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LIVELY MUSIC IN THE AIR.

CONDUCTOR HASLAM AND VOCAL SOCIETY IN BATTLE.

The Wielder of the Baton Says He has Not Resigned—President George Musson Declares that He Has and Gives Documentary Evidence—What the Interested Parties Had to Say.

Mr. W. Elliott Haslam, having tendered his resignation of the conductorship of the Toronto Vocal Society, the Executive Committee have reluctantly accepted the same.—World, July 10.

Editor World: In Thursday's issue of The World you have an item to the effect that I have tendered my resignation as conductor of the Toronto Vocal Society. Will you allow me to say that I have not resigned that post, nor at present have I any intention whatever of doing so. W. ELLIOTT HASLAM.—World, July 11.

Editor World: Your issue of to-day contains a letter from Mr. Haslam, in which he says that he has not resigned the conductorship of the Toronto Vocal Society. In reference to this I have to say that on Jan. 30 last Mr. Haslam wrote to Mr. Bourlier, the secretary of the society, saying that he wished the committee to be informed officially that he could no longer continue his relations with the society as conductor.

Further, in a subsequent letter of June 26 last, referring to his letter of resignation, he writes: "In answer to yours of the 19th inst., asking me my reasons for not wishing to continue my relations as musical director of the Toronto Vocal Society on the present basis, I must refer you to my letter of Jan. 30, which, it seems to me, explain sufficiently my reasons for the decision arrived at. * * As I cannot with respect to myself and my art continue my relations on such a basis, it seemed to me to be the best and wisest way to discontinue those relations."

In view of these facts I do not understand how Mr. Haslam now arrives at the conclusion that he has not resigned. GEORGE MUSSON, Pres. T.V.S.

Toronto, July 11.

THE foregoing paragraph and letters have and are creating a great furore in musical circles, concerning as they do the Toronto Vocal Society, one of the swell musical organizations of the city. The first paragraph in the list was sent to The World for publication by one of the officers of the society and it was given as current news. The two letters bear signatures and require no further explanation. There is music in the air, and music of a very discordant nature, too, over the affair.

The World spent four hours last night in endeavoring to arrive at the facts of the case.

The Conductor Avers That He Has Not Resigned.

Mr. Haslam was seen at his residence, 265 Simcoe-street. "Certainly I have not resigned," said the conductor, "nor do I intend to do so. As early as Jan. 30 last I notified the executive that I could no longer continue my relations with the society on the then existing basis, in justice to myself and my art. You can readily understand that the public looks to the conductor for the success of the concerts, and if anything is neglected he it is who is blamed for the defect. The committee had for some time previous interfered with my plans, and it was necessary that I should notify them that my hands must not be tied in the manner they were being if I was to make the concerts a success. On April 28 a business meeting was held, at which a memorandum was prepared, signed by nearly every member of the society, other than the committee, urging that I remain as conductor and that the grievances of which I complained be remedied. No reply was sent to my letter until June 19, when the committee, through the president, Mr. Musson, asked my reasons for not wishing to continue my relations as musical director of the present basis. My letter of five or six months previous had been sufficiently explanatory, and I so notified them in my reply. A few days later I was informed in another letter that the change I desired could not be brought about except by a revision of the constitution, which the committee were not prepared to make, and my resignation (which I never tendered) was accepted. The Toronto Vocal Society will continue to exist with me as conductor. The committee have no power to exercise the prerogative of changing the conductor. I was not engaged by them, but elected by the society as a whole. Besides, I created the society and named it, and nine-tenths of its members wish me to remain as conductor. This I intend to do."

President Musson is Emphatic.

The officers of the society are:

President—George Musson.

Vice-Presidents—John C. Kemp, James A. Hedley.

Hon. Treasurer—J. K. Kerr, Q.C.

Hon. Secretary—Henry Bourlier.

The World had a talk with several of these gentlemen last evening. "The whole trouble, which has been growing for two or three years past, arises," said the president, "from the fact that Conductor Haslam wished to have full control of everything and ignore the committee altogether. The latter has to look after the financial success of the concerts and naturally wished to have a voice in the management. Besides, when the society was organized in 1885 a constitution was drafted to which the members, including the conductor, all subscribed, and under these regulations the commit.ee is given full charge of the management. We never interfered with the numbers selected by Mr. Haslam. He was given carte blanche in this respect. But what we did claim was the right to exercise our prerogative in engaging stars to assist. We were able to judge far better than could Mr. Haslam as to the drawing capabilities of a vocalist, but he wished to have sole control of everything, and if the public was dissatisfied and the card was not a drawing one we had to make up the deficiency out of our own pockets. Our work was altogether a labor of love; Mr. Haslam was the only person who received any financial remuneration. Of course, there are a number of members, pupils of the late conductor, who will decline to sing unless he is retained; but their places can be filled without difficulty. We have engaged another conductor, whose name we will announce on Monday."

