r.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.
Baking Powder
ELY PURE

Mrs. G. M. Clyde), and many old friends who will deeply regret his demise.

—George Peacock was in the police court this morning, charged with perjury. The case grew out of the alleged removal by Mr. Peacock of some household goods which had been levied on by the sheriff for rent. An interesting display of furniture, including a stove, a couple of mattresses, a table, dishes and lamps, was brought into court to sustain the charge. Peacock claimed that he could produce proof that the goods had never been levied on, and Magistrate Macrae remanded the case until Saturday to give him an opportunity to do so.

—There was a large attendance at the concert held last evening in the Presbyterian mission hall, Spring Ridge. Mr. Chisholm occupied the chair. Mr. Brown, who managed the concert for the members of the First Presbyterian church choir, is due much of the credit for the success of the concert. They were ably assisted by other ladies and gentlemen, and ably assisted by other ladies and gentlemen as follows:

Piano duet .....Misses M...
Song, "Genevieve," .....Mr. L...
Song, "Oh, whistle and I'll come to you, my lad" .....
Recitation, "Fitzjames and Roderick Dhu," .....Miss F...
Duet, "Qui Vive," .....
.....Messrs. Kinnaird and Brown
Song, "The Mighty Deep" .....
.....Miss Stephen
Quartette "The Three Chafers" .....
.....Messrs. Lake, Kinnaird, Collister, Brown
Piano Solo, ...Miss ...
Song "My Lattice" .....Miss ...
Song, "The Wolf" .....Mr. ...
Duet .....Misses Milne and ...
Song, "The Better Land" .....Master ...
Recitation, "Sugar for Naething" .....Mr. ...
Song, "The Happy Three" .....Mr. ...
.....Messrs. Lake, Kinnaird, Collister, ...
Quartette, "The Soldier's Farewell" .....

WILL ADJOURN TO-NIGHT.

The Presbytery Working at the Last Of Its Business.

The meeting of the Presbytery of Victoria, Cowichan and Nanaimo will be over at 6 o'clock this evening. The now famous Macleod matter was not gone into, and very likely it will not be. The conference between the committee named for the purpose and Rev. Mr. Macleod was held yesterday afternoon. What was brought up at that meeting has not been made public. A Times man was told by a member of the Presbytery this morning that the conference had come to nothing and that the subject would not be before the Presbytery for consideration.

The Presbytery was in executive session on last night and again to-day. Among the additional matters put through are the following:

The General Assembly was overtured to provide a special committee for Mr. Colman. The home mission report was presented by Rev. D. MacRae. The necessary grants were recommended for the year to St. Paul's, Victoria West, Northfield, Metchosin, Sooke, Union, Comox, Alberni, Cranbrook, Spring Ridge and Cedar Hill, and Pender Island, and arrangements made for supply of these fields. A letter from the General Assembly on behalf of Synods and representation of Presbyteries was considered and disposed of. Rev. Dr. G. L. McKay of Portland was nominated for the General Assembly. The following were appointed commissioners to the General Assembly: Ministers—Rev. Dr. Campbell and D. MacRae; elders, Thornton Fell, Victoria, and Ralph Craig, Nanaimo.

The report on Sunday schools presented yesterday by Rev. Dr. Campbell made the following excellent showing: The number of Sunday schools in the Presbytery is at present eleven, of which seven are in Victoria and its suburbs. The enrolment of scholars is 1112, an increase of two during the year. The total of 117 teachers, five more than in 1892. The average attendance for the year just closed is recorded at 810 being the return for 1892. The financial statement shows $1,001 to have been collected by Sunday school collections, against $1,346 in 1892. The expenditure on school maintenance was $769, and $15 being raised for St. Paul's school, Victoria West, the home missions and augmentation fund. Sunday school contributions of St. Andrew's, Nanaimo, were devoted to the church building fund. In a review of the school work it is stated that Rev. Mr. Macdonald's success (Morrison) having just arrived at Alberni, the school there will be reopened in May. Only one school contributed towards missions in 1893, as against three during the previous year.

Suspected and Watched.

