

FORCED TO RETREAT.

Captain Napier and Men Meet Matabeles Near Bulawayo and Are Repulsed.

The Alarming Situation is Without Question Growing Darker Every Day.

Well Informed Men Say the Boers Are Also Arming for a Struggle.

One Town, April 21.—Captain Napier, with a force of about 200 men, left Bulawayo yesterday morning, according to a dispatch received from that place, on a reconnoitering expedition. The Matabeles, it was believed, had moved southward, away from the position they occupied, intending, it was supposed, to intercept the relief corps advancing from Mafeking. But the Matabeles in great force about five miles northeast of Bulawayo. Napier's command was fired upon, and he returned the enemies' fire and retreated in the direction of Mafeking. But the Matabeles were determined to engage several small bodies of troops to engage several small Matabele warriors apparently well supplied with fire arms. The return of the Napier party under the circumstances cast quite a gloom over Bulawayo, as it was believed that the extensive defence works, laagers, machine guns and barbed wire, obstacles thrown around Bulawayo had convinced the Matabeles that the place was impregnable and, in consequence, they had shifted their camp southward. It now appears that while it is true that several thousand Matabeles have encamped for parts unknown, there are enough remaining in the vicinity of Bulawayo to cause much uneasiness. It is believed that 18 wagons loaded with provisions are being sent into the town, but there are many mouths to feed and the relief corps is still a long way off and moving slowly on account of the scarcity of water and the ravages of disease among the cattle. It is believed that there are many mouths to feed and the relief corps is still a long way off and moving slowly on account of the scarcity of water and the ravages of disease among the cattle. It is believed that there are many mouths to feed and the relief corps is still a long way off and moving slowly on account of the scarcity of water and the ravages of disease among the cattle.

TROUBLE BREWING.

Sir Charles Tupper is Making the Pace Too Hot for Some of His Followers.

He Wants the Premiership, and Will Not be Happy Till He Gets It.

Proposal to Pay Members for Their Coercion Votes Opposed by Bowell.

Ottawa, April 21.—(Special).—There may be another political crisis before the session closes. The report to-day is that Tupper is forcing Mackenzie Bowell out of the premiership before the session closes. It is said that the premier would like to finish up the session which opened up so unfavorably for him. His idea is to see prorogation over as well as dissolution and then step quietly aside, permitting whoever likes to run the government. Sir Charles Tupper, on the other hand, wants to make a statement in the house as premier. The latest report to-day is that Tupper is forcing through the cabinet the appointment of certain members of parliament to office who voted for the remedial bill. This gives ground for the reports which have been published from time to time concerning these members and their votes for coercing Manitoba. Bowell is said to be opposed to these appointments and has threatened to resign if he insists on this course. Aberdeen is not likely to sign the commission of the parties referred to in the Premier Bowell's office who crowded to-day with members wanting to interview him. (Press Dispatch)—In the commons yesterday the bill to incorporate the Manitoba and Nelson Valley railway company was debated from 3 till 9 at night, when it was dropped. Several other measures were then advanced a stage, and Foster proposed that the house go into committee to consider the resolution authorizing the Government to raise a sum of money not to exceed \$3,000,000 for the purpose of Dominion defence, but the opposition objected to dealing with the question last night and it was deferred until to-day. A resolution declaring it expedient to provide that the Governor-in-council may advance to the harbor commissioners of Montreal a sum not exceeding \$2,000,000 for the redemption of certain debentures, issued by the commissioners and in payment of certain loans and advances made to them and for construction of certain works in the harbor of Montreal, was agreed to, and a bill founded on the same was introduced and read a first time. Half of the money is to be devoted to the redemption of bonds about due, and the other half to new improvements in the harbor. At 11 o'clock Foster moved the house into committee on the bill. Campbell took the floor and resumed a discussion of the Soulanges canal affair. The house will be prorogued at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon. There is a very strong rumor that Sir Mackenzie Bowell has resigned the premiership. He refuses to say anything about the matter.

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poner the vote on Madagascar credits until a cabinet is formed which enjoys the confidence of both chambers. Later—Belief is expressed in the offices of the Palace de Luxembourg, where the senate meets, that the cabinet will resign to-morrow morning. PUGNACIOUS DR. BROWN. He Gets Greatly Excited at the Result of the Conference Vote. San Francisco, April 22.—The church conference voted to suspend Dr. Brown by a vote of 43 to 32 on the charges until he could prove his innocence. Dr. Brown became greatly excited when the result was made known and denounced the action as unchristian and unparliamentary. He was held back by his friends. Rev. C. O. Brown has lost his standing as a minister until he can prove his innocence of the charges of ungentlemanly and unparliamentary conduct preferred against him. Dr. Brown and his friends bitterly fought against the introduction of resolutions suspending him, without success. The sentiment of the conference seemed to be in marked contrast to that of the council which a few weeks ago practically acquitted him of the charges preferred by Mrs. Davidson. The conference lasted all day and night.