Mr. Hedley is Also Emphatic.

Vice-President Hedley spoke to the same effect: The whole trouble arose from the fact that Mr. Haslam wished to be conductor, committee and everything else combined. He snapped his fingers at the committee and wanted to manage the whole affair himself. If he was as thoroughly posted in business as in music he would realize the importance of a financial management, especially if the responsibility of canvassing the city for support had devolved upon him. When he sent in his resignation in January we paid no attention to it, trusting that he would withdraw it, but he has not seen fit to do so.

Mr. Kerr, the hon. treasurer, is in England and Mr. Bourlier, the secretary, is in British Columbia, and the statements of these gentlemen, of course, could not be obtained.

The new conductor, The World understands, is Mr. Buck, late of Montreal. Meantime there promise to be two Toronto Vocal Societies in the city.

Double Lacrosse attraction at Rosedale to-day—Capitals Second v. Young Canadians at 1.30; Niagara Falls v. Capitals at 3.30.

A New Partnership.

Mr. F. X. Cousineau of the drygoods establishment known as the Bon Marche, carrying on business in King-street under the name and style of F. X. Cousineau & Co., has lately admitted Mr. Philip de Gruchy of Montreal as managing partner, who brings both his capital and experience to this extensive and widely known firm. Mr. de Gruchy has had an unlimited experience both in Canada and Europe as buyer and manager. He held the position of European buyer for Mr. S. Carsley of Montreal for about eight years, when he left to take a similar position for the large wholesale drygoods firm of Messrs Charles Morton & Co., Montreal. Mr. de Gruchy intends to cross the Atlantic twice a year in order to purchase the latest novelties from London, Paris, Berlin, Roubaix and other manufacturing centres. In future Mr. Cousineau will devote most of his time to the wholesale jobbing department which is carried on in the three upper floors of the Bon Marche building.

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Everything goes in the hat line at great reductions. Felts, straws and silks, camping, boating and sporting caps of every description, gentlemen's summer shell hats; also a large assortment of children's fine English straw sailors in all colors. We are compelled to make room for fall importations. Grant & Co., 77 King-street east.

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Beeton & Playtner, 25 Leader-lane.

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To John Fraser Bryce, the photographer of fashion, born in Dundas (Wentworth), July 12, 1853.

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STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS.

Dr. T. W. O'Reilly, Inspector of Prisons, Suddenly Taken Ill at Kingston.

News was received in the city last evening from Kingston stating that Dr. T. W. O'Reilly, inspector of prisons and asylums, while paying an official visit to Rockwood Asylum, had been stricken with paralysis and that his condition was somewhat critical. Dr. O'Reilly's family live at No. 37 Bleeker-street. One of the members stated to The World that they did not think his condition was so serious as the newspaper despatches would seem to indicate.

This Dr. O'Reilly's many friends throughout Ontario will sincerely hope is the case. The Doctor left Toronto Thursday morning in his usual robust health. He has been connected with his present office for about nine years, formerly being inspector of insurance for the province. Previous to accepting office Dr. O'Reilly was an active member of the Reform party. He has resided in Toronto for a long period, coming originally from Hamilton.

THE $1200 TRIP TO YANKEELAND.

Ald. Gillespie Makes a Big Kick Against the Street Railway Pilgrims, But They Will Go All the Same.

The Executive Committee met yesterday. There were present Chairman Boustead, Carlyle (St. Thos.), Moses, Hallam, Gillespie, Graham, Vokes, City Treasurer Coady, City Clerk Blevins. The committee, after some discussion, adopted the report of the subcommittee on the Police Magistrate, and sent it on to council. The friends of the Colonel will have to gather in force before the council, as it will require a two-thirds vote to upset the Executive's action. The Mayor brought up the question of the special committee on city relief. He explained that it was his intention to have the committee consider the question of appointing E. Taylor city relief officer with extended duties. As it was he only had a few hours' work a day, and in view of the fact that the city pays a large sum annually to the House of Industry he believed that some arrangement could be made to increase his duties, making him in fact a permanent official.