San Francisco, March 7.—The steamer Empire sailed for Nanaimo yesterday afternoon. This is only her second trip with a new crew substituted for the crew that the Chandlers discharged for smuggling, but it seems that the officers of the vessel people think the change has had no effect in reforming their ways. At any rate a double watch has been kept on her all the while she has been discharging, and when she started for sea a revenue cutter Corwin steamed up alongside as soon as the mooring lines were cast off, and kept her close company on the coast nearly to Point Reyes. Several small craft were seen in the straits outside, but none of them approached the suspect.

As far as known no damage was done to the barkentine Wrestler by last night's storm.

Clergymen, lawyers, public speakers, singers, and actors, all recognize the virtues of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. One of our eminent men says: "It is the best cough medicine that can be procured for all those diseases of the vocal organs, throat, and lungs."

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THE BRITISH TROOPS

Besieged by Native Rebels in the Aboe Territory.

A RELIEF PARTY SENT TO THEIR AID

A Lodging House in Colombes Wrecked by a Bomb.

Approval of the Draft Speech From the Throne to be Read at the Reassembling of Parliament—Gonjur in Gambia Abandoned by the Native Insurrectionists.

London, March 10.—The Indian office has received a despatch from the Viceroy and Governor General containing reports of disaster to the British in Aboe territory. The dispatch says that on February 27th, last, a party of tribesmen attacked a detachment of Captain Maxwell's guard at Bordaka, and 27 of the British were killed. It is known that a party of 80 men of Captain Maxwell's command are besieged in a stockade at Membo Bay by an overwhelming force of tribesmen. A detachment of 230 men has been sent to their relief, but nothing has been heard from the relief party. Other reinforcements will be dispatched.

More Bomb Explosions.

Paris, March 10.—Last evening a bomb exploded in a lodging house in Colombes, near this city. The front part of the building was wrecked and the windows of other buildings in the town shattered. The bomb was exploded underneath the bed of a lodger, who declared his landlady had requested him to conceal it there. The woman denied this, and said the man had threatened to kill her with a bomb if she persisted in her determination to cease illicit relations with him. Both were put in jail.

Submitted to the Queen.

London, March 10.—A meeting of the privy council was held at Windsor to-day. The object of the meeting was the submission to the Queen of a draft of the royal speech, which is to be read at the reassembling of parliament, which has been formally approved by Her Majesty.

Boarding a Moving Train.

London, March 10.—James Theobald, a Conservative member of parliament, while attempting to board a train last night, missed his footing and was terribly crushed by the moving cars. He died to-day.

The British in Gambia.

Bathurst, Gambia, March 10.—The naval brigade made a landing yesterday for the purpose of attacking Gonjur, one of Chief Fodisalah's strongholds, which the flagship Raleigh and the gunboat Widgeon had bombarded the previous day. The British met no resistance, and it was found that Gonjur had been abandoned. The natives slain by the bombardment were left unburied. Fodisalah's whereabouts is unknown.

The G. O. M. Better.

London, March 10.—Mr. Gladstone passed a good night and was much better this morning.

CANADA AND ENGLAND.

Increase of Imports—Cattle Embargo—Pacific Cable Scheme.

London, March 10.—The official figures of the trade between the United Kingdom and Canada for February were published to-day, and indicate some revival of trade. The imports for Canada total £49,457, an increase over February 1893, of £11,335. The increases are mainly on wheat, fish and timber. The exports to Canada were valued at £313,431, a slight decrease from the previous February's figures.

Herbert Gardner's reported retirement from the office of minister of agriculture does not alter the situation regarding the embargo upon cattle, in fact it is feared that the outlook for its removal is not very favorable, seeing that the chambers of agriculture are pressing the government to pass an act, making the slaughter of imported cattle at the port of entry compulsory in all cases.

The Pacific Cable scheme is progressing, and news that the Australian postal conference has adopted the motion of Hon. J. Kidd, postmaster-general of New South Wales, in favor of the Pacific cable, is bringing matters to a head here. Sir Charles Tupper, Sir Thomas McIlwraith of Queensland, and Hon. Mr. Reid of Victoria, are united in pressing Lord Rosebery to subsidize the project. The comments of the press are all distinctly favorable to the proposal. A decision from the government is expected next week.