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government gave \$7,000 for it. Another case was that of the British Columbia Express Company, which got \$24,000 for carrying mail when the work could be done for \$12,000. This was between Ashcroft and Cariboo. Mr. Martt said that neither Barnard, M.P., nor any relative of his had an interest in this contract. The official announcement is as follows: Prorogation to-morrow night at 8 o'clock; nominations June 16 and polling June 23; return of writs on July 13, and meeting of new parliament on July 16. Sir Mackenzie Bowell announced in the senate the dates of the elections as above. FOUR PERSONS KILLED. Montreal, April 22.—A serious accident happened on Beaton's special on the Canadian Pacific from Halifax. It went through a culvert near Lovelltown, which had been undermined by water. Three boys standing on the platform when the accident happened were killed. The bodies were fastened between the platforms of the second and third class colonist coaches. Their names are Kandand Hansson, aged 10. They were going to Fisher, Minn. Dakota. All are from Bergen, Norway; a man who was also killed is supposed to be from Norway. IN THE SOUDAN. Fierce Fighting in Omdurman, Near Khartoum, Headquarters of Khalifa. Five Hundred of the Enemy's Body Guard Are Reported Killed. Cairo April 21.—Dispatches received here to-day from the front say that there has been fierce fighting in Omdurman, near Khartoum, the headquarters of Khalifa. The exact details of the engagement or cause are not known, but it is said that 500 of Khalifa's body guard have been killed, and that a general feeling of unrest prevails among Khalifa's forces. This news is considered favorable to the advance of the Anglo-Egyptian forces upon Dongola and is believed to indicate that the jealousies which have frequently been reported as existing among Khalifa's lieutenants are bearing fruit. The work of sending troops to the front, supplying them with food and ammunition, building a strategic rail, railroad and fortifying Asakieh, is being carried on with admirable promptness and machine like smoothness. When the order to send reinforcements south reached Cairo on March 14, nobody was taken by surprise; there was not a hitch in any department, and two weeks later the war office had a small army firmly established at Akasheh, about 80 miles, or five days' march from Wady Halfa, hither the extreme frontier posts. This army consisted of three Soudanese battalions numbering 2,500 men; Egyptian camel corps, 500 men; two squadrons of Egyptian cavalry, say 200, and British battery screw guns, and a complete camp and transport equipment. Since then the North Staffordshire British regiment has been sent to Wady Halfa, three more battalions of Soudanese, and six battalions of Egyptians are either there or on their way to the front, with more cavalry, artillery and camel corps. The next point to be occupied probably will be Perket, a much healthier and naturally stronger position than Akasheh. The latter place lies in a hollow surrounded and partly commanded by a number of hills, while Perket is on a high ground and commands the neighborhood.



THOMAS A. JOHNS CURED BY TAKING AYER'S Sarsaparilla. I was afflicted for eight years with Salt Rheum. During that time, I tried a great many remedies which were highly recommended, but none gave me relief. I was at last advised to try Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and before I had finished the fourth bottle, my hands were as free from eruptions as ever they were. My business, which is that of a cab-driver, requires me to be out in cold and wet weather, often without gloves, but the trouble has never returned.—THOMAS A. JOHNS, Sarsaparilla.







STANDING ON GUARD

General Vigilance is the Price of Safety for the Whites at Bulwaway.

It is Expected That an Important Engagement Will Occur at Any Moment.

Estimate of the Number of Besiegers is Placed at Fifteen Thousand.

Capetown, April 22.—Unless all news which reaches... unless all news which reaches...

It is now known that the force of the Matabele army... It is now known that the force of the Matabele army...

The southern portion of the half-circle... The southern portion of the half-circle...

The Matabele army... The Matabele army...

Both Bulwaway and Gwelo... Both Bulwaway and Gwelo...

It is believed that fully two thousand... It is believed that fully two thousand...

London, April 22.—The officials of the British Chartered South African... London, April 22.—The officials of the British Chartered South African...

PAIN IN THE BACK

A Certain Indication of the Lodgment of Kidney Disease.

It is a mistake to suppose that pain in the back... It is a mistake to suppose that pain in the back...

There is no remedy we can so completely recommend as South American Kidney Cure... There is no remedy we can so completely recommend as South American Kidney Cure...

THIS CANADA OF OURS

Anthracite Coal Company Secure a Valuable Contract From U.S. Government.

News Notes of Interest to All Who Hail From the "Back East" Land.

