Eastern Canada Mail.

(Per Canadian Pacific Railway.)

MONTREAL, Aug. 13.—A couple of leading physicians left for a neighboring town to hold a post mortem on the body of a girl of 12 years, who, it is stated, died from the effects of criminal abortion by local physicians.

BOSTON, Aug. 17.—While Forepaugh's den containing four lions was on the way to the station last night the wagon broke and the vehicle, after rushing down the hill in intense darkness, fell into a deep hole and capsized. One side of the cage was broken and one lion was knocked clean out, leaving nothing between the wild beasts and liberty. The lions roared terribly, awakening the whole neighborhood, but, strange to say, they did not attempt to leap out of the cage. As quickly as possible boards were placed over the opening and the lions were tied up with ropes and chains. The boards were taken off the fence and placed around the den. By the lurid glare of the flames the lions could be plainly seen lying flat and trembling; occasionally they would roar in chorus, but the terrific noise was not loud enough to drown the cries of excited men. A force of men tried to extricate the cage, but failing, two elephants were brought on the scene. They walked about the cage, apparently to see if the lions were secure, and then reached down their trunks, lifted the vehicle out of the ditch, and laid it on the road. The cage, which cost $4,500, is nearly a total wreck. The lion on the street was one our citizens never forget.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Aug. 18.—One of the most incidents ever known in St. John occurred last night. Just as William Betts was led into court to receive his sentence for criminal assault on a young girl named Ella Davis, word was brought to the court that Roberts' wife had just died of a broken heart, from the worry and excitement of the disgrace inflicted on her husband. She was the mother of little children, who were the only ones in the house when the unfortunate woman died. This touching circumstance seemed to soften Judge King's heart, and he inflicted on the father and widow the comparatively light sentence of one year's hard labor, with twelve lashes and the cat-o'-nine tails.

TORONTO, Aug. 18.—A most daring and nearly successful attempt was made at the Union Bank this morning to rob a lady who was awaiting the arrival of a train. She and her lady were seated in the ladies' waiting room, when a man entered and sat down them. He pulled a newspaper out of his pocket and commenced to read. One of the ladies, Mrs. Geraldine McAuley, began to feel a sickening sensation creeping over her and became aware that the man had holding a bottle without a stopper too close to her nose to be pleasant. She began to feel sick and spilled a portion of the contents of the bottle, which proved to be chloroform. The man bolted, but was shortly afterwards captured and the bottle of chloroform found in his possession. He was brought before the magistrate and was identified by the woman as the man who gave his name as William Emett, and said he was an ex-pensioner. He is charged with attempting poison to endanger human life.

TORONTO, Aug. 21.—The investigation at the police court into the charge of conspiring to defraud the city by Burns, the coal merchant, and others, is not yet concluded. The feeling is becoming general that the prisoners will break down. At the adjournment of the court yesterday the magistrate remanded the prisoners on a warrant against Burns' defaulting book-keeper, Bryan, giving his evidence, was arrested on a charge of embezzlement.

MIDDLEDALE, Aug. 21.—Thomas and Wm. Greer, brothers, and John Hamilton, belonging to this village, were killed by a train in Ont lake. Thomas leaves a wife and four children.

MONTREAL, Aug. 22.—Sir Charles Tupper, who is now en route for Canada, will be in two weeks in Nova Scotia before leaving Ottawa.

The bank statement for July is favorable. The assets are nearly $227,000,000 and liabilities of over $146,000,000.

The funeral of the late John Dougall, father of the Witness, occurred here today, being largely attended.

Archbishop Fabre, who is honorary chairman to the Catholic circle here, which numbers 500 Knights of Labor in its ranks, intimated to them that they must immediately sever their connection with the party.

MIDGEFIELD, Aug. 21.—Mrs. Sawers, of Scarboro, while in the engine room of a steamer on Stone Lake, yesterday, had her skirts caught in the machinery, completely stripping her clothing from her leaving a compound fracture of both legs. It is doubtful if she recovers.

SYDENHAM, Aug. 21.—The work of exterminating infected cattle is progressing rapidly. The last of the herd of Galloways imported by Thomas McCrae, of Guelph, will probably be exterminated to-night.

HALIFAX, Aug. 21.—Legal proceedings have been taken by Archibald McLeod, of Carpness, Scotland, to upset the will of his deceased brother, Alex. McLeod, who died leaving over half a million. His eldest to Dalhousie College, is very weak.

