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CHICAGO'S YACHTING BOOM.

The New Forty-footer that May Meet R.C.Y.C.'s White-winged Flyer.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—Yachting circles all along the lakes are considerably stirred up over the interlake international cup race project, which emanated from Lake Michigan. At no time in the history of yachting on the lakes has so much active interest been evidenced in this sport during the winter season. The lower lake yachtsmen are all watching Lake Michigan to see what move the progressive amateur sailors here will make next. Forty-footers will be plentiful on these waters when the first sailing signal for 1896 is hoisted. The challenge sloop, Vencedor, will not be the only big boat to slip into the water when spring sets in.

A syndicate, composed of Robert Hayes, Frank V. Newell and others, has placed an order with the Racine yard, where the Vencedor is building, for a steel-framed racing yacht, from an up-to-date design, embracing such lines and construction as have been found best adapted to Lake Michigan waters. The syndicate is out for championship honors, and if the boat comes up to their anticipations, they expect her to play an important part in the interlake international races of the future, if not of 1896.

They would like to have a chance to compete with the Vencedor in a series of trial races for the privilege of representing the Lake Michigan Yachting Association against the Royal Canadian Yacht Club. Whether this can be arranged now is a question, as the original challenge was sent out, not in the name of the L.M.Y.A., but in that of one of its component parts, the Lincoln Park Yacht Club. All correspondence on the subject has been between the latter club and the secretary of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, the actual owners of the Vencedor having nothing to do with the matter further than to furnish a boat to the club to support the challenge. It would be more satisfactory, perhaps, to have this first contest carried out under signal of Lake Michigan Yachting Association and let the yacht clubs composing that fleet have an equal chance to furnish the challenging boat, on the same principles that the America's cup defender is selected.

The syndicate building this second 40-footer would like to see such a modification of the challenge as sent out, and thus secure a loophole through which to slip their boat into the contest. The new boat will sail under the flag of the Columbia Yacht Club, the largest yachting organization, in point of membership and fleet, in Chicago, and the strongest of the Lake Michigan Yachting Association fleet. Her dimensions will be: Length over all, 60 feet; load waterline, 40 feet; beam, 12 feet 8 inches; draft of hull, 2 feet 6 inches; extreme draft, with fin, 8 feet 6 inches; displacement, 14½ tons.

Her model presents some strikingly original features. While a fin-keel, and with lines as fine as a lady's glove, her beam is liberal, and will be one of the first seeming freeperaies to strike the yachting world. Her designer claims that he has overcome it and has secured an exceptional sail spread by this generous beam. Aside from being a racer, she will be a comfortable cruiser and can work into most of the lake anchorages, notwithstanding her fin.

Whether the terms of the existing challenge will admit of the syndicate coming into the field in this year's interlake international race or not, they will challenge the Vencedor for a race, to come off as the first event of the season on Lake Michigan.

International Yachting.

It is understood that if the Lincoln Park Yacht Club will construct a boat to conform with one of the L.Y.R.A. classes, the Royal Canadian Yacht Club will accept the Chicago challenge. A boat of the Vincedor's measurements would be practically useless for subsequent racing on Lake Ontario, and, as the Interlake Association will most likely adopt the Lake Yacht Association's classes, the R.C.Y.C.'s request is most reasonable.

Argonauts and the Yachtsmen.

It is likely that the matter of amalgamation between the Royal Canadian Yacht Club and the Argonaut Rowing Club will be settled at a joint meeting of the committees this afternoon at 4.30 o'clock. A meeting of the R.C.Y.C. committee was held last night, when it was decided to place certain propositions before the oarsmen, which, if accepted, will hasten the union.

George W's Handicap in Good Time.

New Orleans, Feb. 18.—First race, 6 furlongs—Galley West, 15 to 1, 1; Pert, 3 to 1, 2; War Song, 3 to 2, 3. Time 1.15¾.

Second race, ½ mile—Russell, 10 to 1, 1; Mamie Belle, 5 to 1, 2; Iron Stone, 5 to 1, 3. Time .50¾.

Third race, 6 furlongs—Begue, 2 to 1, 1; Burt, 10 to 1, 2; Dutch Arrow, 6 to 1, 3. Time 1.16½.

Fourth race, handicap, mile—George W., 10 to 1, 1; Pulitzer, 3 to 1, 2; Jake Zimmerman, 7 to 1, 3. Time 1.42½.

Fifth race, 7½ furlongs—Princess Rose, 6 to 1, 1; Masonic Home, 30 to 1, 2; Alto June, 7 to 5, 3. Time 1.39.