Calgary, April 23.—As a result of the visit to the secretary of the United States navy... Calgary, April 23.—As a result of the visit to the secretary of the United States navy...

Ottawa, April 23.—Lady Aberdeen narrowly escaped a serious accident this evening while driving home along the Gatineau river road... Ottawa, April 23.—Lady Aberdeen narrowly escaped a serious accident this evening while driving home along the Gatineau river road...

Three Rivers, April 23.—The water in the St. Lawrence continues to rise and it is now higher than during the great flood of 1865... Three Rivers, April 23.—The water in the St. Lawrence continues to rise and it is now higher than during the great flood of 1865...

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ROYAL Baking Powder has been awarded highest honors at every world's fair where exhibited.

THE END OF A FARCE

The Curtain Falls Upon a Long Act of Deceit, Trickery and Disgrace.

Teachers' Societies Will Now Get to Their Corners and Prepare for Campaign.

The Speech From the Throne Tonight Will be a Very Meagre Document.

Ottawa, April 23.—Everybody is packing up here to-day, preparing for migration to-night... Ottawa, April 23.—Everybody is packing up here to-day, preparing for migration to-night...

The first paragraph will refer to the failure of the Manitoba conference to settle the school question... The first paragraph will refer to the failure of the Manitoba conference to settle the school question...

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Mr. Hilbert Tupper said that the minister of justice should make no such promise... Mr. Hilbert Tupper said that the minister of justice should make no such promise...

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TO STOP ALL WAR

International Arbitration Tending Toward a Great Advance in Cause of Peace.

Peace With Honor, Liberty and Justice for All the English Speaking Races.

Conference at Washington for Promotion of International Arbitration.

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Edward Atkinson made an address dealing with the economic side of the international peace question... Edward Atkinson made an address dealing with the economic side of the international peace question...

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OPTIMISTIC JOSEPH

The Secretary of State Says He is Not Alarmed at South African Situation.

He Will Exhaust the Resources of Argument to Restore Order in Transvaal.

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The Usual Skirmish in the Sudan—General News From Over the Pond.

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The tragedy of Baron Hirsch's life was the death of his son... The tragedy of Baron Hirsch's life was the death of his son...

The Daily News publishes a dispatch from Paris saying that the death of Baron Hirsch is a severe loss to the Orleans princes... The Daily News publishes a dispatch from Paris saying that the death of Baron Hirsch is a severe loss to the Orleans princes...

Scouts report at Suakin that a force of Arabes has arrived at Harar... Scouts report at Suakin that a force of Arabes has arrived at Harar...

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MURDEROUS MOHAMMEDANS

Further Accounts of the Butchery of Christian Armenians by the Turks.

The Barbarities Practiced Were Not Exaggerated in the First Accounts.

Marsovan, Turkey, Feb. 17, 1896.—Zile is a town of 5000 houses, 350 are Greek, 450 are Armenian. After the announcement of the scheme of reforms, when disastrous events were reported from other cities, 1200 Redif soldiers were drafted and half of them being quartered in a khann, the other half being stationed in and about the city, it was hoped that Zile would be left in safety.

November 25 most Armenian shopkeepers were in their places, and those whose business did not require shops, fifty or sixty of the principal men were collected by the police at the casino in the market under pretence of business about taxes. At noon the trumpet was blown, and the Turks, soldiers and civilians together, began to assault the Armenians with the cry, "Down with the Armenians, this is the Sultan's order. Real estate to the crown; commodities to plunder." The captain gave orders to forty or fifty soldiers to open fire. They obeyed, and when the Armenians tried to run from the market house they encountered the soldiers stationed in the quarters as well as the armed Turkish mob, neither of whom showed any quarter to the Christians.

Of those in the casino hall all but fifteen escaped one by one, though wounded. In two hours two hundred shops were looted. The governor called to the crowd, "Be active; don't fail in killing, plundering, or in praying for the Sultan." The other officers joined in killing. A major attended to the distribution of the cartridges, as the supply was exhausted. The officers arranged to have the most valuable plunder secured by their men for themselves. From the market the attack proceeded by several orderly bands to the different quarters of the city. The soldiers fired over walls into upper windows and at any one in sight. Under cover of their fire the mob burst open gates, delivered up remaining inmates, and sacked the houses.

A prominent man long a member of the "Trade Mellis" was killed with his two sons, and thrown from the upper window with the remark: "Get a man on you; the governor wants you at the meeting."

A woman tried to intercede for her husband and was killed with him, their young babe sharing their fate.

An old man of eighty years was killed by the mob, and then his skull was broken in pieces by a man equally aged. A young man was halted by the crowd, and a man put a revolver in the hand of his son, a lad of eight or ten years, saying, "Shoot my boy, and learn how to kill giants."

