

TRICK BALLOT BOX SENSATION

Lott Tells How He Laid Trap for His Brother.

SAYS HE WAS OFFERED BRIBE

Somebody Told Him the Ontario Government Had Given \$50,000 for the Bogus Boxes.

Belleville, Ont., Nov. 18.—The ballot box case went on again this morning and Mr. E. Gus Porter, M. P., testified that Mr. H. Corby and himself had received five bogus ballot boxes from N. A. Lott, brother of B. O. Lott, the Liberal candidate, the boxes having been obtained by the former through a letter of introduction given by the latter. The letters incriminated Mr. Shibley, Liberal candidate for Frontenac, and a man named Kelly, of Kingston. It was, P. A. Lott said, the intention of B. O. Lott to use the boxes in West Hastings, but the former's conscience troubled him and he told the story of Messrs. Corby and Porter, the latter of whom took action and secured the boxes. His story in relation to them was characterized as false, hence the present action.

When on the stand Lott stated that he had been told that the Ontario Government had bought the patent for the boxes for \$50,000. He had, he said, been promised no reward for giving the matter away, but was told Tuesday night last, called on by a man, who offered him enough to make him independent for life if he would leave the country. Lott said he offered.

Plotted to Trap Brother.

In cross-examination, Lott admitted that as far back as March 4 he had been watching and plotting to obtain evidence against his brother. In graphic language he told how he had made up his mind, when his brother first broached the subject to him, to expose the plot, and how he had relentlessly pursued him until the time when he was able to place in the hands of his brother's political opponents proofs of the conspiracy, up to the last carefully cloaking his motives and hiding from his brother the deception he practiced.

Basing his statements upon statements which he swore his brother had made to him, he revealed an alleged plot for wholesale electoral fraud in the next provincial election, and that he was substituting for genuine ballots for Conservative candidates ballots previously marked and placed in the box for supporters of the Ontario Government.

He denied having personally requested deputies to use the fraudulent boxes or that he had offered them money to do so, and related how he had a few nights ago been offered by an unknown man enough to make him comfortable for the rest of his life if he would get out of the country. The nefarious practices were to be confined in the Dominion election to three ridings—West Hastings, Frontenac and Durham, according to Lott's story. Such were the main features of a narrative, the parallel of which has fortunately never been recorded in a court of law.

Statement by Mr. Stratton.

The Hon. Mr. Stratton, having been seen by a reporter, says: "I have read the statement which has been said to have been made by Mr. Philip Lott to Mr. Porter in connection with the alleged bogus ballot boxes, and the statement is so absolutely false and malignant in its character that one can hardly find words sufficiently strong in denial or condemnation. I never heard anything about these ballot boxes, directly or indirectly, until it was circulated in Peterboro on election day by wire from Belleville, and I subsequently read it in the press, and the statement, so far as any information is concerned, is an infamous falsehood in every respect."

"Mr. Philip Lott was convicted on Aug. 18, 1894, for selling liquor without a license, in the township of Seymour, and was fined \$50 and costs. He made application to this department, supported by a letter from the mayor of the township of Seymour, asking that the fine be remitted. Notwithstanding the resolution I did not consider for one moment the remission of the fine, and this action may account in some measure for his having so maliciously connected my name with something that I know nothing whatever about. So far as I am concerned the story is utterly false, and without a particle of truth."

"Words cannot too strongly condemn and no punishment is too severe for anyone who would be guilty of taking into any constituency ballot boxes to be used for the purposes suggested."

"The whole matter only needs to be looked into to prove how utterly untrue the statement is. I am anxious that the fullest investigation shall be made, and any assistance that I can render will be cheerfully given."

Mr. Vance's Statement.

Mr. James Vance said last night: "Any suggestion that I know anything about the alleged bogus ballot boxes is ridiculously absurd and absolutely false. I don't think I am yet a subject for the assylum. It has been known for several days that a desperate attempt was going to be made to throw mud at the Liberal organization in connection with this matter, but like all such previous attempts, it will utterly fail. Philip A. Lott, whom I never saw in my life, has been in my informed hand in glove with Mr. Porter for some time. Men of the associations of Mr. Porter and Mr. Lott should not be believed when they make such charges until at any rate those they are endeavoring to traduce are heard."

"That is all I have to say just now. I shall have something more to say on the subject a little later."

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PRAIRIE FIRES RAGING

Flames Cross From Montana Into the N. W. Territory.

Moosejaw, N. W. T., Nov. 18.—A destructive prairie fire is burning in Wood Mountain and Willow Bunch district. The fire started somewhere in Montana, passing within 60 rods of the Northwest Mounted Police barracks at Wood Mountain. Sweeping on through the country, it passed into the Willow Bunch district, and is still burning. It has covered an area of about 50 miles east and west and 50 miles north and south. Everything in its path was consumed. Not many buildings were injured. The fire is now burning in the south. Some stock must have perished. Both of the Fuel brothers lost their stables and stacks, and Desautels and Beauchamp their haystacks. The loss will be heavy to all Willow Bunch ranchmen.

Lethbridge, N. W. T., Nov. 18.—Destructive prairie fires are raging northeast of here. Following losses were reported this morning: James Ashcroft's house and ranch buildings; Leadbeater's barn and haystacks; and Samuel Young's ranch and buildings. The fire is now in the vicinity of Taber.

CAN FIGHT ON IF PROVISIONED

Russia Tell Agents to Use Every Means to Get Into Port Arthur.

Several Conservative Candidates in the Field Despite Mr. Flynn's Announcement.

London, Nov. 18.—The Daily Mail's St. Petersburg correspondent says that Lieut.-General Stoessel's latest report expresses a firm conviction that he will be able to hold out at Port Arthur until the second Pacific squadron arrives in March on the condition that he is supplied with munitions and stores. The Government, the correspondent says, has instructed its agents abroad to supply Lieut.-General Stoessel's requirements at any cost.

Wholesale Desertion.

New York, Nov. 18.—A London dispatch to the Times quotes the London Times' Russian correspondent as saying that riots and desertions in connection with the mobilization of reservists continue, especially in Poland. Hundreds of reservists cross into Germany and Austria every week. One district which was to furnish 200 men could only muster eight. In another an officer was to appear with 40, and found that not one had turned up. He was so upset by this desertion that he shot himself. Riots in some cases have been provoked by the military arrangements made by the military authorities. One detachment refused to start because the cars were not provided with stoves. The men had not forgotten accounts of soldiers frozen to death in railway carriages.

LATER.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 18.—It is reported that a battle between the two armies below Mukden is now in full swing. The war office does not confirm the rumor, though it admits that the activity all along the line indicates that both armies are ready. The Russians, according to Gen. Kuropatkin's report, are pressing the Japanese left, while a very significant movement of the Japanese is reported at Sinsintin. A special correspondent telegraphing under last night's date says the battle has begun and that the thunder of the guns is increasing.

DETECTIVE WILL INVESTIGATE IT

Report Regarding Man Who Is Wanted in Connection With the Parkhill Outrage.

Immediately after the announcement that there is a body in the dissecting-room of the Medical School which answers somewhat to the description of the man who assaulted Miss Davidson, of Parkhill, information comes from another part of the country which will be investigated before the county authorities convince themselves that the perpetrator of the crime is beyond the reach of the law.

County Detective Northgreaves received a letter from a man who assumed the name of J. H. Davidson, of Parkhill, information comes from another part of the country which will be investigated before the county authorities convince themselves that the perpetrator of the crime is beyond the reach of the law.

The name of the writer and of the place where the man was seen are withheld for the present, because their publication would place obstacles in the way of the search, which will be at once undertaken by the detective. The whole countryside is aroused to anger over the brutal attack upon the young lady, and everyone has been on the watch for a trace of the criminal. While there is a possibility of his being alive, no effort will be spared to locate him and bring him to justice.

As is well known, a penalty of death hangs over the head of the perpetrator of such a crime.

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Equipment Obsolete

Woodstock Collegiate Board Has a Surprise Sprung Upon It.

Woodstock, Ont., Nov. 18.—At the meeting of the Woodstock Collegiate Institute board this evening the members experienced a surprise as a result of the report of Inspector Seath. It condemned absolutely the present accommodation afforded at the institute, and stated that an additional teacher was necessary that the pupils might receive proper attention. Much of the equipment was antiquated and many improvements were needed around the building. The staff was congratulated on its efficiency, but it was too small for the attendance; not enough time was devoted for physical training. The Government grant would not be given this year. The inspector asserted that the time had come when a new institute building was necessary. The board will take this question at once.

An enthusiastic meeting of Conservatives of the city was held tonight, when much organization work was completed for the expected provincial contests.

Much interest is being displayed in the investigation of the death of Herbert Bowdman, in West Zorra, Wednesday. The authorities have as yet made no arrests, but one may be expected any moment and were taken a witness swore that threats had been made against the life of the deceased.

Over thirty employees of the Thomas and Hay factories were entertained at the Y. M. C. A. this evening. The event was a decided success.

FOURTEEN DIE IN MINE EXPLOSION

Disaster in Coal Pit Near Fernie, British Columbia—The Bodies Recovered.

St. Paul, Nov. 19.—A Fernie, B. C., dispatch to the Pioneer Press says fourteen miners were killed at the Carbonado mines yesterday afternoon as a result of a terrific explosion of coal gas. The disaster occurred in No. 1 mine, ten miles west of Fernie. The work of rescue was kept up all afternoon and all the bodies have been recovered.

The dead: Mr. Jenkins, Louis Carter, Peter Kenny, Albert Johnson, Patrick Doyle, William Platt, Michael Gustick, Martin Prebenick, Venesia Veneska, Martin Tomackay, Anton and John Hronoway, two brothers, Joe, Suchy, and James Greenman.

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Mr. Lott Contradicted In Bogus Box Story

Belleville, Ont., Nov. 19.—The criminal libel case of Porter vs. Carman was continued this morning for two hours, when an adjournment was made until Friday morning. James Gay and Forbes Sheriff, two of Mr. Porter's scrutineers in Rawdon Township, swore that the deputy returning officer at poll No. 2 had spoken to them about bogus ballot boxes being in the Province, and laughingly denied having one of them. Riley, of Kingston, was called as a witness, but did not respond. James Harst, of Belleville, swore that Phil Lott had told him about the bogus boxes coming into West Hastings. Harst said he arranged the meetings between Phil Lott and Messrs. Corby and Porter, and contradicted Lott's story as far as what had passed between them was concerned. Detective Chamber told of getting the bogus boxes at Phil Lott's residence and he gave an exhibition of how the boxes were worked.

NOW IT'S PORTUGAL

Treaty of Arbitration With Great Britain Has Been Issued.