Sixth race, 6 furlongs—Minerve, 3 to 2, 1; Little Cliff, 5 to 1, 2; John Stewart, 15 to 1, 3. Time 1.17½.

The Card for To-Day.

New Orleans, Feb. 18.—First race, 7 furlongs—Trixie, Santerne 96, Albert S., Lellie Mills 102, Mark S., Buckmore 106, Mollie B. 107, Maurice, Leonard B, Tartarian 109, David 111, Howling Green 114.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Hawthorne Belle 96, Minnie Clyde, Elsie Ferguson 98, Peddler, May Ashley, Winchester 100, Billy Kinney 102, Fritz, Commissioner, Frank 103, Bon Soir 104, Fondest 105.

Third race, 7 furlongs—Brevity, Venice, Campania 99, Gleesome, Frankie D., Panway, Lulu T. 102, Zaldivar, Dobbins, Ja Ja, Longdale, Jos o' Sol 104.

Fourth race, mile—Wedgefield, Peytonia 98, Haroldine 92, Albert S. 94, Station M. 95, Mark S. 97, Blasco 99, Tancred 101, Clarus 102, Terraplin 103, Dockstader, Jack the Jew 104, Wolsey 106.

Fifth race, 7 furlongs—Boon 101, Helen Wren, Montevideo, Marden Pet, Miss Hazlett 102, Bill Arp, Poklino, Hermain, Old Pugh, Lyndhurst, Whiffs 104, San Blas 107.

Sixth race, 6 furlongs—Dan Murphy, J. W. Levy, W. M. Duke, Jr., Minerve, Gallay West, Twelve-Fifty 98, Julie, Royal Nettie, Ferryman II. 100, The Banker 103, Hippogriff 105.

Ice Trotting at Barrie.

Barrie, Ont., Feb. 18.—The trotting races under the auspices of the Barrie Trotting Association were favored with a good track and fine weather to-day.

First race, 2.27 class—
Demand, Lawson, Brighton.....3 2 1 1 1
Fred W. J. Kaiser, Cookstown..1 1 2 4 4
Sorrel Dan, J. Prenty, South Rivers 4 3 3 2 2
Billy Mack, Harrington, Picton..2 4 4 3 3
Best time, 2.39.

Named race—
Forest King, H. Shanacky, Midland 1 2 1 2 1
W. J., J. Johnson, Alliston 3 1 2 1 4
Dolly Scott, S. Passmore, Orillia..4 4 3 3 2
Best time, 2.47.

The free-for-all and 2.37 class will be trotted to-morrow.

Ruble Won Easily.

Montreal, Que., Feb. 18.—The Canadian figure skating championships took place to-night, but were devoid of the usual interest, as there were no entries from the United States, and the competition was confined to two local men, Moses Rubenstein and J. Dumas. Rubenstein won easily by 44½ points to 18½ points for Dumas.

The Tire Exploded.

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 18.—Seven wheelmen were injured yesterday in an attempt to break a world's record at the Coronado track. The accident was caused by the explosion of a tire on the sextuplet. Wells was paced by the sextuplet, with Stone, Terrill, Washburns, Schmidt, Vaughan and Swanbrough up. When near the three-quarter pole and going at a 1.41 gait, a report was heard, and for a second or so nothing could be seen of the wheels or riders. Swanbrough was the only one seriously hurt. His left ankle was broken. The others were bruised about the limbs and bodies, except Wells, who escaped with scarcely a bruise.

NO MORE FINISH FIGHTS.

Peter Maher May Get Into the Ring. But it Will Only be to Save Forfeit.

New York, Feb. 18.—It is hardly likely that any fresh attempts will be made to bring off finish fights in this country. In the opinion of the sporting world, that branch of pugilism is doomed. Whether or not Dan Stuart succeeds in getting Fitzsimmons and Maher into the ring to pummel each other cuts no figure in the argument. Pugilists looking for big purses and championship honors must travel across the seas. So argues pretty nearly every local sporting man in reviewing the fizzle of Stuart's finale carnival.

Amongst the prominent sporting men who hold to the above opinions are C. H. Genslinger, ex-president of the Olympic Club of New Orleans, where more great battles were decided than at any other fighting club. Genslinger says big fights in this country are dead, and he blames Corbett for killing them. Mike Donovan says: "I believe that public fights are a thing of the past. There will be no more public fights to a finish. Let the men fight in private, as we did long ago. In those days, when we were matched to fight, we went into private training and devoted all our time to getting into condition. We never thought of talking."

An El Paso despatch says: It is by no means certain that Maher will be able to fight Friday, although he says he will get into the ring to save his forfeit, no matter what the condition of his eyes may be. They are badly inflamed. He would be simply unable to fight, and at best it would only be a burlesque.