The alternative of life on the acceptance of Mohammedanism was commonly offered. One, a priest, bared his own heart to the weapons about him rather than deny Christ. He was killed. Another said: "I do not believe in Mohammedanism, but I will die for the name of Christ; in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." He was bayoneted to death.

In all 200 shops and 300 houses were looted; 150 to 200 were killed; fifty to sixty wounded. One hour before sunset the trumpet was blown again, and the mob began to desert, though some could not be called from the spoils till sunset and an end to activity and gave the remaining Armenians time to realize the horrors of the situation. When the trumpet blew it was announced by cries that the remaining Armenians should be gathered to government houses for protection. But only fifteen or twenty could then be found; they were taken to the government house, helped along when they fainted at the sight of the corpses in the streets, by butt ends of guns. They were told that they would be killed at sunset unless they turned Moslems, and turbans of green and white were wound about their heads in the attempt to force them to a change of faith. The same alternative was pressed upon those who took refuge in Turkish houses.

During the night the dead were gathered in wagons and carried to the trash pile outside of the city. Though some wounded begged to be carried home, they were killed and carted out with the rest. Bodies were thrown from the upper stories and dragged by cords tied to the feet. The next day one hundred were buried in one trench in the Armenian cemetery, of whom all but three were cut and hacked beyond recognition, as testify the doctors and priests in attendance. The burial place of the rest is unknown to this day.

The Armenians had hidden in garrets, under straws or manure, and many in the houses of Turks. The latter sheltered them first in the hope of winning them to Islam, second in the hope of money reward, and third, in a few cases, out of pure friendship or humanity. The Protestant preacher and his family were saved and the church premises untouched, apparently owing to the personal friendship of a Turkish woman. The next day all were gathered to the

government, where they were urged to become Mohammedans. "Don't rely on European Christians," was said. "The English have fled with their fleets. The Russians have accepted Mohammedanism." Two persons became Mohammedans. A score of men were imprisoned some time; sometimes they were charged with being leaders in a revolutionary order in the place.

When orders came for examination into the "event" two Turks were imprisoned. They bawled out, "The governor gave orders, and we killed and plundered; now will they put us in prison?" The next day they were quickly released.

The total loss is reckoned at one hundred to two hundred thousand Turkish pounds. Ten of the slain were women; twenty or thirty children.

In the bitter winter weather, they were bare-foot, almost without bedding huddling in houses stripped of everything, even to windows and doors; 1500 persons are in sorest need of aid from fellow Christians.

News was very slow in reaching us as to these events. When it came we sent ten liras. Last week a reliable man came from there, and for the first time we heard a full account. He carried back a wagon load of bedding and clothing, given here, and twenty liras. Doubtless we shall send more aid soon. I think the narrative is substantially correct in all its main features. My informant makes it the basis of a most powerful plea for aid. While other places have been helped by other parties, Zile, so far as we have been informed to date, has had no help but what has gone from here. Great gratitude was expressed for the first small gift.

SHAKESPEARE'S BIRTHDAY.

England and America Shake Hands in Honor of the Occasion.

Birmingham, April 22.—This is the second day of the celebration in connection with Shakespeare's birthday, and the gathering of the Birmingham dramatic and literary club in the banquet hall of the town council, where a luncheon was given to the United States ambassador. About 150 persons were present in the hall, which was profusely decorated with flags and flowers, prominent among the former being the stars and stripes.

The mayor of Birmingham, in proposing the health of President Cleveland, said it was honor for him, as he (the president) represented what Birmingham always took up, for he was a man who had raised himself by his own efforts to the highest position in the land.

This remark was the occasion for tremendous applause; guests stood upon their chairs, waved napkins, shouted "Cleveland!" "Cleveland!" and one guest cried, "No matter what are the political differences the two countries will always be the same in their great aims."

Mr. Bayard responded in his happiest vein, and compared Birmingham with Boston, showing the commercial relations between the two countries, and said the city which knew John Bright, he knew and understood America. Mr. Bayard then expatiated upon the good relations between the two countries, saying: "America is one with England in politics, literature and art, even in patent medicines!"

Continuing, Mr. Bayard said that what concerned one country concerned both countries (repeated interruptions and cries of "yes.") Mr. Bayard also said that America was the best customer of Birmingham, and he thoroughly aroused the enthusiasm of his audience.

HE WANTS OTHERS TO KNOW.

