

All in a Bunch!

Six Parliamentary Elections to be Held Shortly.

The Author of "Ecce Homo" Becomes a Knight.

Pondoland Has Been Annexed by Great Britain.

Neil Dow's 90th Birthday Celebrated Throughout England.

Gen. Lord Roberts Shows that Protection Cripples India's Commerce—Italian Royal Palaces to be Sold—Two Hundred Malays Killed by Spaniards.

Wales' Boat Won.

CANNES, March 20.—The race for the cup presented by President Carnot was sailed to-day and was won by the Prince of Wales' Britannia by 50 minutes.

A Useful Life.

LONDON, March 21.—The Daily News this morning says: Gen. Neal Dow has not labored in vain. He has had a large share in molding the opinion of the whole human race on an important subject.

Buried Beneath Tons of Earth.

LONDON, March 20.—While a number of workmen were engaged in excavating at Thoro, West Sussex, to-day, an embankment fell, burying five men underneath hundreds of tons of earth.

Settled.

VIENNA, March 20.—The disputes between Austria and Russia which threatened to lead to a tariff war between the two countries have been settled. The treaty negotiations will be concluded and the treaty signed within a short time.

Pondoland Annexed to Great Britain.

CAPE TOWN, March 20.—Sir Henry Brongham Loch, Governor of Cape of Good Hope and high commissioner for South Africa, has issued a proclamation announcing the annexation of Pondoland by Great Britain.

A Precious Piece of Canvas.

LONDON, March 20.—Ellis' famous picture, "The Choice of Paris," which he painted for Mr. Guillot, of Birmingham, was sold the other day for £430 10s. At the Guillot sale in 1872 the work brought £250 10s. The picture is 78x57 inches.

Two Hundred Malays Killed.

MADRID, March 20.—A large force of Mindano Malays have made an attack upon the Spanish garrison on the Island of Pantar, in the Malay Archipelago. The Spaniards defended their position stoutly, and succeeded in repulsing the Malays with great loss. Over 200 Malays were killed.

Neal Dow's 90th Birthday.

LONDON, March 20.—The temperance societies throughout England are to-day celebrating the 90th birthday of Gen. Neal Dow, the American temperance advocate, and to-night Lady Somerset presided over a meeting in his honor in Exeter Hall. In various parts of the kingdom upwards of 200 meetings were held during the day and evening. Numerous telegrams of congratulations were forwarded to Gen. Dow at Portland, Me.

Italian Palaces for Sale.

VIENNA, March 20.—It is reported here that the deplorable state of Italian finances has induced King Humbert to very considerably reduce the civil list. The King is said to have directed that several of the royal palaces and grounds outside of Rome be sold immediately. The palaces at Turin, Venice, Florence, Naples and Palermo, will not be sold, and a few hunting parks will be retained. The expense of maintaining royal properties is so great, it is said, as to be burdensome.

Hon. Robert Reid's Mission.

LONDON, March 20.—In the case of the Bank of British North America vs. Buxton in the High Court of Justice to-day judgment was given for the plaintiffs with costs.

Hon. Robert Reid, of Victoria, Australia, whose advocacy of the Pacific cable and closer trade relations between the colonies and England, has been commented on favorably in the metropolitan and provincial papers, states that so far his mission has met with most encouraging success.

Death of Kossuth.

TERIN, March 20.—Louis Kossuth, the Hungarian patriot, died at 11 o'clock to-night. His son, sister and other relatives were present when he died. He passed away holding the hand of the Hungarian deputy Karoly. The agony of his death was extremely harrowing. The body of Kossuth will be interred in Genoa near that of his daughter. Edmond De Amicis, the Italian author, will deliver a funeral oration in the name of Italy. The obsequies will be imposing, and will be attended by a great gathering of Hungarians. Kossuth was born April 27, 1802.

Parnellite Fulminations.

LONDON, March 20.—The Irish National League (Parnellite) has issued a manifesto concerning Lord Rosebery's explanation of his attitude towards home rule. The manifesto declares that the explanation is insufficient, and that Irish members of Parliament who accept it are traitors, cowards and traitors, who ought to be driven out of public life. It calls upon Irishmen to rally to the old call, and make an immediate demand for an Irish parliament and executive, possessing all the attributes of the English Parliament and executive.

How Italian Boudiers Are Dealt With.

ROME, March 20.—Signor Chauvet, manager of the Popolo Romano newspaper, and Signor Gallina, formerly an inspector at the customs service, recently tried for defrauding the Government of 225,000

lire, were sentenced to-day. Chauvet is to be imprisoned for four years and subsequently to be excluded from public office for four years more and to pay a fine of 5,000 lire. Gallina is to be imprisoned for two years and eight months, to be excluded from public office for two years more and to pay a fine of 3,000 lire. Two men implicated in the fraud received similar sentences and two were acquitted.

Knighting a Scholar.

LONDON, March 20.—It seems rather a droll way of recognizing scholarship to make a man a knight, but if he likes it there is none deserving the distinction more than Prof. Seeley, who henceforth will be Sir John. It is now admitted that he is the author of "Ecce Homo," which occasioned such religious flatterings in 1886. Both his classical and historical studies are of the first order of merit, but it is supposed that Rosebery selected him to lead off his first honor list rather on account of his "Expansion in England," which every Imperial Federationist swears by, the new Premier among them.

Protection Cripples India.

LONDON, March 20.—Gen. Lord Roberts, ex-commander-in-chief of her Majesty's forces in India, was a guest of the city of Newcastle to-day. In a speech, acknowledging the freedom of the city, Lord Roberts took occasion to express his views upon certain imports by the Indian Government, and his views on Indian affairs. He deplored the fact that protection was hindering the growth of commerce with India, but it was a fact, nevertheless.

He thought it a great deal more necessary to strengthen the army than to augment the navy, though he thought both needed strengthening. There was nothing the navy could do, he said, to prevent Russian aggression in Afghanistan, but the army could do something. Unless the natives are overawed by an effective army, he declared, the Indian Empire was doomed.

Six Elections.

LONDON, March 20.—Beginning with Hawick on the 27th, there will be a half-dozen bye-elections—three Scottish, two English and one Welsh—coming in bunch, which will do very much to settle the British political world. In five of them the Liberals are on the defensive, and as two are decidedly close they view the outlook nervously. They buoy themselves up, however, with the fact that Rosebery's popularity in Scotland may increase majestically in the north, and in their one English seat their candidate for re-election, Brand, has a beautiful young wife, who goes about during campaigns with a parrot organ, singing songs. On the other hand, the one Tory seat vacant is to be fought on the new register, which ought to give the Liberals an increased poll, and though 1,600 behind, they are fairly hopeful of really winning on the net outcome. On this miniature general election so much depends that it is hardly worth while guessing at the Ministry's dissolution intentions till they have seen by these results how the wind seems to be blowing in the country.

THE TORNADO'S TRACK.

Five Persons Killed in an Arkansas Village.

Great Destruction Caused by Storm and Flood in Several Sections.

TEXARKANA, Ark., March 20.—A report reached this city last night that a tornado had visited Saratoga, Ark., and the surrounding neighborhood, killing five persons and severely injuring many others. A great deal of damage was done to property, the village being almost totally wrecked. This city and its surrounding locality have been visited by one of the heaviest rain-falls known here for many years.

MONROE, La., March 20.—A strong wind coming down from the northwest yesterday evening, blew down a number of dwellings and stores in this city. No lives were lost, but several persons were seriously injured.

PUNYIS, Miss., March 20.—At 5 a.m. a destructive storm passed through this section. A great deal of timber was leveled and some houses were wrecked. No lives have been reported lost.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 20.—Damage to property in the Mississippi Valley by storms and floods during the past 48 hours, is beyond calculation. Bridges have been washed away, houses wrecked, railroad tracks displaced, farms flattened out and crops delayed.

ONTARIO, N. B., March 20.—Reports from the northwestern part of the State says an unusually severe blizzard is raging this evening, and that it is the worst storm of the winter. The blizzard seems to be general and the loss to stock will be great. The Black Hills are getting a good share of the storm, and a 40-mile wind is blowing from the northwest.

A telegram from Millette, Wyo., says that the blizzard is the fiercest ever experienced. Loss to range cattle is estimated to be at least 75 per cent., as the stock was without shelter and greatly weakened by privation.

GONE UP IN SMOKE.

Destructive Fires at Port Hope, Bowmansville and Other Points.

PORT HOPE, Ont., March 20.—The loss by the destruction by fire last night of Barrett's flour mill is \$15,000.

BOWMANVILLE, Ont., March 20.—Fire was discovered early this morning in the large and handsome brick block owned by G. Mason. Considerable damage was done to the building and to the stock of T. G. & J. J. Mason, drygoods. Insurance \$20,000.

To Stir Up the Dominion Government.

OTTAWA, March 20.—The Dominion Government has fixed Tuesday, March 27, as the day on which the Ministry will receive the deputation of prohibitionists of the various Provinces of the Dominion. The deputation is the outcome of the recent prohibition convention at Toronto.

In Congress—The Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 20.—The Tariff Bill, as modified by the Senate committee on Finance, was reported in the Senate to-day and was ordered to be printed and placed on the calendar. Mr. Voorhees (Dem., Ind.), who made the report gave notice that he would ask the Senate to begin the consideration of the bill on Monday, April 2, and said that he would then be prepared to make a statement in relation to it.

The Legislature.

Two Sessions Taken Up in Debating the Fee System.

Mr. Woods' Amendment Voted Down by Twenty Majority.

(Special to the Advertiser.)

PARLIAMENT HOUSE, TORONTO, March 20.—Dr. McKay (Ontario) resumed the debate on the budget. He referred chiefly to Mr. Woods' amendment, relative to the abolition of the fee system, and criticized the Opposition's action in springing such a resolution upon the House in connection with the motion to go into supply. The Opposition claimed that they wanted a straight vote upon the principle, and that if they made a separate motion on the question amendments would render such a dictum impossible. This was absurd. The Opposition could demand a separate vote upon each amendment if any were moved. He then went on to refer in eulogistic terms to the system of inspection now in vogue in respect to registry offices. It was the best, admittedly, in the world. Opposition speakers appeared to be fond of pointing to the United States for models of the manner in which the Government should administer affairs. He feared that "The Old Flag" must be losing its charm. The Opposition members and their friends had not always been against the fee system. The father of the amendment, Mr. Wood (Hastings) stood in this position. From the Auditor-General's report of the Dominion, the speaker found that Mr. Wood received in 1890 \$3,895 for 200 days' work; in 1891, \$3,236 for 185 days' work; and in 1892, \$4,274 for 262 days' work. The Government at Ottawa were evidently in favor of the fee system. He would give the House one instance. From the report referred to he found that a Daniel O'Connor received in the past five years \$71,423 for law fees, or an average of \$14,284 yearly. (Cheers.)

Mr. Clarke (Toronto) made a lengthy speech in favor of the amendment.

Mr. Cleland (Grey), rising amid cries of "Question!" "Question!" said that the people who required registrars should be the only ones to contribute to the salaries of these officials.

