

CABLE NEWS.

The Race for the Goodwood Cup.

Preparations for Emperor William's Visit to England.

Fatal Accident on Board a French Man-of-War—Queen Natalia Not Permitted to Enter Serbia.

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LONDON, Aug. 1.—The race for the Prince of Wales Stakes Goodwood today was won by the Duke of Portland's bay filly "Semolina"...

The American Workmen.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The steamship City of Rome from New York July 24th, having on board a delegation of representative working men sent by Scripps...

A Letter Tampered With.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—Postmaster-General Raikes sent a request yesterday to Thomas Sexton, manager of the Daily Mail, asking him to forward the envelope...

The Kaiser's Visit to England.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The reception to be given to Emperor William of Germany at Spithead next week is of an imposing nature...

More Floods Threatened.

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The rivers Neuse, Roher and Zecken have again overflowed, and a repetition is feared of the frightful disaster of the 3rd of August last.

Dead From Fever.

BERLIN, Aug. 1.—Lieut. Tappenbeck, German explorer, has died from fever in the Caucasus.

Queen Natalia.

BERLIN, Aug. 1.—The confidence between the Kaiser and Queen Natalia and her son King Alexander, renewed in a decision that Natalia should meet her son only outside of Serbia.

Accident on a Man-of-War.

PARIS, Aug. 1.—The training frigate Corvina, while off Ayens, in the south of France, this morning, burst one of her machine guns, killing eight of her men and injuring seventeen others.

AMERICAN NEWS.

After a Short Stay.

New York, Aug. 1.—Gov. Beaman arrived here yesterday after making a tour of inspection expressed satisfaction at the extent of the work of reconstruction...

Immense Coal Deposit.

Discovered on Cook's Inlet, Alaska—A company organized to work the mines.

A War of Races.

STREATOR, Ill., Aug. 1.—The row between the negro and white population of the town of Streator, Illinois, is probably terminating fatally.

Mr. Mackay in New York.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Mr. Mackay, the former California millionaire, accompanied by his sons Clarence and William, arrived in New York City yesterday morning.

A "White" Engine.

OXFORD, Ohio, Aug. 1.—A collision occurred last night on the main line branch of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad, two miles east of here.

CAPITAL NOTES.

Plans Prepared for "C" Battery Barracks.

Peter White Interviewed on the Behring's Sea Outrage.

He Feels England's Interests Now Will Lead to Final Trouble with the United States.

THE ROYAL GRANTS.

LONDON, July 28.—The House of Commons sitting in committee, resumed the debate on the royal grants bill...

THE GERMAN KAISER WELCOMED TO ENGLAND.

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CANADA'S CARNIVALS.

Several cities are trying whether a summer carnival can be made a success in Canada.

THE EXPLANATION EXPLAINED.

To the Editor:—I have noticed Mr. J. Grant's explanation as to the standing of Mr. John Grant in the V.S. & N.W. Co. etc.

DR. BLACKIE'S VISIT.

To the Editor:—Your correspondent "Scotiana" should be careful in reporting that he is Blackie.

TAXPAYERS BEWARE.

To the Editor:—Taxpayers beware, and mind how you vote on the municipal by-law and the Westwater railway scheme.

THE BAD BYE-LAWS.

The Board of Aldermen has placed the question of granting a subsidy to the Victoria, Saanich and Westminster Railway in such a position as to leave out of sight altogether the merits or the demerits of the projects.

THE WORLD'S FAIR OF 1892.

The Great Paris Exposition is still in full blast, yet people on this side of the Atlantic are talking about another World's Fair.

ALBURNI.

Settlers have been in somewhat strengthened circumstances owing to outside communication being cut off on the coast.

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EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

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Two hundred delegates to the Canadian Medical Association annual meeting at Banff left Montreal on Tuesday evening by the C.P.R. Toronto special.