London, Nov. 19.—The Anglo-Portuguese treaty of arbitration, the signing of which was announced by King Edward at the state banquet at Windsor Castle on

APPOINTMENT OF CITY CLERK DISCUSSED IN CIVIC CIRCLES

Not Satisfactory to All of the
City Fathers—Mr. Baker's
Ability Recognized.

The action of No. 1 committee in recommending Mr. Samuel Baker, principal of St. George's school, for the position of city clerk of London, does not meet with undivided approval in municipal circles, though, of course, no one insinuates that Mr. Baker is not thoroughly qualified for the office or that he will not make a good city clerk in all respects. The point being debated is whether the committee was warranted in going over the head of a competent man, such as Mr. J. H. Baker, who has served the city faithfully for many years, in order to secure a clerk, thereby not alone depriving Mr. Baker of a promotion, but also of the staff under him in the city hall, including Mr. Arthur Jolly and Mr. Geo. T. Baker.

While Conservative aldermen do not hesitate to declare that the Conservative Club took no hand in the appointment, the denial is accepted conditionally as being made for strategic reasons. It is felt by all that the Conservative Club has practically declared that the candidate shall be, though one man who was picked out by the club in the first place had to be dropped in order that certain of the aldermen might not be tempted to bolt the ticket for once. Thus Mr. Baker's selection was the result of a compromise.

The club, it was understood, was at first favorable to Mr. Baker's appointment, and it was intended that Mr. Alf McCoubrey should take Mr. Arthur Jolly's place in the assessment committee's office and Mr. Jolly should take Mr. Bell's place in Treasurer Pope's office. But the leaves and fishes could not be divided so as to give all aspiring Conservatives a meal, and moreover, one of the city hall officials is credited with putting up an able-bodied objection to his being made a vehicle for the carrying out of Conservative Club plans. The result was that another conference took place, and that was when it was decided to drop Mr. Bell altogether, and appoint an outsider. Then the club named Mr. Flock as the favorite. But the force of objection to having strings of their own to pull, balked in the harness and refused to play him to any great extent. Other names were brought forth, and finally a truce was framed and Mr. Baker

was selected on the compromise, he being acceptable to the club.

Ald. Stevely, when seen today, made it plain that in his fight for Mr. Bell, he has nothing to say against Mr. Baker.

"I consider the principal of St. George's school a man well-qualified for the position," he said, "though I do not think he is as well qualified as Mr. Bell, who has performed the work off and on for years."

"And I do object to the excuse put forth at last evening's committee meeting that Mr. Bell's name could not be considered, because he had not put in a written application. What I would like to know is, when did the council or the committee ask for applications for the position of city clerk? Such applications have never been asked for, and the members of No. 1 committee know it very well. Then, it is a fact, the application was referred to No. 1 committee by the city council before there was a vacancy in the city clerk's office, as Mr. Edwards' resignation was not accepted until fully two hours after the applications were referred to No. 1 committee."

It is well understood that Mr. Baker's appointment is now assured, as it was cut and dried for Ald. Becher to propose him. It is said, of course, that Ald. Becher favored Mr. Baker from the beginning, but it was expected that Ald. Cooper would stay by Mr. Bell, and his support of Mr. Baker is attributed to urgent orders from "head-quarters."

Mr. Baker was born in England, and came to Canada when quite young. For some time he taught school in Westminster and Belmont, and then he was appointed to the principalship of the old Park street, now Chesley avenue, school in October, 1890, he was transferred to St. George's school, and has taught there ever since. His teaching experience covers a period of 28 years.

Mr. Baker's salary as principal of St. George's school is \$1,000 per year. At what amount his salary as city clerk will be placed is not yet settled, but some of the aldermen appear to think \$1,100 will be sufficient. Mr. Edwards was started at \$1,200 per year, however, and it is not likely that Mr. Baker will be asked to accept any less. This amount does not, of course, include the salary of a deputy clerk, which will be \$250 per year. Mr. Baker is decidedly a home man, though he takes a deep interest in all municipal matters. He resides at 799 Waterloo street.

Dr. Oronhyatekha to Visit
London, Nov. 29.

A JOINT INITIATION CEREMONY

Programme To Be Given at the
Grand Opera House by Excellent Entertainers.

The officers and members of the Incorporated Order of Foresters are actively engaged in completing arrangements for the forthcoming grand joint initiation and reception to the supreme chief, Grand Dr. Oronhyatekha. Two months ago the members started a class for initiation of 1,000, and the time has now arrived when they have been working energetically and report having already some 700 towards that class. They are determined to complete 1,000, a feat which will be accomplished by the appointment under the able chairmanship of Bro. Tackaberry. They have arranged to meet the supreme chief ranger on his arrival from Toronto and to escort him to the Tecumseh House. The general committee is under the able direction of Bro. Preston and Secretary J. H. Hamby, who have prepared a most elaborate programme, in which such talent as Miss Nellie Ashton, Toronto's sweet soprano, Harold Davis, tenor of Detroit; Donald McGregor, baritone, and W. J. White, Canada's favorite comedian, will contribute. The Ladies' Guild of Honor of Toronto will perform the initiation ceremony.

The reception takes place in the Grand Opera House on Thursday, Nov. 25, at 8 p.m. The committee has issued invitations, and any members or friends wishing to take part, should apply at once to the society, or call upon A. Mitchell, superintendent of deputies, London House.

The O. F. is one of the strongest and most popular fraternal societies doing business on Canadian soil. To assure the strong and protect the weak is its mission. Every right-thinking man must learn something from the figures it sets before him and take to heart facts it tenders.

ALISA CRAIG. Miss Whiting of Parkhill, is spending Thanksgiving Day with her sister at Shakespear.

Miss A. Cobbedick spent Thanksgiving Day with her sister at Shakespear. Miss Morton, Hilda Pedder and Laura Robinson took in the concert at Parkhill.

Art Paddon and Mr. Jemison spent Thursday in Alisa Craig. Miss Ada Munro attended the wedding of Miss Maggie Webb at Granville. A number of Parkhill friends called on Percy Ramsey on Thanksgiving Day.

Miss Parker is home for the holidays. Annie Leitch spent Thanksgiving Day on the town line east.

August Munro and family are visiting at Port Huron.

Mr. Boston called on friends in Alisa Craig this week-end.

Miss Francis Wylie is spending a few days in the country.

Sam Pedler is in St. Louis.

Miss Mary Stewart of Parkhill spent Thanksgiving Day at Dr. Anderson's.

Miss Emma Steinhilber was in Detroit on Thursday.

Miss Wilson spent the holiday at Forest.

Miss Muriel Evans visited Detroit and Miss Mabel Evans was at Forest on Thursday.

Miss Lydia Quance, of Exeter, visited Mrs. Evans on Thursday.

W. McKenzie came home from London for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Cobbedick, of Exeter, spent the holiday with their son, Dr. Cobbedick.

Mrs. Hudson, of London, was at her mother's (Mrs. Walker) on Thanksgiving Day.

KING USES HOSE

Emmanuel Helps His Peasants to Fight the Flames.

Rome, Nov. 18.—Twice within the last few days the King of Italy has acted as an amateur fireman during fires which broke out near the Castle of Racconigi.

Late the other night news reached the castle of a fire at a farm situated in the royal estate, and without delay Victor Emmanuel II. jumped into his automobile and started for the scene of the conflagration.

When he reached the farm he at once took command of the peasants, who, until then, had been fighting the fire without system or method, and as they seemed slow to understand he personally took the hose until the arrival of military assistance.

When one of the soldiers was injured by the falling of a wall the King carried him back to the castle in his own auto, and when the soldiers and firemen returned to the palace they found a sumptuous supper, which the King had prepared for them.

The next night the King was again called out of bed by the alarm of fire on another farm, but this time the flames were soon extinguished.

All Canadian Pacific Trains Run Direct to the World's Fair Grounds.

This is a convenience that the public no doubt will appreciate. Everybody who has gone this way is very enthusiastic in regard to this arrangement, as it saves much time and trouble in getting to the grounds. Cheap fare of \$10.70 in effect until the close of the exposition. For further particulars, etc., call on W. Fulton, city passenger agent, corner of Dundas and Richmond streets.

AUCTION SALES.

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Further particulars in circulars, which can be had on application to the auctioneers.

Auction Sale of Farm, Farm, Etc.

Messrs. Reeve & O'Brien, lot 21, con. 4, London Township, Monday, Nov. 21, at 1 o'clock p.m. Hunt & McGregor, auctioneers.

Lot 2, Wood lot, 7, con. 8, Lobo, Tuesday, Nov. 22, farm stock and implements; sale at 1 o'clock p.m. Hunt & McGregor, auctioneers.

William C. Scott, lot 13, con. 1, Delaware, Wednesday, Nov. 23, at 1 o'clock p.m. Hunt & McGregor, auctioneers.

Lot 1, con. 12, Lobo, Thursday, Nov. 24, farm stock and implements; sale at 1 o'clock p.m. Hunt & McGregor, auctioneers.

W. H. Robinson, lot 20, Broken Front, Westminster, Friday, Nov. 25, farm stock and implements; sale at 1 o'clock p.m. Hunt & McGregor, auctioneers.

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London, Saturday, November 19.

Mr. Stratton's Retirement.

Hon. J. R. Stratton, Provincial Secretary, has tendered his resignation to the Premier and announced that he will not offer for re-election to the Legislature. In an interview with the Globe, Mr. Stratton points with pardonable pride to some of his achievements since he was entrusted with his present portfolio in 1896. The work of the Provincial Secretary's department in the last five years has greatly expanded, and Mr. Stratton has fulfilled his widening circle of duties with exemplary zeal and efficiency. New asylums have been established at Cobourg and Penetanguishene, and a hospital for epileptics at Woodstock; the Mercer Reformatory has been remodelled; and many improvements have been introduced in the administration of the other great provincial institutions. The efforts to enforce the license act strictly and impartially have been commended by religious and temperance organizations. A large work has been done in sanitation and hygiene and enlightened legislation has been passed to encourage the erection of sanitariums for consumptives. The expenditure in the Provincial Secretary's department has averaged a million dollars a year, and he can honestly say that not one dollar has been misappropriated and that the Province has received full value for the money. Mr. Stratton may confidently appeal to his record. He has shown a high order of executive ability and every branch of the public service under his control has been stimulated by his energy and initiative.