Manifesto to the Irish.

London, March 8.—The Parnellites gave out this evening a manifesto addressed to the Irish people, signed by John Redmond, leader of the group; Timothy Harrington, M.P., for the Harbor division of Dublin, and Joseph Edward Kenny, M.P. for the College Green division of Dublin. The manifesto says: "A crisis has arisen in the fortunes of the country which makes it imperative that the men who struggled, three years ago, to return Charles Stewart Parnell's leadership for Ireland, should now try to preserve unbroken the organization and brotherhood established at that time among our race. We address to you words of warning and advice. Mr. Gladstone then declared that the retention of Mr. Parnell would reduce his own leadership of the Liberals almost to a nullity. His letter contains no hint or threat of resignation or of a change of the Liberal attitude to home rule. Nevertheless, in a moment of weakness and panic Parnell was abandoned, avowedly to maintain Mr. Gladstone's leadership and preserve the alliance with the Liberals.

The result was that one of the grandest and best disciplined political combinations the world ever saw degenerated into a betrayal of Parnell, and into a confederacy with the Liberal government, which denied justice to the Irish on the simple questions of evictions and the amnesty of political offenders. Apart altogether from the question of Mr. Gladstone's own sincerity in the Irish cause, and his desire to be identified with the final solution of the Irish question, the final test must now apply to the sincerity of the Liberal cabinet. It was to retain Mr. Gladstone's services that Charles Stewart Parnell was thrown over. Mr. Gladstone's promise was the bond offered in every political platform to Ireland in the past three years. We warn our countrymen now that in this retirement from the leadership can originate the only necessity of abandoning home rule, and though such a compromise as can only be regarded by Ireland as an insult and mockery. The removal of the Irish block on the Imperial parliament encourages the party of half-hearted home rulers in the cabinet to believe that they may again safely disappoint the hopes of Ireland. We can have no confidence in [illegible] has come for prompt action. The Irish people will not longer tolerate the policy of national subserviency to English party interests. Let them organize the forces of their race to support the struggle for national government.

EASTERN CANADA.

Immigrants for Manitoba—Hotel Keepers Convention Arranged.

Montreal, March 10.—A party of 200 emigrants arrived at the Windsor station this morning by special train from Halifax. The majority of the arrivals are well-to-do English farmers, who are going out to Manitoba to take up farming in that district. Accompanying the party are many English farmers who own farms in the Northwest and are returning from a visit to their native land.

Toronto, March 10.—Active preparations are being made by the president and members of the executive committee of the hotel-keepers' protective association for the convention of that body to be held in Toronto on April 4th. The object of the convention is, it is stated, to form one large association in the interest of the liquor trade in the Dominion. It is expected that over 1500 delegates will be present.

O'Gara vs. Union Bank.

London, March 10.—The judicial committee of the privy council to-day granted leave to appeal in the case of the Union Bank of Canada v. O'Gara and the case of O'Gara v. the bank. The case arose in the city of Ottawa. Stairs, Askwith & Co carried on business there as railway contractors. The Union Bank advanced them money, for which O'Gara became guarantee, and he also deposited securities with the bank. Subsequently the contractors failed and the bank sued O'Gara for his guarantee. In return the latter sued the bank for the recovery of his securities, basing his claim on certain irregularities in the transactions. The bank won in the Ontario courts, but lost before the supreme court. They have now obtained permission to have the case heard by the judicial committee of the Imperial privy council.

Killed by Coal Gas.

Kingston, N. Y., March 10.—Thomas Dunleavy and Edgar Vancaasbeck died late yesterday from the effects of inhaling coal gas when engaged with others in rescuing two comrades who had been overcome by the gas in the Lawrence Cement Company's kiln, at Hickory Brush.

Down in Brazil.

Rio de Janeiro, March 10.—According to the official statements the march of the insurgents upon Sao Paulo has not been successful, and it is believed the insurgents' invasion of Sao Paulo is very remote. Rio de Janeiro, Pernambuco, Santa Catrina, Sao Paulo and Paranama are now the only states under martial law. A presidential decree of February 28th sets forth that only crimes committed in connection with the rebellion are to be tried by court martial.

Conspirators in Corea.