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The organ of the opposition's comments on the new Government are accordingly mild. It is of course, however, the Government led by the Hon. John Robson. Nothing else could be expected of it. Whether that Government does right or wrong, acts wisely or unwisely, it will be denounced by your Yates street contemporary. In its estimation Mr. Robson, whatever he does or says, is always in the wrong. If Mr. Robson should say that more is to be done, the Times would be ready to produce its reliable authority to prove that it is blue. And if it found that the weight of testimony on the Leader of the Government's side was too great to be ignored, it would cover its retreat by observing that it did not matter any way, for color is nothing, being all in the observation of the eye, and that no meeting of its members were to find its way into the columns of our contemporary its readers would begin to think that the end of the world had come, or, at any rate, was very near. Of course opposition of this kind must be taken for what it is worth, which is simply nothing at all. The decision of the judge who by his language shows that he has no intention of professing to be about to examine, is not worthy the consideration of any sensible man. And the reader who merely glances at the headings of the leading political articles of the Times will see that it does not even pretend to give the Government which it condemns, a fair show.

SPECULATING CORPORATIONS.

It is wise for the city to become a stockholder in a railway? If it is right for it to buy railway stock, it is equally right for it to take stock in any other concern. If a large number of the citizens consider that the city's interest have a cotton factory established within its limits, would it be wise for the corporation to take a block of the cotton spinning and weaving company's shares? The arguments which are used to prevail upon the corporation to take stock in the railway shares would all be available to induce them to go into the cotton manufacturing project. And if the corporation could wisely go into railroad building and cotton spinning, why could it not engage in boot and shoe making, lumber manufacturing, shipbuilding, or any other industry calculated to advance the interests of the city and promote its prosperity.

What is the chief end of the corporation? Is it a governing body or a trading body, or a combination of both? If it is admitted that governing is its legitimate business, is there any one in the city who will say that it would be wise to do its duties and responsibilities by giving it control over railways and manufacturing concerns? Any one who answers in the affirmative is governed, how the work that concerns the public is done, will not, we think, be ready to pile more work on to the shoulders of the corporation, or to entrust them with the expenditure of more money than is required for the usual work of city governments. Is the city so well drained, are its roadsways and sewers kept in good order, is its water supply so well managed, is the scavenging so thoroughly done, are the police so perfect in the performance of their duties—in short, is the ordinary work of the corporation so very well done that prudent, sensible citizens will be warranted in concluding that the aldermen possess so great a share of administrative ability and have so little to do that it would be wise to widen their sphere of action and to assign them duties which none but the sharpest and the swiftest and the most energetic of business men ever perform effectively? We believe that this would be the general answer: "We would be only too thankful if the corporation would effectively perform the duties which it has undertaken to do without burdening the aldermen with others which are more difficult to perform. What we want are good aldermen, and we have no idea of spilling them by transferring them into railway directors or managers of manufacturing concerns." This answer would be the proper one, as it is dictated by common sense and every day experience. There is wisdom in the old proverb "Let the oxler stick to his axle." Let the railway projectors do their own work and carry out their own schemes, and let the aldermen confine their attention to what is the strictest sense of the terms are "divine affairs."

NO SECURITY.

More the business man studies the Railway bye-laws the more unbusiness-like will they appear. The fact that the corporation have not taken any single precaution to ensure the performance of the promises which the company have made, will appear more and more strange the longer he studies them. The company are not asked to give anything in the shape of security that they will fulfil their part of the contract. All that the Dominion Railway Act compels them to do is to expend fifteen per cent. of the capital, within seven years, and complete the road in seven years, but it does not require that the railroad, after it is finished, will answer the purpose for which it was constructed. Neither the Dominion Act nor the bye-laws provide any remedy for

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AN ANTI-PATHETIC JOURNAL

The San Francisco News-Letter is a little hard-hearted. It does not sympathize with the melancholy merchants of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce who have been made wretched by the prospect of the trade of China, Japan and Australia being taken from them by the wicked Canadians.

