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HIS LIFE FOR HIS CRIME.

NARCISSE LAROCQUE TO BE HANGED AT L'ORIGNAL JUNE 4.

The Jury Unanimous in Finding Him Guilty After 35 Minutes' Deliberation—The Prisoner Turns Deadly Pale on Hearing the Verdict But Leaves the Dock With a Firm Step.

YESTERDAY at L'Orignal the last act but one was played in the most fiendish tragedy of real live that has ever disgraced this continent. The evidence was purely circumstantial, but link fitted into link with such nicety that the chain welded around accused was one which the hot shot of logic projected by the well-balanced legal artillery retained by the accused could not weaken, and when the smoke of battle had been dispelled the decree had gone forth that the stain of bloody murder which had been written across the escutcheon of the fair county of Russell was to be wiped out by the death of the murderer on the scaffold.

The prisoner Larocque maintained the same cool demeanor throughout the trial as he has shown since his arrest, and the callous indifference he manifested as the whole horrible details of the murder of the unfortunate McGonigle babes to hide the greater crime showed the nature of the man. In sentencing the accused the judge truthfully remarked that the crime was one of the most horrible that ever disgraced this continent, and said that he thoroughly agreed with the finding of the jury.

The Punishment Hardly Fits the Crime.

L'ORIGNAL, Ont., April 29.—The awful murder of the little McGonigle girls at Cumberland on Oct. 7 last will be avenged. Narcisse Larocque was to-day found guilty and will be hanged Thursday, June 4, at this place. The prisoner's lawyers, Messrs. McCrimmon and Constantine, made a brilliant defence considering the material they had to work on, but the crown case was so strong that the jury only remained out 35 minutes. The verdict was unanimous. The judge's sentence was extremely solemn and his censure of the crime terribly severe.

In addressing prisoner, before passing sentence, His Lordship said: "Perhaps in the annals of crime in this country no more diabolical offence has been committed than that which you have perpetrated and of which the jury have very properly, I think, convicted you. The circumstances all pointed to you as being the guilty party: You were last seen in the company of these two little girls, who were unable to protect themselves, and you being a friend of the family your dirty ought to have been to have protected them against the hand of anyone. Instead of that, as the evidence must satisfy everyone, you first, in order to satisfy your lustful passion, outraged them both and then you committed this offence for the purpose of covering up the guilt of the first crime."

Prisoner after the verdict was announced, turned deadly pale, his lips quivered and it was thought he would break down, but near the close of the sentence he braced up and finally left the court room with a firm step though with a bowed head.

The Evidence that Convicted.

The evidence was purely circumstantial. James McGonigle, the father of the murdered children, a laborer, testified to their ages, namely, that of Mary about 14 years and that of Eliza about 12. They were at school at Cumberland on Oct. 7 last; they did not come home that night; the next night, Wednesday, Oct. 8, about 10 o'clock, the two girls were found dead by him and some others in a bush just out of a lane, which the children traversed on their way to and from the village.

George Brown, the school teacher, and Cozy McCollum, a little girl who was a schoolmate of the murdered girls, testified to the latter having been at school on Oct. 7 and having left it for home about 4 o'clock.

Margaret Cochrane deposed that she saw the prisoner running towards the lane in the afternoon of the murder, as did also her son.

William Gamble testified that he had met and spoken to the prisoner, who was following the girls towards the bush on the afternoon in question. Prisoner was walking at a brisk pace.

Benjamin Bernard gave the most incriminating testimony. He swore positively that while in a field getting his cows he saw prisoner walking with the two girls in the lane leading up to the bush. One girl was walking alongside him, while the other was walking just behind.

The evidence of Robert Dalrymple corroborated that of the two preceding witnesses as to the time at which they returned from the field. He also heard screaming at intervals of 15 minutes from the direction of the woods.

Considerable evidence was given as to the tracks made by the murderer, which exactly corresponded in size with those made by boots belonging to the prisoner. It was also shown that trees on the route prisoner admitted he took in going to his brother's house were covered with blood marks, as if a bloody hand had been wiped thereon.

Edward Larocque, a cousin of the prisoner, swore that prisoner arrived at his house at 6 o'clock on the evening of the murder and remained all night.

Ghastly Relics in Evidence.

The medical testimony was very conclusive. Drs. Marks, Janson and Ferguson, who made the post mortem, testified that there was every evidence that the children had been horribly outraged. The immediate cause of death was strangulation, the finger-marks of the assassin being plainly discernible on the neck, while the windpipe bore evidence of great pressure. There were also numerous marks on the hands showing that fingermarks had dug into them. Dr. Marks produced in court the hands and other injured parts of the children preserved in spirits, together with photographs of the hands and impressions of the fingers of the prisoner and the jury compared them. A shudder of horror ran through the audience during the course of the evidence of Coroner Marks. The younger girl had evidently been the first victim of the fiendish monster, as the marks of violence in her case were the most pronounced, and in strangling the child the murderer had used such force that he had broken a bone in the throat.