Zimmy Was Badly Handled.

In speaking of his trip to Australia, Zimmerman said, on arriving at 'Frisco: "My trip to the colonies was comparatively a racing failure, and, although my condition was never of the highest class while there, I blame my poor showing entirely to bad management.

"I found on visiting many places that I had to unravel business and social entanglements with which my manager, W. J. Walford, had involved me, and I was perpetually worried with these troubles.

"I contracted fever while there, but it was the least of my ills, and really had but little effect on my racing.

"The doctor under whose care I was gave a certificate of my condition to the Sydney Club, at whose sports I was called to ride, but they told me the public would destroy all the property about the grounds if I did not show myself, so I started in one race, but did not finish. After that I spent three weeks in the mountains, and when I left the colonies was in excellent condition and riding very fast, particularly for short distances.

"The track rules are almost identical with those of the League of American Wheelmen, except that they compel the use of silk jackets and caps, such as jockeys use."

When told of the recent changes in the American racing rules, doing away with Class B, Zimmerman said the future of professional racing rested entirely with the L.A.W. If it controlled that branch of the sport, the rules will work out all right.

A Stake Ice Boat Race.

The third iceboat race of the season is scheduled for to-morrow (Thursday) at 2 p.m., from the foot of Yonge street. The ice is in good condition and nine inches thick. The boats to start for the stake are: Vivian, T. Fisher; Britannia, Joe Tymon; Defender, Joe Gooden; Islander, Durnan.

Athletic and General Notes.

A movement has been started to build a bicycle path four feet wide along the Hudson River from New York to Albany.

Jack Humphrey has signed to play first base or the outfield for Galt. Pitcher Buckland may also sign with Manager Chub Collins.

Granite and Parkdale play a City Trophy match Wednesday. Trevlee Lindsay is down for at the Granite on Thursday. Five Granite rinks play in Detroit on Saturday.

Ireland's Rugby team scored a great victory over England, Feb. 6, at Leeds, by 2 goals (10 points) to 1 dropped goal (4 points). There were 22,000 spectators present.

The National Assembly voted to Chairman Gideon of the Racing Board of the L.A.W. the $668 which remained after all the expenses of the board had been paid.

The Wanderers' nomination meeting is on Thursday night. "Shy" Sinclair will likely get the presidency by acclamation. Collie Ross is a candidate for the captaincy.

An open shoot will be held at J. M. Scott's shooting grounds, Lambton Mills, at pigeons and sparrows, on Thursday, Feb. 20. All shooters are invited. Shoot to commence at 2 p.m.

Obstreperous players in the National Baseball League paid $2000 in fines last year. As the twelve clubs paid out a total sum of $300,000 to their players the fines amount to but two-thirds of one per cent. of the players' salaries.

Although no official announcement has been made by the Jockey Club, it was conceded yesterday by those in a position to know that Tom Flynn has been selected to wield the starter's flag during the coming season.—N. Y. Journal.

A New York firm of bookmakers have opened a future book on both the Brooklyn and Suburban Handicaps in Baltimore. Henry of Navarre is favorite in both events, being quoted at 4 to 1 in the Brooklyn and 3 to 1 in the Suburban.

The Eastern League will make a strong effort at the National League meeting next week to secure legislation which will prevent the major league clubs from trying out minor league players between Sept. 15 and Oct. 1. The Eastern's season ends Sept. 15.

Riley Grannan, the youthful turf plunger, found San Francisco too stiff a game. He will have very few dollars left after his debts are squared. Pittsburg Phil was once about $50,000 behind in the San Francisco races, but has managed to make up the deficit.

The Queen City Bicycle Club intend to eclipse all former events in the West end by their "At home," to be held at Sunnyside Friday, Feb. 28. The committee selected are working hard to make this the event of the season. Invitations are now being carefully distributed.

Fred Taral has been engaged by C. Fleischmann & Son to ride Haima in each of the three big spring handicaps—the Metropolitan, Brooklyn and Suburban. Taral is under contract to Marcus Daly, but, as he would be unable to make weight for any of Mr. Daly's entries in these events, he has been given the privilege of accepting outside mounts.

A prize fight of twenty rounds was pulled off Sunday afternoon at St. Louis. Frank Crosby, who has fought many bloody battles in the vicinity of St. Louis, and Peter Persons, known as the "Terrible Swede," were the combatants. The men fought for the gate receipts, amounting to $200. Persons finally succeeded in winning in the 20th round.