It does not join them in their prayer to the Government of the United States for help to save them from being ruined by Canadian competition. It is indeed so heartless as to chide the groaning petitioners and to laugh at their fears. It says to them:

"Heretofore it has been our proud boast that this Queen City of the Pacific occupied an impregnable position in regard to the commerce of this coast, which was bound to become all our own and constitute this a city of a million people by the end of the century. If this prospect is so changed that there is imminent danger of the Pacific coast mercantile speaking, being wiped out, our merchants are our natural leaders in regard to so serious a situation, and to them all eyes are properly directed."

But those who look to the merchants, who boasted so loudly when they had no rivals in the field, for counsel and encouragement, see nothing but melancholy faces and hear nothing but doleful sighs. The merchants, lately so hopeful, have lost heart and have ceased to have confidence in themselves. All that they have energy enough left to do is to pass resolutions asking for Government subsidies and Government protection against Canadian competition on land and sea. The News-Letter has nothing but cold comfort to offer the disheartened commercial men. It says:

"With all due respect for each and all of the members of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, we venture to tell them that if they have nothing further, other and better to offer than what was suggested at their meeting they might as well throw up the sponge and retire from a contest to which they are quite unequal. No subsidies that this country is ever likely to consent to pay will ever be so competent as the subsidies with Great Britain. Our people in the east cannot do it, and it is very certain we cannot do better than they. We cannot build cheap steamers and operate them inexpensively, nor make them successful in the end under our present policy, no matter how the subsidies are distributed."

If what the News-Letter says is true—and it sounds very like common sense—what are the San Francisco merchants going to do? Government cannot help them, and they have evidently come to the conclusion that they cannot help themselves. Will they give up the struggle in despair? Will they sell out and leave San Francisco to the mercenary village, to become the Tyne of the Pacific Coast, in which the traveller of the future will look in vain for evidences of its former greatness.

POLICY AND PRINCIPLE. In the man who acts upon the principle that honesty is the best policy really honest? Would not such a man be a rogue if he were convinced that robbery is the best policy? Is policy the proper rule of life or is principle? Does the Montreal Star make the highest and the most effective kind of an appeal to those who are tempted to be light-fingered when it says:

"What a fool a letter carrier must be to take the chance of being sent to the penitentiary for the sake of putting a letter in his pocket which he thinks may contain money. This work does not contain money at all, or at the most a few dollars, as large amounts are either sent by postal order or registered letter. Yet every now and then some postal carrier is detected stealing letters and packed off to the penitentiary where he is obliged to spend the next four or five years of his life."

Would any wise man place in a position of trust a person whom he knew to be capable of making calculations of this kind? Whether he would be faithful or not would in that case depend upon his ability to calculate probabilities. The elements of such a calculation are so numerous and so complicated that the calculator is very liable to make a mistake, and the chances are that the blunder would be on the side of a "treacherous inclination." We are very much afraid that the letter carrier or any one else who waits to consider whether he will be a "fool" or not to yield when he is tempted to do wrong, will be pretty sure to give his wishes the benefit of the doubt. For our part, we would not trust such a calculator as far as we could see him, if so far. If a man's moral sense is not delicate, if he does not almost instinctively shrink from doing what he believes to be wrong, he cannot be trusted very far.

A man or woman has fallen pretty far in the moral scale when he or she stops to calculate the consequences of wrong-doing. It is said that the woman who hesitates is lost, and we have a notion that the man who calculates is almost if not altogether in the same unenviable position. When a man says to himself "shall I steal or shall I not steal," and begins to reckon up the chances of being "found out" and punished, he may depend upon it that he only wants the opportunity to be a thief.