The Opposition will, of course, seek to make political capital of his resignation. Not a blemish can be found upon the administration of the affairs of the Province, but the most atrocious calumnies have been invented in the hope of discrediting the Government on the personal side. Mr. Stratton was singled out as the special victim of a conspiracy, the ringleaders of which got their suggestion from a blackleg who tried to sell his support to the Government, and who sought revenge when he found that he had been hoodwinked by Sullivan, and was denied any favors from the Administration. This is the long and short of the Gamey scandal. The money, a portion of which he flourished in the Legislature, was subscribed by his Conservative abettors, who might have been exposed but for Gamey's timely theft of the tell-tale leaf in the Crossin cash book. The attacks on Mr. Stratton were not stopped by the explosion of the Gamey charges. New slanders have been concocted with every change of the moon. This policy of defamation has been pursued so clumsily and carried to such extremes, that it has reacted in favor of Mr. Stratton and the Government. The Provincial Secretary may think that by eliminating himself he will draw some of the fire away from the Cabinet. If this is one of his motives, there is a touch of chivalry in his retirement, for it is purely voluntary, and he retains the full confidence of his colleagues. However, he has extensive private interests which claim his attention, and he cannot be blamed if he feels these should not be neglected in order that he may remain a target for the vilifiers and mud-throwers of the Opposition. He can lay down the burden with the satisfaction of knowing that he has given the Province diligent and conscientious service, and has set a high standard of administrative integrity and efficiency.

The Week of the War.

The outstanding incident of the war during the week was the arrival at the Foofoo from Port Arthur of the Russian destroyer Rastvorov. In connection with this an interesting statement, based upon Gen. Stoessels' dispatches, has been issued by the Russian War Office. If it is to be believed, the long-delayed capitulation or destruction of the fortress has been indefinitely postponed. According to these dispatches the gallant Russian commander declares he can hold out until the arrival of the second Pacific squadron. As the fleet cannot reach the scene until late in March, not to mention the possibility of destruction by a Japanese fleet sent out to meet it, this promise is a rather large draught on Russian confidence.

On the other hand, if it be true that blockade runners have entered Port Arthur with provisions and ammunition, Stoessels' promise may yet be carried out. The Citadel and main forts of Port Arthur are still held by the Russians, and should they be successfully defended for several more months, Admiral Togo will face the biggest problem of his career. His fleet, while strong in cruisers, possesses but four battleships, and should any of the Russian ships in Port Arthur be intact when the Japanese arrive upon the scene, the Japanese will be compelled to fight a double battle, to prevent a junction of the enemy's squadrons. He will have to make short, quick work of one squadron, so that he can at once turn and confront the other. Togo's fleet in strength and effectiveness is the equal, if not the superior of the Baltic squadron, but with a Russian fleet behind him his position will border on the desperate. Should the Russians win, the command of the seas would be

theirs, and an immediate collapse of the Japanese campaign would follow. If Rojstevsky loses, Russia can still fight doggedly on in Manchuria. South of Mukden the forces of Oyama and Kuropatkin continue to strongly fortify their positions, and while there is an occasional "feeling" movement and frequent outpost affairs, it would appear as if the armies were preparing for a winter of inactivity.

The Trick Ballot Boxes.

The story of the trick ballot boxes, as told in a Belleville court yesterday, reads like a fairy-tale. It is charged that these boxes, ten in number, were imported into the west riding of Hastings for use in behalf of B. O. Lott, the Liberal candidate. The latter's brother, Philip Lott, swears that he went to Kingston to negotiate for the purchase and shipment of the boxes, which were brought from Watertown, N. Y. He swears also that he acted upon the instructions of his brother, the Liberal candidate, who confided to him the details of the conspiracy. The boxes were not used because the conspirators could not obtain ballots from the returning officer. These were to have been marked for Lott, secreted in the boxes, and then released by a spring.

Such is the purport of Philip Lott's evidence. It is to some extent discredited by the state device of dragging in the name of Hon. J. R. Stratton. Opposition managers make it a point to link Mr. Stratton's name with every suspicious incident that crops up in an election contest, and Lott's narrative bears the familiar earmarks. He claims that his brother, B. O. Lott, told him he had secured the pattern of the bogus boxes from James Vance, the Liberal organizer, and that Mr. Stratton and "Cap" Sullivan were associated in the plot. Mr. Stratton was associated in the plot, Mr. Stratton was associated in the plot, Mr. Stratton was associated in the plot. It appears that Philip Lott was fined \$50 last August for selling liquor in a local option township, and that Mr. Stratton refused to remit the fine, although Lott's application was supported by the council of the township of Seymour. Philip Lott had expected also to be appointed a license inspector, but his brother had recommended another man for the position. These circumstances show that Lott had a grievance against his brother and Mr. Stratton, but while his evidence stands in need of corroboration, the ballot boxes cannot be explained away. They were found in Philip Lott's house, and they were in the riding for some criminal purpose. Either there has been a conspiracy against the electors, such as Philip Lott alleges, or against the candidate and others, whose names have been dragged into the case. In either event a heinous offense has been committed. It is gratifying to know that the Dominion Government has acted promptly by sending special officers to gather information upon which to base prosecutions. Justice will be done without fear or favor.

The Liberal convention will be a record-breaker. Dinna ye hear the slogan?

The Liberal member-elect for Wentworth may be uneased because one stupid deputy returning officer numbered the ballots with his lead pencil.

Of course, the story of those bogus ballot boxes wouldn't be complete unless Hon. Mr. Stratton were dragged into it.

A scheme is under way to export 7,000 old country children to this country. Will the anti-dumping clause be invoked to protect our infant industries?

Thirty-five Liberals have been elected for the Quebec Legislature by acclamation, and one Conservative. It looks as though the latter will have to be his own whip.

A Chicago miller is importing Manitoba wheat and paying a duty of 25 cents per bushel because he must have it to keep up the grade of his flour. No wonder the Minneapolis millers are clamoring for free Canadian wheat.

Saved Carriage Charges.

[Elk River, Minn., Star News.] The contest for the steel range was won by Minnie Strand, she having made the best tin of biscuits at A. J. Johnson's store last Friday. Miss Minnie carried home her range.

Will Pay the Dog.

[Tygart's Valley, Va., News.] One black Scotch collie dog lost, lame in one fore-foot, the property of Richard Hudkins, anyone finding this dog can leave him at the News office, where he will be paid for his trouble.

His Summer Stunt.

[Brooklyn News.] "What did you do while you were away on vacation?" "Sat around while my wife was dressing for meals most of the time."

A Financial Drunk.

[Pittsburgh Dispatch.] Mr. John Wanamaker, in a short interview on the business situation, attributes the recent reaction to "a financial drunk," which preceded the recovery of a year ago. The term is a strong one, but it is possible to perceive that it is realistically descriptive. There may be differences of opinion as to the best description of those fantasies which produced the backset, but whether they are called ballooning, kite-

flying, rocket-shooting, or, as Mr. Wanamaker suggests, financial inebriety, the proper digestion of the lesson depends upon recognizing that those exuberant features were the cause of the trouble, and the reaction and readjustment constitute the process of cure. We are wont to class the boom as prosperity and the reaction as the reverse. But the time when our captains of industry began to issue bonds on the pleasures of hope and to keep the stock exchanges active by capitalizing the fertility of their imagination. However, Mr. Wanamaker agrees that business has sobered up and the process of recuperation has carried us to a new era of activity. All tests agree in showing that the stock exchanges of activity on sound and conservative foundations means real prosperity that will continue until we get around the cycle again to the vertiginous stage of speculative intoxication.

Number of Postage Stamps.

[Westminster Gazette.] According to the Universal Standard Catalogue of the Postage Stamps of the World, the total number of all known varieties of postage stamps issued by all the governments of the world up to the present time is 19,242. Of this number 205 have been issued in Great Britain, and 5,711 in various British colonies and protectorates, leaving 13,326 for the rest of the world. Dividing the totals among the continents, Europe issued 4,082, Asia 3,628, Africa 4,065, America (including the West Indies) 6,095, and Oceania 1,425. Salvador has issued more varieties of postage stamps than any other country, the number being 450. Poland and Wadham have each found a solitary specimen suffice for their postal needs.

Effect of Indorsement.

[Hamilton Times.] Dr. Parkin has congratulated Earl Grey. And his excellency may be expected to sign the boat with his right oar.

A Bright Idea.

[Toronto Star.] Mr. Alex. Wright is said to have the quaint idea of organizing the Canadian native party into Band of Hope circles.

A Standing Record.

[Toronto Star.] Much as Mr. Whitney may try, Sir Charles Tupper still holds the rough-house record for adjutives.

No Crookedness.

[Stratford Beacon.] The recount at London has increased Mr. Hyman's majority from 22 to 24. This is a sufficient answer to Candidate Gray's charges of crookedness against the deputy returning officers. The recount was made by Judges Elliott and Macbeth.

Purverizing Ross.

[Hamilton Times.] If anybody doubts the Mail and Empire's annoyance at the idea of a Liberal convention they should read its editorial page. It fairly belabors the subject with a series of these:

Discredited rulers. The crew. Its tricks. Handful of rascals. Ruffianly boldness. This ring. Commonly some blackguard. Gang of blackguards. Stuff ballot boxes. Forgery. Perjury. Stealing the seats. Ballot switchers. Ballot spoilers. Cunning and vicious. Most depraved. Robbery of the public. Scoundrels. Stolen seats. Shocking particulars. These bandits of the machine. Later enormities. Villainy is frightful. Cost is frightful. Swindling. Hoodwink the people. These are but a few specimens from one short article, but when the organ gets limbered up won't it whack it to Ross!

A Bargain.

[Public Opinion, Calcutta.] Christian India has a good appearing, up-to-date, honest young business man, who wants a healthy wife. He knows the value of a dollar and half penny, and is willing to pay for it. He is 23, 5 feet 7, weight 185, dark brown hair and mustache, a widower, no children. He prefers a Christian, a bachelor, who is not a betwixt, and who is not a betwixt. Widows who have had bad companions and lost confidence in mankind, write; he will try to change your views; he does not gamble, use tobacco or liquor; he is a lover of music and all home comforts, and will marry you, and receive a prompt reply. Answer for all and photos exchanged. Ladies desiring to marry should write to above advertiser. We are, on good authority, acquainted with him, and know he is a gentleman.

FEDERATION OF LABOR

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off all relations with his mother and New Zealand relatives, undertaking, however, to settle a handsome allowance on the mother. She, unlike "Dearest," in "Little Lord Fauntleroy," rejected this offer, being unwilling to part from her boy, and fearing that his religious faith might be imperiled if he were brought up by so worldly a woman as old Caroline, Countess of Seaford.

DREW LINE AT "LETTY"

Pinero's Latest Play Barred to Smith College Girls.

Northampton, Mass., Nov. 18. — Smith College girls are agitated because of the refusal of the management of the "Letty" company, in which William Pinero is starring, to return the price of tickets to young women who decided not to attend the performance Monday night.

Pinero plays are considered beyond the pale by the college faculty, and on Sunday President Seelye asked the girls in chapel not to visit the Academy Monday night, as the management of the play had not sufficient influence to bar the play from Northampton.