Justice Truax, in the special term of the Supreme Court, has handed down an order denying a motion made by Philip Dwyer, president of the Brooklyn Jockey Club, to set aside the verdict of the sheriff's jury awarding David Gideon $15,000 in the suit for libel brought by him against Dwyer. Justice Truax, in addition to the verdict, awarded Gideon $500 extra allowance and $10 costs of the motion.

Recent developments in electrical forces have started the mind of one enterprising genius to undertake the manufacturing of an appliance which, so far as I can make out, is to take the form of a small battery attached to the rod, which will project a slight current of electric light through an especially prepared line down to a particular kind of lure, which creates an almost life-like appearance to the natural bait of the fish sought after. When Mr. Bass, Weakfish, Blackfish or Flounder comes swimming along he sees the tempting live morsel, makes a grab or strike at it, and there you are.

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ONLY THREE OF THEM LEFT

RENNIE DEFEATS RICE FOR THE WALKER CUP.

The Score was 21 to 17, But All Through it was Close, and Six Times They Were Tied—Toronto Club Curlers Defeat Prospect Park in a City Trophy Match—Hamilton and Coburg Curlers in Town.

Messrs. Rennie and Rice played off their semi-final for the Walker Trophy last night at the Granite Rink. Throughout the game it was one of the closest of the series, the Caledonians ultimately securing a majority of 4 shots. On no less than six ends were the contestants tied, the fourth, seventh, ninth, twelfth, sixteenth and twentieth, but at no time after the third were the Granites up more than one point. Thus the Rice rink deserve every praise for their plucky fight. With the score 17 all the Rennies, by magnificent curling, counted 2 on the 21st, and 2 more on the last, that Rice could not dislodge. The ice was perfect, a tribute to Superintendent Burleigh, and about 300 saw the closing ends. Messrs. McCulloch, P.P., and Bertram, T., play their semi-final at 2 p.m. on Granite ice to-day, and the final will take place on Friday. Score:

Caledonians.		Granite.	
A. B. Nichols.		K. J. Dunstan.	
T. Rennie.		W. Moffatt.	
J. Rennie.		W. Crooks.	
R. Rennie, skip	21	O. F. Rice, skip	17

Rennie...0040201010200210310022—21
Rice.....2101020101011002003100—17

Toronto Wins a City Trophy Match.

Toronto Club curlers defeated Prospect Park in a City Trophy match yesterday by 11 shots. The Parkers were 19 up on their own ice, while Toronto had a 30 points' majority on Victoria ice. City Trophy standing:

	Won.	Lost.
Granites	3	1
Prospect Park	2	3
Parkdale	2	1
Toronto	1	3

The scores of yesterday's game:

AT PROSPECT PARK.

Toronto.		Prospect Park.	
R. McDonald.		C. R. Cooper.	
W. K. Cameron.		P. O'Connor.	
C. E. Ryerson.		D. Carlyle.	
H. A. Drummond, sk.	23	W. Forbes, sk.	13
H. Southam.		T. Mounce.	
Dr. Gordon.		R. Loudon.	
Hon. L. M. Jones.		N. L. Patterson.	
J. S. Russell, skip	10	J. G. Gibson, sk.	28
H. Walker.		G. Clapperton.	
J. Ince.		B. Brick.	
C. J. Leonard.		R. B. Rennie.	
C. Edmunds, skip	14	T.D. McCulloch, s.	11
Dr. Millman.		A. Haywood.	
T. Hodgetts.		H. Wills.	
W. Maclean.		T. D. Day.	
Dr. Lessile, skip	7	J. P. Rogers, skip.	21

ON VICTORIA ICE.

Dr. Dame.		H. A. Haisey.	
Col. Sweny.		W. F. Welsh.	
C. W. Taylor.		W. J. Hynes.	
John Wright, skip	19	J. C. Scott, sk.	14
A. D. MacArthur.		A. Fleming.	
Geo. Saneur.		A. Haywood.	
A. Hood.		J. W. Elsville.	
J. Bain, skip	17	J. W. Corcoran, s.	11
W. A. Hargreaves.		C. H. Rust.	
J. Paton.		W. Duffett.	
A. P. Webster.		J. Lugsdin.	
Geo. H. Bertram, sk.	18	J. R. Wellington, s.	19
J. Tennant.		F. Freyseng.	
R. K. Sproule.		T. Galn.	
J. N. Gordon.		M. A. Race.	
F. O. Cayley, skip	30	H. J. Gray, sk.	10
Total	138	Total	127

The Granites Defeat Cobourg.