Mr. Balfour (Essex) wanted to know how the salaries of the various officials would be provided if the fee system was abolished. Was it the intention to place the combined revenues in one general fund and then pay salaries? Mr. Balfour intimated that he favored the election of registrars. He characterized the amendment under consideration as an omnibus resolution to hoodwink the Patrons of Industry. He was not going to be hoodwinked any more than the Patrons would be regarding the matter. If the members of the Opposition believed their own prophecies of accession to power after the next election, they would not force such a resolution to a vote rather than rather strive to conserve these sources of patronage.

Mr. White (Essex) killed time for several minutes.

Mr. Hardy said that the Opposition wanted to make everybody think that they were tremendously in earnest about the fee question. It was noticeable, however, that Mr. Wood was yearly in receipt of fees; that Mr. Clarke received fees from the Ontario Government; and that Mr. Whit-ter also made his living through the fee principle. (Cheers.) The Minister of Education, Mr. Hardy said, had a bill in hand to rectify cases in which abnormal salaries were secured in the larger centers of population. He had corresponded with the proper parties in a number of the States of the Union, and had found the general practice there was to pay by fees. A good deal had been said about a certain office being left open. Why not? The law provided that whenever a registrar or sheriff died the deputy sheriff should perform all the duties of the office. And as long as the duties were satisfactorily performed no reasonable exception could be taken. Nearly all the Opposition speakers had cheered each other with the assurance of success at the next election. Dr. Willoughby, he said, smiled benignly in the House, but he did not smile when in East Northumberland. He went about the concessions of that constituency in his seven-league boots, "seeking rest and finding none." Then there was the member for Muskoka. He had no friends. He was like that fabled character, the Wandering Jew. He rambled from constituency to constituency, looking for friends, but securing instead new enemies. The members of the Opposition who were now going forth so valiantly, conquering and to conquer, would be after the election—in his prophetic estimate—nothing but flicker not a spark of hope. (Continued applause.)

At 6 o'clock the Speaker left the chair.

EVENING SESSION.

The debate on Mr. Woods' resolution, favoring the abolition of the fee system, moved as an amendment to Mr. Harcourt's motion to go into supply, was continued this evening for over three hours. The vote on the amendment was lost by 49 to 29. Mr. McCallum and Mr. McNaughton voted with the Opposition.

Sir Oliver Mowat intimated that when the House rose at 6 o'clock Thursday next it would stand adjourned till the following Monday.

ALL MEN

Young, old or middle-aged, who find themselves broken down from excess or overwork, resulting in many of the following symptoms: Mental depression, premature old age, loss of vitality, loss of memory, bad dreams, dimness of sight, palpitation of the heart, emissions, lack of energy, pain in the kidneys, headaches, pimples on the face and body, itching or peculiar sensation about the scrotum, wasting of the organs, dizziness, spots before the eyes, twitching of the muscles, eyelids and elsewhere, nervousness, deposits in the urine, loss of will power, tenderness of the scalp and spine, weak and flabby muscles, desire to sleep, failure to be rested by sleep, constipation, fullness of hearing, loss of voice, desire for solitude, excitability of temper, sunken eyes, surrounded with LEADEN CIRCLES, oily looking skin, etc., are all symptoms of nervous debility that lead to insanity unless cured. The spring or vital force having lost its tension every function wanes in consequence. Those who through abuse committed in ignorance, may be permanently cured. Send your address and 10c in stamps for book on diseases resulting from man, sent sealed. Address M. V. LUBON, 24 Macdonnell avenue, Toronto, Ont., Canada. Please mention this paper.

THE SPORTING WORLD.

ATHLETICS.

THE CITY CHAMPIONSHIP.

The final bouts for the medals and city championships were spared last night in the Forest City athletic rooms before several hundred sports. Messrs. Reid, Sare and Chapman acted as referees and awarded the light weight championship medal to Mr. Alex. Furness, the middle-weight championship to Mr. Joe Reidy and the heavy-weight class to Mr. Jack Smart.

The light-weight contest was the prettiest exhibition of the evening and was marked throughout by clean hitting. Shain was unable to appear and Mr. Walsh took his place. The latter was outclassed in every way and the medal was pinned on Mr. Furness at the end of the third round amid applause.

Birmingham was out of condition and did not show up as well as expected in the middle-weight bout. There was a great deal of pushing and chasing during the contest and Reidy appeared to have greater staying powers. Birmingham had the best of the second round but went to smash on the third and the championship was awarded to his somewhat shorter opponent, Joe Reidy.

A really fun centered around the fight for the colored championship, when Tracey's colored attendant, Matthews, and Fountain faced one another for the gold medal. When the lads were not chasing one another they were either fanning the air or getting their gloves tied on. However they worked hard and ran the points up to 30-33, the odds and medal going to Matthews.

The heavy-weight contest developed the fact that Thomas Greenbrook, while comparatively new in city athletic circles, is no slouch. He made a first rate show against his heavy and hard-hitting opponent Jack Smart, and showed himself to be an adept at recovery and nimble on his feet. But Smart had weight in his favor and won the medal.

The windup was a scientific exhibition between Jack Crawford, instructor of the club, and George Harding. Each round was vigorously applauded.

Next Tuesday night will be Harding's benefit, and among other entertainment promised is a bout between Jack Stewart, Canada's champion, and Jack Crawford.

MITCHELL A TEST-TALKER.

Charlie Mitchell says that he has joined the ranks of the test-talkers. He added that he had taken the pledge for one year, and usually remarked that if anyone caught him in the act of indulging in any intoxicating liquors they could punch him on the nose. Charley says if he had thought of this years ago he might still be champion of England, and probably champion of the world.

THE TURF.

CLIOSTER'S CONDITION.

LONDON, March 20.—The Sportsman to-day says that the trainer of Clíoester, the favorite for the Grand National steeplechase, whose breakdown was announced yesterday, expresses himself as hopeful that the horse will be fit to start in the Grand National on March 29.

MORRIS TUBE SHOOTING AT THE DRILL SHED.

There was a good turnout at the Seventh Battalion Morris Tube practice Monday night. "A Friend" kindly donated a silver spoon to be competed for by the second and third class shots. Color-Sergeant Brown, who has tied twice previously for the spoon, winning with a score of 46 points to his credit out of a possible 50. Following are the scores of the second and third class shots (five shots at 200 yards kneeling and 500 yards prone):

Class.	200 Yards	500 Yards	T
1. Sgt. Brown.....	5554-22	3454-22	46
2. Sgt. Brown.....	5444-19	3444-20	39
3. Col. Sgt. Jacobs.....	4455-22	3344-17	39
4. Col. Sgt. Allan.....	5455-23	3333-14	37
5. Pte. Johnston.....	5343-17	3333-14	34
6. Pte. Kaine.....	4343-13	3333-13	26
7. L. Corp. Pouch.....	3333-13	3333-13	26

The regular spoon competition for Wednesday evening next will be postponed until Friday morning at 9 o'clock, in the drill shed, when several other prizes will also be competed for in the same match.

Below are the scores of first class shots Monday evening:

Class.	200 Yards	500 Yards	T
1. Major Hayes.....	5554-23	3454-22	45
2. S. Sgt. McChimmon.....	5555-22	3455-18	40
3. Pte. Gordon.....	5454-20	3444-19	39
4. S. Maj. McChimmon.....	4444-20	3333-19	39
5. Pte. Robson.....	4444-19	3443-19	38

BRANTFORD CLIPPERS.

The Clippie Baseball Club of Brantford have elected the following officers: M. K. Halloran, president; J. Duncan, vice-president; C. Walkinshaw, manager; B. Asselin, treasurer; H. Bond, secretary.

THE TRIGGER.

G. T. R. GUN CLUB.

The G. T. R. gun club have elected the following officers: W. S. Booth, president; W. T. Vanswa, vice-president; E. E. Anderson, manager; E. Skinner, secretary; treasurer; J. Bright, referee. The finances of the club were found to be in good standing, a snug balance being left over from last year. Wednesday was fixed as the club shoot day, and the adoption of rules was left to the manager and executive committee.

A rifle club was also organized with the same officers, only with W. Godwin as manager. Tuesday is their shoot day.

BASEBALL.

FIRST MATCH OF THE SEASON.

The management of the Alert Baseball Club are already at work and have made arrangements for the opening match in this city on May 24. The club secured is that of the University of Illinois, which lovers of baseball will well remember as having visited London last year. The game played was well known. Pitcher Sheppard won't occupy the box, the home team having decided to have none but local pitchers. Hiseott and Sheere will be on deck, and Michael Carney, a speedy left-paw twirler on E. Leonard & Sons' team, will be given a trial. Burton has entirely recovered from his attack of rheumatism and will again hold down first bag.

Weber and Burton will attend the annual meeting of the Canadian Baseball Association to be held in Toronto on Friday.

The Brazilian rebellion is by no means over. The insurgents have control of Parana and will push the war. The surrender at Rio was a huge success.

Late Canadian News.

Collapse of the Dominion White Lead Combine.

A Quebec Bank Inspector Missing and "Short" in His Accounts.

Southampton navigation is now open.

At Belleville the ice in the bay is breaking up steadily.

The white lead combine composed of the white lead grinders of the Dominion has dissolved.

John Langton, many years ago auditor-general of Canada, died on Sunday at Toronto at the age of 86.

Grand Trunk Railway earnings for week ending March 17, 1894, \$347,813; same week in 1893, \$372,379; decrease in 1894, \$24,566.

The concluding session of the Grand Black Preceptory of Ontario East was held Tuesday forenoon at Ottawa. John Carleton, of Ottawa, was elected grand master.

Treasurer Cowan, of Carleton county, received a check for \$1,153 Tuesday morning from the Dominion Government to pay the costs of the McGreevy-Connolly trial.

It seems as though the dismissals from the Welland Canal service were not restricted to locks and bridge tenders, but that the are has been elevated and several prominent officials are decapitated.

The annual meeting of the Supreme Circle of Canadian Home Circles, commenced in Shaftsbury Hall, Toronto, Tuesday afternoon. About 150 delegates were present, some of them from as far east as New Brunswick, and as far west as British Columbia.

Amase Labreque, inspector for the Banque Nationale, Montreal, has left for parts unknown. Labreque was formerly in the employ of the bank at Quebec. So far, a shortage of about a couple of hundred dollars has been discovered in his accounts.

The suit of James Austin, president of the Dominion Bank, against the Winnipeg Electric Railway, has been decided, by the judicial committee of the Privy Council against Mr. Austin. The decision will have the effect of banishing horses from Mr. Austin's street car lines, and the electric company will introduce motors.

Navigation on Georgian Bay will open April 1—the earliest on record.

Mr. G. M. Davis, Owen Sound, has dispatched a tug and three large schooners to Tobermory, about 60 miles up the Bruce Peninsula, where it is claimed there is still plenty of ice. Very few persons in Owen Sound succeeded in getting any ice at all.

Mr. Sam. Hughes, Conservative M. P., told the Orangemen in Grand Lodge at Ottawa, on Tuesday, that it was all right to have a Roman Catholic (Sir John Thompson) for Premier; it was against Roman Catholic principles the Orangemen were at war.