Yokohama, March 10.—Advices received from Corea tell of the discovery of a conspiracy to kill Prince Latohok, heir to the Corean throne, together with all the king's ministers and other dignitaries. The dispatch says over a thousand persons have been arrested connected with the plot.

American.

Philadelphia, March 9.—An investigation into the condition of the Hebrew colonies in New Jersey which has just been concluded develops the fact that they are in so flourishing a condition that arrangements will at once be made for bringing over in the spring a large number of recruits. The investigation shows that the hard times have had little or no effect upon the colonies, that the cloak, willow ware and other factories are running on full time and furnishing ample employment, and that there has been little or no necessity for drawing on the Baron Hirsch trust fund for the relief of distress.

Sisson, Cal., March 9.—"Happy Charlie," a mender of chairs and general roustabout, becoming abusive in Downing's saloon while drunk, was soundly thrashed last night by the proprietor. Both men were arrested, Downing being released on bail and "Happy Charlie" locked up all night. This morning smoke was seen issuing from the cell in which "Happy Charlie" was confined, and on the door being opened the prisoner was found suffocated to death. He had made a fire of the blankets in the cell, and had evidently been overcome by the smoke.

San Francisco, Cal., March 9.—Vice-President Crocker of the Southern Pacific company has telegraphed President Reinhart of the Santa Fe accepting his proposition to restore the status quo. He wired that he would be glad to meet Reinhart in this city, or if it would be preferable that he and Stubbs would go to Chicago to confer with the Santa Fe people. Col. Crocker is confident that a satisfactory adjustment of the points at issue will be made after rates have been restored.

FROM THE SOUTH SEAS

Steamship Warrimoo Arrives From Hawaii, Fiji and Australia.

MORE EXCITEMENT IN HONOLULU

Provisional Government Calls Half of the Citizen's Guard to Arms and Issues Strict Quarantine Regulations to Prevent Royalist Uprising.

The Australian steamship Warrimoo, Captain Perry, arrived in from the South Seas at 12:30 o'clock to-day, after an average passage up and across the Pacific. She left Honolulu two days after the steamship Australia, which reached San Francisco on Saturday, and in the interim between the sailing of the two considerable excitement was stirred up over "Ransome's men," the force alleged to have been imported to restore, by a coup, Queen Lil to her throne. Half of the citizen guard were called to arms and the provisional government has resorted to extreme measures to prevent any surprise. A new immigration law of a most stringent nature was put into effect on March 1. It is virtually a war measure and is as nearly prohibitory as possible.

The Warrimoo left Sydney at 4 p.m., on Feb. 17th, and encountered rather severe weather to Suva, Fiji, which was reached on Feb. 24. Four days later she passed and exchanged signals with the Arawa, south bound, the first occurrence of such a thing since the inauguration of the new line. She was at Honolulu on Feb. 4, arriving and departing the same day. She entered the straits early this morning and rounded the Race at 11:30. Pilot Bucknam brought her in and Dr. John Duncan passed her as acting quarantine officer. Her cabin passengers were: Master B. St. Morris, Major-General Cunliffe, Sir A. C. Stepney and servant, W. F. Buchanan, R. R. Ross, James Malcolm, W. Vivian, E. S. Russell, E. Perrin, Mrs. W. McKenzie and Lieut. F. C. Grover. There were 22 in the steerage. The ship's cargo totalled about 800 tons and was divided as follows: Victoria—369 cases of meat, 63 packages arrowroot, 2 packages puddings, 1 package biscuits, 39 crates bananas. New Westminster—55 packages merchandise. Seattle—1 piano, 100 bunches and 260 crates bananas, 600 bags rice, 50 bags coffee, 1 case honey. Vancouver—20 boxes butter, 98 packages of meat, 6 barrels syrup, 10 casks rum, 10 bags peanuts, 66 cases oranges, 12 cases limes, 12 cases pineapples, 29 cases bananas, 28 cases bananas and 32 casks of molasses. There was also freight aboard consigned to Liverpool, Toronto, Ottawa, Winnipeg, Portland and San Francisco.