BOSTON, Aug. 21.—Word has been received here that Major-General Stirling, of the "B" Battalion, has been relieved of a pension by the English government.

Russia on the Pacific.

MOSCOW, Aug. 18.—The Vedomosti says: "The more Russia is forced back from Eastern Europe the more she will give her attention to Asia, where her aims are far from completed. In regard to the occupation of Port Lazareff, the paper says no protests or intrigues will prevent Russia from occupying a worthy position on the Pacific.

NEW AND SECOND-HAND CLOTHING BOUGHT AND SOLD.—Highest cash price for *Superfluous or Cast-off Garments, Jackets and Overcoats.* TRAVELERS have a superfluity of clothing can sell for cash to

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED.

Aug 9—Str Geo. E. Starr, Pt Townsend
" Str Yosemite, Burrard Inlet
" 11—Str North Pacific, Pt Townsend
" Str Amelia, Nanaimo
" 16—Str R. P. Rithet, New Westminster
" Str Yosemite, New Westminster
" Str Mexico, Pt Townsend
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BIRTHS.

In this city, on the 23rd of August, the wife of J. Johnson, of a son.

MARRIED.

In this city, at the residence of Mr. C. Bell, John, by the Rev. Donald Fraser, Mr. Walter Walker to Mary Vaughan, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Parker, Craigflower.

DEATHS.

On the Island, August 20th, in the 47th year of his age, Mr. Work, eldest son of the late John Work, Esq., Hudson's Bay Co.

In this city, on the 20th instant, George Robinson, a native of Staffordshire, England, in the 40th year of his age.

TO DENTISTS.—FOR SALE—ARRISON DENTAL CHAIR AND CUSPIDOR. Also, Archer Dental Cabinet. For sale very cheap. Chair cost $165. Apply to Box 400, Victoria. au27w1m

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Local and Provincial News.

From our Daily Colonists of August 25.

The Comox Pass.

(Special to the Colonist.)

NANAIMO, Aug. 24.

Came through the Comox pass and found it the lowest pass yet found from Alberni.

WM. H. HALPENNY,
Government Guide.

Personal.

Mr. J. Musgrove, of Still Spring Island, is in the city.

Rev. D. C. Eccleston, D. D., the famous platform orator, arrived in the city yesterday by the steamer R. P. Rithet.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Todd were passengers by the steamer R. P. Rithet yesterday from the mainland.

Messrs. D. Davidson and J. M. Clute, of New Westminster, arrived in the city yesterday.

Dr. Milne returned from the mainland yesterday afternoon.

The Collver Bee Line pleasure party, comprising seven ladies and gentlemen of Hamilton, Ohio, and Leavenworth, Kansas, are registered at the Driard.

At the Occidental: Walter J. Dukes, Burgoyne Bay; Mrs. R. C. Southgate, A. Cowan, Cowichan.

Mr. S. Phipps, of Winnipeg, is at the Driard.

Mr. M. Lumby, of Spallumcheen, is in the city and will remain some days.

Senators Almon and Stevens have returned home.

Hon. Geo. Baker, M. P., for Missisquoi, P. Q., is in the city. He has been for a number of years identified with Pugsley's politics, having been collector of customs for Montreal from 1870 until 1878, and previous to that date was a member of the commons.

Gen. Sherman and party will arrive at Victoria on Friday.

Mr. J. Rooney, C. P. R. mail agent, arrived from the mainland last night.

Messrs. G. B. Wright, Joseph Spratt and James Mann were among the passengers by the Yosemite last night.

Mine Inspector Col. Kerpshill and Dr. McIlwraith returned from Vancouver yesterday.

Mr. John D. Campbell, the efficient Esquimalt constable returned from a visit to Scotland yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Joseph Westwood, aged 93, and Mr. C. N. Westwood were passengers by the Amelia yesterday.

Sir Donald A. Smith, Lord Anson, Mr. Northcote, the second son of Sir Stafford Northcote, and a select party go to the Pacific Coast to morrow evening in the private car Matapedia.

What Some People Say.

That flour made from Manitoba wheat has been awarded the gold medal at the International Bakery Exhibition, at Amsterdam. Our flour has "taken the cake," as it were.—*Manitoban.*

That Mr. Gladstone has written a letter to the mayor of Cork, in which he says that the report that he intends to visit Ireland is untrue. He says that he hopes to be able to take a short holiday on the Continent soon.

That the Czar has warned M. Paul Deroude, advocate of the French war of revenge against Germany, that any attempt on the part of the latter to agitate against Germany will be followed by his immediate expulsion from Russia.