At the Orange Grand Lodge at Ottawa, Senator Perly thought there was not enough loyalty in Canada. He had had the honor to represent the Northwest Territories at the World's Fair, and found every man, Republican or Democrat, to be intensely patriotic. There was more loyalty, he declared, in one American than in the whole audience before him.

Probably Murdered.

NEW YORK, March 20.—The report of Dr. O'Hare and Dr. Chas. Phelps, the expert in surgery, on the autopsy they made to-day on the body of Martin J. Fuller, indicated that she could not have shot herself.

Killed 3,000 Deer.

MAINESTON, Penn., March 21.—William Finley Teeple, who recently died at the age of 76, had a great passion for hunting. When 11 years old he killed a bear and a deer. He is known to have killed 3,000 deer, by actual count, in his lifetime. His best record in one day was seven, and seventeen in three successive days.

Leaving Ontario.

TORONTO, Ont., March 20.—An excursion train of eight cars left to-night for Winnipeg and the Northwest. There were about 250 passengers, the majority of whom will settle in the Northwest. Two engines were required to take the train to North Bay, where it will join the C. P. R. Railway men are not expecting the movement to the west from Ontario to be as large as last spring.

The Last of John and Etta.

OSCALOOSA, Ia., March 20.—The bodies of John Reed and Etta Shaw were found late last night hanging from the limb of a tree eight miles from this city. Their parents refused to permit them to marry on account of their youth. The deed was probably committed Sunday night when they were seen driving in the neighborhood. They unhitched their horse, and standing in the buggy threw a rope across a limb, and tying one end to each of their necks swung off.

Presbytery of Hamilton.

HAMILTON, March 21.—At the Presbytery meeting it was reported that among the general hindrances to religion are the liquor traffic, dissipating amusements and worldliness; among the special hindrances peculiar to certain localities are trafficking and visiting on the Lord's day, party politics, horse racing and denominational rivalry.

Satisfaction was expressed at the result of the recent temperance plebiscite, and efforts will be made to put into effect the verdict of the people.

It was unanimously decided to nominate Rev. Dr. G. M. McKay, of Formosa, for moderator of the General Assembly, and Rev. Dr. Battisby, of Chatham, moderator of the Synod. It was decided to recommend the granting of the application of Rev. P. A. Tinkham, Baptist minister at Port Dalhousie, for permission to join the Presbytery of Hamilton. Hagersville was erected into a congregation. The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Brantford was cited to appear in reference to a call to Rev. Dr. Abraham, of Burlington.

Labor Notes.

After a shut down of several months, the Amsterdam Knitting Company, of Rockton, N. Y., has resumed operations. No reductions in wages.

The New York Airbrake Company's extensive manufactory in Watertown, N. Y., has resumed work, giving employment to a large number of men.

The Knights of Labor throughout Ottawa county are busy organizing several new assemblies.

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The Estimates Laid on the Table of the House.

McCarthy Brings in His Dual Language Bill.

Discordant Notes Struck by Members of the Happy Family.

Mr. Devlin Takes Mr. Wallace to Task for Offensive Language—Mr. Mulock Introduces a Bill to Offset the Cattle Freight Combine.

(Special to the ADVERTISER.)

OTTAWA, March 20.—The chief feature of the sitting of the House was the introduction of Mr. McCarthy's act to amend the Northwest Territories Act by relating to the Assembly the exclusive control over education and abolishing, as he said, the last vestige of the dual language in that country. The original section imposed dual language in four matters—the publication of the ordinances, the proceedings of the Assembly, the publication of these proceedings and the proceedings of the courts. In 1899 the Assembly was given power to do away with the French language with respect to its own proceedings and the publication of the journals, leaving the use of the French language legal in the courts of the Territories and imperative as to the publication of the ordinances. "I do not bring this up in any spirit of hostility to the interests of our fellow French citizens," said Mr. McCarthy, "but because I believe that the interests of the country will be served by the adoption of this bill. I do not believe that we should perpetuate two languages in a country. Recently the Government has found some difficulty in dealing with the subject of education in the Northwest, and I believe that they have since realized that the people of Manitoba and of the Northwest are perfectly competent to manage their educational affairs themselves, uncontrolled by Parliament, and that it is better for the peace and welfare of this country. Therefore, I have much pleasure in introducing this bill, which will take away the disability with regard to education and remove the last vestige of the dual language in the Northwest."

Mr. Devlin, the member for Ottawa county, Que., made a warm speech, being called to his feet, he said, by Mr. McCarthy's assertion that Quebec was responsible for the hard feeling existing in Canada to-day. It was Mr. McCarthy who was responsible for such feeling. Since 1887 he had labored with a project to close Manitoba and the Northwest against the Catholics of Quebec. He told them that if they wished to go there their language would be proscribed and their rights trampled upon. It was his hate against the Catholics of Canada and the French Canadians of Quebec which formed Mr. McCarthy's stock in trade.

Mr. McCarthy here rose to correct Mr. Devlin by saying that he had not said that Quebec was responsible for the hard feeling existing. What he had said was to hope that they were not going to perpetuate in the Northwest the racial divisions which unhappily existed in the Province of Quebec.

"Well," said Mr. Devlin, "let us see about divisions;" and he went on to point out that Ottawa county, which was overwhelmingly Catholic, had until the last election always returned a Protestant to this House. Hull, the most Catholic city in Canada, elected a Protestant mayor for many years. There were other Catholic constituencies in Quebec which showed their generosity by returning Protestants to the Legislature. What had Mr. McCarthy done for this country? Nothing but to make aspeivable attempts such as he was making to-day. Here Mr. McCarthy smiled genially across the House. Mr. Devlin declared that the schools established in Manitoba were Protestant schools.

Several members called out "No, no," but Mr. Devlin said he would prove it out of the act itself. Mr. Devlin then read a quotation from a speech of Mr. Martin, in which that gentleman had said that religious exercises ought to be obliterated from national schools, and that was the only way in which such schools could be justified as constitutional. Mr. Devlin alluded to a speech from the Commissioner of Customs last night, at an Orange banquet in this city, in which Mr. Wallace had referred to Catholics as being disloyal, and spoke offensively of the Roman Catholic Church as the Romish Church.

Mr. Devlin objected to this, and spoke of Mr. Wallace as being actuated by a mean spirit when the Speaker called him to order.

Mr. Devlin said: "I will then, Mr. Speaker, refer to the lovely spirit, the magnanimous spirit, the generous spirit, which has for its object the extinction of a language and the destruction of a people's rights."

Mr. Tarte began to speak in French amid considerable noise in the chamber, which the member for L'Islet noticed by saying in English that the interruptions were in keeping with the object of the gentleman who desired to abolish the French language.

This met with an emphatic "Hear, hear," from Mr. Jonaas, on the Government side.

Resuming in French, Mr. Tarte wished it to be understood that he reserved the right to speak on the bill at a subsequent stage, and that it could only be carried now on a division. The motion was then put, and the bill was read a first time on division.

In reply to Sir Richard Cartwright, Mr. Haggart stated that the Tay Canal had cost up to date \$476,000.

A motion by Mr. Daly in regard to McGreevy's and Connolly's resolutions was adopted, after an assurance from the Minister of Justice that there would be no unnecessary delay in bringing the papers down.

Mr. Edgar secured an order for papers relating to the copyright question.

The first tariff motion of the session was then brought on by Mr. Mulock, who moved that blader twine be placed upon the free list.

Mr. Foster asked that the question should be postponed until the budget be brought down, which would be at a very early date.

Mr. Mulock said he had on several previous occasions sought to find an opportunity for such a motion, but he had never been able.

Mr. Foster called across: "Blundering as usual."

Mr. Mulock said that he would comply with the request of the Minister on the assumption that, like David Crockett's coon, the Government is at last going to "come down."

Mr. Mulock, in introducing a bill to regulate ocean freight rates on cattle,

dwelt on the exorbitant freight rates exacted by the vessel owners' combine at Montreal to the great injury of an important industry. So arbitrary had the ship owners become that they refuse to quote rates until the cattle are put on board at Montreal. The result has been to ruin the shippers of cattle and to depreciate the price they are able to pay to the farmers, the producers of the cattle. The remedy his bill proposed was to give the Governor in council power to name from time to time a maximum scale for freight rates beyond which the vessel owners could not go without incurring a penalty. The vessel owners were practically the biggest combine in Canada to-day, and they placed the trade at the greatest disadvantage. At times cattle shippers were compelled to charter vessels in Boston, bring them to Montreal and get their cargoes across the ocean at lower rates than those at Montreal. The figures show that the cattle trade was falling off.

Mr. McMillan (Huron) advised an arrangement so that Canadian cattle could be shipped to Europe by way of Boston if the British authorities were not going to remove the schedule from Canadian cattle. Mr. McMillan supported this suggestion. Mr. John Thompson said every attention would be given this subject. It had been under consideration for some time as well as the point about shipping Canadian cattle from United States ports. The latter would be a gravestep, as it would mean giving up all hope of the removal of the schedule from our cattle in great Britain. Communications had been received recently from the British authorities and answered. These papers would be brought down.

Mr. Edgar believed there should be legislation against combines.

Mr. Ives said one or two gentlemen early last season gobbled up all the space for the season on cattle vessels by contract and then speculated with that space.

Mr. Fetherston, himself a cattle dealer, denied this. Mr. Ives' statement would have been true of former years, but last year no more space was taken than was required from time to time at Montreal. He strongly advocated the privilege of access to the American ports, as better prices could be realized and fewer losses sustained.

Last season their greatest losses occurred between Montreal and Father Point. Last season cattle shippers lost money. Dealers were afraid to buy a bullock. He himself was not going to touch a beast this spring.

The bill was ready the first time.

Mr. Charlton introduced a bill to take away from the Governor in council the power to re-impose export duties on lumber. His bill provided this should only be done after the prior consent of Parliament has been obtained.

The Estimates.

The estimates for the year ending June 30, 1905, which were laid on the table of the House this afternoon, show the total estimated expenditure to be \$40,038,392, as compared with \$44,523,914 last year—a decrease of \$4,485,522. This decrease is all on capital account, with the exception of \$371,348.

There is a decrease in the item for redemption for debt of nearly \$1,500,000, and for railways and canals \$2,647,741.

There is a decrease in expenditure for Dominion lands on capital account of \$50,000.

The total estimated expenditure chargeable to consolidated fund is \$37,321,306, a decrease of \$371,000.

There is the large decrease of over \$7,000,000 for public works. All the other decreases are in small amounts.

There is an increase for civil government, for the Agricultural Department and of \$10,000 for the Militia Department.

The interest on the public debt is estimated at \$10,141,000, an increase of over a quarter of a million dollars.

The chief item charged against legislation for next year consists of \$200,000 for the revision of voters' lists.

The amount voted for immigration is \$200,000—the same as last year.

For the defense of Equivalents, B. C., there is a further sum towards the construction of works and buildings of \$80,000, and for pay and allowance of a detachment of Royal Marine Artillery or Royal Engineers of \$47,500.