Among the passengers was Sir Arthur Campbell Stephey, who is returning to the province from a trip to southern points. He will not remain here but will journey on to Vancouver. General Cunliffe is retired from the British army and has been to Hawaii, Fiji and Australia. He goes to England over the C. P. R. W. F. Buchanan of Winnipeg, partner of Ben Gordon, formerly of this city, was a passenger. He has been to Sydney and other points on business.

Another of the passengers by the Warrimoo was Bertie St. Morris, son of Charles St. Morris, of this city, who for the last six years has been studying with his grandfather in Australia. By the recent death of the latter Master Charles inherits property of the value of $40,000, which remains in the hands of trustees until he attains his majority. He will remain with his delighted parents in Victoria for a while, and then proceed east for preparatory training prior to going to Oxford. On the trip over Master Bertie won the name of "The Little Champion Draught Player." When Mr. St. Morris last saw his son he was in dresses; now he is as big as his dad.

In view of the recognized presence in the islands of a force friendly to royalist interests, and supposed to have been recruited in Canada, the provisional government has deemed it advisable to put half of the citizens' guard under arms, and have also formulated strict regulations in respect to the landing of passengers by steamers from all ports. The latter were approved by the government on the 1st of March. The first section deals with the review and re-enactment of former legislation on the same subject, and the second to the penalties incurred by the master of any steamer violating the law in this respect. The third contains the new matter and is as follows: "Upon the arrival of any vessel from any foreign land at any port of the Hawaiian Islands with passengers on board, it shall be the duty of the master of such vessel to report the name, nationality, last residence, destination, occupation and object of coming to the Hawaiian Islands of every such passenger, before any of them are landed, to the collector-general of customs or his deputy, or the collector of customs of the port at which such vessel has arrived, who shall thereupon inspect all of such passengers who may be aliens, either on board of such vessel or at a designated place on shore. But such removal of such passengers from the said vessel for the purposes of such inspection shall not be considered to be a landing. The inspecting officer shall have the power to administer oaths and to take and consider testimony touching the right of any such alien passengers to land within the Hawaiian Islands, all of which shall be entered on record. All decisions made by the inspecting officers touching the right of any alien to land shall be final; provided that the collector-general of customs, in case of appeal, may reverse the decision of his deputy or of any collector of customs at any port. It shall be the duty of the master and officers and agents of such vessel to adopt due precautions to prevent the landing of any alien at any place or time other than that designated by the inspection officers, and any master, officer, and agent of such vessel who shall, either knowingly or negligently, land or permit to land any alien at any place or time other than that designated by the inspection officers, or than those who may have received a permit to land by the inspection officers, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and be liable to the penalties above mentioned. Any such vessel shall not have clearance from any port of the Hawaiian Islands until such fine is paid." Sections 4, 5, and 6 enumerate the penalties incurred by those transgressing the new rules, and the steps to be taken whenever it becomes necessary to deport any objectionable arrivals.

The United Press correspondent sends the following under date of March 4:

Honolulu, March 4, 1894.—Since the departure of the Australia on the 3rd, no item of public interest has transpired, except that in the circuit court yesterday the five cases of criminal libel against Walter G. Smith, editor of the Star, were dismissed, no indictment having been prepared, the responsibility for which is with Wilson's attorney, Rosa, and not with the prosecuting officer. Smith's allegations against ex-Marshal Wilson were in very scorching terms, of being a public defaulter and paramour of the [illegible] the arrests of Smith was caused by Wilson to be made last fall, he was certain that the Queen would be restored before the trial, and could not be compelled to testify. This expectation having failed, Wilson has caused the suits to be dropped, and a large amount of unsavory testimony collected by Smith's attorneys fails to regale the nose of the republic.

The whaling bark Horatio arrived at Honolulu on the second of March from San Francisco, Nov. 23, with 15 cases of smallpox on board, two deaths having occurred on the cruise. The bark was anchored outside the harbor.

STABBED TO THE HEART.

Terrible Affray Between Two Ottawa River Frenchmen.