A friendly match was played at the Granite last night, the result being as follows:

Granite.			
T. M. Scott.		W. J. Maher.	
J. W. Gale.		G. T. Beckie.	
T. Henderson.		A. R. Hargraft.	
G. R. Hargraft, sk	9	H. B. Cruso, skip.	17
C. H. Edwards.		A. D. Dundas.	
Dr. Chson.		J. W. Bickle.	
C. McGill.		S. Barr.	
W. J. McMurtry, sk.	24	N F McNach'n, s.	9
Total	33	Total	26

Hamilton Thistles Win.

Two rinks of Hamilton Thistle curlers were royally entertained at the Granite Rink last night, and incidentally they scored more points on ice than the home men. The way the players cheered successful shots would indicate that it was a Tankard match; but it wasn't. Score:

Hamilton.		Granite.	
Miles Hamilton, sk.	15	E. Meyleneach, s.	9
A. Gillespie, skip	8	R. McClain, sk.	10
Total	23	Total	19

The Winnipeg Bonspiel.

Winnipeg, Feb. 18.—The points play in the curling bonspiel was finished to-day. The prize-winners were: T. Kelly, Granites, 40; Dr. Jamieson, Thistles, 39; W. Cousins, Morden, 39; D. R. McKenzie, Thistles, 38.

Western Ontario Tankard.

St. Mary's, Ont., Feb. 18.—The finals in the Western Ontario Tankard competition were played here to-day. In the first game St. Mary's got the bye, Bright beat Forest City by 29 shots, and London beat Detroit by 3 shots. In the second draw London got the bye and St. Mary's beat Bright by 17 shots, London and St. Mary's teams play off in the mroning.

U.C.C Wins Again.

A fast and exciting practice hockey match was played in Granite Rink yesterday afternoon, between U.C.C. and the Toronto Bank, resulting in a victory for the college by 12 to 3. The play was fast and interesting all through, Whetmore, Morrison and McGaw especially distinguishing themselves for U.C.C., while for the bank, Crawford, Gilmour and Ardagh were the most conspicuous. Teams:

U.C.C. (12)—Goal, McGaw; point, Darling (captain); cover-point, Hall; forwards, La Batt, Morrison, Parmenter, Whetmore.

Bank (9)—Goal, Carlyle; point, Warden; cover, Ardagh; forwards, Gilmour (captain), Gamon, Read, Crawford.

Ice Chips.

An artificial ice rink may be built in Toronto next year.

Thorold defeated Niagara-on-the-Lake in a two-rink match last night by 45 to 17.

At Ridgetown yesterday two rinks of Glencoe curlers were beaten by 47 shots to 26.

St. Catharines yesterday defaulted their game to Niagara Falls which was scheduled to be played at Niagara Falls to-day.

Lindsay plays three rinks at Prospect Park Thursday afternoon and evening, and two rinks at the Caledonian Thursday afternoon.

The annual match for the Thompson-Scoville Medal will be played to-day between the Buffalo, Caledonian and Toronto Clubs at the Victoria Rink.

A fancy dress match, in which players from the Victorias and Imperial Bank teams took part, drew a large crowd at the Victoria Rink last night.

Parkdale and Upper Canada play a City League match this afternoon on Parkdale ice. Parkdale's team: McCreary, Caldwell, Leask, Jock, Clemes, Macdonell, Corey, Godfrey.

The Montreal curling clubs which were to take part in the big bonspiel at New York, have defaulted. The bonspiel will last until Feb. 20, and the list of prizes is a valuable and tempting one.

A curling match came off in Brantford yesterday between three rinks form Dundas and three Brantford rinks. The contest was for the "Bell-Wilson" trophy, resulting in favor of Brantford by 65 to 48.

The Niagara-on-the-Lake Hockey Club visited St. Catharines Monday evening to play their last championship match in the S.O.H.A. series. The game was swift and rough, and the St. Catharines team was defeated, 4 goals to 1.

The Toronto Church School hockey team defeated the Wellesleys yesterday by 6 to 2. The following composed the Church School team: Goal, B. Walker; point, A. Massey; cover, A. Wright; forwards, H. Sweatman (captain), W. Burgess, F. Bartlett, Callaway.

The Tourists at Home.

The Tourist Cycle Club gave its first annual at home and entertainment at St. George's Hall last night. The club was formed in December, 1894, and has increased in membership and prosperity. It now has handsome club rooms on Isabella-street, and last night entertained a large number of guests. In connection with the dance a dramatic entertainment was given under the tutelary inspiration of Mr. Martin Cleworth. An emotional war sketch, in which Miss Britta Stott, Mr. J. S. McCullough and Mr. Cleworth acquitted themselves creditably, was presented, after which, a roaring farce, "Peace and Quiet," was done amusingly. The committeemen were Messrs. D. Densmore, W. B. Campbell, J. S. McCullough, W. M. Wallace, D. G. Stuart, A. R. Bickerstaff and J. Burns.