There was no evidence for the defence. Prisoner's counsel did not think it advisable to call witnesses as to character, and the attempt to show that other girls had previously been chased in the same woods was abandoned.

Locchia Liberated.

CAYUGA, April 29.—Locchia, the Italian who was accused of murder and arson in connection with the burning of a farmer's residence in North Cayuga, whereby two children were burned to death, has been released from jail on his own recognizance, the Crown Attorney believing that the evidence against him was not sufficient to justify his further detention.

Low Rates to New York.

H. W. Van Every, the popular ticket agent, is selling tickets to New York City cheaper than anyone else can sell at. Train leaves Toronto daily at 12.30 noon, Suspension Bridge at 4 p.m., Pullman buffet cars attached passing along the world-famous Hudson River by daylight. The only line running. Parlor reclining chair cars free of extra charge. No change of cars from Suspension Bridge. For particulars call or write H. W. Van Every, 5 Adelaide-street east, or 36 York-street. Telephone 2109.

CAUSE OF DEATH UNCERTAIN.

What Happened Old Man Mills in Soho-street.

No. 17 Soho-street has a rather unlucky record. It was in that house that the young Salvation Army private, Van Brunt—afterwards hanged in New York State for the murder of his sweetheart's brother—attempted suicide by shooting himself. The building again sprang into unenviable notoriety yesterday morning, when an old man named Thomas Mills, 62 years of age, died somewhat suddenly in one of its rooms, under circumstances which led to the belief that he had taken poison, willingly or unwillingly so far has not been proven. Mills did the chores around the house for the landlady, a Miss Annie Fisher, who had succeeded Marion Mills, his daugher, as keeper of the place. Marion had written Miss Fisher on Tuesday telling her to tell her father that she was not coming back from Montreal where she had gone on a visit, and telling her to make the old man get out and hustle for himself.

Mills took the letter very much to heart and wept a good deal. Later in the day, however, he seemed to have recovered his usual spirits and went to bed with a fairly good load of whisky in him. He awoke the people in the house with his groans about 2 in the morning. Doctors were sent for, but they could do nothing, and he died at 5 yesterday morning. The autopsy failed to indicate any poisonous presence, and it was the more fully to ascertain the cause of death that Coroner Johnson last night empanelled a jury in No. 3 Police Station. The medical testimony was uncertain as to the cause of death, and an adjournment was made until to-morrow evening for further evidence.

The body is in McCabe's undertaking establishment, Queen-street west, pending the arrival of the daughter, who is expected up this morning, as she has been telegraphed for.

ANOTHER SUICIDE WAVE.

A Wealthy Innerkip Septuagenarian Supposed to Have Drowned Himself in a Pond—Found Hanging in His Barn.

WOODSTOCK, April 29.—James Gillespie, a wealthy resident of Innerkip, aged 70 years, has been suffering from low spirits of late. About 2 o'clock yesterday morning he got up and partly dressing gave the impression to Mrs. Gillespie that he was only going out for a few minutes. As he did not return in about 10 minutes his daughter Minnie went out to look for him. Not finding him she became alarmed, and going across the street wakened a neighbor, and thorough search was instituted in the neighborhood. About 5 o'clock the neighbor found this letter, written on a small scrap of paper, in lead pencil. It was found in the stable, near the house, on the top of a keg of nails, several nails having been placed upon it to keep it from blowing away:

You need not look for me, for you will not find me; so good bye. I don't blame any of you, and may God be with you and guide you in all your ways. God be merciful to me.

JAMES GILLESPIE.

Diligent search was made in neighboring ponds and swamps, but at last accounts no trace of the missing man, dead or alive, had been found.

Only Three Weeks Married.

LONDON, April 29.—Richard Carry, a farmer living in the 11th concession of London Township, near Bryanston, was found hanging in his barn by a neighbor at about 11 o'clock yesterday morning. He was suspended from one of the crook timbers by a strap and had probably been dead for some time before the body was discovered. The deceased was a man of mature age, in prosperous circumstances, and no cause is assigned for the act. He had been twice married, the union with his present wife, formerly Miss Fitzgerald, being only three weeks old. Deceased rose at the usual hour yesterday morning and remarked at breakfast that he might not be back for some time, but his wife need not be alarmed at his absence. He then left the house and that was the last seen of him alive. Appearances indicate that he performed his usual chores before making preparations for his hanging, and that the whole proceeding was accomplished in a cool and deliberate manner.