Dear Editor: Please state in your valuable journal, that if any sufferer from Nervous Debility, Seminal Weakness, Lack of Energy and Ambition, Lost Manhood, Night Losses, etc., will write me in confidence, I will inform him by return letter, free of charge how to obtain a perfect cure. I ask for no money, having nothing to sell. I know how to sympathize with these sufferers and am anxious to be able to assist them. I promise every absolute secrecy, and as I do not, of course, wish to expose myself either, I do not give my name. If you desire to get well, send stamp and address simply: P. O. Box 388, London, Ont.

CANADIAN AFFAIRS.

George Robertson Elected a Mayor in St. John.—Henry Smith Dead.

St. John, N. B., April 22.—The civic elections resulted in George Robertson being elected mayor by nearly 1000. The P. A. played its first part in this election, confining itself, however, to endeavoring to defeat Aldermen McGoldrick, McCarthy and Baxter. They were unsuccessful. Mr. Robertson, and only McGoldrick's great popularity saved him, he having only 89 majority against 700 last year.

Toronto, April 22.—Henry Smith, late senior partner of Smith & Fudgers, and latterly in the fancy goods business by himself, died yesterday. He is reported worth \$100,000.

Whitehead, N. W. T., April 22.—H. C. Warren, a prosperous rancher living some fifteen miles north of Whitehead, left his ranch on Monday morning driving his hired man, whilst driving to town yesterday, discovered Warren lying dead in the rig about three miles from home. Warren had a bullet hole in his head and a revolver in his hand, and it is generally supposed he had committed suicide by shooting himself. An inquest will be held.

An Affidavit.

This is to certify that on May 11th I paid for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, a pair of crutches and bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm for inflammation rheumatism, which had crippled me up. After using three bottles I am completely cured. I can cheerfully recommend it. Charles H. Wetzel, Sanbury, Pa.

Sworn and subscribed to before me on August 10th, 1894.—Walter Shipman, J. P. For sale at 75 cents per bottle by all druggists. Langley & Co., Wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

FIRST GREAT REQUISITE!

Pure Blood and Strong Nerves.

Paine's Celery Compound Gives These Blessings to Every Sufferer.

The Only Medicine That Thoroughly Banishes Disease.

An Ontario Lady's Experience.

The first great requisite for a condition of perfect health for every man, woman and child at this season, is pure blood and strong, healthy nerves. They give us the health, strength, vim and energy that we are so prone to possess, so that we may be fortified to meet the enervating weather of our hot summers.

Life is not safe when such symptoms and diseases are permitted to run unchecked. If you, reader, happen to be afflicted with the many suffering from any of the forms of disease just referred to, do not fail to give Paine's Celery Compound a trial at once. It is your only safety—your only true and certain deliverer from perils that end in death.

For eight years I was sorely troubled with neuralgia, nervous debility and indigestion, for which I tried various advertised medicines, and was treated by five doctors. I did not receive any good results from any source until I was recommended to use Paine's Celery Compound. Before I had used a bottle of the compound I found myself very much better. After using four bottles, I am now almost as well as ever before in my life. I sleep well, appetite is good, and I feel renewed and strengthened."

ORIENTAL ADVICES.

Sickness Prevails Among the European Colony at Hong Kong.

San Francisco, April 22.—The steamer Gaelic has arrived from Hong Kong and Yokohama via Honolulu. Owing to the prevalence of the black plague at Hong Kong the steamer was kept at quarantine. The cabin passengers in number were allowed to land, but the two hundred steerage passengers were kept on board. A case of smallpox developed during the voyage from Yokohama to Honolulu.

The plague in China is not alarming. There is a great deal of sickness among the European colony at Hong Kong, but nothing very serious. Up to March 20 there has been 204 cases of plague in Hong Kong since Chinese waters. Most of the South China and island ports have declared quarantine against Hong Kong. A case of plague is reported from Singapore.

A fatal chest disease has broken out which has almost ruined the dairy business. The German officers engaged in organizing and drilling the new Chinese army at Nanking were attacked and badly beaten by a Chinese mob.

News from Corea states that the Korean legation is still domiciled at the Russian legation, but that the Russians are endeavoring to persuade him to return to his palace.

Outbreaks among the Koreans against the Japanese are still frequent and a number of Japanese have been killed. The Gaelic brings news that Admiral McNear, in command of the Asiatic squadron, is contemplating a naval demonstration in Chinese waters.

GENERAL JEFFRIES DEAD.

Was Long Counsel for the Alaska Fur Seal Company.

Washington, April 22.—General N. L. Jeffries, a veteran of the late war and well known to public men as counsel for the Alaska fur seal company, which long controlled the Behring sea seal business, died suddenly to-day.

It will be an agreeable surprise to persons subject to attacks of biliousness if they learn that prompt relief may be had by taking Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. In many instances the attack may be prevented by taking this remedy as soon as the first symptoms of the disease appear. 35 and 75 cent bottles for sale by all druggists. Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

MURDER HAS CHARMS

Morbid Curiosity Exhibited by Southern Belles in the Bryan Murder Case.