There was a merry little discussion over an application for $1200 as part expenses of the proposed journey to the United States of the Mayor, Ald. Boustead and Vokes in connection with gathering street railway information. Ald. Gillespie said something about the Mayor's visit to Europe of former days, at which His Worship took umbrage, and at first it looked as if there was to be another battle. However, the chairman cast oil on the troubled waters and peace was allowed to prevail. The Street Railway Committee had by special resolution been given the power to draw all necessary funds from the City Treasurer without further formality than the signatures of the chairman of the Executive and Ald. Vokes, chairman of the special body. Chairman Boustead had refused to back up Ald. Vokes in his request for the $1200 from the City Treasurer until the Executive passed upon it and that was why the matter was before the committee.

Ald. Gillespie made a strong fight against the $1200 grant.

The Mayor, in a few well tempered remarks, rebuked the language of the member from St. George's ward. The deputation were going against their will, being robbed thereby of their holidays. They were going only on the advice of Mr. S. H. Blake, Q.C., the city special adviser in this matter, backed up by the strong opinion of City Solicitor Biggar. It was unfair, distinctly unfair, to abuse the unfortunate members of the deputation because their fellows had charged them with the discharge of the disagreeable duty.

Ald. Gillespie returned to the charge with such violence as to draw from the other members marked expressions of disapproval. Ald. Vokes told him that he was surprised that a man of his years would act as he did. He must take the other members for children. Ald. Carlyle moved that the sum asked be reduced to $800. This was defeated and the $1200 was passed, Ald. Gillespie alone voting nay.

The reports of the various committees were taken up, the first being that of the special committee on the consolidation of the city bylaws. It recommended that $2000 be paid Mr. Joseph for his services in the matter, which was cheerfully consented to. Copies will be on sale at $5 per volume, the cost of the work. The other reports passed through a few unimportant amendments.

THE FATAL FERRY LANDING.

IMMENSE LOSS OF LIFE AT DARTMOUTH, N. S.

One Hundred and Fifty People Thrown Into the Water—The Collapse of a Ferry Landing Stage—Five Bodies so Far Recovered—Two Women, a Child and Two Soldiers.

HALIFAX, N.S., July 11.—A terrible disaster occurred in Dartmouth to-night. A ferry landing stage crowded with 150 people collapsed, precipitating the throng into the water. There is an immense loss of life. Five bodies, including a woman named Silver and her child, a woman named Synott and two soldiers, have been already taken out.

The Second Despatch.

HALIFAX, N.S., July 11.—A terrible accident occurred in Dartmouth to-night by which a number of people were drowned, but the exact number of victims will not be known till to-morrow. The disaster happened by a chain attached to a ferry float slipping out of place, allowing the front of the bridge to sink and precipitating a crowd of six or seven hundred men, women and children into the water. The people were crowded there waiting for the new ferry steamer Annex just arrived from New York to dock. When the steamer got within two feet of the landing a number jumped on board and at that moment the accident occurred. The outer end of the bridge went down suddenly and the horror-stricken crowd slipped off into the harbor as though they were descending a slide, piling on top of each other, shrieking for help and scrambling for means of safety. For some minutes there was a confused crowd of men, women and children struggling in the water, but the accident had hardly happened before a dozen brave youths and men leaped to the rescue without waiting to throw aside their clothes. The drowning people were rapidly passed up to men standing above on the wharves, and the rapidity with which the rescuers performed their work resulted in the great majority of those who fell in being saved from death. There were many able swimmers in the party, and these worked till exhausted, helping people to land until there were no more in sight on the surface, and those who could not be saved had sunk out of sight. When the crowd slipped off the landing stage the people around, numbering some hundreds, crowded to the sides of the wharf and threw sticks and boards to the struggling mass while a number of life preservers were thrown to them from the steamer. Many people were struck and injured by the flying boards and all the bodies recovered bear cuts and bruises.

Deeds of Bravery.

Several men and their wives were thrown in and the former struggled heroically to save their loved ones succeeding in every instance so far as known.

The names of those whose bodies have been recovered are:

MISS BESSIE FOSTER, daughter of Edward Foster.

PETER BOYLE, a Crimea veteran.

MISS ALLIE SYNOTT, daughter of Michael Synott.

JOHN BUNDY, a colored boy.

ANOTHER HORROR AT CHICAGO.

A Large Number of Sailors Killed by an Explosion on the Tioga.