The vote taken last year for the purchase of 8,000 Martini-Metford rifles for \$16,500 is repeated.

There is a vote of \$15,000 to complete the Toronto drill hall.

There is \$10,000 for Picton postoffice and \$16,000 for Smith's Falls public buildings. For Kingston harbor there is a vote for \$6,000.

For dredging Hamilton harbor, \$6,000, of which \$3,000 is a rebate, and \$13,000 additional for God-rich harbor.

There is \$2,000 for a wharf at Port Rowan, \$5,000 for Owen Sound harbor, \$3,000 for Belleville harbor, and \$3,500 for Dyer's Bay.

NOTES.

Incredible as it may seem, the following story is true. The authorities caused Sir Richard Cartwright to be approached with the request that the Ontario leader would surrender his private room in the House of Commons to Sir Hector Langevin, the room which as a Minister he had having been taken by the Minister of Public Works. Sir Richard, when notified of the request in behalf of Sir Hector Langevin, made a characteristic reply: "He ought to be very well satisfied to be allowed to walk around."

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BRANT.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Fisher, formerly of Mount Pleasant, now of Brantford, celebrated their golden wedding March 19.

ESSEX.

The Liberals will meet in Laing's hall, Windsor, on March 31 to select their candidate for the Local Board a notary public. It will not be the fault of the pupils of the west central school if the inmates of the Home of the Friendless do not have enough eggs for Easter. Each pupil will to-day contribute a hen's egg to the institution.

John S. Middaugh, of Kingsville, has been made bailiff of the Third Division Court of Essex, instead of George Maillot, resigned.

KENT.

The Marine Department will issue a limited number of licences for Lake St. Clair.

LAMBTON.

Henry Scudamore, of Sutherland's Corners, has been appointed a notary public.

MIDDLESEX.

The late Mrs. Macdonald, of Glencoe, mother of Randolph Macdonald, and widow of the late A. P. Macdonald, contractor, left an estate of \$40,000. A few days before she died at her son's residence, Toronto, she made a codicil leaving \$6,000 to a daughter and granddaughter. Some friction was caused by the codicil, which was said to have been obtained by undue influence. In court Monday at Toronto G. G. S. Lindsay, for the beneficiaries, and J. W. Nesbitt, for Randolph Macdonald, threshed the matter out. Judge Falconbridge directed that the will be probated. The codicil will stand.

Malcolm McIntyre, of Stratford, has been appointed bailiff of the Sixth Division Court of Middlesex, instead of T. O. Currie, resigned.

PERTH.

Ernest Mann, the Toronto man who ran off with a Fulford township girl when he was already married, has been committed for trial. Mann put a strange construction on the law governing bigamy. He was of the opinion that, as he did not live with his first wife, his marriage to the second woman was equivalent to a divorce. He promised some startling developments at the trial which will take place next week at the assizes.

W. P. Whaling has purchased the farm of Philip Breen, of North Easthope, 50 acres, about four miles from Stratford, for \$2,500. A Stratford young man named W. J. W. was sentenced to five years at Kingston on Monday for wholesale robbery. A pal turned Queen's evidence.

Mrs. McNeil, of St. Marys, was seriously cut in Woodstock by being violently thrown to the ground through a loose plank in the sidewalk.

WELLINGTON.

At a meeting of the Palmerston hotel-keepers it was resolved to test the legality of the bylaw, passed by the town council, raising the license \$275.

WATERLOO.

The assessment of Galt this year will be a little over 17 mills, a degree over 4½ mills going for school purposes.

Maggie Mitchell was convicted at Berlin on Saturday by Mr. Mackie, J.P., for having used a postage stamp in payment of postage which had been used before. She was fined \$13 45, including costs.

SEIGNIORAGE SCHEME ON THE SLY

How Omaha Miners Are Figuratively and Literally Making Money.

New York, March 20.—A special from Omaha, Neb., says: For months Omaha has been the hotbed of a crowd of "miners." They have coined, so it is said, about \$500,000 or more of dollars, which contain the same amount of silver and alloy as is placed in regular dollars by the Government. These men have simply stated in opposition to the Government, and their money can't be detected from the genuine.

They are making money figuratively and literally. It is said they realize 51 cents profit on every dollar produced. "So clever have they worked that the cash drawers and banks of this city, Council Bluffs and South Omaha have been the receptacles for thousands of these homemade dollars. It is a 'seigniorage' scheme on the sly, and has finally attracted the attention of the Government. The detectives are satisfied they have the counterfeiters where they can reach them. The most puzzling feature of the situation is how the output of the gang can be separated from the issue of the Government, as they are exactly similar.

Do you feel sad and weary?—The world is all right, and friends are kind, and the outlook is hopeful; but, "Oh," you say, "this sick headache, that frightful twinge of neuralgia, that bilious feeling which makes the thought of the daintiest edible a misery!" Stark's Powders; 25 cents a box. Ask for them at your druggist's, take them, and the sun shines again, the birds sing, and all is well. The sick or nervous headache vanishes, the torturing twinge cries "peccavi," and gives up possession, and for the bilious stomach that loathes the honeycomb, there is the healthy appetite that waits upon digestion.

MDLLE. BOB, the lady who danced in a lion's den in a London place of amusement, has been interviewed. She confesses she does not know what nervousness is. The principal lion, she says, would not hurt her for the world. When she is at her own house in Paris the lion sleeps in her bedroom with nothing but a collar round his neck and a cord to keep him from roaming about too much.

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London, Wednesday March 21.

THE LONDON ADVERTISER, with its morning and evening editions, covers the ground. With one exception, it is the ONLY EARLY MORNING DAILY IN ONTARIO, outside of Toronto.

—Only those communications to which the writers are willing to have their names appended in print will be published in these columns. Neither the writing nor the publication of anonymous letters can be justified.

—The location of the new county seat of Nipissing will be decided by a plebiscite of the taxpayers. Thus the application of the principle continues to extend.

—The new British Premier was the first chairman of the London City Council. He strongly favors the application of the single tax to the ground landlords of the British metropolis. Lord Rosebery is a man of progress.

—Two pretty Polish girls jumped into the jury box in a New York court the other day, and kissed and hugged every jurymen several times because a verdict of not guilty had been rendered in the case of a friend. When the judge rapped for order the women rushed on him and offered to continue their censure of osculation on him, but were restrained by the officers. Jury service has its sensations over the border.

—By the death of R. W. Phipps, of Toronto, the fact is recalled that he wrote by far the strongest argument in favor of "protection" prior to 1878 that was given to the public. The Government of the day refused to formulate the "N. P." on the lines laid down by Mr. Phipps, and he lived to see the fallacy of the entire system and to denounce it. Mr. Phipps was a devotee of forestry, and he spent a great portion of his later life in promoting tree-planting and forest preservation. When the forestry department was formed by the Ontario Government in 1883 he was made its chief clerk, and from that time onward he devoted his life to the promotion of the work he loved so well. His annual reports bore on every page the traces of an enthusiast's devotion and marked originality of thought and research.

—It is alleged by the ex-president of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons that public drinking troughs for horses are a curse to horseflesh, as they spread farcy and glanders. A considerable ventilation of the matter is in progress, and it seems to be conceded by experts that the danger is in the contact of the horses' mouths and not so much in their using the same troughs. Troughs with separate compartments are recommended. Public drinking troughs were established chiefly for the use of the careless, who were thus reminded of what they owed to their animals. No considerate horse owner will run the risk here indicated by veterinary experts. He will see that his horse is regularly watered, either from his own bucket or a running stream.

—The chief warriors of the European continent are engaged in preparing for the altered conditions of warfare brought about by the invention of smokeless powder. In Austria, blue uniforms are to be abolished and a sober gray substituted. This is the decision of a committee of experts appointed to investigate and settle the question of the best color for soldiers' clothes. The German Emperor has ordered that the glittering military helmet (pickelhaube) be abolished from the army, as the introduction of smokeless powder has rendered it unfit for actual war. It will be replaced by a kepi, similar to the headgear worn by the Austrian infantry. The entire German uniform is to be changed so as to resemble closely that of the Austrian troops. Popular though the red coat in Great Britain may be, it is doomed, or in the next war with a civilized country—let us hope it may be long postponed—the British troops will fight at a great disadvantage.

—Good news is cabled from England. A cablegram informs us that there is every reason to believe that one of the considerable group of secondarily English solicitors who fatten on the credulity of American claimants to old estates may get some genuine punishment. In the High Court of Appeal one of these lawyers, Howell Thomas, who sought to escape from cross-examination as to his share in working up abortive assaults upon the title to the Townley estates, and in disposing of \$80,000 extorted from American gulls for the case, was savagely scored from the bench as a rascal, and the Lord Chief Justice also ordered all the documents in the ap-

peal to be impounded and turned over to the public prosecutor, with the view of seeing if both he and his confederate, named Col. Jacques, said to be an American, could not be indicted. The misfortune is that no sooner is one of these rascals sent to penitentiary than another tries his hand at the same old swindle, and finds no difficulty in getting the attention and the money of people on this side of the Atlantic. It matters not that 999 out of every 1,000 of these gullible individuals never get any return for their money, they are ready to hand it over on the smallest provocation, and on the most lying and improbable representations. If the law did not impose barriers in the way, these swindlers would vastly increase. So eager are people to get money for which they have not toiled.

PERSONATION.

Provincial Secretary Gibson has brought into the Provincial Legislature a bill for the more effectual punishment of personators at provincial elections. The "one man one vote" provision in the Ontario Act is a powerful preventive of personation in the rural constituencies, but it has been found that in the cities even the whole-some enactment which provides that a man should vote where he lives, and there only, does not fully meet the case. The bill brought in by the Provincial Secretary is intended to make the crime more difficult of accomplishment. It applies to Toronto, London, Hamilton and Ottawa, and sets forth that the returning officer, if information concerning personation is given to him, may at any time during election day issue a warrant for the arrest of the offender. He may swear in special constables to make the arrest, and even poll clerks are declared to be constables for this purpose. If the deputy returning officer does not perform his duty in this regard, he is liable to punishment the same as for other cases of neglect of duty under the election law. The county attorney is to provide the deputy returning officer with all the necessary forms of information and warrants, and is to receive \$4 for each deputy returning officer so supplied. It would be well to have the provisions of this measure extended to municipal elections. Dishonesty in connection with the recording of the popular verdict should be severely punished, no matter who is the culprit. The liberty of the people is at stake.

THE UNPOPULAR TREATY.

Mr. Dickie, M. P. for Cumberland, N. S., voices the opinion of the supporters of the Canadian treaty with France when he says that "the Government is in honor bound to submit the treaty for ratification and to ask its supporters to stand by it." This is the view promulgated by Sir Charles Tupper, who has threatened all kinds of trouble for Sir John Thompson unless he commits the Conservative party to the indorsement of the one-sided bargain. A very large section of the people, however, are opposed to the treaty, and for different reasons. The Canada Manufacturer, the organ of the protectionists, for example, opposes the ratification of the treaty on these grounds:

"This journal has always opposed the ratification of the French treaty as a Tupperian freak that would greatly benefit France and greatly injure Canadian industries of great value. With grape growing and wine making industries of our own, upon which we could rely with certainty for domestic wines of absolute purity, and which give profitable employment to so many of our people, it would not be an act of wisdom to give free entry into our markets of the wretched so-called cheap wines of France."