Monday afternoon a procession of college girls headed for the Academy gave Manager Charles Lothian false visions of a crowded house. No sales of tickets were made. Instead, the young women desired to have the theater buy back tickets already purchased.

As diplomatically as he could, Manager Lothian explained the ironical rule of the profession never to relinquish a dollar after it has found its way into the treasurer's coffers. Some of the young women left in high indignation while others seemed inwardly pleased at the prospect of having to witness the play in order to receive their money's worth. As it was, more than one hundred Smith young women were present Monday night.

The performance at Northampton 1884, in pursuance of New York. Either the chill of the Smith faculty's reception or the rigorous New England climate penetrated Mr. Pinero's system, and he was unable to appear with his company in this city last night. Mr. Pinero is still in Northampton. His physician expects he will be able to appear in New Haven tomorrow night.

A THEORY PROVED.

A New Idea Which Means a Great Deal in the Treatment and Cure of Disease.

Dr. Leonhardt, of Lincoln, Neb., the foremost physician of the Western States, has put forward a new theory as to the cause of disease. He says: "There can be no doubt that the Stomach is and has always been the first cause of 90 per cent of all the illness of mankind. The failure of the Stomach to digest the food properly results in fermentation and decomposition, and the poisons arising from the food and rotting mass get into the blood and follow constant use of them, without softening them or impairing their strength. For bruises, sprains and contusions it is without a peer."

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Nov. 18.—At Halifax—Ionian, from Liverpool.

At New York—Cassel, from Bremen; At St. Louis—Neckar, from New York.

At Liverpool—Cedric, from New York.

At Hamburg—Patricia, from New York.

At Plymouth—Moltke, from New York.

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LATEST MARKETS

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Saturday, Nov. 19.
Today's market was about of the usual
quiet demand in almost every line on
sale, and prices, as a rule, were firm.

Grain—Oats, as has been the case for
some time back, were in good demand;
prices ruled at 56c to 58c per cwt. Wheat
sold at 51c per bu.

Several loads of hay, which were offered
on the previous day, sold at 30c per
ton.

Butter and Eggs—The supply of butter
today was fairly large; sales were made
at 12c to 13c per lb. for crocks and 12c
to 13c for pound rolls. Eggs sold well
at 24c to 25c per dozen by the crate and
boxed lot.

Vegetables and Roots—Potatoes sold
readily today. Apples were plentiful,
at 20c to 25c per dozen. Celery, 30c to 35c
per bunch. Onions, 10c per lb. for small
sized. Other vegetables were well represented,
and sold at prices quoted.

Fruits—Apples, at 15c to 20c per barrel for
a good class of apples, or 25c to 30c per
bushel; pears were scarce. Small fruit
chestnuts were at 25c to 30c per bu.

Poultry—While prices were considerable
offered, the demand seemed slow, as the
appetites of the citizens seem to be rather
dull after Thanksgiving Day; prices were
generally unchanged from those quoted
one lot of dressed geese today for 30c
per lb.

Dressed Hogs—The demand today was
fairly brisk for those offered; prices ruled
at 12c to 13c per lb. for crocks and 12c
to 13c for pound rolls. Live Hogs—The price for Monday
will be 45c to 50c per pair.

Butchers' Meats—Sales were sluggish,
and prices were generally unchanged.

HIDES AND SKINS.
Wool, washed, per lb., 10c to 12c
Wool, unwashed, 12c to 14c
Hides, No. 1, 10c to 12c
Hides, No. 2, 8c to 10c
Hides, No. 3, 6c to 8c
Tallow, 10c to 12c
Sheepskins, 10c to 12c

GRAIN, PER CENTAL.
Oats, new, 30c to 32c
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Wheat, 10c to 12c
Corn, 10c to 12c
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GRAIN, PER BUSHEL.
Oats, new, 34c to 36c
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LONDON AND DISTRICT

—Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Shaw are on a visit to Toronto.

—Mrs. R. B. Samuel, Exeter, is in this city visiting friends.

—Miss Lena Martyn, London, spent the holiday at her home in Wyton.

—Miss Maggie Moore, Port Huron, is visiting with her sisters in this city.

—Miss Minnie Aiken, Thorncliffe, has returned home, after visiting London friends.

—Miss Edith MacArthur is the guest of her uncle, Mr. John MacArthur, Hensall.

—Mrs. F. W. H. C. Jarvis, Port Huron, and son, Horatio are here for a few days' stay.

—Mr. and Miss Rice and Miss Ida Rutherford, London, spent Thanksgiving Day with Miss E. Martin, Wyton.

—Mrs. J. W. G. Winnett, of this city, was the guest this week at Mrs. W. J. Vipond, Hunter's Lodge, Glenwood.

—Mrs. Isaac Downing, of Ridgeway, is spending the Thanksgiving holidays with her mother, Mrs. Kingsnorth, of Quebec street.

—Mr. Arnold MacArthur (formerly of this city), of the Sovereign Bank, has been moved from Chedoke to the main branch in Toronto.

—Miss Ada Clare Abbott, of the Action public school staff, is spending the Thanksgiving holidays as the guest of her mother, Quebec street.

—A memorial service for the late Mrs. George Brooks will be held in the Kensington Methodist Church, West London, next Sunday night at 7 o'clock.

—Mr. Richard V. Omslow, of Montreal, and his bride are visiting the former's parents, the Misses Thomson, of 446 Queen's avenue.

—A quiet but pretty wedding took place on Thanksgiving night at the Methodist parsonage, 149 Central avenue, when Miss Blanch Armstrong and Mr. Harry Steele were married by Rev. S. Sutton.

—Mrs. Wade Mosby, niece of Col. Mosby, the leader of Mosby's Guerrillas in the American civil war, is the guest of Mrs. Benjamin Barter, of Princess avenue. Mrs. Mosby's home is in Salt Lake City.

—The death is announced in Hackensack, N. Y., of Mrs. William Bowman, sister of Mrs. C. H. Fisher, of this city, and a direct descendant of the famous United States Loyalist, Robert Land, the pioneer settler of

the city.

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Mr. Samuel Baker, of St. George's, Choice of No. 1 Committee of the Council.

Ald. Stevely Puts Up a Fight for Promotion of Assistant Treasurer Bell.

Principal Samuel Baker, of St. George's school, is to be London's new city clerk. At least if the city council accepts the recommendation of No. 1 committee, Mr. Baker will succeed Mr. C. B. Edwards in the important position.

The committee met yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock, Chairman Judd, Ald. Stevely, Becher and Cooper and Secretary Pope being present.

Applications for the position were read from Arthur T. Essery, W. O.

not an application before us?

Ald. Judd—I don't see that we can.

Ald. Stevely—Well, you all know and

everybody knows that Mr. Bell is an

applicant, and the length of service he

has given the city should entitle him to

fair play. If he was considered

eligible for the position when Mr. Edwards

was appointed, he is surely

qualified now. You all know the office

was offered him then, but he declined it.

Ald. Cooper—Well, if you are going

to consider other names besides those

before us, I have one to recommend,

but I don't think we can allow it.

Ald. Stevely—Well, as I said before,

you all know Mr. Bell is an applicant,

but if you want to throw him down

on the ground that he has not a

written application before the com-

mittee, well and good.

Ald. Judd—That's not the point and

it's not a fair way to put it. The

question is, can we consider a man

an applicant who has not an applica-

tion before us?

Ald. Stevely—That's not the point at

all. I move that we make no recom-

mendation for the names before us.

Let the council settle the whole matter

and let every man have a chance.

Ald. Cooper—Mr. Kingston would be

very glad to get the position.

Ald. Stevely—He should have kept it

when he had it.

Ald. Cooper—Yes, and Mr. Bell should

have taken it when it was offered him.

Ald. Stevely—My position is this: I

take the ground that clerks in the

city's employ should be promoted when

they are eligible. It will save money

to the city, too, to promote its own

employees, instead of going continually

outside for men and taking them out

of high-salaried positions. And I say

again that Mr. Bell is well qualified.

Ald. Judd sent Secretary Pope for

a copy of the by-laws to prove that no

names but those on the applications be-

fore them could be considered.

The by-laws being read, Ald. Becher

and Cooper then moved that the

committee be authorized to select

that only the names of those who had

applied on paper could be taken up.

Ald. Cooper then seconded Ald.

Becher's motion that Mr. Baker be ap-

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Ald. Stevely pressed his amendment

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report on the transmission of Niagara

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A FINE ADMINISTRATION; MR. STRATTON'S RECORD

Notable Services to Ontario Performed During Term of Retiring Provincial Secretary—Prison and Asylum Reforms and Matters of Public Health Most Important.

Toronto, Nov. 19.—In an interview today Hon. Mr. Stratton gave out the following statement in regard to the administration of his department during the last five years:

"Perhaps it is fitting that at this time I should do so to a small degree. I leave the public institutions of the Province in a much better condition than they were in 1899, when I assumed charge. They are better furnished, better equipped for their work, and better supplied. They are also more efficiently officered, and better results are obtained from the work done. New asylums have been established at Cobourg and Penetanguishene—at the latter place by the conversion of the boys' reformatory into an asylum. The boys have been removed, and those suitable for the purposes have been placed in foster homes, while those with criminal inclinations or incorrigible characters are looked after in the industrial schools. The building they occupied has been remodelled, and now occupied by 200 inmates, with accommodation for as many more, thus providing for the removal from the jails of those confined as insane and weak-minded persons. In 1899 there were seven asylums, with 5,822 patients, and a revenue of \$14,264.54. Now there are nine institutions, with 6,164 patients, and a revenue of \$106,577.14, or an increase of revenue in five years of \$31,512.60.

"The institutions for the deaf and dumb and for the blind at Belleville and Brantford, respectively, have been greatly improved, both materially and in the way of equipment, and have been doing satisfactory work. The Mercer Reformatory has been remodelled throughout. The inmates have been classified, and it is altogether now better equipped for its work. Eight new houses of correction have been erected, with the statutory provincial assistance, and ten new hospitals, and at Woodstock an hospital for epileptics has been completed. The number of lock-ups in the unorganized districts has increased from 13 to 23.

"I may here point out that my department, especially in connection with the public institutions, has been the spending department of the Government. Our expenditures have been about \$1,000,000 per year, and in connection with that expenditure, I do not know of one cent having been misappropriated or wrongfully spent. I shall soon not be connected with the department. If anyone knows of anything of the kind, he is at liberty to inform me, and I will speak out as far as I am able. I will leave behind me the inspectors, the superintendents and bursars of the institutions, as well as the medical officers. I think they can be trusted to do their duty. I have been influenced solely by a desire to have the business of the department properly and promptly, and as economically as was consistent with the welfare of the interest to be served, and that good value, as far as possible, should be received for every dollar expended. I, on my part, can bear testimony that these officials have all succeeded in doing their duty.