That the cholera is raging in Corea. Twenty thousand deaths are reported in Kiukiang alone. The natives call it a divine visitation, and refuse to give medical assistance to the patients.

That the jury failed to agree in the trial of G. W. Taylor, charged with obtaining $25,000 from W. H. Barnes in the Sharon case by means of a false conveyance.

Marine.

Steamer Alki, Capt. Blackburne, will sail for the outports of Clayoquot Sound on Mr. Hanson, the enterprising miller, who lately patched her up, will sail in the vessel.

A vessel is now loading at Shanghai for Port Moody, British Columbia, in connection with the Canadian Pacific railway. This is the first direct opportunity to shippers in China to avail themselves of the new route to the Eastern States of America.

Six vessels are loading lumber at the Inlet for foreign ports.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 24.—Arrived steamer Mexico, Victoria.

A Piano and Organ Factory.

Mr. Goodwin, whose ability as a manufacturer of pianos has been proven by the excellent instruments which he has already made, has associated himself with a Mr. Jordan, and the firm are about to embark in the manufacture of pianos and organs. The Dodd family house on Cormorant street (lately damaged by fire) has been secured for the purposes of their business by the firm and will be placed in complete repair. Nothing inspires one with more confidence in the future of Victoria than the fact that so many men of ability and capital are finding employment for their brains and capital in important industries. We predict a successful career for the new firm.

ACTION FOR DAMAGES.—We learn that Mr Samuel Greer has commenced a suit against the following parties named in the writ: Donald A. Smith, R. B. Angus, the Canadian Pacific railway company, D. B. Charleson, and the sheriff of New Westminster, for $10,000 damages. The action is brought on account of damage alleged to have been inflicted on plaintiff's property, and it is not improbable another will be commenced by him for arrest and imprisonment. Mr. Greer also intends to restrain the C. P. R. from building its line of railway through his property at English Bay, an action similar to a number that have the railway company for a common centre.—*Columbian.*

POLICE NOTES.—Hamm & Marbeouf were fined $10 and $2 costs for having grouse in their possession out of season. The magistrate dismissed the charge of assault brought by Joseph Dwyer against Fred. Waterman and James E. McDonald.... Daniel Wall, refusing to do duty as seaman on board the bark Esther, was sent up for one week.... Ah Tye was sentenced to thirty months' imprisonment with hard labor on a charge of prowling around Bowman's stables and being a suspicious character.... Kwong Tai Lung was fined $5 on a charge by Sanitary Officer Pascoe of carrying manure through the city during prohibited hours.

SOW.—Hastings' sawmill is running night and day to fill local and foreign demands.

MARVIN & TILTON.

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EASTERN CANADA MAIL.

A Successor to Mr. Egan Appointed.

Discovery of a Huge Lottery Swindle.

OTTAWA, Aug. 19.—Mr. Brophy, clerk in the post-office, has discovered a gigantic lottery swindle, to promote which the mails are being extensively used. Interesting developments are looked for, associating the names of several prominent politicians with the lottery scheme, which has managed to evade the law by the intervention of members of parliament and others deeply interested in its welfare.

The writ for the Dominion election in Haldimand county is issued. Nomination takes place on the first of September and polling on the 8th.

MONTREAL, Aug. 20.—It is rumored that I. G. Shaugnessy, assistant general manager of the C. P. R., may have his headquarters removed to Winnipeg, in which case he would also assume the duties of general superintendent of the western division.

The gross earnings of the Canadian Pacific for the week ending August 14 are $203,000, being an increase of $28,000 over the corresponding week of last year.

The conservative picnic at St. Therese was attended by an immense number of people yesterday. The members of the local cabinet delivered addresses and were enthusiastically cheered. It is declared to have been a most triumphant demonstration that augurs success for the Conservative party.

It was reported yesterday that the Canadian Pacific had purchased a lot of land on Mountain street, at the west end, for $52,000.

TORONTO, Aug. 20.—The hearing of the charge of conspiracy to defraud, made by the city against P. Burns et. al., is going on in the police court this morning. A great deal of interest is being taken in the case.

MONTREAL, Aug. 19.—Mr. T. A. McKinnon, general manager of the South-eastern railway, which is controlled by the Canadian Pacific, has been appointed successor to Mr. John M. Egan, with headquarters in Winnipeg. Mr. McKinnon's rise in the railway world has been phenomenal. He began his railroad career in 1867 as a clerk in the Passumpsic road and quickly worked himself up. Before his transfer to his present position, some ten years ago, he was general passenger agent of the Canada Central and Brockville & Ottawa roads, then largely controlled by Mr. Duncan McIntyre. To the latter's influence his promotion is largely due.