HEALEY BOUND OVER.

The Police Magistrate Thinks the Evidence Sufficient to Show That a Murder Was Probably Committed.

James Healey, who the coroner's jury say murdered John Corrigan on Feb. 6, was again in the Police Court yesterday. The Crown was prepared to go on and the first witness was F. T. Baker, an architect, who had surveyed the premises in which the murder was committed, and identified plans shown him by Mr. Curry. Photographer Stanton identified photos of the interior of the building, which were put in as exhibits. One of the photographs included an ax, which, however, it was explained got there inadvertently.

Maria Corrigan, wife of the victim, told of renting the premises and showed by the plan the portion that had been sub-let to the Healeys.

When Corrigans were moving away on Feb. 6, Healey refused to surrender to witness a stove, which was her property. Corrigan said, however, that he and Healey were on good terms, and he guessed he could get the stove all right. Later in the day witness went to the house on Parliament-street and the doors were locked. She borrowed a hatchet from Mrs. Sullivan to endeavor to obtain an entrance, but was unable to do so. Corrigan had returned, and obtained an entrance. Witness saw Healey hit him several times with an ax. She say Policeman Osler outside and said: "For God's sake, go inside there, my husband is being murdered." Healey then came to the door and flourished an ax and a revolver. He went in again and witness, who was looking through the window, saw him hit Corrigan with the ax, saying, "Take that, you son of a b——." At that time Corrigan appeared to be making his escape upstairs. Corrigan said, "Hold on there Healey," just before he was struck. Witness and her son, Clayton, then broke in the windows.

To Mr. Hearn, Mrs. Corrigan proved to be a most unwilling witness. She explained that the reason her memory was much better now than it was at the inquest, was because she had now got over the excitement.

Several spats between the counsel for the defence and Crown-Attorney Curry enlivened the proceedings to some extent, the latter Magistrate occasionally taking a hand.

Witness denied owning a revolver, but admitted that four or five years ago she fired a shot at a man named Flynn, who was trying to get into her house.

Asked how it was that the story told by her was different from that told by her son, Clayton, she said she did not know.

Mr. Hearn succeeded in shaking her previous story in some minor details, and whenever there was any discrepancy she would say I refuse to say any more.

After hearing Mrs. Corrigan's evidence the Magistrate was of opinion that there was sufficient to establish a primâ facie case and ordered that the prisoner be committed for trial. Mr. Hearn, however, asked that a remand be allowed for a day in order that Policeman Allison's evidence may be taken. The request was granted.

Beautiful Paintings.

No home is either complete or gracefully furnished without a few of those gems in art known as original paintings, either in water color or oil. Water colors, for many good reasons, are much preferred for quiet and elegant homes, and no subjects appeal to the community more strongly than those associated with the country in which we live. This is probably the reason why local art, the production of acknowledged merit, finds a more ready acceptance than the cheap and uncertain miscellaneous collections sometimes imported for sale here and introduced with the eclat of a few names of repute intended to delude the liberal buyer not posted as to actual quality and value, as much European work is bought for a song and sold at a great price. The productions of the honored artists Mr. Manly and Mr. Bell-Smith, the latter acknowledged by the approval of the Queen, should be sufficient to bring marked attention to the collection on view at Messrs. Dickson & Townsend's on Wednesday, and to be disposed of on Thursday, the 20th inst.

Detectives at Work.

Detectives Cuddy and Davis yesterday arrested Ed. Harper at 114 Adelaide-street west. Harper is charged with vagrancy, but it is thought that he is a sharper who has been swindling by selling plated eye glasses, claiming they were gold. He had a number of the bogus articles on him when arrrested.

Charles Roche, 165 John-street, was arrested yesterday by Detective Davis charged with stealing an overcoat from his father. The father subsequently identified the coat.

The Patrons to Branch Out.

A meeting of the Grand Board of the Patrons of Industry has been called for Thursday to make preparations for the annual convention of the Grand Association, which will be held in this city, beginning on Tuesday of next week. It is understood that among the matters which will engage the attention of the Association will be the adoption of additional planks to the platform, including prohibition, woman's suffrage and cumulative voting.

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WERE WAR TO BREAK OUT

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This Question Answered in the Columns of an English Journal—The Situation Sized Up. This Country's Possible Strength Estimated and a Mode of Campaign Suggested—Improvements Needed in the Force—Canada's Friends at Home.