Intense Interest is Manifested in the Trial of Prisoner Scott Jackson.

Newport, Ky., April 22.—The first witness called in the trial of Scott Jackson for the murder of Pearl Bryan was John Huling, a boy that found the dead body of Pearl Bryan on February 10. The second witness, W. S. Tingley, who saw the body two hours after the discovery and who attended both post mortems, gave his testimony. He says the girl must have been killed with a sharp instrument, that the hand that wielded it was a skilful one.

Jackson was calm all day and took notes of the proceedings, especially the testimony. He was taken back to jail without being handcuffed. The general impression is that the defence will endeavor to establish an alibi. The police say there is not a shadow of a doubt that Pearl Bryan spent the night before the murder in Dr. Wagner's house.

The attorneys for Jackson and those who are defending Walling are working very hard for their clients. This greatly strengthens the belief that an effort will be made to shift the responsibility of the murder upon some one else, and that the "some one else" will be Dr. Wagner, who has since been adjudged insane and is now confined in the Kentucky hospital for treatment.

Among the cases presented to the West Brighton, Coney Island, police court was that of the Eureka Silk Company against Mrs. Lucy Farcher on the balance of a bill amounting to \$11.37. The case was heard by Justice of the Peace Albert Chambers, who gave a decision in favor of the company. After the case had been decided Mrs. Farcher stepped up to the bench and said: "Your honor, I am a little short. Will you kindly lend me \$10."

AN ACCOMMODATING JUDGE.

Decided Against a Woman and Then Loaned Her Money to Settle.

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DO YOU GET WHAT YOU ASK FOR?

Many Are Deceived When Buying Diamond Dyes.

Many ladies are deceived when they go to purchase Diamond Dyes. They are misled by some dealers, who are greedy for gain and extra profit, wrap up some worthless make of dye that proves ruinous to the materials that are to be dyed.

THE VENEZUELAN DIFFICULTY.

A Dispatch From Washington Causes Discussion in London.

London, April 22.—All the afternoon newspapers comment on the dispatch from Washington to the Times in regard to the Venezuelan difficulty, which the correspondent there said he had been instructed to publish, concluding with the remark: "This delay is most perilous. The Washington executive still shows a strong desire for an honorable and reasonable agreement, but it takes two to make a treaty."

The St. James' Gazette says: "The statement which George W. Smalley was instructed to publish shows that the United States government still hopes we shall help it out of the difficulty by surrender. When it is finally convinced of its mistake, which will happen?"

The Globe remarks: "If the Americans are wise they will understand that the attitude of Salisbury means the steady determination of Great Britain not to allow interference in what she rightly considers to be her own business."

The Pall Mall Gazette says: "We see no reason for alarm." On the other hand, the Westminister Gazette urges that the Marquis of Salisbury to settle the Venezuelan question out of hand, even at the cost of lowering his pride.

No small objection which young folks had to the old-time spring medicines was their nauseousness. In our day this objection is removed and Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the most powerful and popular of blood purifiers, is as pleasant to the palate as a cordial.

Advertisement for Shorey's Ready Made Clothing, featuring a card that says "This card is a guarantee that the cloth in this garment has been thoroughly Sponged and Shrunk and the workmanship is fully guaranteed."

Advertisement for DIXI H. ROSS & CO., Grocers, featuring the text "It's a Strange Thing" and a list of products including Astral Oil, American Rolled Oats, and Honey Syrup.

Advertisement for Times Annual and Encyclopaedia of Useful Information, for 1896, priced at 400 pages for 25 cents.

Advertisement for WHITE STAR BAKING POWDER, highlighting its popularity in Canada and its quality as a pure and wholesome product.

Advertisement for WHITE STAR BAKING POWDER, featuring a testimonial from a woman who has used the product and found it to be a DEMONSTRATED SUCCESS.

Advertisement for WHITE STAR BAKING POWDER, emphasizing its purity and wholesomeness, and mentioning its use in various recipes.

Advertisement for THE REICHSSTAG CALLED TO ACTION TO PREVENT SCANDALS, with a headline "TOPICS IN" and a sub-headline "Germany Has a Feeling Does Not Want to See Our Yards."

Advertisement for THE REICHSSTAG CALLED TO ACTION TO PREVENT SCANDALS, discussing political events in Berlin and the actions of Emperor William.

Advertisement for THE REICHSSTAG CALLED TO ACTION TO PREVENT SCANDALS, continuing the discussion of political events and the role of the Reichstag.

Advertisement for THE REICHSSTAG CALLED TO ACTION TO PREVENT SCANDALS, mentioning the Reichstag's actions and the public's reaction.