HALIFAX, Aug. 19. The schooner Howard Holbrook, of Gloucester, Mass., was seized by a revenue officer yesterday and held until the customs fee of $400 was deposited.

KINGSTON, Aug. 20.—A wholesale liquor dealer declares that he sells twice as much as he did before the Scott Act passed in Frontenac, Leeds and Grenville.

NIAGARA FALLS, Aug. 20.—Graham' successfully navigated the whirlpool rapids yesterday afternoon with his head protruding from the barrel. James Scott, a fisherman of Lewiston, attempted to swim the whirlpool rapids in a cork suit. His body was picked up at Lewiston an hour later.

MACKINAC ISLAND, Mich., Aug. 17.—The Canadian excursion steamer Frances Smith was seized yesterday as she landed at the dock with her weekly excursion from Collingwood by Collector Watson of Grand Haven. The last two trips of the boat she neglected to go to St. Ignace and take out her papers before clearing. So to-day as she was expected, the Collector and Deputy Warren, of St. Ignace, were on hand and took charge of her, removed her engine bars, and put her in charge of two custodians. The Canadians are badly worked up over the affair, and the passengers take another boat for home to-day. The excuse of the captain and clerk was that under the former collectors they were not compelled to obey the strict letter of the law.

MORE SETTLERS.—D. H. McNeill, government guide, left this morning by the steamer Amelia. Accompanying him are a party of intending settlers, whom he will locate variously on Campbell river, Comox and Valdez island. This done, McNeill will go further north to Fort Rupert, Malcolm island and other points in quest of good agricultural lands. Most probably he will take an inland route from Campbell river, coming out on the coast to the southward of Fort Rupert, in which case the journey will involve a tramp of nearly 100 miles through a comparatively unexplored region.

RETURN OF THE AMITIES.—The Amity Baseball Club arrived home from Portland yesterday, and were met by a number of their friends. Though defeated they are not disheartened, and next time hope to give a better account of themselves. Each club has now won two games, and the final match will probably be played on Beacon Hill, when our boys will have an opportunity to retrieve the lost laurels. They speak in the highest terms of the Portland clubs, whose sportsmanlike conduct is being contrasted with that of the Seattle Reds, much to the detriment of the latter.

PRESENTATION.—The Marquis of Lorne, on behalf of the Canadian exhibitors at the colonial exhibition, presented to Sir Charles Tupper, the Canadian high commissioner, an address expressing appreciation of his efforts to promote Canada's interests. The presentation was followed by a lunch, at which there were one hundred and fifty guests, including Lord Lorne, Sir A. P. Caron, Sir Francis Cunliffe Owen, and the executive staff of the exhibition. Lord Lorne said he hoped soon to re-visit Canada.

THE following officers of Victoria Council, U.F. of P., last evening have been installed: Chief Councillor, A. Clyde; Vice Councillor, W. E. Robertson; Secretary and Financier, W. L. Burgess; Treasurer, H. Gribble; Prelate, J. Walsh; Marshal, R. Borthwick; Warden, Mrs. W. Halpenny; Sentry, W. Mable.

THE SALE OF SEATS at Waitt's for the performance of the Grismer-Davies company at the Victoria next week is proceeding satisfactorily, and it is evident that these old Victoria favorites will be greeted with full houses during the four nights of their engagement.

YESTERDAY we were visited by a welcome rain which cleared the atmosphere of the heavy fog and smoke which had been hanging over the city for some days. Towards the afternoon it cleared off, and the air was sweet and balmy. The rain will not, it is hoped, seriously affect the farmers, who can now be assured of a long season of dry weather.

THE STRAITS.—Capt. Thompson returned from a three days cruise in the Straits yesterday and reports nothing in sight.

THE LOAN BYLAWS.

The Public Grant $125,000 for Improvements.

