded earnest Telgus to whom the Bap have undertaken to give Rev. E. Bosworth, Fiel mission, was present and interest of that work. M