THE GOOD WORK THEY ARE DOING.

Strange Than Fiction Were the Tales the S.A. Agents Told.

There was a large attendance in the lecture-room of Bond-street Congregational Church last night to hear a recital how far the local branch of the Salvation Army is approximating to General Booth's scheme, as detailed in "Darkest England." Attentive was the audience, pathetic the addresses, soul-harrowing the recital of pitiful tales of woe, cheering the record of success in rescuing the perishing.

"Oh, Save Me at the Cross" was the hearty song which gave the keynote to the meeting. Then came the fervent prayer, the burden of which was, "Lord bless the Salvation Army," a large number of whose members were present, and whom Dr. Wild welcomed in a warm-hearted little speech. "They do many things necessary and highly praiseworthy, in the doing which neither you nor I would care to do." [Applause.]

Then with a swing went "Rescue the Perishing," and the Salvationist testimonies were in order. Staff-Captain Mrs. Simcoe marshalled the speakers, whom she deputed to speak on the trifoid branches of social reform, the prison gate work, rescue work and children's department.

Captain Dawson of the Eglinton Home for discharged prisoners gave chapter and verse for the strange tales he told. Since the home was opened, Nov. 4, 44 men had been admitted direct from the jail, whence they are conveyed in the "Red Maria." Work in the shoeshop, bakery and woodyard is provided. Fourteen had been placed in situations, who are doing well. One of these men had been convicted 102 times.

"To the Work," with the refrain, "Tolling On," was next sung, and then Captain Mrs. Ward of the Rescue Home narrowed the feelings of all present by tales of the sad and devilish doings of the social evil in Christian Toronto.

"Where Are the Reapers?" was appositely sung at this juncture, and then stepped forward Morality Inspector Archabold with blood-curdling stories spiced with the highest compliments to the devotion and work of the Salvation Army.

Captain Mrs. Reed drew tears from many eyes as she told of the plight and rescue of many little ones from prospective damnation.

"God Be with Us Till We Meet Again" was sung with all the fervor inspired by some of the most pathetic recitals which have been heard in Toronto for many a day. Liberal was the monetary response of Bond-street church towards rescue work under the aegis of the Blood and Fire Warriors.

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Quinn may use it—Hallamore's Expectorant.

Muskoka.

The Muskoka and Georgian Bay Navigation Company are now running a daily steamer from Muskoka wharf to Bracebridge and Rosseau, and on Tuesdays and Saturdays to Lake Joseph.

ITALY WINKS AT SLAVERY.

SENSATIONAL SCENES IN THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES.

Young Girls are Alleged to Have Been Taken From Their Former Owners Under the Pretext of Rescuing Them From Slavery and Distributed Among Italian Officers in Africa.

ROME, April 29.—Sig. Imbriani in the Chamber of Deputies to-day, speaking on the African question, charged the Italian Government with permitting the slave trade to be carried on openly. Imbriani also asserted that 35 young girls who had been taken from their former owners under the the pretext of rescuing them from slavery had been distributed among a number of Italian officers serving with the Italian army in Africa.

The Marquis di Rudini, replying for the Government, protested against such accusations being made without absolute proof of their truth being first obtained.

Amidst cries of "It's a lie," "Withdraw," the Minister of War declared he would not remain in the House unless the charge was withdrawn. A prolonged uproar, during which several violent scenes were witnessed, followed the announcement of the determination of the Minister of War. The President of the Chamber was utterly unable to control excited deputies and consequently he was compelled to suspend the sitting.

CROKED TO ORDER.

A Woman Pays a Lover to Strangle Her and He Does So.

BUDA PESTH, April 29.—A farm hand by name of Maresin Gilezan has been arrested for killing a rich female, the keeper of a well-known inn at the village of Data, near here, and by name of Josepha Kirsch. The woman was found dead in her bed yesterday morning, and the only evidence of violence which might have led to her death were blue marks about her throat indicative of strangulation. Gilezan finally confessed that he had killed the woman, but claimed that he had to do so in accordance with her positive instructions, and produced the following letter which has been identified by those familiar with Mrs. Kirsch's handwriting, as having been written by that woman:

"As I have told you before upon several occasions, my life is no longer bearable and I have decided that the only rest for me will come by taking my life.

"I have decided to ask you to kill me, and if you do it you may have two florins and a quart of whisky, both of these I have provided. I presume you will require something to give you courage to do this deed, and for that reason I have got the quart of whisky, and I will give it to you just as soon as you say that you will kill me, and the two florins will be where you can get them as soon as you satisfy yourself that I am dead.