Voting on the loan bylaws passed by the council to raise sums for city improvement, and aggregating $150,000, commenced yesterday at the usual polling places,—the old police court on Bastion street for Yates street ward, the city hall for Johnson street ward, and the Hook and Ladder house for James bay ward. Out of a total of some 1412 property owners, the number that voted, including those who spoilt their ballots was over 600. From 10 a. m. until 4 p. m. the voting proceeded, at the end of which time the polls were closed and a count made by the returning officer, Mr. W. K. Bull, and the city clerk at the city hall, resulting as follows:

JOHNSON STREET WARD.	FOR.	AGAINST.
Waterworks bylaw	146	84
Streets and bridges	110	98
Pleasure grounds	84	117
YATES STREET WARD.	FOR.	AGAINST.
Waterworks	82	52
Streets and bridges	63	58
Pleasure grounds	52	66
JAMES BAY WARD.	FOR.	AGAINST.
Waterworks	139	75
Streets and bridges	108	90
Pleasure grounds	74	107
GRAND TOTAL	FOR.	AGAINST.
Waterworks bylaw	367	211
Streets and bridges	281	246
Pleasure grounds	210	290

The waterworks and streets and bridges bylaws were accordingly declared carried.

The number of votes cast in Johnson street ward was 238, in Yates street ward 139, and in James bay ward 220, making a total of 597. The number of spoilt ballots was 11.

The Canadian Team in England.

The following extract from a letter from Sergeant Major Plummer, written in camp at Shoeburyness, England, may be of interest:

August 1st, 1886.

"I have at last arrived at camp after a splendid trip across the Atlantic. Arrived in Liverpool on Friday at midnight, went ashore next morning at 8:30, marched to station. Arrived at Euston at 3:45 p. m., where we were met by reception committee. Left London at 5 a. m for Shoeburyness, about three-quarters of a mile distant. We were cheered the whole way, and the whole camp turned out to meet us; in evening were entertained at Sergeant's mess of regulars—splendid spread—did not get away till 12:30. There is a programme for our entertainment, after camp breaks up, it includes the exhibition and Woolwich Arsenal, and I expect to have a good time. There are 100 detachments in camp—that is from 900 to 1000 men. They remained till Friday and a new lot came in on Saturday. The lot in at present are South Counties; next week it will be North Counties. I like what I have seen of England so far. Passed through some fine scenery from Liverpool to London. Remember me to all enquiring friends, and tell them that I am well. Think I will leave on September 9th by same steamer. I came on, as several of the boys are going home then. We get up at 5 a. m. Had service this morning, it was splendid, five bands and singing.

MR. EGAN.

The Cause of His Withdrawal.

TORONTO, Aug. 17.—A special to the Mail, furnished by a high authority of the M. & M. road, gives the following facts relating to Mr. Egan's withdrawal. For a long time past Mr. Egan has had a standing offer from the M. & M., but declined to accept it, as he wished to render every assistance in his power to the Canadian Pacific people, during the construction of that great enterprise. Mr. Egan has done his share in bringing the C. P. R. to its present position as a completed and promising road, and so when the M. & M. offer was urgently pressed upon him a month ago, he agreed to accept it, and will take the position of general superintendent, doing also much of the work of the general manager, on September 1st, his salary being an exceedingly handsome one. It is understood that the Canadian Pacific, on hearing of Mr. Egan's acceptance, offered to give him an equal salary, and even more, but he had agreed to go to St. Paul, and wouldn't of course break his agreement. The business men and citizens generally of Manitoba and the territories deeply regret Mr. Egan's departure, and intend to give him a hearty send-off. It is said that Mr. H. Abbott will succeed Egan.

A Japanese Consul.

The Japanese government have decided to appoint a consul for British Columbia with headquarters at Victoria.

ENGLISH LARKS.—Mr. J. D. Campbell, of Esquimalt, who returned from Scotland yesterday, brought with him a number of English larks which he will turn out here. Several larks died on the way out. The late Mr. Roscoe, M. P., let a number of English larks free at Rose Bay about 12 years ago and they were never heard of any more. Mr. Campbell, it is hoped, will have better luck.

DEVELOPMENT.—The "Foster Mining and Milling Co." was organized yesterday in this city with a capital of $75,000. The lead owned by the company is situated in Pavilion Mountain, Lillooet district. Steps have been taken to place machinery on the ground and thoroughly develop the property.

MUSEUM.—Mr. John Fannin, of Hastings, has accepted the position of curator of the government museum now being established at Victoria. He will ship his choice collections of birds and animals to Victoria at an early date, and will follow his valuable cargo as soon as he can secure a few more necessary specimens.

MESSRS. T. N. HIBBEN & Co. have placed on our table a finely executed lithograph of "The Three Little Maids from School," in the opera of "The Mikado." They are beautiful enough to charm the heart of a stoic.