This feeling is especially strong in the Niagara Peninsula and in Western Ontario, where the grape industry is a large and growing one. But the temperance people join issue with the Tupper wing of the Ministerial party, and oppose the completion of the treaty because it encourages the importation of intoxicants and ties the hands of the Government no matter how the question of prohibition for the whole Dominion may be finally disposed of.

It is true that a few Canadian products are received into France at a reduction of the present rate of duty, but no one so far has seriously advocated that the swapping would be equitable. Then the "favored nation" clause in the treaty is emphatically objectionable. If France reduces the tariff on the article mentioned in the treaty to any other country, Canada will have the advantage also; but in future Canada is pledged to give France, Algeria, and the French colonies generally, the full benefit of any commercial advantages that may be entered into with a third contracting nation.

Sir Charles Tupper's pride was wounded because the Government at Ottawa did not at once lay the treaty before Parliament for ratification last February when he sent it to Ottawa. It was the first product of his brains as a European diplomat. He was bound to see it indorsed, and to obtain the usual "honors" extended by the imperial authorities to a successful diplomat. When, in face of hostile criticism, Mr. Foster last year refused to lay the treaty on the table of Parliament, Sir Charles foamed, fretted and threatened, claiming that the Government by accepting a draft treaty consented to the agreement finally reached. The Administration has had over a year to consider its course. But it met Parliament without any declaration of policy regarding the matter. This was a most unusual proceeding, and the Ministers have been criticised without stint for their dilatoriness. The fact is they know that the treaty is not in the best interests of Canada, but they also know how far they are responsible for its completion, and what they may expect from the Tupper wing if they throw the pet project of the High Commissioner overboard. This is apart from the charge of discourtesy to the French nation in letting the treaty remain so long in abeyance only to reject it on the excuse that, though they were

consenting parties to the preliminaries, and their agent professed to be armed with full powers, they are now unable to command a majority for the treaty in Parliament. The dilly-dallying but tends to convince the people that the treaty is not one that should be ratified. Will Sir John Thompson dare to force it through?

LABORERS FOR CANADA.

Canada suffers a great deal from the publication of such injudicious statements as that which follows:

"In any part of Canada a farm laborer may earn from 4s. to 5s. a day, and with ordinary intelligence have an independent farm of his own in a few years."

This is from the London Canadian Gazette, a paper to which the Dominion Government pays thousands of dollars a year. There is not a farm laborer in this the most favored section of agricultural Canada, who does not know that the assertion is not well founded, and the same may be said of Quebec, New Brunswick and other parts of Canada. Farm laborers may get \$1.25 a day during the short and busy summer season, but no such wage can be guaranteed to them during the winter months. This winter young immigrants have been working at various points for their board, and glad to get it. The effect of drawing the long bow about the prospects of farm laborers is to flood the Canadian labor market with men who are able to find work in the country in the summer, but who troop into the cities in the winter, causing such a competition among city workmen as to lower the rate of remuneration beyond that which is necessary to keep a wife and family. The great need of Canada at present is not moneyless laborers, sent here with the ill-founded assurance that they can get plenty of work, the year round, at good pay, but men with money to take up land and cultivate it. There will always be plenty of workmen if the remuneration is ample.

LUCAN LOCALS.

Mr. Peter Downham has been revisiting old friends in Lucan for a week or more. He looks well and reports a good year at the cheese business in Oxford county.

Mr. Thomas Haskett, who has been very ill for the past two weeks, is getting around again. Numbers of the farmers around the village were plowing last week. It was unusually fine weather.

Sugar-making is on the slow side this spring. Neither quality nor quantity being up to the average. Missionary services were held in the English and Methodist churches on Sunday last. Speakers from a distance occupied the pulpits. Biddulph Roman Catholics held a very successful concert in the town hall on Friday evening last, in honor of St. Patrick. Dr. Clarke was called away on Monday to attend the funeral of his mother.

PREMIER PETERS' PLAN

For Wiping Out the Debt of Prince Edward Island—Fancy Salaries Must Come Down.

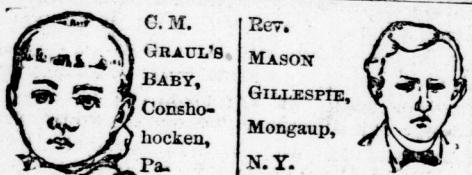
CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., March 20.—At Mount Stewart last night Premier Peters laid down his plan of taxing before a large audience, amid great enthusiasm. He will devote the proceeds of the land office to wiping out the debt. He said it was a wrong principle to tax industry, thrift and enterprise.

He will revert to the old system of a tax on land, 25 or 30 cents an acre. Farms will be valued in three classes, \$500 to \$1,000 and \$2,000 each. No commissions or discounts will be allowed, and the taxpayers will not be called on.

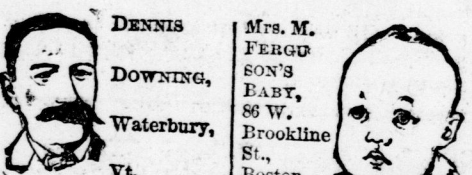
He will abolish statute labor and impose a poll tax instead. A bill to license banks, insurance companies and commercial travelers will be introduced.

He will economize on every point, beginning with his own salary. All holding ornamental positions will have their salaries reduced.

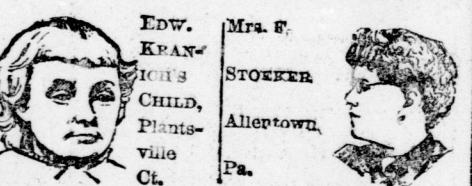
The "Cottage Collection" of mementoes of Robert Burns, sold in 1843, and acquired by Mr. Robert Esdaile, Old Rectory, Manchester, have been sold by him for shipment to America, the price being \$8,000.



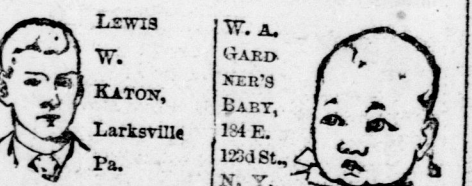
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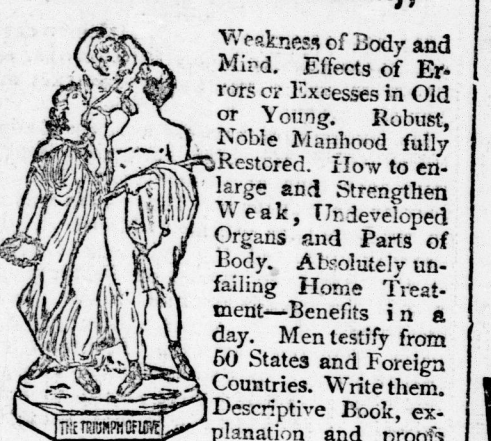
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TEMPLARS OF TEMPERANCE.

Meeting of the Dominion Council at Hamilton.

HAMILTON, Ont., March 20.—The Dominion Council Royal Templars of Temperance for Canada, met here this morning, and will remain in session until Saturday next. Representatives were present from all parts of the Dominion.

The business of this morning was of a routine nature. After a prayer service, led by the Dominion chaplain, several spirited speeches were delivered by officers of the council. A committee composed of Rev. J. W. Bell and Rev. W. Kettlewell, who were appointed for the purpose, drew up a suitable telegram to Gen. Neal Dow, the veteran prohibition leader, congratulating him on the attainment of his 90th birthday, which was dispatched to him in Portland, Maine. Congratulatory communications were received from the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and replied to.

Amongst the prominent gentlemen present from outside of Ontario are: Mr. J. H. Spicer, of Quebec; Mr. W. T. L. Reed, of Nova Scotia; Mr. F. J. Allen, of Winnipeg, Man.; Rev. F. P. Stacey, of Moosejaw, N. W. T., and Rev. Robert Lennie, of New Westminster, B. C.

The various reports indicate that the order is in a most flourishing condition and the outlook for the speedy enactment of temperance legislation is reported as encouraging.

This afternoon's session was given up to the organization work of committees, and this evening there was a regular sitting for the discussion of business.

Neal Dow's Birthday.

ST. JOHN, N. B., March 20.—The Neal Dow celebration at the Mechanics' Institute to-night was probably the greatest turnout of temperance bodies seen in this city for many years. Among the speakers were Charles A. Everett, most worthy patriarch of the National Division, Sons of Temperance, and Sir Leonard Tilley. The latter is an old personal friend of Dow's.

Washington's Scandal Case.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 20.—The closing scenes of the Breckenridge trial to-day included a statement by Miss Pollard that she went to Col. Breckenridge's house in Washington, and the Colonel and Mrs. Wing, when they saw her, crouched behind a curtain. She called to him "Come to me, Willie," and he came out with her to Dr. Lincoln's, and on the way abused Mrs. Wing in every possible way (although he was then married to her). As she went on to tell how for Breckenridge's sake she had given up home and friends and even her children, her feelings overcame her, and at Mr. Butterworth's suggestion the court adjourned.

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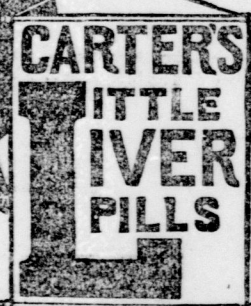
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Address of President Daly, and Committees Nominated.

A Number of Interesting Papers Read—"The Ideal Methodist Young People's Society"—15,000 Young People Engaged in the Work.

During the afternoon a number of delegates arrived on the different trains. Following are the additional registrations: Rev. Joseph Philip, London; John Cann, Exeter; W. H. McCutcheon, London; Rev. B. Clement, London West; J. Taylor, London; Eva M. Stringer and Annie L. Forster-Palmerston; Mrs. J. S. Locke, Weston; Mrs. Adams, Ramon; Dora Ferguson, Strathroy; Chas. Hudson and Lilie Denton, Strathroy; Ivor E. Brock, Chatham; Francis M. Beatty, Sarnia; F. A. Campbell, Mitchell; Hattie A. Harris, Guelph; H. J. Peaker, and Lucian Pearson, Brampton; Louise Thompson, Teeswater; S. R. Quimby, Berlin; J. H. Waite, Goldstone; Minnie Elliott, Sarnia; Clara L. Sanderson, London; Tillie H. Sumner, Oakville; Lizzie Cornish, city; Sarah M. Pasmore, Brantford; T. H. McCallum, Exeter; A. Brickenden, Clinton; J. A. Grant, Gartie McKnight, Louise Bell, Hattie Sharman and Hattie Hill, Strathroy; Ella S. Cosford, South London; Henry Milner, Milton; Polly Strachan, Hattie Sabine, Rockwood; Annie E. Carter, St. Catharines; Minnie E. Austin, Trenton; Bessie Brown and Augusta E. Starr, St. Marys; J. W. Hopkins, Brantford; Rev. J. Ward, London; H. W. Thornton, Dresden; Lou J. Roycraft, Chatham; Mrs. L. Henderson and H. L. Easton, Guelph; Ida Montague and Annie L. Griffith, Byron; Rev. John Locke and Mrs. Locke, Weston; Hattie Walker, Winton; Jessie R. Carrothers and Vina Neelands, Strathroy; Norman C. Rundle, Enniskillen; Willie May, Weston; Rev. D. Jennings, Port Essington, B. C.; Rev. George Jewitt, Warwick; Ida Lewis, Strathroy; Miss L. Holman, Eastwood; Allie Maguire, Toronto; Miss M. Phoenix, city; E. A. B. Cair, Auburn, and J. T. Manning, Parkhill.