Ottawa, March 12.—The story of a terrible murder comes from Clarence creek, French township, about forty miles down the Ottawa river. Francis Bernard, twenty-five years of age, was stabbed to the heart by Joseph Lafleur, and is dead. The men quarrelled over a game of cards. Lafleur went home after the quarrel and armed himself with a knife and revolver, and on his way back to the hotel where he had been playing cards with Bernard and others, met Bernard in the street and plunged the knife into him. Bernard reeled across the street and then dropped dead. Lafleur returned home, carrying Bernard's coat on his arm and the knife, reeking with blood, in his hand. The knife he threw into the store and the coat he said he earned by the use of his knife and right arm. He was arrested afterwards. The affray occurred yesterday morning. Lafleur has been arrested, and now says he did the deed in self-defense.

Belligerent Californians.

Fresno, Cal., March 12.—Shortly after one o'clock to-day a fight took place in front of the Grand Central hotel between W. W. Foote, attorney for Heath, and John Meares, witness for the prosecution. Both are from San Francisco, and Meares is a nephew of Judge Holmes of this city. The trouble grew out of some remarks Meares alleged Foote had made about him. The lie was passed, when Meares shoved Foote back about six feet and W. D. Grady stepped between them. Grady stepped aside and Meares shook his fist in a threatening manner. Foote said to the policeman "arrest that man, or I will kill him." Sheriff Scott and deputy took Meares away. The affair created much excitement and more trouble is feared.

A Lesson to Tombs.

Oxford, Pa., March 12.—Millionaire Jacob Tome returned to-day from Washington, where he had sold some bonds. He came back on the Baltimore and Oxford express. He had received $60,000 in cash for the bonds, and to avoid suspicion had the money tied up in a little package, which he carried in his hand. Mr. Tome is an old man, and forgot his package when he reached Port Deposit station. At that place the Port Deposit Musical Gaiety company sat in the seat Mr. Tome had occupied. One of them picked up the package and tossed it to his friend across the aisle, and for five minutes the money was thrown back and forth among them. When the young men left the train the conductor ran after them calling to them that they had left the bundle. The train drew out of the station and he tossed the package into a basket. When the train reached Nottingham the conductor received a telegram from Mr. Tome. The message to the conductor read that there was $60,000 in the package, and he was asked to keep it until the next morning. Mr. Tome finally got it.

Merely Tickled Him.

New York, March 12.—John Marcka, of Philadelphia, burst into a laugh yesterday immediately after being thrown 25 feet by a locomotive going 40 miles an hour, on the Pennsylvania railroad, at Market street, Newark. He was struck while crossing the tracks. A policeman, gateman and others in the neighborhood could hardly believe that he had escaped injury. They led him into the baggage-room in spite of his expostulations and kept him there until a physician examined him. They seemed disappointed when the doctor announced that Marcka was in a condition to take a train for this city. What seemed to worry the policeman detailed at the station, was the fact that the Philadelphia man was perfectly sober and yet escaped death. He said there would have been nothing remarkable about the case had the man been drunk. Marcka is 23.

American News.

Portland, Ore., March 12.—The Portland Traction Co., was incorporated today to operate the cable roads of this city. The capital stock is $400,000, of which $333,000 has been subscribed.

San Francisco, March 12.—Col. McLaughlan and B. N. Thomas, agent and assistant of the internal revenue department, left for Portland this morning to transfer the internal revenue office there from Milton W. Fidler to Henry Blackman, recently appointed.

GOD SAVE THE PRINCESS.

Alexandra's Thirty-First Wedding Day—A Popular Woman.

LILLY LANGTRY'S LATE LOVER TO WED

A Light Mining Craze in Minnesota—Meagre Dispatches From South America—In Memory of George W. Childs, Everybody's Friend.

London, March 12.—The bells of the little church at Sandringham, where the family of the Prince of Wales spends the greater part of the year, rang a merry peal at an early hour on Saturday morning in recognition of the fact that that day was the 31st anniversary of the union of the heir to the throne and the young Danish princess who has become the best beloved woman in all England. On that memorable 10th of March all England was en fete, and Tories vied with Radicals in celebrating the royal marriage and in wishing the young couple a joyous and happy future. For many years thereafter the anniversary was celebrated by the ringing of bells and the hoisting of flags in many parts of the country, but of late years the practice has fallen into disuse. Congratulations poured in on the Prince and Princess on Saturday, those from the Princess' parents and relatives and from the emperor and empress of Germany being couched in unusually felicitous language. The Princess will celebrate her birthday on the 1st of next December, when she will have rounded out her fiftieth year.