"At 7 o'clock this evening I shall be entirely finished with my day's work and will await you in my room. I want you to tie my hands and feet together securely. Then I want you to clasp your hands around my throat for five minutes, which will be sufficient time to allow me to sprinkle my body with holy water and take the two florins which you will find in the pocket of my dress."

The cowardly fellow considered for several hours and finally decided to undertake the job. He tied her as directed, took the whisky, sat in a chair facing her for two hours, during which time he drank all the liquor and became so intoxicated that he had no remembrance of what he did. He supposed he must have killed her in the way proposed. He did not fail to take the two florins.

The Persecution of the Jews.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 29.—A decree has been issued ordering the enforcement in St. Petersburg of the same measures against the Jews as were recently decreed against the Hebrews of Moscow. The decree assigns certain places where Jews will be permitted to reside in St. Petersburg.

The priests and pastors of Moscow are overwhelmed with requests from Jews for baptism in order to avoid expulsion. The law prevents such conversions except in the case of Lutherans and Catholics, and then permits conversions only in limited numbers. The flight of Jews continues. The expulsion Jews are cruelly treated, being marched out of the city afoot, chained in bands by the wrists.

Widowed Mrs. Grimwood's Story.

CALCUTTA, April 29.—Mrs. Grimwood, wife of Mr. Grimwood, late British political agent at Manipur, who was murdered when Chief Commissioner Quinton and other British officials lost their lives, has arrived here. She says the Manipur disaster was entirely due to the madness of Quinton in refusing to listen to sensible advice which was given him in regard to the negotiations being conducted with the native chiefs concerning the deposition of the manarajah.

Was He the Ripper?

LONDON, April 29.—It is reported that Jack the Ripper has been identified as being the unknown man who committed suicide at Wimbledon some three weeks ago by shooting himself with a revolver. One of the marks of identification was the fact that in the pockets paper was found identical with that on which "Ripper" warnings have been written.

The Government's Free Education Plan.

LIVERPOOL, April 29.—Arthur Bower Forwood, Conservative member of Parliament, in an address here to-day, said he believed upon good authority that it had been officially declared that the Government would dissolve Parliament if the Government's free education plans were obstructed. Mr. Forwood's statement has attracted considerable attention.

A Tragedy of the Blue Danube.

PESTH, April 29.—A man employed in the postoffice here was to-day seized with a homicidal frenzy and murdered his wife, mother-in-law and three children. The man then drowned himself in the Danube.

For Inciting to Mutiny.

ROME, April 29.—In Turin and Milan the police have arrested many Anarchists on the charge of inciting the military to mutiny.

Chat from Over the Sea.

A despatch from Iquique says: The Parliamentary forces have occupied Copiapo. Five hundred of Balmaceda's friends, who were defending the town, fled.

A fire at a village near Swindon, Wiltshire, yesterday rendered 500 people homeless.

A despatch from Chili says a dynamite bomb was thrown at President Balmaceda's palace yesterday. The bomb exploded without doing any damage. There is no clue to the perpetrator of the outrage.

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP.

The Prince of Wales the Guest of Leading Actors—A Startling Will Forgery Case.

NEW YORK, April 29.—Edmond Yates cables The Tribune from London as follows: The Queen, who stayed at Grasse 10 days longer than the term which she originally fixed for her visit, left there Monday afternoon for Cherbourg direct and is to arrive in Portsmouth about 8 o'clock on Thursday. She will reach Windsor Castle at 6 o'clock. The Queen is to stay at Windsor exactly three weeks before proceeding to Balmoral. Lord Salisbury is to proceed to Windsor on Sunday on a visit to the Queen, who will hold a council at the castle a few days after returning, probably on Monday next.

The Prince of Wales dined on Sunday at the Garrick Club as the guest of those leading actors and managers who were among the members recently honored with an invitation to dinner by His Royal Highness. The hosts were Mr. Irving, Mr. Toole, always a "persona grata" with royalty and whose return from Australia was waited for; Mr. Bancroft, Mr. Hare, Mr. Wyndham, Cecil Tree, Wilson Barrett and Edward Terry.

The Princess of Wales, who is an experienced photographer, has sent a large selection of her best productions to the great international exhibition to be opened next month in Vienna.

I hear rumors of a startling character, in which a will forgery and flagrant immorality prominently figure. These are scarcely days in which to be surprised at anything, but, if I mistake not, the scandal-loving public have yet a great surprise in store.

It is now understood that the Right Hon. George A. F. Cavendish-Bentinck left directions for his town and country houses to be sold, but it is probable that the former at least will be bought in by the eldest son.