Right-doing and wrong-doing are above and beyond all consideration of consequences. The mother who gives her days and her nights to the care of her child, who sacrifices her own pleasure and comfort for the sake, does not do it because she considers it her duty, but because she would do it herself and her baby that she should devote herself to its care. She does what is right because she can hardly help herself. It would be against her nature to do otherwise. So with the honest man who is trusted with the care of another man's money; he does not refrain from appropriating it to his own use because he calculates it would be dangerous for him to steal it, and that he would be a "fool" if he were not faithful to his trust. He is faithful because it is his duty to be faithful. He is honest because it has become his nature to be honest. He does right because it is right. It was Horace Greeley, we think, who said that the man who would do right even if it were possible to steal it, duty out of existence. If there were no better rule for right doing and no stronger check to wrong doing than

more policy, the world would be in a very bad way. When keeping in the path of virtue and avoiding the broad way that leads to destruction become matters of mere calculation the distinction between virtue and vice, good and badness, will not, we fear, be very wide. The objection of the moral sense is a difficult business, but it does not go very far nor will it accomplish very much if its highest aim is to show a man that he is a "fool" if he does wrong.

TWO PICTURES. Some fool in the East, in a desperate attempt to be funny, declared that Victoria is the dullest city in America; that business men do not go to their offices until 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and that crops mature in the thorough-fares. Other fools who believe that mediocrity is wit, and who envy and admire a first-class liar, reproduced the stupid paragraph. Mr. Jas. T. Barnard, of Hamilton, Ont., who has spent some weeks in this city, seeing this stupid paragraph in an Eastern paper, thought it worth his while to contradict it in the Hamilton Spectator. His letter is a very moderate one, and he, the reader sees, has kept well within the truth. He says:

"From one to four are not the business hours in Victoria. Neither grass nor crops grow in her streets. Her customs returns compare favorably with those of any other city of similar population, and I believe she has more electric lights and telephones in proportion than we have in Hamilton. With a population of not over 15,000, including 2,000 or 3,000 Chinamen, her assessed value is over \$10,000,000. There are no paupers. Charities find her easiest tasks here. Bricklayers are getting up to one cent a foot. White men disclaim such common work as carrying the load, and it is vain to search for an unemployed carpenter. While there is no crop on the streets, there are very good ones close by. Rye six feet six inches high on May 25th has been seen, and it is said that a six-footer lost himself in a field of oats eight feet six inches in height. While the business men of Victoria have no need to grudge four minutes for lunch, as the people of Chicago do, they have as much push and real enterprise as the merchants of a city which is harder while they are at it and do not despise pleasure when the time comes to enjoy it. There are no 'fast' men on Victoria and no place has a more assured future."

The "Smart Alex" of the press who some to Victoria think that they will not be thought clever if they do not make a job or two about it, dullness, and invent a few outrageous lies about its inhabitants. They have not sense enough to be either honest or original; they are mere imitators of the idiots and liars who preceded them. When a shrewd observer and a man of ability like Mr. Barnard visits this city he sees that its inhabitants do as much work as any fifteen thousand people in the Dominion of Canada, and he naturally concludes that the merchants of a city which pays into the treasury in the shape of Customs duties as much as eastern cities of twice its population cannot be idle. The difference between Mr. Barnard and the tribe of puny Munchausens is that he sees and thinks, and they do neither the one nor the other.

A PARTIZAN PRESIDENT. President Harrison has not begun his career very brilliantly. He has done a great deal of work and he has endured much worry and annoyance, but it can not be said that either his labors or his sufferings have been beneficial to the people of the United States as a whole. So far, it may be said, he has been the President of a party rather than the President of the people. Since his inauguration in March last he has been chiefly occupied in turning Democrats out of office and putting Republicans in their places. This work of turning out by wholesale, public servants who had some experience in doing the work of the nation, and replacing them by men who, as regards the kind of work to be done, had everything to learn, it cannot be said with any approach to truth that President Harrison was doing the Republic good service. There are some very respectable public men and patriotic American citizens who assert that he was engaged in a work detrimental to the public service, and demoralizing to the public at large. It is also said that in turning out public officials who were competent, and who had faithfully done their duty, he violated pledges which he had repeatedly made before he was elected. Harper's Weekly, which is perhaps as reliable a newspaper as is published in the United States, says that President Harrison publicly declared that only the interests of the public service should suggest removals from office. There is no one in the United States rash enough to say that the interests of the public service require the removal of every Democrat and Republican postmaster put in their places. All the thousands of Democratic postmasters that were turned out could not possibly be beyond the bounds of probability that all the Republican postmasters who were appointed will turn out good public servants.