CHICAGO, July 11.—A frightful explosion occurred to-night on the steamer Tioga, one of the largest vessels on the great lakes. Thirty-eight people were aboard the steamer at the time. When the work of rescuing survivors, which commenced almost instantly, was not under way only two persons could be found who escaped unhurt. To make matters worse fire broke out on the wrecked vessel and huge volumes of flame and smoke impeded the searchers for the dead and dying.

The bursting of the steamer's boilers was the cause of the catastrophe. It was in the Chicago River, at the foot of Washington-street, that the explosion occurred. This locality is in the heart of the business section of Chicago, and the terrific shock of the explosion brought people running in terror out of the tall buildings a block away. Most of the victims were Chicago stevedores, who were unloading the vessel. Only three of the Tioga's crew were reported on the list.

The fire proved a stubborn one and made it impossible at the time to verify the report that the boilers had exploded. A statement was current that the explosion was due to another cause—the accidental lighting of a large quantity of combustibles in the narrow confines of the Tioga's deep hold. In the hold near the steamer's stern was where the fire held sway. Through the chasms of fire could be seen great jagged clefts in the Tioga's decks and cabin, and aloft on the tall smoke-stacks dangled a huge framework of timber fantastically twisted and bent out and forward, telling of the terrific force of the explosion, which sent it there from 30 feet below. While the fire was still in progress a reporter met the captain of the illfated steamer on the forward deck.

The Captain's Story.

The officer stopped in his task of straightening out the confusion to give a statement. Said he:

"My name is Captain A. A. Phelps. I arrived here last evening from Buffalo in command of the Tioga, and we were unloading at this dock when the explosion took place this evening. I was in the freight shed on the dock when I heard a terrific noise, and running out I saw the north quarter of the vessel enveloped in steam. All the crew of 25 were either aboard at the time or were on the dock or in the freight-house. I found after a careful search that all but three were accounted for and safe. Those three, all from Buffalo, were: Second engineer, George Haig; lookout, C. Levalley; deck hand, William Cuthbert. Besides the three missing men who belonged to the crew there must have been from twelve to fifteen other men killed and probably half a dozen additional wounded.

"There were laborers in the hold who were doing the unloading. Eight colored men are positively stated to have been below and six or seven others were at the hatches aiding their fellow stevedores lower down. The explosion occurred in the hold, not in the machinery or boilers as near as I could ascertain, and was probably in some combustible freight stored there."

How it Occurred.

It appeared that the explosion occurred just after a porter named William Palmer had gone below with a lighted lamp. He had scarcely reached the decks again when the fearful shock came. It was said that 200 barrels of oil were among the cargo and that these had become ignited. Others insisted that the explosion must have been due to a lack of water in the boilers and that the second engineer, who was known to be missing, was the man whose duty it would be to start the pony pump in such an emergency. Up to 10 o'clock nine dead bodies had been taken from the wreck and five or more wounded had been conveyed to hospitals. The victims were now more accessible, the fire having been extinguished by the inrushing of the river.

If you want a perfect-fitting, well-made stylish suit or Overcoat at a reasonable price go to Tonkin's, corner Yonge and Richmond-streets.

A BAKER'S DOZEN OF PROTESTS.

Things Getting Even Up—Dr. Ahrens, Mr. Cleland and Mr. Balfour the Latest.

Three more protests were landed with the Registrar of the Court of Appeal yesterday, making up to date thirteen in all. Two more are expected to-day. Those filed yesterday were against the seating of Dr. Ahrens (Lib.), who defeated Mr. Hess, the old member, in North Perth; James Cleland (Lib.), who captured Davy Creighton's scalp in North Grey, and W. D. Balfour (Lib.), who defeated G. C. Fox in South Perth. The petitioners are Hugh Campbell, W. J. Hewitt and Luther Grasley respectively. The grounds of the petitions are the usual ones of bribery and corruption.

This kind of evens things up, being six Conservatives and seven Liberals. This is the list of protests to date:

North Essex—Sol White, Con.
North Renfrew—A. Dunlop, Con.
South Norfolk—W. A. Charlton, Lib.
Frontenac—Hugh Smith, Con.
West York—J. T. Gilmour, Lib.
West Middlesex—Hon. G. W. Ross, Lib.
Lincoln—James Hiscott, Con.
South Wentworth—N. Awrey, Lib.
Hamilton—T. H. Stinson, Con.
East Middlesex—R. Tooley, Con.
North Perth—Dr. A. E. Ahrens, Lib.
North Grey—James Cleland, Lib.
South Essex—W. S. Balfour, Lib.