Tuesday Afternoon.

The opening meeting of the convention was held in Wesley Hall, and began at 2.30. Rev. J. W. Annis was chairman. The building was filled to the doors, not a seat remaining vacant. During the entire session the deepest interest was taken in the proceedings by the large assembly. After the usual devotional exercises, the chairman made a short address, heartily welcoming the delegates and wishing them a pleasant stay in the Forest City. Mr. Annis then introduced a young and promising worker in the Methodist Church—Mr. Ivor E. Brock, of Chatham—who spoke on "District Organization." The subject was handled in an efficient manner, and several times the speaker was applauded. They were assembled, said Mr. Brock, as Methodist young people's societies of Ontario—mission bands, gleaners, reading circles, literary societies, Christian Endeavor, Epworth League and several known by other names. Still was not their chief object the development of the young life of the church, and to give them an experience and training which will, when they reached maturer years, make them heroes and giants in the work? This being the case, there was no doubt that all such societies should become Epworth Leagues of Christian Endeavor. There was no mission band or gleaners' society which could do better work were they junior leagues, because, while they could do as much mission work as formerly, the important enterprise of developing the young Christian life of the church along other lines could be better carried on. The same could be said of literary societies and reading circles. Taken this as granted, then it must appear that all Methodist young people's societies in Ontario should be organized as Epworth Leagues or Christian Endeavor Societies, or, better still, as both. However, to have a strong, healthy district organization, one name must be adopted. As Epworth Leagues and Endeavor Societies, all have emanated from the same body, but on some account some have diverged into different societies, until the trunk of unity has been ruptured. But should they not by a strong band of fellowship draw these sections closer together, and grow into a vigorous Epworth League of Christian Endeavor organization? He decidedly advised county and district conventions, because in the smaller gatherings delegates who were not gifted with a flow of language were not too timid to voice their good practical ideas. He favored the inauguration of a journal to fill the place in the States. Had a paper of that class been published at the present time, the counties of Ontario would have been better represented at the convention than is the case. (Applause.)

The conference of district secretaries followed, and was led by Mr. T. Mann, of Brantford. The work of organization was touched upon by several secretaries, and the majority naturally enough termed their territory "the band district." The secretary of the Guelph district came with only a poor qualification, but he looked forward to the time when his would lead the districts of Ontario in every branch of work.

The conference continued for about an hour, and at 4 o'clock Rev. G. W. Kerby, B.A., of Hamilton, took charge of the meeting, and led in what he called "old-fashioned" feast and fellowship meeting. An hour was spent in this way. Hymns were sung, experiences were given by nearly every delegate, and the hour was to many one of the most pleasant ever spent.

Tuesday Evening.

Long before 7.30 last night crowds started to file into Dundas Street Methodist Church, and not until 8.15 did the influx cease. The platform was tastefully decorated with lilacs, and presented a very pretty appearance. The full choir was present, and gave several selections. Miss Ziegler also sang a solo in a very sweet and clear voice, and was loudly applauded.

The chairman was Mr. F. W. Daly, the popular president of the Young People's Union, who discharged the duties of the position in a manner which would reflect credit upon a person of much wider experience. In a few happy remarks Mr. Daly cordially welcomed the delegates and others who attended the meeting, and hoped that they would be present at the remainder of the sessions.

ADDRESSES OF WELCOME.

There were several addresses of welcome on the programme. The first was "On behalf of the Methodist churches," by Rev. Dr. Antiliff, who said he felt himself greatly honored to perform such a duty for the Methodist churches of London, which have nearly 10,000 members. The hope of the present generation was in the young people of today, and it was certainly a good sign

so many of them so actively connected with the church work. Dr. Antiliff assured the convention that during their stay in London anything belonging to the church could be put to their use. (Applause.)

Mr. Daly next introduced Mayor Essery to reply on behalf of the citizens of London. He said the success of the country and of the people depended greatly upon the manner in which their forefathers had rallied around the Union Jack (cheers), and if the coming generation followed suit it would continue so. He hoped that when the delegates returned home they would take with them many happy reminiscences of their stay in the Forest City.

"The Methodist Young People's Union"

was represented by Mr. W. J. Wattam, of London West. Mr. Wattam extended a most cordial welcome and hoped that the convention would prove a great blessing to all who attended.

A REPLY.

Rev. Dr. Withrow, general secretary of the Epworth League, Toronto, replied to these words of welcome. Dr. Withrow was well received. He said that the hospitality of Londoners was well known from one end of the Dominion to the other. During the past year no less than six conventions had been held in this city, so it must be pretty hospitable. The eyes of the whole Dominion were present on London, on account of the present convention.

Dr. Withrow paid a high compliment to two Londoners—Mr. John Cameron and Mrs. May R. Thornley—for the great help rendered by them at the recent prohibition convention at Toronto, both of whom were on the deputation which waited on the Ontario Government. He would not now be surprised to see Sir Oliver Mowat bring in a bill for the bettering of the condition of women. "Then there is the temperance reform," said Dr. Withrow. "The fight is not by any means won, and it will take some time before the desired end is reached. But with the young people on our side we can make sure of victory." (Applause.)

Mr. W. M. Spencer welcomed the delegates on behalf of the Y. M. C. A., in the absence of Mr. Hobbs, the president. It afforded him a great deal of pleasure to invite the young people to the rooms of the association. Should they be in the city, feel weary, or want to telephone (laughter), they were welcome to call at the association building.

FRATERNAL GREETINGS.

Mrs. Crawford, of this city, representing the King's Daughters and Sons, and Rev. A. F. McGregor, B.A., vice-president of the Provincial Union of Christian Endeavor, also extended fraternal greetings in behalf of their respective societies.

Rev. R. J. Elliott, of Woodstock, in replying to the fraternal greetings, could hardly express his thankfulness for the kind words that had been spoken. He would say "Cawman," but the societies engaged in promoting the welfare of the church in general. On a prosperous voyage it was not amiss to see that the boats were well equipped and ready for any dangers which might arise. There was no wonder the young people are joyful at the results of their work. There were many of them having too many societies. There was again the danger of being too easily disheartened at slow success; there was the danger of attempting too much and failing in all. A solemn responsibility rested upon the young people—they must consider what was required of them. In meekness they must suffer, and with patience learn.

In speaking of safeguards, Dr. Carman said the first was the making of a league nothing but a league; second, it must have its connections right; and third, it was to maintain spiritual power, for which he admired the Christian Endeavor. (Applause.) Secretary Dillon, after making the announcement, named the nominating committee as follows: Mr. Kirkpatrick, Ottawa; Rev. Mr. Mitchell, St. Catharines; Rev. Wm. Pridham, Walsingham Center; Mr. T. L. Armstrong, Tilsonburg; Rev. Joseph Wilson, Allandale; Mr. John Strahan, Belmont; Mr. J. W. Hogarth, Exeter; Mr. John Neeson, Paisley; Mr. J. P. Papp, Toronto; Rev. T. S. Bartlett, Lakefield; Mr. E. H. Huggell, Ingersoll; Rev. Mr. Cook, Ripley; Mr. J. E. L. Starr, Toronto; Mr. F. B. Stafford, Toronto; Rev. J. W. Annis and A. N. Udy, London; Mr. T. Mann, Brantford; Miss Manning, Brantford; M. Carson, Harrisonburg; Eva Jackson, Newmarket; Miss P. P. Thomas, T. Gundy, Uxbridge; Bursley, Bowmanville, and Pearson, of Brynston.

Mr. Dillon also read greetings from the Baptist Young People's Union and Christian Endeavor Union of the city, and the Women's Provincial Union.

The meeting was closed with the benediction.

Wednesday Morning.

Wednesday's proceedings commenced with a sunrise prayer meeting in the King Street Methodist Church, led by A. W. Thornton, M.D., Dresden. From 9 a.m. until 9.30 there was a service of praise in the Queen's Avenue Church, conducted by H. L. Rice, B.A., St. Marys.

Miss Pascoe, St. Thomas, read a paper on "The Power of Service."

F. W. Daly, B.A., president, then delivered his presidential address, in the course of which he said: How is it that in a Sunday school of 400 children only 100, or one-quarter, are retained as active church workers when they have attained the age of maturity? In fact a committee of the Y. M. C. A. in the United States reported that only 10 per cent. of the young men are church members. Ninety per cent. have drifted away. The two principal reasons for this are the lack of competent teachers and the fact that they have not been trained to Christian work in the junior society. We have our normal schools for the training of our secular teachers but none for our Sunday school teachers. When we asked our societies throughout the Province for their approval or disapproval of our scheme for university extension in systematic Bible study and Christian work almost all without exception gave their hearty indorsement and promise of financial support. This is strong evidence of a much felt want. Most young people are willing to work for the Master if they only knew how. When the work is mapped out and suggestions as to methods are made it is generally found that young people are ready to take hold. The demand of the age is for trained workers not only in the secular walks of life, but also in the religious. The world is calling for specialists in every department of life and what our Young People's Association needs to-day is a specialist

who shall be free to devote all his time for the holding of institutes or training schools in various parts of the Province at which our young people shall be enabled to gain a broad, comprehensive knowledge of the Bible and be instructed in the very best methods of Christian work.

If the older church members had been trained in junior societies there would be fewer backsliders and fewer lukewarm Christians, the church services would be more loyal and earnest, and we would have a more aggressive church than we have to-day.

Rev. T. A. Moore, superintendent of the department of junior work, read an interesting paper on junior work. It was referred to the committee on that work.

"The ideal Methodist Young People's Society" was the subject of a paper read by Rev. G. H. Cobblestick, B.A., Brussels. Among the aims referred to were the promotion of piety, of missions, of Bible study, of spiritual worship, the accomplishment of definite work for Christ and for man by the use of personal influence in the church and Sunday school and daily life.

J. R. La Starr, Toronto, followed with an equally interesting paper on "Its Methods."

Then came the general discussion on the papers read. It was introduced by C. P. Holton, Belleville. Among the many who took part was Rev. James Cook, M.D., Ripley. Mr. Cook quoted figures of the spiritual progress of the churches in the Guelph Conference before and after the introduction of young people's societies. He held that the church since the introduction had not added as many members as it had been adding prior to that time, and cited the figures in proof. The reason he assigned to divided energy. There was just so much energy in a church, and when that was divided up it became lost. More of Christ and less of self was wanted.