It is not likely that Mr. Harrison or any one else believes that it is good for the United States that the offices in the public service should be held out as prizes to be won by the man who does the most and the best party work. This is simply bribery on a very high scale—using the public service and the public treasury to demoralize the electors and lower the tone of political life from one end of the United States to the other. This is not the kind of work that the Head of the State should be engaged in. It is to be feared that as President Harrison has commenced his term as a partisan President so he will continue. There have indeed been some indications to the contrary, but above the work that has been given him to do. But a nation like the United States needs something higher and better than a partisan President.

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THE NEW GOVERNMENT.

The death of the Hon. A. E. B. Davis, the late Premier, made the formation of a new Government necessary. The Lieut. Governor accordingly, on Thursday sent for the Hon. John Robson, whom he requested to form an administration. Mr. Robson asked for a delay in order to consult his colleagues and his friends. On Friday Mr. Robson again waited upon His Honor and submitted the names of the following gentlemen as members of the new Provincial Cabinet:

Hon. John Robson, Provincial Secretary and Minister of Mines.
Hon. Forbes George Vernon, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Hon. J. H. Turner, Minister of Finance and Agriculture.
Hon. Theodore Davis, Attorney-General.
Hon. Charles E. Pooley, President of the Council, without a portfolio.

His Honor the Lieut. Governor was pleased to signify his approval of the gentlemen recommended as his advisers and the Hon. Messrs. Robson, Vernon and Turner immediately took the oath of office.

Hon. Messrs. Pooley and Davis were sworn in yesterday evening. The new Cabinet will, we think, meet with the approval of the people of this province. Its members are all tried men, who have been in public life for some time, and have shown that they, both as to character and ability, are well fitted to perform the duties of the positions to which they have been appointed.

The Hon. Mr. Robson, who now undertakes the duties of Premier for the first time, is a veteran in the public service. He is a British Columbian pioneer, and has been for a great many years in the ranks of various positions. There is no man in the Province who knows it more thoroughly or who better understands the needs of its inhabitants. He is, too, a man of the people, and is in sympathy with the men who are trying by the work of hand and brain to build up the country. He is a native Canadian, born in the town of Perth, Ontario. He came to this Province in 1859, when he was little known in the East, and while in a Crown colony. In 1861 he established the British Columbian in New Westminster then the capital of the province. He conducted that journal for many years with marked ability. He was from the first a fearless advocate of popular rights. He was impatient of the officialism that was then all-powerful in the colony, and strove hard to have it governed by the people for themselves.

To show that his labors were appreciated by those whose cause he had espoused, he was elected member of the Legislative Council for Westminster in 1868 and again in 1868. Previous to that he had been elected mayor of the city. In 1869 he removed to Victoria which had been made the capital of the united colonies. In that year he took editorial charge of The Colonist, which position he occupied until 1875. Mr. Robson took an active part in the agitation in favor of Confederation, and both in his place in the Legislative Council and in the columns of The Colonist worked hard to obtain favorable terms for the province. While doing this he represented Nanaimo in the Legislative Assembly for a term of four years between 1871 and 1875. Throughout all this time, he with tongue and pen, was ceaseless in his advocacy of responsible government. In those days when it required no small degree of courage, physical as well as moral, to stand up for the rights of the people, Mr. Robson was unflinching in his demands to have British Columbia, as far as its position of power to the people was concerned, placed upon the same footing as the other provinces of British America.