General News.

Caracas, Venezuela, Mar. 12.—General Joaquin Crespo will to-day be installed as president of the Venezuelan republic. The day has been declared a general holiday, and the inauguration will be preceded by a parade of military and civilians.

London, March 13.—A dispatch from Calcutta says that the decision of the viceregal council on the new duties proposed to meet the deficit of 35,000,000 rupees will be announced to-day or on Monday. It is understood that the duties on silver will be increased and that the duty on cotton will be reimposed.

Langtry's Late Lover.

Baltimore, March 12.—Frederick Gebhard and Miss Louise H. Morriss will be married on Wednesday next at the home of the bride's father, John B. Morriss, this city. Mr. Gebhard has lavished magnificent presents on his future bride. One gift was a superb ruby, said to be valued at $20,000, and another is a diamond necklace and pendant valued at $50,000.

The Minnesota Gold Fields.

Duluth, Minn., March 12.—C. P. Frank, a surveyor, returned yesterday from Rainy Lake, where he has been for three weeks. He says if the present weather continues the roads will soon be impassable and any movement of supplies will cease until the streams and lakes open. An early break in the roads would be a great hardship to all the people at the new gold fields, as supplies are not plentiful and the men could not live for more than a week or two on the provisions they have.

The Memory of Childs.

New York, March 13.—The printers of the metropolis will pay a tribute to-morrow afternoon to that great friend and benefactor of their fraternity, George W. Childs. The exercises will take place in Fifth avenue theatre, under the auspices of Typographical union No. 6, and the members of every branch of the union in New York and Brooklyn will turn out en masse to pay a tribute to the deceased publisher. The eulogy is to be contributed by Congressman Amos J. Cummings, who is a member of the noted "Big Six" union, and the other speakers will include President J. W. Keller, of the New York Press club, and Rev. Dr. Blanchard, rector of St. James' Episcopal church in Philadelphia, where Mr. Childs worshiped.

Colored Voters Uniting.

La Porte, Ind., March 12.—Leading colored men have begun organizing the 40,000 colored voters in Indiana, and the politicians, especially the Republicans, are looking on with apprehension. A lodge is to be formed in every city and town in the state and the organized voters will act together. They are not only to demand political rights for the negro, but to hold the balance of power.

Larceny of a House.

Chicago, March 12.—Justice White is grappling to-day with the intricacies of one of the most extraordinary larceny cases on record. F. A. Lubouski is defendant, and he is charged with stealing a two story and basement house, moving it about fourteen blocks, or about a mile and a half, installing it on a new site, and then disposing of it to an innocent purchaser. The owner of the house, which has been vacant for some time, was a man named Furst, and he was in ignorance of his loss until he visited the place with a prospective tenant and found nothing left but a hole in the ground. It took the police a week to find the structure, and then the discovery was accidental.

American.

San Francisco, March 12.—This was the second State day at the Midwinter exposition, Michigan celebrating. The weather was pleasant and the local Michiganders were out in force, taking complete possession of the grounds. In the afternoon exercises were held in festival hall.

Chocago, March 9.—In the suit of the Apollinaris Co., (Limited), of London, England, against Charles T. Davis and other defendants, before the United States circuit court for the northern district of Illinois, Judge Crosscup has entered a final decree perpetually enjoining the defendants from imitating the yellow Apollinaris labels and from in any manner pursuing a course of unlawful or unfair competition in trade calculated to injure the Apollinaris company's business or reputation. In the Cook county criminal court Davis has also pleaded guilty to an indictment under the state law, found by the grand jury for imitating [illegible]

San Francisco, Cal., March 12.—The schooner Prosper, which was towed into port by the tug Monarch on March 1st, for repairs, has sailed for Seattle. The Prosper went ashore at Newport in February, where she had arrived a few days before from Port Blakely.

[illegible] and using imitations of the Apollinaris labels. The penalty for a violation of this law is a fine of from one to two hundred dollars, or from one month to one year's imprisonment, or both. Sentence has been suspended.