By the will of the Duke of Bedford it will be found that he left less ready money than might have been expected. This can be accounted for by the liberal treatment he showed to his children during his lifetime, more especially on their marriage.

I understand the climax of the troubles of the Grand Duchess Olga was the Emperor's announcement that after the unpardonable indiscretion of her second son, the intended marriage of her fourth son, the Grand Duke Alexander, with the Grand Duchess Xenia, elder daughter of His Majesty, must be broken off. The Michaeloffs have always enjoyed the very highest favor at the court. The Grand Duke Michael has lost his state allowance of £25,000 a year since his marriage, but it is confidently predicted that his name will be restored to the army list in a few months, as the Emperor is exceedingly fond of him. The funeral of the Grand Duchess Olga was the most splendid ceremony that has taken place in St. Petersburg since the accession of the present Emperor. The body was borne from the station of the Moscow Railway by the Emperor, the Imperial family, the court and all the highest dignitaries of the church, the state and the army. The procession, which took 70 minutes to pass a given point, was headed by a squadron of horse grenadiers, with helmets surmounted by quaint black beaver ornaments, each man wearing a long cloak of orange and black. The clergy were arrayed in black gowns and adorned with white lace. The funeral car was surmounted by a canopy covered with silver cloth with plumes of ostrich feathers on each corner, and the Imperial crown on each end of gilt. The coffin was of crimson velvet and gilt was open, and was covered by a magnificent pall of cloth of gold. The Emperor walked for four miles behind the coffin, with the widower, the Grand Duke Michael Nicolaievitch, on his right. The Empress and the Grand Duchesses followed in crape-covered carriages, all in the deepest mourning. The Emperor, who was deeply affected with the service, knelt in prayer before the tombs of his parents before he quitted the cathedral.

Perforated by a Pick.

NIAGARA, April 29.—A serious accident occurred here about 4 o'clock this afternoon. It seems that George Goard, who with a number of others are engaged in making excavations for the laying of waterworks pipes, was accidentally struck in the back with a pick-ax by a man working behind him, injuring the spine. He was taken to St. Catharines Hospital.

Local Jottings.

The brigade was called out at 2.37 yesterday to extinguish some burning brush in Bloor-street west.

Burglars visited Jim Lynch's place in Francis-street last night, getting away with a quantity of clothing.

Robert Harris, 129 Duchess-street, was held at Police Headquarters last night on a charge of larceny.

The Hebrew synagogs were largely attended yesterday at the closing ceremonies of the Feast of the Passover.

The meeting of the geological and mining section of the Canadian Institute, announced for this evening, has been postponed till May 7.

A. O. Andrews, the auctioneer, sells this morning at house 50 McPherson-avenue furniture, carpets, piano, etc.

Dixon & Co., 10 West Market-street, reported to the police last night that their store had been entered and $3 stolen from the safe.

Fire in the basements of Nos. 17 and 19 Stafford-street yesterday at noon caused $75 damages. The property is owned by Ald. Jolliffe.

The Telegram staff yesterday presented Mr. R. Cliff with a handsome mantel clock in token of his recent marriage.

A blazing chimney called the firemen to 182 Sumach-street yesterday, and a piece of burning bush led them out to Bloor and Dundas corner.

The steamer Macassa will arrive to-day from Hamilton and commence its regular trips on Saturday. The Modjeska's first trip will be made on May 2d.

George and William Pike will appear before Judge Macdougall Saturday morning for sentence on conviction of stealing shirts and sheets from clothes lines.

William Lauber, the veteran sailor, whose name is connected with so many brave deeds on the upper lakes, arrived in town on Thursday and will ship on the Shekahma.

The steamer Lakeside brought in another load of excursionists from St. Catharines yesterday. It was a free trip given by the proprietors of the boat and about 400 took advantage of it.

Rev. G. Birnfield, M.A., B.D., delivered a lecture on Egypt, its pyramids, temples and peoples in Knox Church this evening. Rev. Peter Campbell, B.A., will lecture in Northern Church.

John Edgar Devlin, who says he walked to Scarboro from Montreal, was taken to the Hospital yesterday, suffering from a crushed foot received by a block of stone falling on it at Little York.

The Godson case was adjourned and will come up this morning before the Police Magistrate. The statement in our morning contemporaries that Godson was committed for trial was erroneous.

A nameless man and a badly-frightened boy were tossed on the horns of an angry steer that started at Bloor-street to clean out the town yesterday. The enterprising animal was killed before proceeding farther.