In 1878 Mr. Robson was appointed paymaster and commissary to the Canadian Pacific Railway surveys in British Columbia, which position he held until the office was abolished in 1879. As soon as he was free from the care of office he resumed the publication of the British Columbian in Westminster. He continued to publish the daily paper until 1883. He was elected member of the Legislative Assembly for New Westminster in 1882, and became a member of the Smith Administration in 1883 as provincial secretary. That office he has held since then, there being united with it for a considerable time that of minister of finance. The Hon. Mr. Robson's qualities as a minister are well known to the people of this province. His most bitter enemies cannot deny that he is painstaking and industrious. With him duty is always the first consideration. He has never spared himself in the service of the people. Work has been his dispassion. Those who have been connected with him know how seldom he has always been ready for the public welfare, and how he has been in promoting any cause which in his opinion seemed likely to advance the general good. We believe that his past career gives good grounds for concluding that he is in the wider sphere of usefulness that has now been opened to him will use his increased powers and new opportunities to advance the best interests of the whole of British Columbia. This province may congratulate itself on having at the head of its Government a man of wide experience, of great ability, of tried integrity, and whose past career shows that he may be depended upon to serve them faithfully and effectively. As there are now many persons in this province who know little of the new Premier's antecedents, we consider it only right to lay them out to them who he is and what he has done.

The Hon. F. G. Vernon remains in the office which he has since the death of the late Mr. Smith filled so acceptably. He has had considerable legislative and administrative experience. He was a member of the Elliott administration in 1876, and he has since proved himself to be a judicious and efficient Minister. His knowledge of the country is extensive and his views are liberal. He is what is known as a safe man, and will make a very valuable member of the new Government.

Everyone knows that the Hon. Mr. Turner is a man to be depended upon. He is a modest, unpretentious gentleman. He does his work well without making any fuss about it. He has proved himself to be an excellent head

of department. No one will think, find fault with Mr. Robson for retaining him as Finance Minister.

There are few men in the province, if any, more highly esteemed than Mr. Pooley. He is known everywhere to be not only a man of ability, but a man of the strictest honor. He has been for some years Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, and he has performed the difficult and delicate duties of that office admirably. His decisions have been conscientious and impartial. He has won the confidence of opponents as well as friends. "Every one knows, no matter to what party he belongs, that his interests are safe in Mr. Pooley's hands, and that he will do his duty without fear, favor or affection. A gentleman of his high character and fine abilities is a most valuable acquisition to the Government."

Mr. Theodore Davis was for some time a member of the administration of which his late lamented brother was the head. He performed his duties effectively, and to the satisfaction of his constituents. He is a lawyer in high standing, and his industry and perseverance are almost proverbial in this Province. What Mr. Theodore Davis undertakes to do will be done thoroughly. He will, no doubt, make an excellent Attorney-General.

When the personnel of the new Cabinet is considered, we are satisfied that most far-sighted men in the Province will come to the conclusion that the Government is composed of excellent material, and that good work may be expected of it. The old-time will recognize in every member of the new administration a pioneer. It should be given a fair trial. There will, of course, be some who will condemn it before it has performed its duties in various respects. But such men would condemn government not composed of the men of their party if every member of it were a Salisbury or a Gladstone. Reasonable men will suspend their judgment until they see what the new Government does. They will judge it by its acts. This is the only fair way, and this, we believe, will be what the great majority of the people of the Province will be disposed to do.

THE SAANICH FERRY. To THE EDITOR.—One wonders, after reading Mr. De Coombs' long letter, what sort of business men he has been in communication with. Who could tell him that there was nothing difficult in constructing a railway ferry to carry cars across from Saanich to the mainland at 21 knots per hour? If they said so, assuredly they were not men of intellect, and W. Wilson many days to get out such a plan for a ferry across the straits of Dover, and when it was finished it involved such an expenditure that they could never yet induce a capitalist to undertake the work, and the passenger and freight—both passenger and freight—is millions more than by the wildest stretch of imagination could ever be conceived to require the expenditure. If he could be content with 11 or 12 knots, then we might talk business. But 20 knots, or anything like it, would be a commercial success, and without that it is a White Elephant. J. A. T.