Advertisement for THE REICHSSTAG CALLED TO ACTION TO PREVENT SCANDALS, discussing the Reichstag's role in the current political climate.

Advertisement for THE REICHSSTAG CALLED TO ACTION TO PREVENT SCANDALS, concluding with a call to action for the Reichstag and the public.



TOPICS IN EUROPE

Germany Has a Feeling That She Does Not Want to Play in Our Yard.

The Reichstag Called Upon to Take Action to Prevent Duelling Scandals.

Berlin, April 21.—The German press has had an outburst of temper owing to an article in the Morning Post...

There is an impression that the visit of Emperor William of Vienna was not a success in strengthening the friendship between Austria and Germany...

The visit of Emperor William to Dresden on Thursday next on the occasion of the King of Saxony's birthday...

On Tuesday next the Imperial court will remove to Potsdam for the summer...

Dr. von Boetticher, minister for the interior, replied for the chancellor...

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Mr. Franklin, Lady de Trafford's brother, and on April 28, Lady Evelyn Curzon...

Society is still lingering in the country and will not reassemble in full force until next week...

The Princess of Wales with her daughters, was at Sandringham, and on the day of the Prince's arrival...

In addition to a refreshment kiosk, a number of newspaper kiosks will shortly be erected in Hyde Park...

The following letter written by President Cleveland to Consul Parker was read:

"I have received your letter informing me that the Birmingham Dramatic and Literary Club intend to celebrate the birthday of Shakespeare...

"Everything that tends to keep alive the memory of Shakespeare and preserve a proper appreciation of his work challenges my earnest interest and approval...

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will exceed in magnificence anything seen in former years...

A great sensation has been created among the extensive force of Blenheim Palace retainers over the recent edict...

The Chronicle, also Liberal, says: "The bill is quite as bad as we expected. A more indefensible and senseless proposal we have seldom known."

The Dowager Empress Frederick, of Germany, has arrived at Nice on a visit to Queen Victoria, her mother...

REV. WM. TUCKER WAS IN AGONY MANY YEARS.

Says He Felt as Though He Had Been Stabbed by a Thousand Knives—Fears He Would Lose His Mind—His Recovery Looked Upon as a Miracle.

From the New Era, Greensburg, Ind. It was publicly talked all over Decatur and Ripley counties for some time before the New Era sent a reporter to Pierreville to fully investigate the Tucker matter...

"I was born and raised on a farm, but entered the ministry at an early age. I was always subject to rheumatism, even when quite young...

"I was finally compelled to retire from my work in the religious cause. The pains would first start from my spine and limbs, but afterwards began shooting from all parts of the body and it seemed as though a thousand knives were sticking me on every side...

I consulted several physicians at Greensburg, but they said my case was hopeless, as the disease was incurable. I went to other cities for treatment...

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood, and restore shattered nerves...

Vienna, April 21.—Baron Hirsch died this morning of heart disease at his residence here. Komorowicz was the cause of the death...

Paris, April 21.—Leon Say, the distinguished economist, died this morning.

None But Ayer's at the World's Fair. Ayer's Sarsaparilla enjoys the extraordinary distinction of having been the only blood purifier allowed on exhibit at the World's Fair, Chicago...

The defence committee and the cabinet met yesterday and the cabinet will meet again to-day, when a review will be taken of the whole position of affairs in South Africa...

summoned the other members before the mixed tribunals on a claim for the return of the gold medals...

The Paris correspondent of the Times, commenting upon the firmness of the French senate...

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REPLY OF "OOM PAUL"

President Kruger's Reply to Mr. Chamberlain is Friendly and Diplomatic.

The Transvaal, He Says, Cannot Admit the Right of Any Foreign Power to Interfere.

London, April 21.—The reply of President Kruger to the invitation of Colonial Secretary Chamberlain to visit England in order to discuss with him what remedies can be applied to the grievances of the Uitlanders in the Transvaal...

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Sunlight SOAP

IT MAKES HOME BRIGHTER.

And it is the aim of a good wife to keep it clean and attractive. Nothing will help her more than the use of Sunlight Soap.

Books for Wrappers. For every 12 "Sunlight" wrappers sent to Lever Bros. Co., Toronto, a useful paper-bound book will be sent...

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Little card of any amount you for itself it says. Key's Made thing.

Some people do long spending of value here you buy. Little thought here you buy. Little thought here you buy.

896, will The sup- who pay COPY.

B. C.

AR POWDER AND IN CANADA.

money. Experiments with other ers, when.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. CURE SICK HEADACHE.

CURE SICK HEADACHE. Headache, get Carter's Little Liver Pills.

ACHE. is the bane of so many lives that here is where we make our great boast.