Chicago, March 9.—A letter dated at Brussels has been received here from Cecil Clay, husband of the late Rosina Vokes, in which he expresses his appreciation of the many cablegrams and letters of sympathy that he received from his friends in the theatrical newspaper [illegible] States immediately following the passing away of the celebrated actress. "I find," he says, "in the midst of my desolation my sole comfort in the many affectionate tributes to her that have come across the ocean from the country in which she had so many friends."

A Historic Church.

Oxford, Pa., March 13.—Simple but extremely impressive ceremonies marked the dedication of the new edifice of the United Presbyterian church of this city yesterday, and the congregation included many representative members of the denomination from other parts of the country. Founded 141 years ago, in 1753, this church is the one connecting link between the mother church of Scotland and the United Presbyterian church of North America. The new edifice, which is severely simple, in accordance with the ideas of the denomination, has been erected at a cost of twelve thousand dollars, of which nearly one half was contributed by Mrs. Anna E. O'Connell, formerly a resident of Keokuk, Ia.

CANADIAN NEWS.

The News of Eastern Canada in Short Paragraphs.

Thomas Kirkpatrick, formerly in business in Oshawa, died in Whitby jail from natural causes.

A French-Canadian Liberal club has been organized in Ottawa. Dr. St. Jean is honorary president.

A crystal of topaz has been discovered in Leeds. This is supposed to be the first stone of the kind ever found in Ontario.

The post office at Oakville was entered by burglars. The safe was blown open and over $300 in stamps and money were stolen.

Henry Bowden, a prominent citizen of Kingston, died suddenly. Some years ago he ran as an independent candidate for the commons in Frontenac.

Annie Beatty, a nine year old girl, while sliding down stairs in the Scott street school, St. Thomas, fell off head first and received fatal injuries.

John Hunter, of Ayr, aged 60, village lamp lighter, suicided by taking Paris green. He is supposed to have been out of his mind at the time.

The Paris Presbytery has declined to submit to the General Assembly a resolution in favor of refusing membership to persons who use intoxicating liquors as beverages.

Mrs. Ellen Hall, ex-assistant postmaster at Khiva, in the county of Huron, was on complaint of Post Office Inspector Baker, charged with using cancelled postage stamps on letters. She admitted her guilt and was fined $20.

Samuel McDonnell, one of the candidates for Inverness county for the house of assembly, Nova Scotia, was to-day appointed a member of the executive council. He was a member of the house of commons from 1874 to 1878.

The Montreal board of trade will join with the Industrial Exhibition association in applying to the Dominion government for permission to hold a Dominion exhibition there next year and for a grant to aid in the undertaking.

Martin & Co., Montreal, furriers, on whom the Bank of Toronto has made a demand for assignment, have failed. The liabilities are said to be $50,000 and the assets $80,000. E. J. Angers, notary, of Quebec, has also failed. Liabilities, $43,000.

Two hundred immigrants arrived this morning by special train from Halifax, on their way to the Northwest, where they intend purchasing farms. They are all well to do English farmers. Among them are a number of English farmers who have already taken up land in Manitoba and who are returning home from a visit to their native land.

A destructive fire occurred at Jordan, Ont., in which sixteen buildings were consumed. The fire originated in S. C. Hinsburger's carriage works, which were totally destroyed, together with J. R. Snur's hotel and outbuildings, the town hall, Everhart's store, three houses belonging to Miss Bradt and J. Law's store. The total loss is estimated to be about $15,000, which is only partially covered by insurance. It is thought that The seizure of the American schooner Bridgewater about six years ago off Nova Scotia for an alleged breach of the Canadian customs laws has a sequel in an item contained in the auditor-general's report. The customs department has had to pay the sum of $6,558 as damages and costs to the owners of the Bridgewater because the seizure was illegal and unjustified.

An important civic financial deal has just been concluded by Montreal. The city loan of one hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds, falling due on the 10th inst., has been renewed at 4 per cent. net, which is considered a very fair rate. The city has likewise borrowed four hundred thousand dollars from the Bank of British North America at 4 per cent. The first named sum was obtained from Coats, Sons & Co.

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