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PUBLISHERS' NOTICE.

TO CORRESPONDENTS. — Communications received from A.W., F.C.E., W.W., S.M.A., S.M.B., M.A., A.L., T.R., J.F.H., T.H.B. H.F.D. and M.G.McE. are receiving attention.



The latest phase in the Boulangist movement is the flight of the General to Belgium to evade prosecution for connection with the Patriotic League. M. Boulanger's action has excited much discussion in the press, and opinion is divided as to its advisability, even among his own declared followers. Some defend his course as justifiable, on the ground of the Government's evident prejudice against the accused; others condemn it as pusillanimous and unworthy of a great popular leader. The Bonapartists are in favour of the former, the Royalists of the latter view.

The Belgian authorities have clearly intimated to General Boulanger that his presence on Belgian territory is not desirable, and threaten prompt expulsion if he sanctions any renewal there of the agitation begun in France. The General has taken the hint and chosen England for land of exile.

Considerable excitement has been caused in the neighbourhood of Lake Megantic by the presence there of a body of police from Montreal, under command of Mr. Justice Dugas, for the avowed purpose of arresting Donald Morrison. Several friends who are accused of sheltering the homicide have been arrested.

The coroner's jury in the inquest on the bodies of Mrs. Harvey and her two daughters, slain by W. H. Harvey, of Guelph, brought in a verdict of wilful murder against the latter.

Anglican Church circles in Winnipeg have been exercised over the alleged ritualistic practices of the Rev. Mr. Tudor, of All Saints' Church, in that city.

A bill has been introduced into the Massachusetts Legislature the object of which is to do away with the French-Canadian separate schools, and to make all the schools in the state stringently uniform, in conformity with the existing common school system. The bill has aroused intense opposition on the part of the French-speaking clergy and their flocks.

Forty-nine crofters left Glasgow for Canada on the 3rd inst., under the scheme of state-aided emigration. In general emigration a decline is reported by the agents of the steamship companies.

On the resumption of its sittings by the Parnell Commission, Sir Charles Russell claimed that his clients had virtually won their case, that the objects of the League were justifiable before God and man, and that the charge brought against Mr. Parnell and his colleagues of having planned

murders and outrages under the cloak of a movement for land reform had been refuted by overwhelming evidence.

In moving the second reading of the bill to amend the Franchise Act, on the 3rd inst., Sir John Thomson explained its objects as being to make the printed lists applicable for the present year and to provide that persons disqualified from voting should also be disqualified from being placed on the voters' list. The Hon. Mr. Laurier moved in amendment that the bill be not read a third time, that the Franchise Act be repealed and the old system of provincial franchise be restored. The act was sustained, on division, by a vote of 105 to 75.

The full text of the letters from H. M. Stanley, of which portions had previously been given to the world from time to time, was published last week. It described the advance of the column of 389 persons from Yambango on June 28, 1887, and its subsequent fortunes, until the meeting with Emin Pasha on the 29th of April following; his departure from Emin's territory and his long waiting for Bartelott and the provisions. The expedition was marked by perils and privations from first to last—weary tramps for months through gloomy, unhealthy forests, constant risk from aggressive natives, sickness and death, hunger and raggedness.

Complaints are made of the practice of polygamy by the Mormons of the Northwest, who pretended to be reformed on that point. In some districts strong suasion has been used to get them away.

Considerable disturbance has prevailed at Sydney, Cape Breton, owing to an organized resistance on the part of thirty tavern-keepers to the efforts of temperance people to restrict the sale of liquor to minors. An explosive missile was thrown into the house of George K. McKean, a prominent temperance worker, and only by timely help was the building saved from destruction. The town council has offered a reward of \$700 for the arrest of the incendiary.

Mr. J. X. Perrault will leave for England in a few days to petition the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on behalf of the Chambre de Commerce, to re-open the "Gylfe" case. In the trial, it will be remembered, judgment went against the Le Bourdais brothers, who were condemned to several years of penal servitude for an alleged attempt to scuttle the vessel. Mr. Perrault claims to have evidence which will prove the condemned captain and mate to be entirely innocent of the charge. It is known that they had nothing to gain by such an act, and it is also in their favour that they took the vessel into port, under grave difficulties and risks, and that they invited, instead of shirking, investigation.

In spite of the opposition of Lord Randolph Churchill, Parliament endorsed the Government's naval policy, a synopsis of which was given in a recent issue.

The eldest son of John Bright is the candidate for the seat vacant by his father's death, in opposition to Mr. Beale, who is a Home Ruler.

A hurricane, which devastated Samoa on the 16th ult., burst with full force upon the harbour of Apia, sinking two German war vessels, the Eber and Adler, and one American ship, the Vandalia, and stranding two other American vessels, the Nipsic and Trenton. Of the Eber,

the captain and other officers, save one, and seventy-six men were lost; of the Vandalia, the captain, four officers and forty men; of the Nipsic, seven men, and of the Adler, fifteen souls. The Queen sent a message of sympathy to the President and to the German Emperor. The British vessel Calliope managed to get out to sea and made for Sydney, N.S.W. Its escape, it appears, was largely due to good discipline and skilful seamanship.

The completion of the great Eiffel tower, which will be one of the leading attractions of the Paris Exhibition, was signaled, on the 31st ult., by an oration from the French Premier, M. Tirard.

Mrs. Stonewall Jackson has set a good example, worthy of her valiant husband, by declining a postmastership, on the ground that she does not understand the business.

Crowds of people attended John Bright's funeral, men of all parties doing honour to the memory of the orator and patriot. The Queen was represented by Gen. H. Lynedoch Gardiner, C.B., equerry to Her Majesty.

An article in *Le Canadien*, of Quebec, accusing the Jesuits themselves of being the cause of the present anti-Catholic agitation in Ontario by their intrigues with Mr. Mercier to influence the Papal diplomacy, has caused considerable sensation among the French-Canadian section of our population. *Le Courier* condemns the course of its Conservative *confrère*, and *L'Etendard* and other journals condemn Mr. Tarte's course. That gentleman has, in a letter to *L'Evenement*, taken full and sole responsibility for the opinions expressed in *Le Canadien*.

Eloquent eulogies on John Bright, as orator, statesman and citizen, were pronounced by the Conservatives, Gladstonians, Liberal Unionists and Parnellites, Lord Salisbury, Mr. Gladstone and Lord Hartington representing the three first parties, and Mr. Justin McCarthy the last.

The Hon. John Henry Pope, Minister of Railways and Canals, who had been in delicate health for some time previous, passed away last Monday week at Ottawa, in his 65th year. Mr. Pope was of United Empire Loyalist stock. He began life as a farmer, and proved a successful one. He entered public life in 1857 as member for Compton, which county he has ever since represented, first in the old Union Assembly, and, since 1867, in the Dominion House of Commons. In October, 1871, he was sworn a member of the Privy Council, becoming Minister of Agriculture, which position he held till the Government retired in 1873. In October, 1878, he resumed charge of his former department. In 1870 he visited England with Sir John Macdonald and Sir Charles Tupper and took part in the negotiations for the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Mr. Pope was a careful and assiduous minister and, outside of politics, was active in the promotion of many reforms, especially in his own county. In private life he was highly esteemed, and is universally regretted by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

The map of Pacific cable routes, with the explanations and comments of Mr. F. N. Gisborne, C.E., which appeared in the last number of the DOMINION ILLUSTRATED, has attracted considerable attention among Canadian public men interested in the progress of our commerce in the far East and Australia.