The Broad Arrow, a paper published in London, Eng., prints an article in which it sizes up the general question of possible war between England and the United States. This journal remarks:

"The real struggle would take place not in Venezuela, but in Canada; or rather, Canada would be the real objective of the Americans. The result will probably be to bind that portion of the Empire more closely than ever to the Mother Country. What our scheme of operations will be it is impossible to forecast with precision, but we cannot doubt the matter has been carefully thought out at the War Office and the Admiralty. Fortunately we have at the War Office in the Marquis of Lansdowne and Viscount Wolseley two men who are thoroughly acquainted with the theatre of operations and the military resources of Canada. Col. Herbert and Sir Frederick Middleton, ex-commanders of the Canadian militia, are also both within reach of the War Office, and well qualified to give valuable information. The money annually voted for the army must have been very badly spent if we cannot at a few weeks' notice despatch from home at least 80,000 well-trained men, exclusive of a substantial force of Royal Engineers and Garrison Artillery. These 80,000 men would be the backbone of the field army, and with the energetic assistance of Canada they could accomplish much. Now the important question arises: What can Canada do? There are as many men on the rolls of the militia as could be usefully employed, and as to physique the quality is excellent. With the exception, however, of the permanent force of 1000, the Mounted Police of 800, and to a less extent the active militia of about 36,000 men, the army of Canada is practically a paper force. It must be remembered, however, on the other hand, that the active militia could be at once doubled in strength by the return of men still young who have passed through the ranks of the force. The sedentary or reserve militia also is organized—on paper—by districts, and these contain many officers and men who have previously served either in the actual militia or the regular forces of England. That the large majority of the men liable to service would come forward with alacrity we have no justified in believing, seeing what zeal was shown in repelling the Fenian incursions and in putting down Riel's rebellion. Most of them also are half prepared by their daily lives for the hardships and difficulties of a campaign. As to their officers we have the testimony of The American Army and Navy Journal to the fact that "they are commanded by trained and experienced officers, far superior in knowledge of the art of war to our National Guard officers." Should there be any need to further strengthen the officer element in the Canadian army, there are many ex-regular officers in the prime of life and vigor present or past of the militia at home who would willingly offer their services to the Canadian Government. What the Canadian army needs is discipline and training, which, however, under stress of war would soon be acquired by a few weeks in camp. It is unhappily true that the Canadian army is very seriously deficient in arms and stores, but these we ought to be able to furnish from England at a moment's notice. In the matter of brigade training, the Canadian active militia is distinctly superior to the troops of America, whose small permanent forces are broken up into detachments all over the country, whilst neither regulars nor militia are ever brought together in brigades in camps of instruction. As regards material in Canada, there is a Government small arms ammunition factory at Quebec and numerous private powder mills. An important fact is that according to the latest available census—that of 1881—there are available for purposes of transport 857,855 horses and 132,593 oxen, and these figures have been largely added to during the last 15 years. There is also an abundance of railway, lake, river and canal communication, whilst during the winter five months, December to April, when the St. Lawrence is closed, Halifax with railway communication, is available. Thus the hardships endured by the troops sent out during the Trent difficulty will not have to be repeated. The purely strategical position of Canada may, perhaps, be dealt with on a future occasion. We shall therefore only now make one observation on that point which is that we may almost ignore the greatest part of the Northwest frontier, seeing that there is in this part of the Dominion practically no more objective than there was in the great part of Russia in 1812. There are, moreover, no resources, and the Mounted Police and the few volunteers would easily deal with mere partisan detachments. Our attention, therefore, could be concentrated on the eastern half of the Dominion. Since writing the foregoing we learn that in the Speech from the Governor-General to the Dominion Parliament, the latter will be asked to consider measures for the better arming of the militia and the strengthening of defences. Precaution is not offence, and only burglars complain of well-barred doors and windows. It is the plain duty of Canada to protect herself against aggresson, and she gives no legitimate provocation by acting on the plainest principles of prudence.

Work for the Ship Carpenters.

Boston Standard.

Another big increase in the British navy and the large additions to the mercantile fleet will be likely to make the work in the British shipyards very brisk for the next year or two. Harland & Wolf of Belfast announce that there is work enough ahead to keep their force of 5000 men employed for the next year or two. Japan is going to build a new navy, largely in British shipyards; the German Emperor is satisfied apparently that the German navy is hardly big enough to drive the British navy out of sight, and so he has given orders for the construction of more ships, many of them in British yards. Altogether, the British shipbuilders are not likely to suffer much for a year or two.

Nelson's Great Scheme.

Hamilton Spectator.

It would be well if the "new woman" problem could always be solved as easily as Nelson Hilton solved it. Nelson was a news agent in a Detroit hotel. A pretty young woman wanted his position and succeeded in getting it. But Nelson was a man of resource. Instead of getting mad and going about complaining of female competition, he paid court to his successful rival, won her heart, and married her.