The other two petitions, which are expected to-day, are against A. F. Campbell, the Equal Rights Conservative, who defeated Mr. Lyon in East Algoma, and Mr. Metcalfe, the Conservative war horse of Kingston.

The $1000 deposit in the 13 protests had all been paid in yesterday except in two cases, that of North Perth and South Essex. This makes $11,000 in the hands of the registrar.

THE WELL AT MOUNT PLEASANT.

It Is Not Fit for Drinking Purposes and Should be Avoided.

The Local Board of Health yesterday resolved that it would pay $500 in settlement of the case of Preston v. Lowe and Toronto and not $600 as demanded. The report of the dismissed Medical Health Officer was a somewhat lengthy one. Sewers on sanitary grounds were recommended in Drummond-place, Jemima-street, Perth-avenue, Richmond-street west, Jordan-street, Christie-street, Essex-street, Monck-street, Sheridan-avenue, Clinton-street, Preston-avenue.

There were 206 milk depots and six sausage factories inspected during the month and found satisfactory. One rag shops and one slaughter-house had been condemned. The number of complaints dealt with during the month was 1288. In the matter of infectious diseases during June there were 27 cases of typhoid, 25 of diphtheria, 35 of scarlet fever. There were 6 deaths from typhoid, 3 from diphtheria, 1 from scarlet fever. The annual death rate per 1000 was as follows:

January, 1890	20.88
February, "	16.30
March, "	17.64
April, "	18.12
May, "	17.20
June, "	10.80

This letter and accompanying opinion was sent to the Waterworks Department:

DR. CANNIFF: *Dear Sir,*—In accordance with your request we have visited and inspected the cemetery at Mount Pleasant. We find that the soil is a heavy clay. Bodies do not decompose so rapidly in this as in sandy soil, and therefore there is greater contamination of the air by carbon dioxide. Water from the springs on the hillside is not now used for sprinkling the grass, but water is pumped from the creek for this purpose. Matters are not improved by this change, for the cemetery is drained into the creek, which is also, no doubt, the receptacle for refuse matter before entering the cemetery. We do not think, however, that this is important, as we do not consider it necessary that pure water should be used for watering the lawns. In one corner of the cemetery is a well only 12 feet deep, and about 60 feet from the nearest grave. The water from this well is used by Mr. Thompson's family and by strangers visiting the place. We have taken a sample of this water for analysis, also of the water from the springs on the hillside, and also from a well in Glen-avenue, the nearest street. The occupant of the house on this lot is reported to have left the place on account of the impure water. The well is only about 12 feet deep, is within 25 feet of a stable, and hence the source of contamination is doubtful.

To overcome the trouble of accumulating carbon dioxide, owing to the clay soil, we believe that this can be counteracted best by the use of shrubs and plants of dense foliage and rapid growth, which will absorb the noxious gases. We also recommend that city water should be supplied to the cemetery and to the adjoining properties for drinking and domestic uses. The report of the analyst says: "I have made an examination of samples of water from Glen-avenue, Mount Pleasant Cemetery, and the spring on hill, and find them impure and unfit for drinking purposes." THOMAS HEYS.

The University Matriculation Exams.

The university matriculation examinations and the examinations conducted by the Education Department began on Tuesday morning in this city and at the various high schools throughout the province. In this city the matriculation examination is held at the Medical Building at Bay and Richmond-streets and the departmental examinations at the Collegiate Institutes, Jarvis-street and Jamieson-avenue, and at St. Joseph's Convent. At the institutes J. L. Hughes and R. W. Doan preside and L. E. Embree presides at the convent.

Now ready—Grand Carnival Numbers "Saturday Night" and "Ledger," 25c. each in wrappers ready for mailing to foreign parts at Winnifrith Bros., 6 Toronto-street. 136

A Friend of the Waifs.

Mr. H. C. Hammond, president of the Toronto Ferry Company, is one of the real friends of the waifs who enjoy the fresh air excursions. Yesterday a number of these poor children were taken over to Island Park by one of the company's steamers and Mr. Hammond himself went over to see that the youngsters enjoyed themselves on the merry-go-rounds, etc. The company is going to carry out a big party of waifs on the lake Monday. The boats are given free of charge.

Buy your straw Hats at Tonkin's. Most stylish goods and best value in the city. Cor. Yonge and Richmond-streets.

The Mayflower's Rudders Are Now All Right.