The first final judgment by Magistrate Denison under the new act was given yesterday, when he ordered Matthew Lamb, an employing plasterer, to pay a wage bill within 5 days or go to jail for 15 days.

Miss Burns, sister to the wife of William Walton, visited the Morgue yesterday and fully identified the body of the unknown woman found in the bay as that of Mrs. Walton. She claimed the remains, which were handed over to her for interment.

A woman named Mary Ward, aged 20, employed at the Parisian Laundry, got her arm caught in some machinery yesterday. No bones were broken, but her arm was badly bruised and her hand was severely scalded by steam. She was removed to the Hospital.

A young man named John Edgar Devlin, employed by Contractor Sinclair, got his foot badly crushed between a rock and a flat car on the Grand Trunk track between Scarboro and Port Union yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock. He was brought to the city last night and placed in the Hospital.

The graduating exercises of Toronto Baptist College, the theological department of McMaster University, will be held this evening in Bloor-street Baptist Church. The graduating class will deliver addresses and receive diplomas.

Dr. James Russell of Hamilton, representative to the medical council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario from the Burlington and Home division, has resigned and the result of the election to fill the vacancy will be made known on May 27.

The anniversary of the Sherbourne-street Methodist Sunday school will be celebrated next Sunday. The scholars will sit on the platform and sing a special collection of hymns under Mr. Samuel Martin's guidance. At the evening service 9-year-old Master Fred Warrington is to sing "Nearer My God to Thee," when his father will wield the baton.

NOT UNTIL NEXT CENTURY.

The Millennium Opening Date Set for April 10, 1901.

LONDON, April 29.—So much comment has been excited over the announcement of the fact that the Prophesy Investigation Society is to hold a conference and soiree at the Mansion House on Thursday night next, that the Lord Mayor has found it necessary to send a card to The Times stating that he has merely granted the society the use of the rooms, but does not, officially or unofficially, endorse its ideas. The society appears to be a remarkable one, and what is more remarkable, it has for its president no less a church personage than the Dean of Ripon, while Lord Kinaird is its treasurer. In a circular issued by Rev. Dr. Baxter, its founder, under the title of "Coming Political Events," there are elaborate calculations from the book of Daniel and the Revelation, tending to show that the greatest war ever known in Europe is due some time between May 1891 and May 1892. Before 1893 awful political convulsions are promised, one result of which will be the change of 23 kingdoms into 10, and the loss by Great Britain of Ireland and India. In 1894, earthquakes, famines and pestilences are to devastate nearly every portion of the earth, while on March 5, 1896, no fewer than 144,000 living Christians are to be wafted to heaven without dying. The circular concludes with the statement that the millennium will commence on April 10, 1901. The most remarkable thing concerning the society that indorses these doctrines is the fact that its membership includes high dignitaries in the church, members of the Houses of Lords and Commons, authors and other literary men, together with many philosophical thinkers.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

Miss Tempest is Drawing Full Houses at the Grand—A Novel Contest at the Musee.

Marie Tempest will positively appear at every performance the balance of the week.

The concert of the Haslam Vocal Society in the Pavilion to-night bids fair to be the greatest musical event of the season.

"Carmen" was given at the Grand last night by the Duff Opera Company and was of course well received.

"Lost in New York" will give a matinee to-day at Jacobs & Sparrow's.

Jacobs & Sparrow's, May 4, the City Club Burlesque Company make their first appearance in Toronto. This company carries 40 people, among them being Miss Annie Livingstone. The curtain rises on their 5000 sensation, "Studies in Black," an opera bouffe in one scene, introducing a bevy of handsome girls and a chorus of 20 trained voices. Among the vaudeville stars are many well-known ones. Harry Syton, the English minstrel and dancing soloist; Byrant and Walls, Wilson and Davenport, Phyllis Allen, Byrant and Sovith, and Lowry and Evans.

Robinson's Musee Theatre.

A type-setting contest for union compositors is the latest novelty that Manager Robinson has devised. He will introduce it the week beginning May 11, lasting one week. Three prizes, $50, $30, $20 in cash and a gold medal will be awarded. All the city union papers will be represented. The present week's program is filled with extraordinary attractions, such as Professor Lasker's company of musicians, who are drawing large crowds daily at the Musee. This company is supported by J. W. Sharpley, the blind minstrel, and Miss Mamie, his daughter, performing some beautiful solos on the concertina. Harry Bennett, the man who actually dances a horapipe while sitting in a chair, is wonderful. The same may be said of Tenny and Whiting in their musical act entitled "Four A's." In the Curio Hall can be seen Alf Sidney, champion penknife artist of the world. He carves beautiful landscapes, society emblems of all descriptions, monograms, etc. Prof. Zan Zverrette, the wonder of the age, also La Petite Minnetta and her mysterious European cabinet act, introducing her original cabalistic chairs, with many other novelties of interest.