Prisons and Hospitals.

"The same general remarks apply to the administration of the Central Prison. This institution is filled with prisoners and more work is being done. The prisoners are daily employed and made to contribute to the revenue of the Province. The equipment has been improved to facilitate the attainment of the objects of the work done by the Prisoners' Aid Association to improve the condition and prospect of the prisoners, and also the Salvation Army Prison Gate Mission work, which, though not working in co-operation, is working along the same lines for the same object.

"The hospitals of the Province have been looked after with some care, and measures adopted to make them better serve the purposes for which they are maintained and more worthy of the Government assistance they receive. There have also been improvements made in the jails of the Province. There seems to be no reason or justification for the practice of confining insane or weak-minded persons in our jails with criminals, and I have seen that provision has been made for such persons in institutions properly and specially equipped for their care and maintenance, so that the jails will be relieved and undesirable conditions removed.

The License Laws.

"Now, with regard to the license department, I do not think that I am going too far when I say that it is generally conceded that I have met with some degree of success in my efforts to have the law efficiently enforced, and that there has been great improvement under my administration of the law as it stands, and those interested in the traffic will admit that an honest and impartial strict enforcement of the law. The representatives of the various churches and of the Lord's Day Alliance will, I believe, admit that there has been marked improvement in the enforcement of the liquor license act in the past five years. Upon this point, I noticed in The Pioneer, a journal published in the interests of social progress and moral reform, a paragraph which has a bearing. Here are words which speak for themselves:

"Our license laws are fewer in proportion to our population and our per capita consumption of strong drink is less than in the case in other countries. We are comparatively well off in this respect, but we are getting better off. Progress is steady. The liquor laws of every Province are being steadily tightened up. Those who sell liquor must now observe stricter laws and operate within limited hours. I attribute such improvements mainly to the fact that I have firmly insisted upon a strict enforcement of the law, without fear or favor, and without reference to the political standing of the parties concerned. I have always made an honest effort, and with I believe, considerable success, to meet public sentiment in regard to the Sunday sale of liquor and

the sale during prohibited hours, and with an act that most certainly can be improved in the interests of every body, especially as regards the means provided for the enforcement of the law.

"During my term of office the business and revenue of the provincial secretary's department proper have greatly increased, the revenue from fees having been in 1899 some \$71,000, and last year some \$121,000. In the granting of charters to companies care has been exercised to not only protect the public interest but also to deal with applicants in an impartial spirit, and while not denying them any right to which they were entitled, to see that no privilege was granted without the requirements of the statute. Care has been taken to fully discuss the merits of the proposition submitted, and in cases where difference of opinion has arisen, the contention of the department has, upon discussion, been accepted.

The Public Health.

"Another branch of my department of capital importance is that dealing with the interests of the public health, and in this there has been considerable progress made in the improvement of conditions and in the character and amount of work accomplished. Health legislation has been enacted, of which the most important is, perhaps, that providing for the establishment of sanatoria for consumptives. This was demanded in view of the wide prevalence of this terrible disease, consumption, its chronic and infectious character and the almost absolute impossibility of successful or satisfactory home treatment. This law enables municipalities to erect local sanatoria for consumptives, and the Government grants one-fifth of the cost up to \$4,000, and under certain conditions undertakes to contribute \$1.50 per week to the maintenance of each patient in consumption hospitals. If this legislation is taken advantage of much help will have been given towards the cure of this disease, which is not a disease which counts more victims than all the other infectious diseases combined. I have endeavored to take a practical as well as moral interest in the work, and I am satisfied that the officers of the Gravenhurst Sanatorium will say that I have not overlooked the \$1,000,000 per year, and in connection with that expenditure, I do not know of one cent having been misappropriated or wrongfully spent. I shall soon not be connected with the department. If anyone knows of anything of the kind, he is at liberty to inform me, and I will speak out as far as I am able. I will leave behind me the inspectors, the superintendents and bursars of the institutions, as well as the medical officers. I think they can be trusted to do their duty. I have been influenced solely by a desire to have the business of the department properly and promptly, and as economically as was consistent with the welfare of the interest to be served, and that good value, as far as possible, should be received for every dollar expended. I, on my part, can bear testimony that these officials have all succeeded in doing their duty.

Regrets Departure.

"I retire from my official duties with feelings in which relief and regret are mingled. You will see from the reference to the many branches of my department that the work has been arduous, and without unrelenting attention, difficult. In this sense retirement brings relief, not because I object to hard work—no one has ever accused me of that—but I am now free to give adequate and, as I have remarked, much needed attention to my private business. My regret consists in the severance of the personal and official relations with my colleagues in the cabinet. Our personal relations have been of the most pleasant character, and in our official relations there has been a general harmony of opinions in all matters of policy.

"I think I have reason to feel satisfied that when all the facts become known to the public, my administration of the department of provincial secretary it will be admitted that no man could more efficiently and faithfully have tried to discharge the complicated duties associated with the various branches of the department, and that I have endeavored to procure satisfaction to the president of the West Peterborough Liberal Association that it is not my intention to be a candidate for re-election in West Peterborough at the conclusion of the present parliamentary term."

CZAR ADMONISHED BY HOLY SYNOD

"Policy of Von Plehve's Successor Will Ruin Both Empire and Church."

London, Nov. 18.—The Berlin correspondent of the Morning Post says that Prof. Schmemmann, the well-known historian of Russia, has received a letter from a well-informed correspondent at St. Petersburg, stating that the Emperor, who is greatly perturbed by M. Pobedonostzeff's arguments, at once summoned Prince Sviatopole-Mirsky, and spoke earnestly to him of the dangers of his system, which he said might well lead to the imposition of constitutional restrictions in the future.

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The Minister of the Interior fearlessly avowed that the revolution was the certain consequence of failure to introduce such restrictions. The Emperor at length requested the minister to present his ideas in the form of a written memorandum. For fourteen days the minister worked on the memorandum, and presented it to the Emperor only a few days ago. So far the Emperor has reached no decision.

Count Goes to Jail.

Toronto, Nov. 18.—Hans Waldheim, the alleged foreign count, was this morning sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary for burglary by F. M. Denison, Geo. H. Bird was committed for trial on the charge of attempting to murder W. J. Burke, a boy, by throwing him into the bay.

TO HELP STRIKERS

Federation at Frisco Donates \$75,000 to Textile Workers.

San Francisco, Nov. 18.—The delegates to the American Federation of Labor today unanimously voted to levy an assessment of 1 cent per week for three weeks in aid of the textile workers now out on strike at Fall River, Mass., and to confer upon the executive council of the Federation authority to levy additional assessments if such a course in their judgment had been deemed necessary. This will immediately realize \$75,000 for the aid of the strikers. The vote was unanimous and was received with great cheering. Many delegates rose in their seats and rendered checks or even cash as the share of their organization to John Golden, representative of the United Textile Workers of the United States.

IMPERIAL FAMILY BLAMED FOR EVILS

Sensational Attack on Hapsburgs in Austrian House.

WOMEN BIGOTS, MEN IGNORANT

Citizens of Rome Carry Out Monster Demonstration in Protest of Insurrection Affair.

Vienna, Nov. 18.—During the session of the Reichsrath today, Herr Pernstorfer, one of the Socialist leaders, made a violent attack on the imperial dynasty. Referring to the Insurrection affair, he alleged that the highest influences had been used to prevent a harmonious understanding being reached between Germans and Italians with the monarchy, adding that settlement of national differences in the Tyrol were now rendered impossible for many years. Herr Pernstorfer proceeded to refer to the dynasty, which he charged with being responsible for all the unhappy conditions prevailing in Austria. The Hapsburgs, he said, had always regarded the country as an object of exploitation and had been a burden upon the people for six hundred years. The members of the imperial family were not even proud of their position, but were ashamed of it. The women, he asserted, were bigots and the men clerical partisans, mostly ignorant and uneducated. He concluded with characterizing the Hapsburgs as the evil force of the realm.

Count Bielewsky, the newly-elected leader of the Polish party, indignantly protested against Herr Pernstorfer's speech, which, he said, would not be permitted in any other parliament in the world.

Rome, Nov. 18.—An impressive meeting to protest against the Insurrection affair was held tonight at the Quirinale Palace. The stage was decorated with the banners of Italian cities that are still subject to Austria. Among the notable persons on the stage were Bjornstjerne Bjornson and his wife, whose appearance was greeted with tremendous applause. The meeting was opened by Prof. Sighele, president of a club of former residents of Trent and Trieste, now living in Rome. He was followed by Deputy Barballa, a native of Trieste, and who represented the city of Rome constituencies; Deputy Vecchini, Conservative, and Deputy Secchi, Republican, a veteran who fought under Garibaldi against Austria.

An order of the day embodying the opinions expressed by the speakers was voted by acclamation, and amidst cries of "Long live Italy!" and "Garibaldi forever!" After the meeting adjourned the crowd made a rush for the Austrian embassy and consulate situated in the Piazza Colonna, in the center of Rome, to make a demonstration there. The incident had been anticipated by the authorities, and precautions had been taken accordingly.

Italy Shaken. Rome, Nov. 18.—Several earthquake shocks were felt today in Central Italy, especially at Florence, Pisa and Urbino. No damage was done.

VICE-REGAL PARTY LEAVE OUR SHORES

Lord and Lady Minto Sail by the Tunisian.

BIG CROWD TO SAY FAREWELL

His Excellency Presented With Loving Cups by McGill University and Other Institutions.

Quebec, Nov. 18.—Amid the booming of cannon and the cheers of an immense crowd of people, which thronged Dufferin Terrace, overlooking the steamship wharf, and also along the route of procession and at the wharf itself, Lord and Lady Minto and the viceregal party left Quebec per steamship Tunisian at 9 o'clock this evening. The party left the Chateau Frontenac at 8 o'clock. A guard of honor of 100 men, furnished by the Eighth Royal Rifles Regiment, was drawn up outside the hotel. The party were accompanied to the dock by Sir Wilfrid and Lady Laurier, Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick, Premier of the Province, Sir H. Mulgrew, Allan, Andrew Allan, Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, D. Pottinger and many others in carriages. The Queen's Own Canadian Hussars provided an escort of fourteen men, while at the wharf a guard of honor of 400 Canadian Regiment together with the state band were drawn up.

Lord Minto was honored by no less than three distinct institutions at the Chateau Frontenac this morning, two of which presented addresses and the third a loving cup. McGill University, through its principal, Dr. Peterson, presented Lord Minto with a farewell address couched in fond terms of adieu to Lord and Lady Minto and party, and touching on the interest he had taken in the university during his tenure of office as his majesty's representative in Canada. Lord Minto made an appropriate reply, referring to the fame of McGill and the honor gained as an institution of learning, and wishing the institution continued success in its laudable object.