The new ferry Mayflower, which has been on the dry dock for the past day or two undergoing alterations, was successfully launched at 5¾ last evening. The trouble experienced in previous trial trips was a deficiency in the size of her rudders, which prevented the wheelman controlling her. The rudders have now been enlarged and the Mayflower skimmed out of the dock and into the bay with the smoothness of a bird on the wing. She will commence her regular trips this afternoon.

Flags of all kinds for decoration, Ham mocks and Hammock chairs. Milne's, 169 Yonge-street. 136

Canoe and boat for hire. Apply at Toronto Canoe and Boat Company, successors to W. H. Clindinning, opposite Union Station. Telephone 1727.

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Steamer Lakeside.

The steamer Lakeside will run one of her popular cheap excursions to St. Catharines to-day, leaving Yonge-street (Milloy's wharf) at 2 p.m. Fare to St. Catharines and return only 50 cents.

Gas Fixtures and Globes, Lamp Goods, etc., Baby Carriages, Express Wagons, etc. Milne's, 169 Yonge-street. 136

WILL THE WEDDING OCCUR?

STANLEY, THE EXPLORER, A VERY SICK MAN.

Changes in the Editorial Staff of The Star—The Police Well Under Control—Letter Carriers Continue Carrying—The McKinley Tariff Bill in the House of Commons.

LONDON, July 11.—Mr. Stanley is somewhat better this evening and if he has no relapse the wedding will take place in the Abbey to-morrow according to program. Among the numerous wedding gifts presented to Mr. Stanley is one from the Queen of a miniature of herself set with diamonds. Accompanying the gift is a letter from Her Majesty, praising in the highest terms the work of exploration carried on by Mr. Stanley and wishing him much happiness in his wedded life. The illness of Mr. Stanley causes general regret. His doctors are overwhelmed with anxious enquiries as to his condition and messages of sympathy are constantly arriving. Surgeon Parke states that the same trouble attacked Mr. Stanley in Africa. It is of an obstinate character and yields very slowly to treatment. The explorer is suffering intense pain, and is seeking relief in enforced sleep. In reply to questions as to the probability of Mr. Stanley's recovery to an extent that will enable his marriage to take place to-morrow Dr. Parke will only say that he hopes for the best. The general impression now is that the ceremony will have to be postponed.

Stanley is the recipient of costly and curious presents. Among the latest are the gifts of the men of the advance guard of the Emin Relief Expedition. A firm of watchmakers presented a patent gold geographical watch, the first of the kind ever manufactured. It tells the exact time in almost every important city in the world. The Prince of Wales sent a large family Bible, and Gourand sends him a photograph. There are only four of these instruments in Europe and. Three of them will be placed in Westminster Abbey during the marriage ceremony. The bridal cake is mounted on a circle of fluted silver pillars. A white silk shield with the initials "D. T. H. M. S." hand painted, will be pinned in front.

CLOSING SCENES IN THE COMMONS.

Mr. Parnell and Mr. Balfour—He Will Get His Wages.

LONDON, July 11.—Mr. Parnell, in the House of Commons this evening, made the closing speech in the debate on the vote for Mr. Balfour's salary as Chief Secretary for Ireland. He made suggestions which he said would aid Balfour in settling the land problem in Ireland. He thought Mr. Balfour relied too implicitly upon the advice of effete and rotten castle officials. He said he spoke in the interests of peace and justice.

Mr. Balfour thanked Parnell for the moderation of his speech and promised to consider the matter.

The Parnellites engaged in animated conversation upon the moderation of Parnell and Balfour and allowed the vote for the Chief Secretary's office to be passed without challenging a division.

Insubordination in the Guards.

Mr. C. Graham, member for the Northwestern District of Lancashire, asked the Government what truth there was in the report that insubordination prevailed in the Grenadier Guards. Right Hon. Edwin Stanhope, Secretary of State for War, in reply to Mr. Graham, stated that the reports were much exaggerated. There was some dissatisfaction, he said, on the battalion being ordered to parade on Monday. For a short time the men failed to assemble promptly within the whole battalion paraded for duty and marched in perfect order to perform the duties assigned to them.

Trouble is expected with the Grenadier Guards, owing to the disaffection and uneasiness that pervade the barracks. The officers are doing all in their power to keep the men quiet, but the uneasiness is plainly to be seen. When the Yorkshire Regiment of foot was marched into the barracks it excited the surprise and indignation of the Grenadier and Coldstream Guards, who think that the Yorkshires have been sent to shoot them down in case of mutiny. Several free fights have already taken place between men of the Grenadiers and those of the line regiments.