R. W. Dillon, Toronto, secretary, read his report, and gave an interesting resume of the work of the year. There was now in connection with the Methodist Church in the Province 91 Epworth Leagues, 153 Christian Endeavor societies, 654 Epworth Leagues of Christian Endeavor, 193 junior societies and 1,122. The pledged members numbered 15,719, church members 5,016, total 20,735. There were 163 mission bands, with a membership of 5,067, and 63 circles of King's Daughters and Sons, with a membership of 804. By this it would seem that 25,000 Methodist young people in Ontario are engaged in the work of those several societies.

The executive committee then nominated the following committees:

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Junior Work—Rev. Mr. Moore (convenor), Rev. Mr. Bartlett, Lakefield; Mr. Buckley, Ottawa; Mrs. Thompson, Ingersoll; Miss Holman, St. Catharines; Miss Kelly, Hamilton; Miss Withrow, Toronto; Mrs. Greysten, city; Rev. R. W. Wright, Plattsville; A. J. Cooper, Clinton; Mr. Joseph Cook, Ripley; Miss Veale, Bowmanville; H. L. Jackson, Brussels; J. Nelson, Paisley; Mrs. A. M. Phillips, Miss Milford, Sarnia; Miss Bosely, Dr. Aude, Melior Ellis, F. T. Aubrey, Miss Pierson, Chatham; Miss Martin, Brampton; Miss Gertie Graham, St. Thomas.

Bible Study—Rev. A. W. Phillips (convenor), Miss Webb, Toronto; Mrs. Dickson, Hamilton; Mr. Jobin, Bowmanville; Miss Austin, Trenton; Rev. John Henderson, Woodville; Rev. G. H. Cobblestick, Brussels; Rev. J. W. Annis, M. A., London; R. J. Elliott, Miss Francis E. Beatty, Sarnia; Rev. Joseph Philip, London; Rev. Jos. Cook, Ripley; C. O. Belfry, Newmarket; Rev. G. P. Salton, Stratford.

Missionary Committee—Miss McGuffin (convenor), Mr. Fred Daly, Mrs. A. M. Phillips, Miss Watson, Sarnia; Miss Pratt, Ottawa; Rev. G. A. Mitchell, Rev. Dr. Withrow, Miss Matthews, Woodstock; Miss Washington, Clinton; Rev. Mr. Bursley, Brantford; Fred Mann, Miss Holmes, Miss Alice Smith, Hamilton; Dr. Thornton, Dresden; Mrs. Lagar, Belleville.

Temperance Committee—Rev. Mr. Watch (convenor), Rev. W. H. Harvey, Hespeler; Rev. S. Muxworthy, Belmont; Miss Bertha Ellis, Port Dover; A. B. Cryderman, Hamilton; H. E. Easton, Guelph; Miss Pascoe, St. Thomas; Rev. G. W. Culbert, Oakville; Edith A. Wilkes, Glenora; Miss Michener, Miss Varley, F. W. Leach, Wilmot; Mr. Wilson, Ottawa; John Cain, Exeter; G. W. Kerby, N. W. Rowell, Mr. Jobin.

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The different committees met at the close of the morning session.

Rev. A. J. Irwin was appointed mission secretary this morning, with Miss Brock as assistant.

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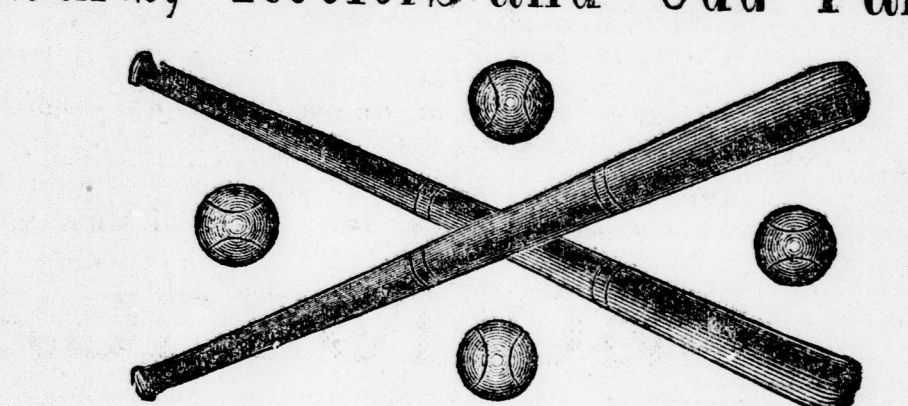
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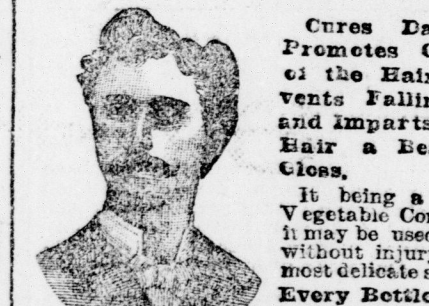
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Noticing that made-moiselle was benumbed and cramped with long sitting, I would have helped her to dismount; but she fiercely rejected my aid, and I had to content myself with requesting the landlord to assign the best accommodation he had to the lady and her attendant, and secure as much privacy for them as possible. The man assented very civilly and said all should be done; but I noticed that his eyes wandered while I talked, and that he seemed to have something on his mind. When he returned, after disposing of them, it came out.

"Did you ever happen to see him, sir?" he asked with a sigh; yet was there a smug air of pleasure mingled with his melancholy.

"See whom?" I answered, staring at him, for neither of us had mentioned any one.

"The duke, sir."

I stared again between wonder and suspicion. "The Duke of Nevers is not in this park, is he?" I said slowly. I heard he was on the Brittany border, away to the westward.

"Mon Dieu!" my host exclaimed, raising his hands in astonishment. "You have not heard, sir?"

"I have heard nothing," I answered impatiently.

"You have not heard, sir, that the most puissant and illustrious lord the Duke of Guise is dead?"

"M. de Guise dead? It is not true?" I cried astonished.

He nodded, however, several times with an air of great importance, and seemed as if he would have gone on to give me some particulars. But, remembering, as I fancied, that he spoke in the hearing of half a dozen guests who sat about the great fire behind me, and had both eyes fixed on him, he contented himself with shifting his towel to his other arm and adding only:

"Yes, sir, dead as any nail. The news came through here yesterday, and made a pretty stir. It happened at this time of day but one before Christmas, if all be true."

I was thunderstruck. This was news that might change the face of France. How did it happen?" I asked.

My host covered his mouth with his hand and coughed, and, privily twitching my sleeve, gave me to understand with some shamefacedness that he could not say more in public. I was about to make some excuse to retire with him, when a harsh voice, apparently addressed to me, caused me to turn sharply. I found at my elbow a tall thin-faced monk in the habit of the Jacobin order. He had risen from his seat beside the fire, and seemed to be laboring under great excitement.

"Who asked how it happened?" he cried, rolling his eyes in a kind of frenzy, while still observant, or I was much mistaken, of his listeners. Is there a man in France to whom the tale has not been told? Is there?"

"I will answer for one," I replied, regarding him with little favor. "I have heard nothing."

"Then you shall! Listen!" he exclaimed, raising his right hand and brandishing it as though he denounced a person then present.

"Hear my accusation, made in the name of Mother Church and the saints against the arch hypocrite, the perjurer and assassin sitting in high places! He shall be Anathema Maranatha, for he has shed the blood of the holy and the pure, the chosen of Heaven! He shall go down to the pit, and there shall the blood that he has shed shall be required of him, and that before he is one year older."

"Tut-tut. All that sounds very fine, good father," I said, waxing impatient, and a little scornful; for I had seen the monks of those wandering and often crazy orders in whom the League found their most useful emissaries. "But I should profit more by your gentle words, if I knew whom you were cursing."

"The man of blood!" he cried; through whom the last but not the least of God's saints and martyrs entered into glory on the Friday before Christmas.

Moved by such profanity, and judging him, notwithstanding the extravagance of his words and gestures, to be less mad than he seemed, and as much knave as fool, I bade him sternly have done with his cursing and proceed to his story if he had one.

He glowered at me for a moment, as though he were minded to launch his spiritual weapons at my head; but as I returned his glare with an unmoved eye—and my four rascals, who were as impatient as myself to learn the news, and had scarce more reverence for a shaven crown, began to murmur—he thought better of it, and cooling as suddenly as he had flamed up, lost no time in satisfying our curiosity.

It would ill become me, however, to set down the extravagant and often blasphemous harangue in which, styling M. de Guise the martyr of God, he told the story now so familiar—the story of that dark wintry morning at Blois, when the king's messenger, knocking early at the duke's door, bade him hurry, for the king wanted him. The story is trite enough now. When I heard it first in the town of the Clain, it was all new and all marvelous.

The monk, too, telling the story as if he had seen the events with his own eyes, omitted nothing which might impress his hearers. He told us how the duke received warning after warning, and answered in the very ante-chamber, "He dare not!" How his blood, mysteriously advised of coming dissolution, grew chill, and his eye, wounded at Chateau Thierry, began to run, so that he had to send for our handkerchiefs so that he had forgotten to bring. He told us, even, how the duke drew his assassins up and down the chamber, how he cried for mercy, and how he died at last at the foot of the king's bed, and how the king, who had never dared to face him living, came and spurned him dead!

There were pale faces round the fire when he ceased, and bent brows and lips hard pressed together. When he stood up, he cursed the king of France—cursing him openly by the name of Henry of Valois, a thing I had never looked to hear in France—though no one said "Amen," and all glanced over their shoulders, and our host pattered from the room as if he had seen a ghost, it seemed to be no man's duty to gainsay him.

For myself, I was full of thoughts which it would have been unsafe to utter in that company or so near the Loire. I had been back sixteen years. Who but Henry of Guise had spurned the corpse of Coligny? And who but Henry of Valois had backed

him in the act? Who but Henry of Guise had drenched Paris with blood, and who but Henry of Valois had ridden by his side? On the 23rd of the month—a day never to be erased from France's annals—had purchased for him a term of greatness. A second 23rd saw him pay the price—saw his ashes cast secretly and by night no man knows where!

Moved by such thoughts, and observing that the priest was going the round of the company collecting money for masses for the duke's soul, to which object I could neither give with a good conscience nor refuse without exciting suspicion, I slipped out; and finding a man of decent appearance talking with the landlord in a small room beside the kitchen, I called for a flask of the best wine, and by means of that introduction obtained my supper in their company.

The stranger was a Norman horse-dealer, returning home after disposing of his strings. He seemed to be in a large way of business, and being of a bluff, independent spirit, as many of those Norman townsmen are, was inclined at first to treat me with more familiarity than respect; the result of my remarks, for which he would have chaffered, excepting my coat in quality, leading him to set me down as a steward or intendant. The pursuit of his trade, however, had brought him into connection with all classes of men, and he quickly perceived his mistake; and as he knew the provinces between the Seine and the Loire to perfection, and made it part of his business to foresee the chances of peace and war, I obtained a great amount of information from him, and indeed conceived no little liking for him. He believed that the assassination of M. de Guise would alienate so much of France from the king that his Majesty would have little left save the towns on the Loire, and some other places within easy reach of his court at Blois.