NEW WESTMINSTER.—The walls of the gas works tank were completed on Saturday, and yesterday several took a walk out to seen the immense cistern before it is roofed over. Its capacity is 500,000 gallons, which is the largest in the province.—*Columbian.*

THE NEW WIRE.—Messrs. Macdonald and Williams with a party of men have begun the work of constructing the postal telegraph line at New Westminster.

Canadian Pacific Cable to China.

(S. F. Call.)

In Shakspeare's comedy, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," the king of the faries Oberon says to Puck, his messenger:

And ye then here again
Ere the leviathan can swim a league.

To this Puck makes the following reply:

I'll put a girdle round about the earth
in forty minutes.

It is quite within the range of the probabilities that the great bard dreamed of a time when man should be able to communicate his thoughts to far distant points in some, then undiscovered manner, with the speed of lightning, for he makes such illusions to rapid transit of both mental conceptions and bodily substance in many places in his works. But what then would have been regarded as the wildest of fancies is now about to become a realized fact. Considerably over two hundred years have elapsed since the time of Shakspeare, and a little over forty years since the telegraph was first brought into practical use between Washington and Baltimore, and now, for the first time, the earth is about to be girdled with the wire. Between Occidental and Oriental shores no direct communication exists, a message from San Francisco to Hongkong or Sydney being obliged to go east by a long and round about path, instead of a direct route across the Pacific. This missing link is about to be supplied, and Puck's bowl will have been accomplished, though the forty minutes fixed by the elf will be much reduced in the present case, unless cablegrams are delayed in transmission. The Canadian Pacific railway company is the corporation which is to complete the circuit. It is proposed to lay a cable from Vancouver to either the Aleutian or Sandwich islands; then to Yeddo, Japan; thence to Hongkong, and from there to Australia and New Zealand. It is not supposed that the enterprise will prove a profitable one, at least for many years to come, and, consequently, subsidies are being sought. The Imperial Government has indorsed the scheme as being an important step toward securing "imperial unity," and it is regarded as certain that the colonies will grant liberal subsidies. A conference has been recently held in London between members of the Cabinet, agents of the Australian Colonies and the representatives of the railroad, and the result is said to have been very favorable to the scheme. The direct communication, such as this will be, is most desirable, and that it will pay dividends in the near future, even if it does not at first, are facts which probably will not be disputed. It would undoubtedly tend to divert considerable trade in this direction, which now goes to Europe via the Suez Canal, and the entire Pacific Coast would feel the good effects of it.

Eastern Canada Mail.

(Per Canadian Pacific Railway.)

BRADFORD, Aug. 18.—Andrew Sloan, of West Williamsburg, was found in his barn on Monday night with his skull fractured. He died shortly afterwards. Albert Kelly, his hired man, was arrested. The jury at the inquest last night returned a verdict of wilful murder against Kelly.

MONTREAL, Aug. 16.—B. H. Crawford, insurance agent, swallowed enough carbolic acid to have killed two men. Medical aid was promptly summoned, and there is a possibility of his recovery. He is sixty years of age, and well off. His family cannot account for his rash act.

Detective Fahey has returned from Brockville, having in custody John Savage, agent of Stone & Wellington, ton nurseryman, Toronto. He is charged with forgery and embezzlement.

INDIAN HEAD, N. W. T., Aug. 17.—The police have been here since the robbery at Bigby's last Thursday, and on Monday arrested Fred Fishleigh and Thomas Watt, both of this place, on suspicion. The police had gathered sufficient evidence to criminate Fishleigh, who is only 16 years of age, and when confronted with his masks, clothes, etc., he confessed, giving the name of his accomplice, as one Hugh McIntyre, who lives in the Qu'Appelle Valley, near here. The police caught McIntyre last night.

HAMILTON, Aug. 17.—There is some excitement in the city by the new departure of Mother Mandelbaum, the celebrated New York receiver of purloined property, who has resided here for over two years. Mother Mandelbaum has leased a handsome store at No. 72 King street east, and has fitted it up as a dry goods and novelty store. She has a large stock of wares, nearly all of American make, which came from New York through the custom house in due form. They are said to be the relics of Mme. Mandelbaum's famous New York establishment, and are now to be purchased at remarkably low prices.

ALBERT TOBIN, an old resident of Windsor, was found lying dead in the street on Saturday morning under circumstances which created suspicion of foul play. An examination, however, showed that the deceased met his death by a fall caused by a hinge.