At the conclusion of the above event, Principal Peterson presented an address on behalf of St. Andrew's Society, Montreal, to which his lordship replied most happily to his brother Scotchmen in Canada and referred to the part played by them in all branches of industry and athletics in the Dominion.

Another presentation which took place this morning was that of a silver loving cup, which was presented to Lord Minto by Sir Hugh Montgomerie Allan. His lordship made a suitable acknowledgment.

In the parlors of the Chateau Frontenac this morning, Gustave Grenier, clerk of the executive council, was decorated with the Companion of the Imperial Service Order Medal. Major Macdonald read the diploma accompanying the medal, while the latter was pinned on the breast of the recipient by His Excellency Lord Minto.

Apart from the presentations referred to elsewhere, the party spent the day quietly at the chateau, resting after the round of social functions of yesterday.

Nomination Day.

Montreal, Que., Nov. 18.—This is nomination day throughout the Province of Quebec, and owing to the peculiar set of conditions which prevail through the determination of the Opposition to abstain in general, the result of the day is a general thing from taking part in the general thing. The result of the day is a general thing from taking part in the general thing. The result of the day is a general thing from taking part in the general thing.

Italy Shaken.

Rome, Nov. 18.—Several earthquake shocks were felt today in Central Italy, especially at Florence, Pisa and Urbino. No damage was done.

BIG GEM ROBBERY

\$20,000 Worth Taken From Kentuckian in New York City.

New York, N. Y., Nov. 19.—Dr. and Mrs. Holley, of Lexington, Ky., who are in this city, have reported to the central detective bureau that one of their trunks was robbed of jewelry valued at nearly \$20,000. Dr. Holley is a prominent southern physician. The stolen jewels consist of a string of pearls worth \$15,000, it is said, a diamond ring worth \$1,000, a stickpin and a number of miscellaneous articles of jewelry.

U. S. CARRIES CASE TO PRIVY COUNCIL

Final Effort Being Made to Get Greene and Gaynor.

WANTED BAD BY UNCLE SAM

The Two Men Were Apprehended in Quebec, But the Laws of the Province Blockade Extradition.

New York, Nov. 18.—A Washington dispatch to the Tribune says: The cases of Benjamin D. Green and John F. Gaynor, which grew out of the case against Oberlin M. Carter, who was implicated in the Savannah River contract scandals will be taken up by the Privy Council of England on Dec. 12. This tribunal may render a decision which will place Greene and Gaynor, who went to Canada while their cases were yet pending, in the hands of the United States authorities.

Proceedings for the extradition of Greene and Gaynor were begun as soon as the American authorities received information that they had taken up their residence in Montreal. Accordingly an application was made and a writ was issued by an extradition commissioner of Montreal. The two men, however, were apprehended in Quebec, to which jurisdiction they had made their way. They were taken to Montreal and a Quebec judge immediately issued a writ of habeas corpus, which was served on the Montreal jailer. He brought Greene and Gaynor back to Quebec, where a Canadian legal controversy ensued, which finally resulted in the issuing of another writ of habeas corpus by Judge Caron.

It is from this latter writ, which permits the freedom of Greene and Gaynor within the boundaries of Quebec, and exempts them from interference from American authorities, that the United States Government has appealed to the Privy Council of England.

Mr. McMaster, of Montreal, is the special attorney for the United States. Officials of the Washington Government believe that a final decision will be reached before the first of the year. Several cases, involving large property interests, are awaiting further action, because of the necessity of the presence in the United States of Greene and Gaynor, who are defendants. Should the decision of the Privy Council be favorable to the contention of the United States, it is believed that little time will elapse before Greene and Gaynor, through extradition proceedings, are again under American jurisdiction.

Hottentots on Warpath.

Cape Town, Nov. 18.—A dispatch from Uprington, on the Orange River, says that two women who have arrived there, give details of a Hotentot rising in German territory. Their husbands and a number of Dutch farmers were brutally murdered, but 20 women and children escaped and reached Redfontein in destitute circumstances.

WITH RUSSIAN BATTERIES AT THE LIAO YANG BATTLE

Experiences of a Correspondent With Kuropatkin's Army in Retreat—Exciting Incidents That Preceded the Greatest Combat of Modern Times.

The Japanese struck the Russian center at Kao-feng-shih on Aug. 25, twenty miles from Liao Yang, and it was the operations of the 25th and 26th along the railroad and east line that kindled the Russians at the inner positions of their stronghold and base at Liao Yang. Circling around by the Feng Wang Cheng road, I entered the village of Kao-feng-shih. The road there was shattered with blood. Shrapnel was bursting over the house where I took tiffin with a Chinese family, anxious to see a stranger not a Russian. The Chinese cheerfully remained in their homes—a Chinese has no place but home. In the street I accosted a blind man who was wandering about with a staff. He said he was "sore afraid" and "knew not what affairs were making." I told him it was war, and of no use to fear, all would soon be over, and he should go back to his home, where he would be safe. Greatly comforted, he thanked me and went confidently back.

The heavy Russian batteries above the roofs of the town sometimes thundered in volleys, sometimes singly; but always a great cloud of dust and smoke went up when the guns recoiled in the dry shale and parched soil of the breastworks—the same permanent red, embattled khaki roundabouts of the insidious enemy—the same works which—once discovered by the Japanese artillerymen—remained a stationary target for hours, days, or until wasted under the slow measured fire from the enemy's guns. And now with mechanical precision the khaki roundabouts fall like trip-hammers upon these batteries, beneath a half-dozen of which I pass. Fragments of shrapnel and other missiles are throwing shells into the Meng Chia Fang road, and it is toward evening, as I am about to turn toward To Shih, I come directly under the shells chasing each other through the trenches littered with empty cartridges and inhabited by brave, generous, happy-go-lucky soldiers. An officer took me out on the skyline and naively told me that the Japanese "were right there at the foot of the incline," perhaps three-quarters of a mile away! I demonstrated with him for exposing his position where 25 men could have been killed by a single shot had the enemy chosen to put us in target. He thought nothing of that—men are by instinct brave. On the right a company of men sat, under a shower of deadly shrapnel, quietly on the steep mountainside, while out of their midst a slow continuous trail of wounded, lacerated men worked its way and seemed to trickle down the little watercourse to the rear. The tentacles of death are fastening there. But the men calmly light their cigarettes while the Conqueror stalks among them! As I leave the path a captain tells me of the progress of the battle and says, "Until now victory is with us." How often had I heard that thing! It is one of the tragedies, and is of the same with the remark of another officer. "We always defeat the Japanese, but afterward we retreat, why, I do not know!"

Five minutes later, as I leave the gully, a shell bursts just behind me and a man is buried there, under the waving kowliang. The enemy are shelling the Russian approaches. Shells continue to drop in the roadway. In a crevice at the side a small hospital squad of Russian staff and came upon a division of cavalry under Gen. Grikor, who with his staff was resting under a tree in a village. They were anxious to know the last word from the battleground, and with intense interest their faces plainly showed. One Logan-looking man seemed the most earnest and intelligent. I repeated what I had been told a couple of miles back, well knowing that they knew the truth. Wounded men in litter now took up most of the road. In one place I was stopped by a Japanese, and my hand was raised to prove or disprove my identity. The retreat came that night. The Japanese began their last bound, and by the time I filed my dispatches at the telegraph office, the Russians that last "retreat" which brought both to what had been looked upon by the world as a final battleground.

The place where the battle was fought lies under the eyes of the spectator as he stands upon the city walls, and I take his horse he may traverse the saddle, as I did every day for six days, over an area of fifteen miles. The operations of Liao Yang begins with the debouching of the Tenth Corps into the Yangtze plain from the Amoy gully. It was a scene which no witness can forget. This army, always beaten, had fought a retreat of three days from Kung Chang Ling, where it was attacked simultaneously with the attack on the army at Kao-feng-shih. The Japanese watched it pass out of the hills at Hsiao Tun with throbbing hearts. I am using my diary, apparently flimsy as it is, almost from "hot-hooks," signs and wonders, the inspiration of the line of communications, the trench, the open field in retreat and defense, and every reality of the battleground.

The eastern army, also—that of the luckless and unhappy Koller—had fought itself back to the plain through the Feng Wang Cheng road. But the spectacle, the embodied agony, was perched like a raven upon the banners of the Tenth. Suddenly I came upon the immutable, the ever-present line—that of the line of the struggling, downward, threatening itself through the transport—that sanguinary miscellany of the field and of martial valor!

As I leave the position and go back down the little valley, the eastern army has come out of the Feng Wang Cheng road, and is swinging around to the south, the Meng Chia Fang road, centering at Shi Chang Yu and Chiao Fan Tun. The staff is inquiring for the camps, the officers are inquiring for the staff, and the staff again is inquiring for troops. There are three peaks above the village that are under hot Japanese fire, and the rifles are going. The hospital corps in the sunken road has had a wounded. The dead are lying on the ridges or in the enemy's lines. From Shi Chang Yu and Ta Shih the Russian guns are throwing shells into the Meng Chia Fang road, and it is toward evening, as I am about to turn toward To Shih, I come directly under the shells chasing each other through the trenches littered with empty cartridges and inhabited by brave, generous, happy-go-lucky soldiers. An officer took me out on the skyline and naively told me that the Japanese "were right there at the foot of the incline," perhaps three-quarters of a mile away! I demonstrated with him for exposing his position where 25 men could have been killed by a single shot had the enemy chosen to put us in target. He thought nothing of that—men are by instinct brave. On the right a company of men sat, under a shower of deadly shrapnel, quietly on the steep mountainside, while out of their midst a slow continuous trail of wounded, lacerated men worked its way and seemed to trickle down the little watercourse to the rear. The tentacles of death are fastening there. But the men calmly light their cigarettes while the Conqueror stalks among them! As I leave the path a captain tells me of the progress of the battle and says, "Until now victory is with us." How often had I heard that thing! It is one of the tragedies, and is of the same with the remark of another officer. "We always defeat the Japanese, but afterward we retreat, why, I do not know!"

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CAN HOLD OUT SEVERAL MONTHS

General Stoessel Still Full of Fight—Circassian Cavalry for the Front.

Mukden, Nov. 18.—On the morning of Nov. 17, after a long silence, the distant roar of cannon was heard, but where the fighting occurred is not yet known. There is no assurance yet that it means that a general fight is beginning. The Red Cross is making extensive preparations for the transportation of wounded from the fields of battle.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 18.—Gen. Stoessel has telegraphed to Emperor Nicholas that Port Arthur can hold out several months.