A Victory for the Lottery.

NEW ORLEANS, April 29.—At the last session of the Legislature John A. Morris and his associates made application for the renewal of the Louisiana State Lottery Charter for 25 years, offering to pay the State more than a million of dollars per annum for the privilege. The Legislature passed the act, but the Governor vetoed it. The Secretary of State having refused to promulgate the act, Morris & Co. applied for a mandamus compelling him to promulgate the proposed constitutional amendment to be voted on by the people at the next general election. The State Supreme Court has decided in favor of the company.

Popular Excursion to Washington.

On Wednesday, May 13, the West Shore will run an excursion to Washington, going by way of New York and returning direct, at the very low rate of $14 for the round trip. Tickets will be good for 10 days to return. Train will leave Suspension Bridge at 4.40 p.m., arriving at Washington at 1.42 p.m. Special rates have been arranged at all the principal hotels in Washington, and for side trips to Mount Vernon, Richmond, Old Point Comfort and so forth. For further information apply to West Shore agents. tf

"La Flora!"

To those smokers who prefer a full-flavored Cigar, free from that rankness usually found in the imported article that is so much esteemed as fine goods, we respectfully suggest giving our "La Flora" brand of clear Havana Cigars a trial, feeling satisfied that they will fully demonstrate the justifiability of our claim as to their superiority over the imported, and at much lower prices. 246

At 101 Yonge.

J. & J. Lugsdin, 101 Yonge-street, have recently received from England's best manufacturers a very large and choice assortment of silk and felt hats and cloth caps. If you have not yet purchased your new spring hat call and inspect their stock. Being direct importers they can afford to sell at the lowest prices, and by buying at Lugsdins' you are sure to be satisfied with a stylish and durable hat. 246

Presentation.

A very pleasing incident took place at the warehouse of George F. Bostwick last evening, when Mr. George Cameron was presented with a very handsome Turkish leather chair on the occasion of his marriage, as a slight token of the esteem in which he is held by his employer and fellow-employes, and with their best wishes for his future happiness.

Cures coughs like magic—Hallamore's Expectorant.

You can insure so that at the end of 20 years you will be able to draw an annual income for life and in the event of your death at any time your beneficiaries would receive the full amount of the insurance. These features are secured by the 7 per cent. guaranteed income bond of the North American Life Assurance Company. Head office: Manning Arcade, Toronto. 246

The Burns Proved Fatal.

HAMILTON, April 29.—Frank Raynor, the little son of G. J. Raynor, Steven-street, who was so severely burned while playing with matches, died at 9 o'clock this morning.

A high-class confection which aids digestion and improves the health. Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum. Sold by all druggists and confectioners, 5 cents.

New gloves, gents', just in. Treble's, 53 King-street west.

Personal.

J. Birmingham, Montreal, James White, Ottawa, and R. Chisholm, M.P. of Brampton are registered at the Rossin.

Mr. John Charlton and wife were in the city yesterday. They drove around Bloor-street and said that it compared favorably with Sherbrook-street, Montreal.

THE DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

WHAT THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE WILL REFER TO.

The Reciprocity Negotiations, the Harvest, the Atlantic Cattle Trade and Other Subjects to be Alluded to—Northwest Legislation—Mr. Peter White Elected Speaker of the House.

OTTAWA, April 29. — The proceedings in the House and Senate to-day were of the usual personal character and not characterized by any special feature except the swearing in of Sir John and his son together, this being, so far as the writer is aware, the first time such an event has occurred in Canada. Sharp on midday the Clerk of the Commons and his assistants appeared in the Chamber and the swearing in of members was commenced, the first three to take the oath being Robillard, Dr. Landerkin and McMullen, who signed the roll of the new House in the order named. The junior member for Ottawa was therefore the first to attach his signature to the new roll. The swearing in proceeded rapidly and by 2 o'clock nearly the whole of the members had taken the prescribed oath and inscribed their names in the roll. The appearance of Sir John and his son was the signal for an outburst of applause, which was renewed when they took the oath together. At 3 o'clock the three mystic raps of Black Rod were heard on the door, and he entered and delivered his formal summons to the Commons to attend in the Senate. Sir William Ritchie, Deputy-Governor, was present, and the profound announcement was made that His Excellency would not disclose the reason of his summoning Parliament until the Commons had elected a Speaker.