TORONTO, Aug. 17.—A Toronto agent eloped to Galt with the wife of a Guelph man. The latter followed and raised a terrible row, which was only stopped by the agent giving him a check for $200 as a balm to his injured feelings. The check proved worthless, and now things are worse than ever.

MONTREAL, Aug. 14.—The well known dry goods establishment of Dupuis, Brien, Coutlee & Co., known as Le Grand Syndicate de la Puissance, has assigned with liabilities amounting to about $120,000. The failure is the largest which has occurred in Montreal for many years.

Canon Machray, of Winnipeg, was married this afternoon to Beatrice, fourth daughter of Salter J. Vankoughnet, Q. C.

It is stated that several reforms in the Canada militia service recommended by Major-General Middleton will shortly be instituted.

LONDON, Aug. 17.—Dr. Moore, aged, while walking along Wellington street yesterday, staggered and fell. A cab was hailed, and he was driven homewards, but expired on the way. He was one of the oldest physicians in London.

COATICOOK, Que., Aug. 17.—Baldwin's flour and grain store was burned to the ground at an early hour yesterday morning. The loss is about 8,000; insured for $3,500. When the safe was removed from the ruins it was found to have been blown open by burglars.

Charles H. Symons, the Orown witness in the charges of fraud against Mr. F. Burns and others, arrived in Toronto on Saturday night from Detroit accompanied by a detective.

DELAYED DISPATCHES.

BULGARIA.

LONDON, Aug. 24.—The prefect of Varna received on Friday evening a circular, signed by Karaveloff, Rankoffe, Stoiloff and Elabishoff, ordering him to inform the people that Prince Alexander had been deposed. All the towns in Bulgaria and Roumelia, except Widdin, are in a state of siege. It is rumored at Berlin that Alexander was compelled to abdicate by a threat of death.

Authentic dispatches from Sofia show that the deposition of Prince Alexander of Bulgaria was accomplished during the night. According to these advices, one thoroughly Russianized regiment of cavalry was detailed in the city. After night fall, when the other troops retired to their barracks, this regiment, perfectly under the control of the revolutionists, surrounded the palace, about two hours past midnight. Alexander was in bed and the palace was closed. The revolutionary leaders, with the assistance of the soldiers forced their way in and went to his ante chamber and had him aroused. They bluntly made known to him the purpose of their intrusion. He was stunned, having been taken completely unaware. When he recovered his self-control, and realized the helplessness of his situation, he bitterly reproached his captors for their treachery. What followed is still rather obscure. The revolutionists declare that Alexander signed a formal abdication of the throne. Others, however, assert that he firmly declined to sign the abdication, and that in consequence of his refusal he was made a prisoner and confined in a remote prison, being told that he would be kept there until he complied with the demands of the revolutionists. The Fifty thousand people are to-day homeless in the city, their houses and possessions having either been destroyed or submerged. A number of persons were drowned by the sudden rush of water, how many has not yet been ascertained. The flooded district had within its territory many of the food supplying stores, and all of these were swept away. The result will be an approach to famine among the homeless people. The river will not fall sufficiently to permit any attempts at the reconstruction of the broken embankment. The British military operations are seriously interfered with by the overflow.

SCOTLAND.

EDINBURGH, Aug. 24.—In the new election which has just taken place in Leith to fill the vacancy caused by Gladstone's choosing to sit for Midlothian, which he was also elected to represent, Ferguson, the Gladstonian candidate has been overwhelmingly successful.

EASTERN STATES.

BOSTON, Aug. 21.—Another startling chapter in the notorious Robinson-Smith poisoning case was developed this morning, in the announcement of the arrest of Dr. C. C. Beers, of Boston, on the charge of murdering, in conjunction with Mrs. Sarah Jane Robinson, the latter's daughter, Lizzie A. Robinson, by administering poison to her. The mother is now in jail on the charge of poisoning her son, William A. Robinson.

GOSSIP FROM LONDON.

SOCIALISTS AND WESTMINSTER—AN ARTIST ON THE WHISPERER.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—C. W. Smalley's cable special to the Tribune from London of August the 1st says: Socialistic finances are clearly low. Williams, one of the leaders of the interesting body, has gone to prison for two months, because he was unable to pay a fine of $100 for the obstruction of a public highway by holding a socialistic meeting. Mingaring, another socialist, convicted on the same charge, was allowed till Thursday week to raise the money. Hyndmann publishes the usual protest against the unfairness of these sentences, and complains that socialistic meetings are interfered with. He discloses the rather remarkable fact that the owners of public halls unanimously refuse to let them for socialistic meetings, though offered money with a guaranty against damage. Hyndmann has been sued for libel by the owner and agents of a Welsh mine, whom he accused of conduct similar to that falsely imputed to Waterin, who was murdered by the Decazville miners. This suit is likely to terminate his public career.