Sir Oliver Not a Second Fiddler.

Windsor Times.

When he is wearied sitting on the cushions of provincial power and yearns to walk over the corduroy roads of Federal Opposition, Oliver Mowat will quit leading his own band to play second fiddle in Wilfrid Laurier's orchestra.

Lamentations of Canadian Jeremiahs.

Hamilton Spectator.

While Sir Richard and the other Jeremiahs pour forth lamentations over the poverty of the people, the people steadily increase their deposits in the Government savings banks.

DOMINION OF CANADA.

Happenings Within Our Own Borders of Passing Interest.

Woodstock, Ont., lost $22,000 by fires last year.

Another pulp mill is to be started at Digby, N.S.

There are now 3629 Indians on the Brantford Reserve.

Mr. T. Shaw has purchased The Chesterville Record.

Black & White is the name of a Montreal grocery firm.

London Free Library now has over 7000 volumes on its shelves.

Hespeler Presbyterian Church has celebrated its 40th anniversary.

Rev. J. C. Phelan of Peterborough has been ordained to the priesthood.

Robert Gardner died at Wingham on Saturday, aged 101 years and eight months.

Sir John Schultz is going to Mexico in search of health. Lady Schultz accompanies him.

Wesley Church, Hamilton, has invited Rev. Dr. Philp to remain its pastor for a fourth year.

Belleville is bound to have Albani sing there and a guarantee of $1500 has been put up.

The new Roman Catholic Church at Coburg will be dedicated by Bishop O'Connor next Sunday.

Mrs. Bergey has just died in Hespeler, aged 82. For 61 years the old lady lived in the same house.

Archibald Graham of London has bought oil territory at Petrolea and will put down 10 or 20 wells.

Peterborough Lock Manufacturing Company are calling for tenders for the erection of new buildings.

Rev. E. B. Lanceley of Dundas-street Methodist Church, London, has been invited to remain a third year.

Isaac Muskrat, an Indian, had to pay $10.60 for being drunk at a church entertainment in Bridgenorth.

The population of Guelph is 10,716, an increase during the year of 221, according to the assessors' calculations.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Campbell of Portage la Prairie, formerly of Ridgetown, have celebrated their golden wedding.

During January 390 tons of quartz crushed at Libby's mining works, Brookfield, N.S., yielded 350 ounces of gold.

Mr. Charles A. Muma of Drumbo is being urged to run in the Conservative interest for North Brant against Mr. Somerville.

The 48th Highlanders of Toronto have been invited by the 57th Battalion to visit Peterborough on the Queen's Birthday.

The new Grace Methodist Church at Peterborough will be dedicated next Tuesday, Rev. S. J. Shorey of Lindsay officiating.

C. Simmons, the Kingston clerk who swallowed a tack accidentally, is reported to be improving, though he has suffered severely.

Evangelists Hunter and Crossley have left Halifax for Bermuda. They left $50 to Halifax charities, together with 900 converts.

E. C. Walker is president and Dr. S. A. King managing director of the reorganized Ontario Natural Gas Company of Windsor.

"O.A.C., O.A.C., zip, boom, bah, do them up, chew them up, ra, ra, ra," is the new yell of the Ontario Agricultural College boys.

Mr. Dickie, member for Avondale, and editor of The Souris Plaindealer, is the only newspaper man in the Manitoba Legislature.

William Jarman, an old resident of London, who came from England with a regiment of Fusiliers over 50 years ago, is dead, aged 79.

London city council is run on party lines, and, according to report, Mayor Little is emulating the Czar in the manner of his presiding.

Abel Steele of London Township secured a prize of $100 at Philadelphia for the three largest and best Maule's red Weathersfield onions.

Antoine Reaume of Anderdon and Matilda Bastien of Amherstburg have joined hearts and hands. The groom is 68 and the bride 76 years old.

Michael Mullaly, a Guelph ashman, has just had a letter from his brother William at Clinton, Ohio, from whom he had not heard for 35 years.

The Edmonton Bulletin says the Hudson's Bay Co. are sending forward an unusually large quantity of freight for shipment when navigation opens.

The Rat Portage Record tells of 19 pounds of gold secured at the Regina mine; also that J. F. Caldwell is at the Sultana mine counting the gold bricks.

George Purches of Edmonton brought back from the Rocky Mountains a pocket full of pebbles, some of which answer the description of rough diamonds.

John Shepherd, J.P., aged 84 years, and a native of Yorkshire, England, died in Calstor Township on Sunday. He mustered under Sir Allan MacNab in 1837.

At London, John H. Miller, hotel-keeper, of Belmont, has been sentenced to a year in