The Commoners then retired to their own chamber and Sir John Macdonald, addressing the Clerk, moved, seconded by Sir Hector Langevin, that Peter White, member for North Renfrew, do take the chair as Speaker of the House. He remarked that to the old members of the House it was unnecessary for him to say anything about Mr. White, who, he was sure, would impart dignity to the important position he was to fill. He had been for 14 or 15 years in the House, and from his first entrance had always shown ability and assiduity in the discharge of his duties. No matter on which side of the House he had been, whether on the right of the Speaker or the left, he had always comported himself in a manner which justified the wisdom of those who sent him to the House. He thought that Mr. White would prove perfectly acceptable to both sides of the House.

Mr. Laurier twitted the Government on having suffered a reduction in its ranks in the Speakership contest on the fact that they did not propose to follow the British precedent of re-electing the old Speaker. In a good-natured sort of way he touched on the loyalty cry and said that Conservative loyalty was strongest at election times, but after the election it was put under a bushel. He had thought that Mr. Wood of Brockville, who had made an excellent deputy-speaker, would have been the choice of the Government, but he had no special fault to find with Mr. White. He complimented that gentleman on the possession of sound judgment although he had voted against Premier Foliey, and felt sure that on assuming the position of Speaker he would leave party feeling behind him, and act fairly and justly to both sides of the House.

Mr. White was then declared elected unanimously and conducted to the Speaker's chair by Sir John Macdonald and Sir Hector Langevin, where he made the customary acceptance speech, promising to endeavor to maintain the honor and dignity of the House and to do his duty impartially to the best of his ability.

The House adjourned at 3.35.

The Speech from the Throne.

It is not expected that the Speech from the Throne to-morrow will likely be very long or contain any intimation of any extraordinary legislation, in view of the season of the year at which the House meets.

It may be expected that the usual allusion to the harvest of last year will be varied by some reference to the advanced condition of the crops for the early period of the season and hopeful anticipations that under such auspicious circumstances the industry of the people will be rewarded by good returns for their labors.

The recent negotiations with a view to the enlargement of our trade relations with the United States will no doubt be alluded to and reference made to the fact that the time has been fixed as the date for the consideration of a number of questions of great interest to both countries.

As closely connected with this question it is but reasonable to suppose that His Excellency will intimate that Parliament will be asked to continue for the present season the modus vivendi provided for by the treaty of 1888, which the United States Senate failed to ratify.

The attack of Mr. Plimsoll on the Atlantic cattle trade and the charge of the improper treatment of cattle in transit will doubtless cause a reference to the fact that the investigation held by the Dominion Government showed that the charge of cruelty was unfounded, and the statement that the report on the investigation will be laid before Parliament and a measure submitted for the purpose of avoiding all reasonable apprehension of abuse in future and to protect the interests of this important branch of commerce.

It will be remembered that the new Imperial statute relating to vice-admiralty courts throughout the empire will shortly come into force, and it may therefore be expected that a measure will be promised providing for the necessary revision of the laws in Canada respecting our courts of marine jurisdiction and recognizing those tribunals.

Last winter the Minister of Justice addressed a circular to judges asking for suggestions as to changes in the criminal law, including the question of the abolition of grand juries, which some eminent judges had declared themselves in favor of. It is most probable, therefore, that there will be some intimation of an intention of a measure modifying the criminal law, in order that that branch of our jurisprudence may be simplified and improved. It will be remembered that an act was introduced at the last session of parliament with reference to the transference to the different provinces in the interest of the Dominion Government foreshores and with reference to obstruction in navigable waters. The act only reached its second reading, but it will be pretty certain to be re-introduced this session.

There has rarely been a session of Parliament in recent years in which it has not been found necessary in view of the growth and development of our Northwest Territories to introduce some legislation with respect to that large and important section of the Dominion, and as several questions of importance have been attracting attention in that section, it is but reasonable to anticipate that the speech will intimate that Parliament will be asked to consider amendments to the acts relating to the Northwest Territories.

It is also probable that the speech will indicate that amendments will be proposed to one or two other acts, and no doubt there will be a reference to the satisfactory condition of the revenue, as evidenced by the surplus last year, and the estimates will be promised at any early period of the session.

If the above proves to be a correct anticipation of the business to be submitted to parliament, it will be seen that while not indicating any measures of a radical or a startling nature calculated to provoke a long and acrimonious session, there will still be a sufficiency of useful legislation proposed.

Notes of the House.

Tarte has lost no time in starting on his scandal hunt. He gave notice to-day that he will move on Friday for copies of the tenders asked for Kingston Graving Dock, tenders received, the reports and calculations made by the Engineer of the Department of Public Works and based on the tender, the contract which had been entered into, the reports of the engineer which may have been made on the carrying out of the works, or the changes which may have been made in them. Also