A FRENCH DELEGATION.

The French Trades Society delegates, twenty-one of whom are here on a tour of personal inspection, are eagerly contended for by trades unions, social democrats and liberal politicians. Burns, one of the leaders of the West End riots last February, has taken them to a socialistic Sunday meeting at Battersea Park, Mr. Barnett, Secretary of the Amalgamated Engineers, one of the strongest trade unions in England, initiated them into the secrets of those powerful societies on Sunday. Members of the National Liberal Club, not much known to fame, have entertained the Frenchmen at that institution.

THE ROYAL ACADEMY.

The case against the Royal Academy is restated and enlarged in a long and vigorous letter to the Times by Holman Hunt. He regards the recent defense made by the academy as conclusive proof that it means to persist in its old policy, and declares that it is now no longer a question of receiving and hanging a few pictures, more or less. He denounces the whole history and policy of the academy and describes how it first tried to crush, and then admitted successively Leighton, Millais, Brette, Marks, Burne, Jones and nearly every other strong young artist. He arraigns the majority of the academy as mediocrites who have persistently kept honest artists from their best work, encouraged incompetency and appointed weak teachers in the academy schools. He sums up by saying that the Royal Academy, as now constituted, is a perpetual injury to art. This letter is likely to bring the controversy to a crisis.

Babies.

Great excitement has been caused at Hillingdon, near Uxbridge, by several persons being injured by a dog in a rabid state owned by a lady named Humphreys, residing at Coleycoete, Harlington road. Complaint was first made to the police on Saturday, when two children of Mr. Mitchell, saddler, Hillingdon village, were bitten. Inquiries were made, and it was ascertained that Mrs. Hicks, a housekeeper, had also been bitten in her mistress' garden by the animal, which had previously attacked both Mrs. and Miss Humphreys. By direction of Mrs. Humphreys, the dog was slaughtered by Mr. Hewens, veterinary surgeon, Hayes, and on Tuesday the carcass was sent to London for examination. The stomach was found to contain stones, pieces of wood, flowers and other things that the animal had snapped up, and the case was declared to be one of rabies of the worst character. It appears that Mrs. Humphreys shut the dog up in her grounds after she and Miss Humphreys had been bitten, and that it broke out. Two other dogs bitten by it have also been destroyed, and on Tuesday Mrs. and Miss Humphreys, Mrs. Hicks, and one of Mr. Mitchell's children left Hillingdon for Paris to be treated by Dr. Pasteur.—*London Times.*

parties will co-operate to maintain law, and assures the people that their ruler will not leave the country without his powerful protection.

TURKEY.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 24.—The porte has sent a circular to the powers concerning the Bulgarian crisis. The circular says the deposition of Prince Alexander has left Bulgaria in a position which is in the interest of the powers as much as it is in Turkey's, and asks to be informed of their intentions and opinions respecting the situation as soon as possible. The troops in Eastern Roumelia, at Shumla, disapprove of the deposition. Two thousand people who openly favor the restoration of Alexander, met yesterday in front of the Russian consulate in Phillippopolis, the capital of Eastern Roumelia, and made a public demonstration of their wishes. The deposition has divided the population of Sofia into two hostile parties, in which evidently partizanship on both sides has become dangerously heated already, and it is feared that party conflicts of a serious nature will ensue. The railway service between Constantinople and Roumelia has been suspended, and orders have been sent to Adrianople suspending the issue of tickets beyond the frontier.

BURMAH.

MANDALAY, Aug. 24.—One of the embankments of the Irrawaddy river burst in this city yesterday. The break is 300 yards in length and so rapid was the flow of water that in a few minutes the whole district was flooded from four to ten feet deep. Engineers at once cut a dam south of the city to allow the waters to subside, but the result of this is as yet unknown. Fifty thousand people are to-day homeless in the city, their houses and possessions having either been destroyed or submerged. A number of persons were drowned by the sudden rush of water, how many has not yet been ascertained. The flooded district had within its territory many of the food supplying stores, and all of these were swept away. The result will be an approach to famine among the homeless people. The river will not fall sufficiently to permit any attempts at the reconstruction of the broken embankment. The British military operations are seriously interfered with by the overflow.

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