Old Dr. Gordon's Remedy for Men. 127 lbs, 134, 141, 165. CURES POSITIVELY.











A GENEROUS OFFER

Toronto Women Want to Send Out Wives for Western Bachelors.

Report of the Water Works Enquiry Committee Disposed of Last Evening.

The board of aldermen at their regular meeting last evening disposed of the water works enquiry committee reports and other business.

Mrs. Johnson, of Cedar Hill, drew the attention of the council to the fact that a public hack had been used to take a patient to the infectious disease hospital.

Chief Justice Davie expressed his appreciation of the motion of condolence passed by the council.

The post office employees asked whether the council intended to force the payment of the \$3 revenue tax by Dominion government employees.

The following letter was the next item of business:

Toronto, April 6, 1896. To the Mayor of Victoria, B. C. Dear Sir,—I have been represented by articles in the Nor' West and Mail-Empire that there is a great scarcity of women in the Northwest, and there being a great excess and overcrowding of women in Toronto and other eastern cities of the Dominion, making it difficult for women of all classes to obtain lucrative employment, a number of philanthropic and charitable disposed persons in Toronto have been prompted to form an association for the promotion of emigration to that country.

Having been appointed chairman of a committee of inquiry to obtain information on the subject, I write you direct to ask you to furnish me with any information on the subject, and to advise whether your body would be disposed to take an interest in the work.

Statistics show that in 1881 there was a deficiency of over 20,000 women; this ratio is supposed to have increased from 40,000 to 50,000.

It is proposed to encourage only healthy women, who can furnish certificates of respectability and good moral character, to emigrate, and if they desire any assistance that such persons will be kindly received and well treated when they get there.

On motion of Ald. Macmillan, seconded by Ald. Williams, the letter was referred to the local Council of Women.

Ald. Macmillan contended that if it had been necessary to audit the statement the auditor could have done it.

Ald. Marchant thought probably the trustees had overlooked the fact that there was a city auditor.

Ald. Cameron and Humphreys while believing the vote was a little irregular did not think the council could interfere.

Mayor Beaven gave as his opinion that the school board could spend their money as they pleased.

Ald. Macmillan—Do you think it was wise to spend it in this way? Mayor Beaven—Oh, that is another question.

The motion was amended to read: Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair, DR. TAYLOR'S CREAM BAKING POWDER MOST PERFECT MADE.

DAY'S SHIPPING NEWS

A Sealing Schooner Built at Ballard to be Added to the Victoria Fleet.

Steamer Mischief Reports the Coast Catches—Empress of Japan Sails for Orient.

From Tuesday's Daily. Captain Balcom, the well known sealer, yesterday launched a new schooner which was built for him at Ballard.

She will receive her masts and sails there after which she will be brought here and fitted out for Behring Sea.

Those who have seen the new schooner say that from her appearance, she is likely to prove the clipper of the Victoria fleet.

In this connection many gentlemen prominent in marine circles would like to see the committee having charge of the Queen's birthday celebration, offer some inducement to sealing captains to enter their schooners in a race.

Captain Balcom has already expressed himself as willing to enter his new schooner, already reported by many captains, now on the West Coast but who will be back here shortly after May 1.

Such a race should prove very attractive, as each vessel should have a number of passengers on board who would in this manner have a delightful outing.

Last evening the steamer Mischief, Capt. Poot, returned from West Coast ports bringing reports of the catches of a number of sealing vessels.

The majority of these were learned from the South Bend, which was in Kruquot on the 15th with only six skins.

In the question of adopting the report signed by Ald. Macmillan and Humphrey, Ald. Cameron said he had not signed it because he thought it went too far.

The man undoubtedly had cause of complaint as to their board but that the contractors were not paid was an omission.

While other witnesses were directly summoned, the contractors were not. It was hard to establish a going rate of wages, considering the fact that men employed there could not get any other work.

While believing the board was not good he thought it would have been better to remedy it last year.

Ald. Macmillan contended that the committee did not go beyond the powers conferred upon it by the council.

Ald. Cameron would not sign the report nor would he suggest any amendments to it.

Before the committee met he suggested a plan of action with which Ald. Cameron agreed.

It came out that contracters were paid the same as laborers, while the contractors stipulated that there should be a difference.

Mr. Jorgensen had, by writing to the council regarding strikes, admitted that he had something to do with the workmen.

Mr. Bodwell, in a letter written to the council at the time of the discharge of Mr. Jorgensen, said that the engineer would be the sole arbitrator and judge over the contractors and the council.

Mr. Jorgensen had always been looked upon as the interpreter of the contractors.

Ald. Partridge would oppose the adoption of the report for the simple reason that it was not true.

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