The War Office virtually admits that the men have right on their side by releasing the mutineers from their confinement to barracks. There is no disloyalty towards the Crown, no dislike to the service, no disinclination to their duty, but a strong personal feeling among the men that they are crushed, overdrilled and reduced to a state of military slavery.

England and the McKinley Bill.

Mr. Vincent asked inwhether in view of the free market accorded to American imports in Great Britain while the heavy duties imposed on British goods in the United States have nearly extinguished the national debt of that country, the British Government would invite the United States Government to refrain from passing the prohibitory tariff bill now before Congress and instead adopt a measure giving fair commercial reciprocity.

Sir James Fergusson replied that he had reason to believe the German Government did not intend to take action at present. He said it would be inconsistent with the fiscal policy of England to take the joint measures which Mr. Vincent suggested.

TOURISTS, TAKE NOTICE.

Interesting Decision as to a Landlord's Responsibility.

LONDON, July 11.—In the Court of Queen's Bench a verdict has been returned awarding Mr. Henry Astor Carey of New York £586 damages against the proprietors of Long's Hotel for the loss of bank notes and a quantity of jewelry which were stolen from him while he was stopping at the hotel during his honeymoon.

The defence pleaded that the plaintiffs had not exercised ordinary care, as the property was taken from a drawer of a wardrobe which was left unlocked. Plaintiffs answered that there was no key. Defendants denied this and asserted that the door of plaintiff's room was not locked either. Plaintiffs replied that the door was left open so that the servants might attend to the fire. Defendants said that plaintiffs ought to have given the valuables into the care of the manager and that they had allowed other people to know that they had a quantity of jewelry and money with them.

The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiffs, assessing the loss at £586, the original sum claimed, and judgment was given accordingly.

The Police Are Beaten.

LONDON, July 11.—Sir Edward Bradford, Chief Commissioner of Police, is displaying an amazing degree of energy in the administration of his department. To-day he personally made the rounds of the various districts and sharply lectured the men at each station. In every case he gave them to understand that their success in obtaining the concession they have demanded depends wholly upon the excellence of their conduct, and he also plainly expressed his opinion that thus far in his official experience he had not been able to discover that they were deserving of the benefits they seek. In the course of his tour he dismissed fifteen men for insubordination and neglect of duty, and thoroughly re-organized the force at the Bow-street station. The old men are scattered all over the city, and the new force is made up of detachments from a dozen or more districts.

No Danger from American Cattle.

BRUSSELS, July 11.—M. Cartuayvels interpellated the Government in the Chamber of Representatives to-day regarding the dangers to be feared from imported American cattle. He urged that all arrivals of American cattle be quarantined. The Minister of Agriculture replied that there was no danger of infectious diseases being introduced through American cattle.

A Burning Outrage.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 11.—Advices received here say a number of Armenian peasants at Alakiles who failed to pay their taxes were burned alive by Turkish sceptichs. The authorities of Trebizond have sent 26,000 oncses of paraffine to Dersun for the purpose of firing an extensive and dense forest which is likely to serve as a refuge for Armenians if pursued by Turkish troops.

Cable Flashes.

Influenza is epidemic in Iceland. Many fatal cases are reported.

The Vatican authorities deny the rumors that the Pope is ill.

The Italian Chamber of Deputies has approved the motion in favor of international arbitration.

The French Chambers have voted 400,000 francs for the relief of the sufferers by the fires in Martinique and Guadeloupe.

While the fleet accompanying Emperor William was entering Christiania a gun on board the Friedrich der Gross exploded prematurely, terribly injuring five of the crew.

A copy of memoirs by Princess Dolgorouki, the morganatic wife of Alexander II., which the Russian authorities suppressed, has reached London, and is being translated and published here. It contains startling disclosures.

Typhus fever is raging with virulence among the dragoons stationed at Thann, in Alsace, and the troops have been ordered to quarters in a healthier locality. A large number of deaths from the disease have occurred.

Ex-King Milan has received very cool hospitality in Belgrade where he was almost an absolute monarch. He is regarded as an agent of Austria, and the Russian influence being predominant in Servia his arrival is looked upon with suspicion and distrust.

Affairs are becoming more quiet among the London letter carriers and they are performing their duties as usual. A deputation of postmen visited Postmaster-General Raikes to-day and submitted the claims of the letter carriers. The Postmaster-General assured the deputation that he would consider the claims and if grievances existed he would seek to remedy them.