MEMORIES OF VICTORIA. To THE EDITOR.—Considering the large number of citizens, commercial and other pretty well to be found on the shores, it seems surprising that a lagoon does not exist in the city to utilize the water which may be very abundant. Tourists are fond of taking memories from places they visit, but in Victoria they do not have any but Indian, so-called, curio. How is this? TOURIST.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES. Sir Wm. Ewart, conservative member of Parliament for the north division of Belfast, has written a pamphlet on the fast pacing station Sir Thornton was found dead at the race track at the Saanich ferry. The horse was worth \$15,000. The Empire declares that the petitioning by the Equal Rights Association in the United States will be held in Baltimore, Md., November 11th and 12th to celebrate the centennial anniversary of the establishment of the Catholic hierarchy.

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A TRAIN WRECKED.

By a Half-Drunken Trio—The Remarkable Story of Three Men. ALBANY, Oct., July 31.—A remarkable confession was made in this city today, which reveals beyond question the identity of those who wrecked the overland train at Lebanon Junction on Sunday night, and has led to the arrest of all three on a charge of murder.

On Monday morning after the accident William Hill, who had been working in the harvest field for Thomas Froman, four miles from this city, at Froman's station, on the Lebanon branch, called at the office of Dr. W. H. Davis to have a dislocated arm set. While under the influence of chloroform he talked about the wreck, and said he did not open the switch, but knew who did, and would die rather than give them away.

His mutterings were at the time supposed to be only ravings, resulting from chloroform, but on returning to the doctor to-day he appeared uneasy, and asked the doctor if he had heard anything about who broke open the switch. The doctor said: "Nothing except what you told me while under the influence of chloroform."

This frightened him, and he made a clean confession. He said himself and two brothers, Fred and Herbert Rolf, left Albany partially intoxicated for Froman on Sunday night, and the Lebanon switch, the younger Rolf brother stopped and tried to break the lock on the switch. Failing to do this, he unscrewed the bolt and removed the switch bar.

Hill said he and the older Rolf endeavored to dissuade him, and went off and left him at work. He afterwards overtook them, and showed the bolt taken out.

The three men, Hill said, then went to Froman's, leaving the switch open. A constable went into the country this afternoon and arrested the Rolf brothers, where they were at work, as so indicated by Hill. The two were brought to this city this evening, on a charge of murder. They tell conflicting stories, the oldest denying the story, and the younger saying that they stopped at the switch and were cracking nuts with rocks.

Hill says his parents live at Astoria, and the Rolf boys live at Sweet Home. Hill looks like a tramp. The examination will be held in Justice Humphrey's court at 2 o'clock tomorrow. It is expected that the Southern Pacific company will send an attorney from Portland to assist in the prosecution of the men. Much excitement prevails over the arrests, and the employees and others talk openly of lynching the men.

YOUNG WOMEN, COME WEST. A Joke Played Upon the Mayor of Boston. BOSTON, Aug. 2.—Mayor Hart has received a letter signed by W. A. Wheelwright, mayor of Tacoma, Wash., in which the writer states there are about ten men to one woman in the territory, and he announces that the mayor and common council of Tacoma appeal to the people of Massachusetts to send all women of marriageable age that can be spared to the territory and that city with a view to make pleasant the homes of thousands of young, able-bodied and industrious men who would be glad to marry. Another petition is to the effect that the petition be forwarded to the mayor of Boston with the urgent request that it be published broadcast throughout the state, and that all the newspapers of the commonwealth print it once a week for at least three weeks. Mayor Hart thinks the letter must be a joke of some jolly Westerner.

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