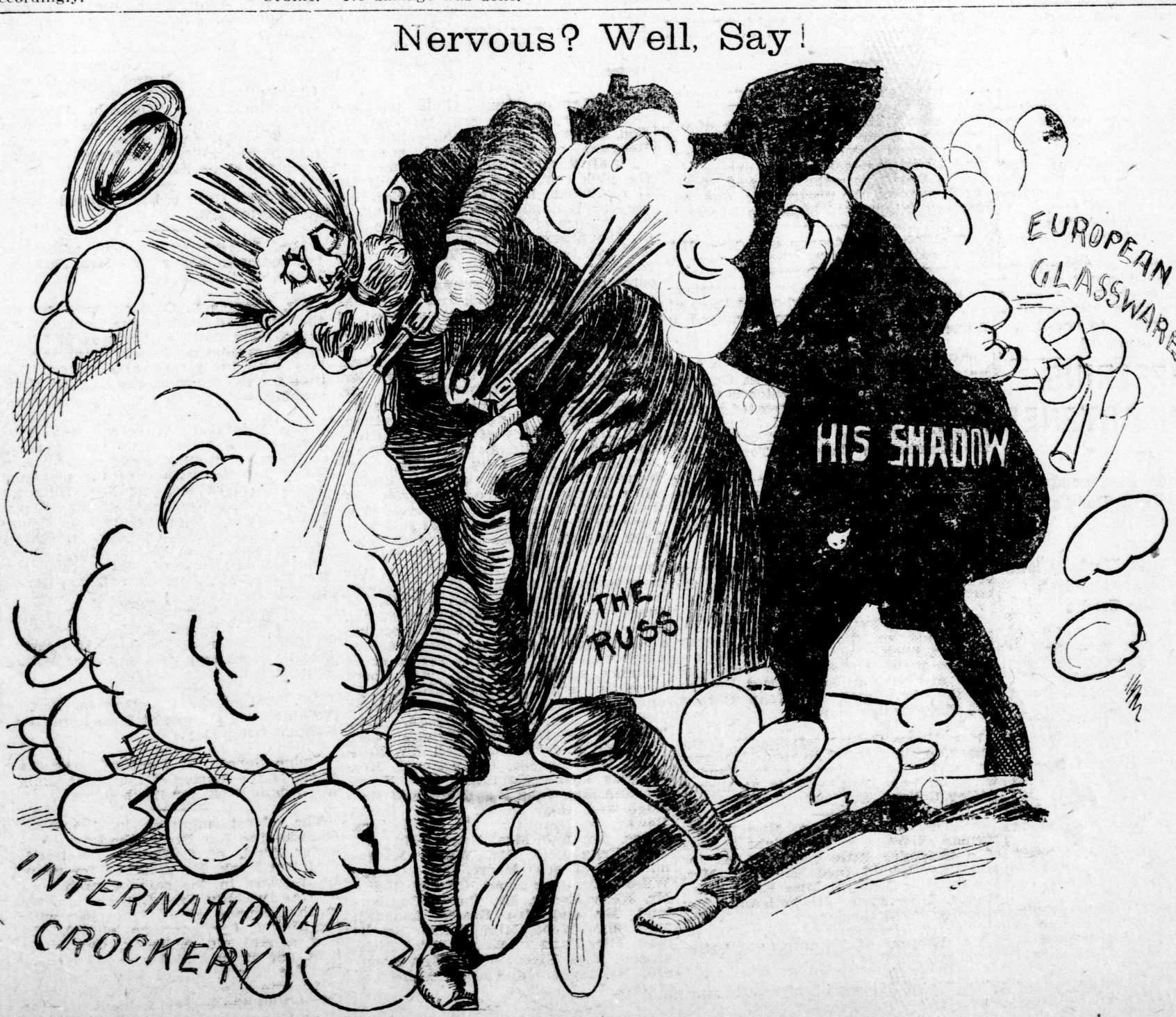
Emperor Nicholas will leave for the Caucasus on Dec. 3 to bid farewell to the Circassian Cavalry. The mobilization of reservists at St. Petersburg, it is expected, will be announced next week. While the reservists of the Russian army have been postponed as long as possible. It is reported on apparently good authority that the meeting of the Zemstvo, scheduled for today, has been postponed.

CHEERED ENGLISH GIRL

Miss Rose Carries Off a Blue Ribbon at New York Horse Show.

New York, Nov. 18.—This being "Ladies' Day" at the annual horse show, a large crowd was early in attendance. More women are to participate than on any other day of the week. Another feature of the day is that the class of horses suitable to be cavalry chargers. In this class the riders must appear in the uniform either of the regular army or of the national guard, and they are also to carry sabres. The bright dresses of the women and the native uniforms of the cavalrymen made a brilliant spectacle, which enlivened the big garden more than during any previous day of the show.

An extraordinary demonstration took place when the English girl, Miss Ella Rose, was awarded the blue ribbon in the novice class for a pair of her black geldings, Rowton Blackthorn and Rowton Brierley. When the pair were picked out by the judges for the honor and the blue rosette was being affixed to the handsome head of Rowton Blackthorn, there was an outburst of cheering that lasted several minutes, and was renewed again and again. Miss Rose brought over a number of horses and vehicles, and universal sympathy has been extended her because of her poor luck when her exhibits were judged.



Boston Herald.

HORSE SLIGHTED BY NOVELISTS

WRITERS OF ROMANCE HAVE FAILED
TO GIVE PROMINENT PLACE TO
PRINCE OF ANIMALS.

Poets and Fictionists Seem to Have Very
Little Acquaintance With Horses
and Horsemanship.

Though poets and novelists have in countless works written in vague and general praise of the horse, when one begins to delve into particulars one realizes that the writer of fiction has, as a rule, been always rather shy of this subject. The novelist and the poet have not, one begins to discover, much real acquaintance with horses and horsemanship, and a survey of the literature of the last century almost convinces one that writers, as a class, prefer to leave the achievements of the noblest of all domesticated animals rather severely alone. Few creators of romance have, in fact, cared to particularize on a subject which, adequately dealt with, offers many attractions.

Byron, it is true, strikes a stirring note in the poem of "Mazeppa," that spirited and romantic setting of an old Polish or Cossack tradition. Byron gathered his materials for "Mazeppa" from Voltaire's "History of Charles XII," and makes his hero, the aged hetman of the Ukraine Cossacks, recount his terrible ride to Charles on the night following the disastrous battle of Poltava. According to Byron, Mazeppa, a young Polish gentleman, detected in an intrigue with the wife of a count of Podolia, is seized, bound to the back of an unbroken horse, fresh from the wilds of Ukraine, and driven forth into the forest and the wilderness. The tale is fitted to Byron's best manner, yet when one begins to inquire closely into the particulars one finds that poetical license has been somewhat too freely made use of. For two days and nights, according to Byron, Mazeppa's steed carries him in a career so headlong that even the tireless wolves which pursue them are left behind. Now, wolves, it is well known, will run down the best horse in the world; while any comparison, acquainted with horses and their capabilities will bear out the writer in his affirmation that no horse ever foisted could pursue a rider in flight, and, for 48 hours. However, at the end of that time, even the steed portrayed by Byron begins to flag. He swims with his burden across a mighty river, and presently sinks down upon the Ukraine steppe, where Mazeppa is rescued and unbound by the natives of that wild district. Among the people the hero makes his home, in years to come rising to the position of hetman or prince of the Ukraine.

SCOTT AND THE HORSE.

Sir Walter Scott understood horses probably a good deal better than did Byron, and in the "Lady of the Lake" the chase of the stag, through Glenartney forest, is with a first-rate horse feasible enough. Fitzgibbon, however, appears to have been a more enthusiastic hunter than Scott, and in his "The Hunt of the Stag" he describes a horse master, and having overriden his good gray from Glenartney to the shores of Loch Katrine, the generous beast yields up his life for the hunter's stiff limbs to rise no more. Scott, however, paints an incident that occasionally happens, even in fox hunting, and the knowledge of the ground described and of the limits of a horse's endurance has prevented him from depicting the impossible in his spirited account of the great run with a Glenartney stag.

Harrison Ainsworth's well-known description of Dick Turpin's ride to York almost rescues "Rookwood" from the region of rather cheap melodrama. Turpin, of course, never performed the ride in question, a ride as Ainsworth describes it, probably far beyond the limits of any single horse's endurance. Nevertheless, so well is the famous highwayman's gallop etched, and so much pains has the novelist taken in the management of his part of his tale, that good Black Bess and her immortal course will probably live in fiction to delight schoolboys for generations yet to come.

THE HIGHWAYMAN'S MOUNT.

Among English novelists W. M. Melville certainly knew more about horses and their capabilities than any other. In "Katerfelto" he has made the highwayman's gray nag, of which John Katerfelto becomes possessed, almost as much the hero of his tale as the man who bestrides it. The hunt on Exmoor is excellently well done, and Katerfelto's leap for freedom, a leap which saves his master and is the undoing of Parson Gale and his black gelding Cassock, is admirably set forth. The stallion Katerfelto, according to W. M. Melville, is never again captured, and becomes the semi-feral progenitor of much of the moorland pony stock of West Somerset and Devon. There may be, as Melville hints, some substratum of truth at the bottom of this romance. "Satanaella" is another of W. M. Melville's tales, which traces the fortunes of a handsome black mare

with the story of a beautiful but ill-starred woman. Among other famous horsemen and horses of fiction, Starlight and his good nag, in "Robbery Under Arms," naturally occur to one, while the great ride of Unselopagaas, so graphically set forth by Rider Haggard in "Allan Quatermain," is an excellent piece of work, strong, exciting and not overdone in coloring. Taken as a whole, however, fiction is somewhat surprisingly poor in a domain where it might have been expected to reap many laurels, and horses and their feats have been but little utilized.

RIDE OF THE WELSH KNIGHT.

Turning from the realm of fiction to that of hard facts, one recalls three great and marvelous rides. First, that of the Welsh Knight of the Shire, who rode up to London on the spur from his own home to record his vote in favor of that great success which established the present dynasty on the throne of Britain. The squire reached Westminster literally in the very nick of time, and his casting vote decided the fate of the Stuarts and the rise of their Hanoverian cousins.

One of the greatest of all historic rides was that of young Robert Carr from London to Edinburgh, to carry to the king the tidings of the death of Queen Elizabeth. Carr's ride, accomplished practically without rest or respite, on relays of horses still stands to the present day as one of the finest of all achievements in endurance and horsemanship.

Brown's Imaginary Gallop.

With the good news from Ghent to Aix, the effect before this very real and wonderful performance of the fiery veteran Sir Harry Smith.—The Author.

Largest Organ in the Body.