THERE WAS A DEFALCATION.

R. L. Oram, a Clerk of the Shedden Company, Suddenly Disappears.

For some time past there have been rumors of a defalcation in the office of the Shedden Cartage Company in this city, and these prove to be well founded. The author of the defalcation is R. L. Oram, a young man about 20, who has been some two years in the employ of the company as clerk. He disappeared on July 1 and has not since been seen, the supposition being that he has gone to the States. The company is fully protected by the Guarantee Company, and the exact amount of the defalcation cannot at present be stated.

With reference to this matter it may be stated that The World, the other evening, called on one of the officers of the company and asked for a verification or a denial of the rumors. This was positively refused. Last night one of the company's servants called at The World office and furnished the foregoing facts.

The Coming Fire Extinguisher.

Mr. H. West, the inventor of the fire extinguisher known as "one out all out," gave a public exhibition of his handy little machine at the foot of Yonge-street last night. A pile of packing boxes 12 feet high saturated with half a gallon of coal oil was extinguished three different times within as many seconds. The peculiar feature of this hand extinguisher is that all of the appliances are on the top of the cylinder, easy of access, and can be worked by a child 5 years old. The chemicals are kept from explosion by any of the parts of the extinguisher coming in contact with the contents of the cylinder.

It is an extinguisher that should prove a big success.

Lacrosse championship at Rosedale today between the two crack C.L.A. twelves. Don't miss it.

Notes of the Churches.

Mr. George Bialicoff of London, one of England's most eloquent lecturers, is visiting Toronto on his way home from Australia, where he spent the past year in lecturing, principally in the interests of temperance. He spent nine months in Victoria and established what is known as "The Bialicock Gospel Temperance Mission." He will preach to-morrow night in Mr. Wilkinson's tent at Yonge and Wellesley-streets, and will deliver his popular lecture on "Life in London" on Monday night.

The Bishop of Toronto will ordain eleven candidates to-morrow (Sunday) morning at 11 o'clock in St. Peter's Church.

The fine organ in the Bloor-street Presbyterian Church has just been completed and Mr. Arthur H. Green, organist of the Parkdale Presbyterian Church, has received the appointment of organist and choirmaster of the Bloor-street church. Mr. Green assumes his new duties on July 20.

Rev. Prof. Clark of Trinity will preach in St Margarets, Spadina-avenue, to-morrow evening.

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The latest novel in the Red Letter Series is "Sowing the Wind," by Mrs. E. Lynn Linton, the author of "Under Which Lord" and other celebrated Works. It is a powerful story. At all bookstores, price 30 cents.

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Something every person should not forget who is going to New York, that you can step right into a magnificent pullman which leaves the Union Station at 4.55 p.m., arrive in New York early next morning. There is a fine dining car attached to this train every morning. You can also leave Toronto at 11 p.m. for New York.

Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum cures indigestion and improves the appetite.

BIRTHS.

WARWICK—On July the 8th, the wife of C. E. Warwick, 63 Winchester-street, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

STEVENSON-MARSH—On Wednesday, July 9th, at St. George's Church, Clarksburg, by the Rev. Rural Dean Keys, assisted by the Rev. C. H. Marsh, Rector of Lindsay (brother of the bride), the Rev. R. G. Stevenson, B.A., Incumbent of Elkhorn, Manitoba, to Fannie, daughter of the late W. J. Marsh, of Grape Grange, Clarksburg.

DEATHS.

PHILLIPS—On Thursday, July 10, Helen Marguerite, beloved daughter of W. C. and Ella Phillips, aged 6 months 15 days.

Funeral Tuesday from Oshawa. Leave Toronto, G.T.R., 3½ p.m., Saturday.

SCHOOL READER MONOPOLY.

CHEAPER BOOKS FOR THE PUBLIC—FAIRER PROFITS.

An Arbitration Now Sitting to Settle the Cost—Why Should there be a Monopoly?—The Canada Publishing Co. Sell Out to the Copp, Clark Co. and to Gage & Co.

The School Reader Monopoly is again to the fore, interest having been revived by the withdrawal from the syndicate entrusted with the franchise of publishing the public school readers of the Canada Publishing Company, which is composed of Arthur B. Lee, John Leys, jr., and Samuel G. Beatty, who have disposed of their interest to Copp, Clark & Co., and W. J. Gage & Co., the other members of the syndicate. The sum changing hands