It is the liver, located on the right side of the body below the left lung; it extends over into the left side and below the left lung, resting against the stomach and upon the right kidney. Small wonder that liver trouble makes you feel so miserable. The symptoms of indigestion, dizziness, indigestion, headache, feeling of depression and lack of appetite. Don't waste time with doubtful remedies. There is but one sure cure, Dr. Hamilton's Pills. In every case they are successful in curing quickly. By relying on Dr. Hamilton's Pills you are sure of strong vitality, nourishing blood, bright cheery spirits. No longer will you suffer from disordered liver, or from the various ailments which medicine is that it keeps you well—prevents and wards off sickness of every kind.

Decidedly Unusual.

"We have a most extraordinary singer this year," explained the manager, "and we wish you to exploit her in an unusual way."

"That's good," returned the press agent.

"What are the facts?"

"Well, she has no diamonds to be stolen."

"That's played out, anyway."

"That knocks out also elaborate descriptions of the way her gems are guarded."

"Of course."

"Then she does not come of an aristocratic family that would be luminated to see the family name on the playbill."

"That has become tiresome, too."

"And she was not rescued from the slums by someone who was captivated by her beautiful voice."

"The press agent began to look a little troubled."

"She has no wealthy patron who has watered her from childhood and derived the expenses of her musical education from the great public might not be deprived of the joy of her magnificent voice."

"She did not show her indomitable will by getting a musical education under the most adverse conditions and in other relatives starved themselves or in other words, she was not a prodigy."

"The press agent breathed heavily."

"One of the great masters of Europe considered her future of such promise that he took her as his personal pupil, and refused to accept any compensation other than the satisfaction of giving her to the world."

"The press agent gasped."

"She has endured no hardships; she was born in a palace, and she has been raised in a palace."

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THE MILITARY PERIL.

Old Lady (to member of signaling section, who has just commenced to reply to a message)—Young man, if you think to alarm me by wagging those flags about, you are very much mistaken!—Punch.

DO WOUNDED DUCKS

EVER COMMIT SUICIDE

SOME REASONS FOR ANSWERING

IN THE NEGATIVE.

A western correspondent writes asking if it is true that ducks, when wounded, will dive to the bottom, and fasten their bill to grass or sticks, remain there to escape the hunter, and thus voluntarily committing suicide. This seems to be a time-honored belief, and one on which I cannot speak positively, as I am not a duck hunter.

That ducks on any other animal will commit suicide is incredible; it is not only against all we know of ducks, but is against all we know of animals generally. It involves reasoning and knowledge of death and the ways of hunters of which the wild creatures are ignorant. It is simply an endeavor to stay under water, that being a means of escape which instinct prompts them to resort to. A week after the duck that they will die there or that it will ultimately effect their escape from the hunter.

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All Week First-class Vaudeville

Next week the Grand will be open every night, when the attractions will open with "The Prince of Pilsen" on Monday night, the remaining five nights being taken up with the Marks Company, the popular-priced company which always draws large audiences in London.

At the Grand this afternoon and evening, "The Crisis" is the attraction, and it should be rewarded with large audiences.

At the London Vaudeville the splendid bill holds the boards, afternoon and evening. Next week a complete change of bill will be presented, and the names on the programme are a guarantee of the quality of the entertainment offered by the management. It is safe to say that it is first-class in all respects, and the wonder is that the management is able to put such attractions on at such low prices.

James K. Hackett, manager of Miss Nettie Constock, who will be seen at the Grand tonight in Winston Churchill's dramatization of his own famous novel, "The Crisis," has gone further than any other manager in providing equipment for his companies. Not only does he furnish every article used on the stage, but he provides each company with its own individual curtain. As these cost anywhere from \$500 to \$1,000 each, they make something of an item in the cost of equipping a company.

Next week at the London Vaudeville four benefit performances to assist in the furnishing of the new nurses' home will be given. These will be the regular Tuesday and Thursday matinees, and the Thursday and Friday night performances. That the theatre will be crowded on all four occasions is the earnest wish of all who have the good of Victoria Hospital at heart, and as the members of the trust and their friends are already hard at work pushing the good thing along, it looks as though the nurses' home will realize a neat sum through the generosity of the London Vaudeville management.

Moreover, next week's bill is an excellent one, and all who attend the London Vaudeville may rest assured that they will be amply repaid. The bill includes the following:

FRED C. STILES.
A Noted and Sweet-Voiced Tenor Singer.

FRANK WALDO AND COMPANY.
Who Will Present the Great Black Magic Comedy Novelty, "The Hall of Mysteries."

PALARO BROS.
Famous Equilibrist and Gymnasts, in "Fun At The Hill."

THE CLEODORAS.
Sensational Novelty Gymnasts.

CLARK'S COMEDY DOG CIRCUS.
ROATTINO AND STEVENS.

In Their Latest Novelty, "Scenes in the Wistaria Bower."

SENIOR AND SENIOR FRANCESCA.
Heavy Lifters and Balancers.

FRED AND HELEN BELLAIRS.
Famous Acrobats and Contortionists.

And the kinetograph, which will show the audience the most up-to-date moving pictures, including "The Moonshiners," said to be the best moving picture attraction known.

Music lovers in Detroit and surrounding cities will have another opportunity to hear the celebrated Savoy English Opera Company in a repertoire of elaborate grand opera productions at the Detroit Opera House during the week of Nov. 28. This famous organization is now making a transcontinental tour and its engagements must be limited. The company has been considerably enlarged, having a number of new artists imported this season, and now carries a full grand opera orchestra. The approaching opera festival will afford the chief musical event of the year in this part of the state.

With this array of English singing artists, orchestra of 40 musicians and chorus of nearly seventy voices, Mr. Savoy has the largest and best English Grand Opera Company in the world. It numbers nearly a hundred and fifty people, and has its own chartered train of twelve cars to carry the immense equipment, of scenery, costumes, properties and electric effects, required for each opera. To accommodate these superb productions in Detroit, Manager Whitney will be compelled to make numerous alterations in the stage and remove three rows of seats from the orchestra to provide space for the musicians. The opera festival will open with

Puccini's beautiful "La Boheme," the dramatic gem that took music lovers by storm when first produced in Detroit last spring, and the dates and arrangement of performances will be as follows:

Monday evening, Nov. 28.—Puccini's "La Boheme."

Tuesday evening, Nov. 29.—Bizet's "Carmen."

Wednesday Matinee, Nov. 30.—Only performance of Wagner's "Lohengrin."

Wednesday evening, Nov. 30.—Only performance of Verdi's "Otello."

Thursday evening, Dec. 1.—A double bill, Mascagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana" and Leoncavallo's "I Pagliacci."

Friday evening, Dec. 2.—Puccini's "La Boheme."

Saturday matinee, Dec. 3.—Bizet's "Carmen."

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Jay Town—A small city. Killed 'em dead—The expression used by a performer to convey the idea that he has made a hit.

Knocker—One who speaks unkindly of his fellows.

Paper—The various lithographs used in advertising a production.

Rube—An actor appearing as a farmer.

Shine—One who thinks he has talent, but has not.

Show—A term used by managers to characterize the person in the audience who has secured free admission.

Stood 'em up—Filled the theatre to overflowing.

Speller—A lecturer. Also called Barker, all-day talker, side show orator, wind jammer, etc.

String of Talk—A monologue.

Tank Drama—A melodrama introducing a water scene as the principal attraction.

The Bunch—Members of the company to whom other names are sometimes applied.

Turned Down—The phrase an actor uses when he has been denied success, however, shows that she knew her proper calling.

Water Tank—A very small town. Yid—A Hebrew comedian.

Direct from a three months' run at the Majestic Theatre, New York City, "The Isle of Spice" will begin an engagement at the Grand Opera House here Feb. 4. The "Isle of Spice" has been described as a pleasant musical mixture, and this happy phrase seems to about it the piece, which was seen here last season. It is the work of Allen Lowe and George E. Stoddard, the music being by Paul Schindler and Ben. M. Jerome. It is in two acts and under the management of R. C. Whitney, who has organized what is said to be one of the largest and strongest musical comedy companies in America. There are an unusual number of what are known as popular song hits in the piece, among them may be mentioned: "Peggy Brady," "The Star of Fate," "The Little Maid of Nieuw," "You and I," and the quartette, "How Can You Tell Till You Try?"

Among the principals of the company that are of more than ordinary prominence in their profession are: Blanche Buckner, prima donna of well-known ability; Denman Mailey, who has attained an excellent reputation as a comedian; George Fiske, last year the tenor with the Bostonians; Leslie Leigh, Lisle Bloodgood, Alice York, Harry Watson, Mattie Martz, John Hendricks, Otto Fooker and Carlton S. King.

Almost everybody now knows of Sam Bernard, who is the central figure in Owen Hall's farcical comedy with music, "The Girl From Kays." There was a time, however, when he was not so well known. Bernard began his stage career as a variety performer, doing songs, dances and imitations. It is said of him that at one time he played in a Providence (R. I.) theatre where there were two stages, one on the lower floor and one upstairs. While the performance was going on upstairs the people would be admitted to the theatre below. The half-hour show over, the actor would rush below and go his black-face legs there. One

Christmas he remained with his make-up on all day and gave as many as two or three performances. For his hard work the manager made him the magnificent present of a cheap pair of suspenders. It was only a few years ago that Mr. Bernard was engaged at a thousand dollars a week to appear for thirty minutes twice a day in vaudeville. Other productions that Mr. Bernard played in his earlier days were those of "The Corner Grocer" and "Peck's Bad Boy." He went to London, where he was the first one to do a monologue act and to introduce what is now known in England as the patter song. Mr. Bernard was connected with a number of the successes known in New York in recent years. For several seasons he was a tower of strength with Weber and Fields, and only left their management to join the stars under Mr. Charles Frohman's control two years ago.

Daniel Frohman has long made a specialty of exploiting comparatively new players in whom he has faith, though at various times he has managed such prominent people as the Kendals, Miss Netherlove, Mansfield and Modjeska. Often, however, instead of depending upon well-known and popular names he has taken obscure ones, if they have given promise of a future. Mary Manning was almost unknown in England when he chose her from a small provincial traveling company for leading woman of his production, "The Girl From Kays."

Shirley, who had not been heard of in this country, Hilda Spang is another discovery of Daniel Frohman's. Although she had played at but few of the principal London theatres, her most important engagement having been in "Trelawny of the Wells" at the Court Theatre, she now ranks with the best London actresses, and has justified her manager's belief in her capabilities. Elizabeth Tyne made her debut in the Lyceum Company, Mr. Tank Drama—A melodrama introducing a water scene as the principal attraction.

Herietta Crossman, Fritz Williams and Katherine Florence also rose from Mr. Frohman's stock company. Cecilia Loftus may also be said to have made her debut on the legitimate stage as a member of Mr. Frohman's stock company when it was appearing at Daly's Theatre.

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