(To be Continued.)

"Little Bo Peep had lost her sheep and couldn't tell where to find them." So the old nursery rhyme says, and it goes on to bid her "leave them alone, and they'll come home and bring their tails behind them." All this may be true of lost sheep, but if you have lost your health, you cannot afford to leave that alone. It will not come back of its own accord. Some people brag that they never bother about colds. They "let them go the way they came." Alas, too often the victims go to a consumptive's grave. Remember that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery removes eruptions, blotches, pimples, ulcers, serious humors and incipient consumption which is simply scurfy of the lungs. It enriches the blood, making it pure and the whole system new.

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DR. WILD'S ALE

Causes Some Discussion at the First Congregational Church—He Will Return Next Month—Church Finances.

The annual meeting of the First Congregational Church Monday evening was very properly opened with a pleasant supper and social reunion, which fortified the members for the business which followed. The chairman, Mr. Langridge, read the estimates for the year. They looked for receipts of \$1,656, but it would leave only \$167 remaining for a pastor's salary.

At this juncture there was a lively discussion. Mr. A. E. Harding, the acting secretary, said God would take care of the finances if they only trusted in him. Dr. Wild, who had filled the pulpit lately, was a sort of professional wind-bag, he said. Amid cries of order Mr. Harding went on to say that if Dr. Wild was forced to take stimulants and wandered from his subject in the pulpit he was not a man of God in the speaker's idea.

Dr. Wild, he thought, had done more harm than good to the spiritual interests of the church, and the best members would leave if he preached again there. (Applause.)

The chairman and Deacon Marshall spoke a good word for Dr. Wild, Deacon Monte knew of an ex-infidet whose infidelity Dr. Wild had knocked out.

Mr. Langridge explained that Dr. Wild had told the deacons that he had been ordered by his doctor to smoke and drink stimulants, and that is why he could not accept a charge.

Deacon Marshall said there was no secret about it, and that the doctor took a glass of ale, but drank neither tea nor coffee.

Finally the deacons decided to accept Dr. Wild's offer to preach here in April and May, and the congregation consented. The permanent pastorate will be decided by the deacons. Dr. Stenbridge, of Springfield, Ill., is spoken of.

The financial statement, read by Treasurer R. Marshall, showed total receipts of \$3,595.87. The weekly offerings amounted to \$1,318.62; plate collections, \$726.38; Ladies' Aid, \$192.42; special donations, \$175; Sunday school, \$139.39; balance of debt reduction fund, including Henry Mathewson's bequest, \$533; proceeds of B. B. N. A. note, \$300; small amounts make up the balance. The principal items on the side of expenditures included \$1,372 for salaries, \$1,017 being for pastor and pulpit supply; maintenance cost, \$323.57; interest, \$641.25; paid off mortgage, \$500; Ladies' Aid, \$131.84; Sunday school, \$150.35. The year was begun with a deficit of \$291.78, which this year was reduced to \$64.94. The balance sheet showed assets of \$32,677, the church property being valued at \$3,500. The balance of assets over liabilities is \$21,693.49, the main liability being a \$9,500 mortgage.

Deac P. C. Maddock read the deacons' report, signed by Deacons R. Marshall, W. Johnson, R. Monte and W. R. Langridge. It was a full historical report. Messrs. Harding and Lewis, two young members, had entered the ministry.

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Calgary, 4-26°; Edmonton, 6° below -24°; Esquimaux, 34-48°; Port Arthur, 20°; Winnipeg, 28-36°; Port Arthur, 22-32°; Parry Sound, 24-50°; Toronto, 33-40°; Kingston, 26-48°; Montreal, 26-38°; Quebec, 22-36°; Halifax, 32-38°.

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—Mr. H. Pike, of Chicago, has been visiting friends in the city.

—Miss Cassie Walker, of Clarence street, has left on a four weeks visit to friends in Detroit, Mich.

—Mr. D. W. Johnston, of Detroit, traveling passenger agent of the Union Pacific, is in the city.

—Mr. Andrew Taylor, of Toronto, Canadian passenger agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway, is in town.

—Mrs. Stewart, who was injured in a runaway in St. Thomas last Saturday, is the mother of Mr. Alex. Stewart, M. C. R. freight agent, city.

—The contract for enlarging the Sunday school room of Centennial Methodist Church has been awarded to Mr. Joseph Simmons, Queen's avenue.

—Though the names are the same, no one who knows Frank Watson, of Gray street (son of Mr. Joseph Watson, G. T. R. engineer) will imagine for a moment that he was the Watson arrested yesterday for assaulting the brothers Young.

—Lieut. Col. Smith, D. A. G., of this city, and Mr. Fred. White, architect of the Department of Militia and Defense, were in St. Thomas Monday and inspected the drill shed with a view to the erection of a caretaker's residence, orderly and store rooms.

—Neil Cooper, auctioneer, sold the northern part of lot 52, Prospect avenue (14850 feet) yesterday afternoon to Mr. Cushman for \$549. Mr. Cooper has also sold Miss Gurd's property, next to the King Street Methodist Church, to Mr. Hinton, King street, at \$1,295.

—The Brockville Times says: "Sunday afternoon and evening Messrs. Turner and Hill, of London, Ont., two missionaries en route to Central Africa, delivered stirring addresses to large audiences in the Merrill block. They left for Ottawa, going from there to Montreal, previous to sailing for Africa."

—Dr. Charles McEachran and Mrs. McEachran purchased from Mr. H. Vincent Meredith, residence, 909 Sherbrooke street, of which they will take possession in May, Mr. and Mrs. Meredith are about to build on Pine avenue, near the residence of Mrs. Meredith's father, Mr. Andrew Allen. (Montreal Star.)

—The Winnipeg Free Press says: Col. Williams, of London, Ont., one of the recently-appointed Northwest mounted police inspectors, passed through the city Saturday en route to Egypt, accompanied by Mrs. Williams. Col. Williams will be remembered by the people of the Northwest as an officer of the Seventh Fusiliers, one of the finest bodies of men that came up from "down east" during the rebellion.

Had the Fusiliers reached Batouche in season it is possible that Col. Williams might not have been in the city to-day, but they did not reach Batouche in season for fighting. The Fusiliers, however, had a great trip, and the story of their nine days' float down the South Saskatchewan on flat-bottomed boats, 320 miles, without seeing human beings outside of their own crew, is always an interesting chapter in the history of the rebellion. Mrs. Williams, nee Graham, is a young lady of charming appearance, and the handsome couple walked back and forth on the station platform, she in her pretty traveling costume, receiving such chivalrous attention, and he so military-like and evidently proud of his young wife, they were the cynosure of all eyes.

Liberals, Attention!
A general meeting of the Liberals of No. 2 ward will be held in the Liberal rooms, Oddfellows' Hall, tonight, at 8 o'clock. Delegates will be selected to attend the convention to arrange for bringing out a candidate at the coming Provincial election. A full attendance is requested.

"My Colleen."
An Irish comedy-drama of a higher order than the average—a clean-cut, pure and natural domestic story of the Emerald Isle—"My Colleen," by James A. Heaton, author of "Hearts of Oak," "Shore Acres" and "Margaret Fleming," will be given at the Grand this evening. Tony Farrell is no stranger to London. Twice last season he appeared here, and on both occasions well-pleased audiences witnessed the performances.

Liquor Dealers in Session.
The wholesale and retail liquor dealers and license holders of the city and county to the number of 60 met in the Duffell Block yesterday afternoon. All parts of Middlesex were represented. The chief item of business concerned the coming Provincial Convention of the Publican's Protective Association in Toronto. All members were urged to attend. The present aspect of the temperance question was discussed at length but no definite steps were taken. That rests with the convention. The city and county organizations are separate so far as local interests are concerned. The officers of the London association are:

President—John Labatt.
Vice-President—D. J. Flaherty.
Treasurer—Harry Carling.
Secretary—John Flaherty.

The Collegiate Institute.
The Collegiate Institute is beginning to present a holiday appearance and anticipation of the great conversation and picnic excursion to be held there Thursday evening. The whole interior of the magnificent building, and particularly the two decorated with flags, streamers, bunting, and the old standby school colors, gold and navy, all artistically arranged to present a pleasing effect. Two suitable platforms are being erected and all the other necessary arrangements are nearing completion. The seating capacity has been fixed at 1,000 to assure every ticket-holder of a seat, and well taken care of by a painstaking committee. Tickets are reported to sell at a good rate, and there is every prospect of a full house and a splendid time.

Joseph T. Marks Nominated.
At a largely attended meeting of representatives from the various labor unions and legislative clubs in the city, held last evening in the Labor Hall, the question of nominating a labor candidate to represent the city in the Local Legislature was thoroughly discussed and the following resolution was adopted:

"That a candidate be nominated by this convention on the understanding that the nomination be submitted for approval to the various labor unions and legislative clubs and that four weeks from to-night an adjourned convention be held to endorse the nomination finally or to decide not to take action at all in the matter of placing a candidate in the field."

Messrs. Joseph T. Marks and Henry B. Ashplant were nominated, but before balloting Mr. Ashplant stated that he would not be the means of causing any division

in the ranks of labor if Mr. Marks consented to accept the nomination. Mr. Marks intimated his willingness to accept the nomination, and Mr. Ashplant thereupon withdrew. The nomination of Mr. Marks was then made unanimous, amid the enthusiastic applause of the delegates. Committees were then appointed to wait upon the several labor organizations to carry out the intention of the above resolution.

THE OLD TYME TEA

And Capital Concert at St. Andrew's—Interesting Presentation.

The old tyme tea and the modern concert at St. Andrew's Church drew such a multitude last night that nothing but perfect management and unbounded culinary resources could have met the requirements, and that is the way in which the good people of the congregation met them. The basement, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., was a huge dining hall, and all were fed and well filled. The tables were covered with many yards of good old-fashioned dishes, which were emptied by old-fashioned appetites, and filled again as each successive array bombarded them. The ladies in scores waited on their guests and gave faultless service.

An adjournment was afterwards made to the church, which was filled, body and gallery. Proceedings were opened in a very interesting manner. Messrs. James Gillean and Donald McDonald, the esteemed honorary ushers, were called to the front by Mr. James Miller, who, in a brief speech, presented each of them with a handsome easy chair, upholstered in leather. Mr. Gillean has been an usher in St. Andrew's Church for 52 years and Mr. McDonald for 44 years. They were in active service long before the present fine structure was thought of and when St. Andrew's was a frame building, so that they have seen a new generation spring up in its history. Both expressed their gratitude for these magnificent recognitions. Mr. Gillean said it always afforded him pleasure to welcome new comers to the congregation and to make the stranger feel at home in their last days. He was greatly pleased to find that they had appreciated his efforts. They needed no formal recognition at their hands as he considered he was rewarded by the consciousness that he had done his duty. In his old age he should treasure this testimony of their good will, and as opportunity presented itself he would strive yet to lend a hand to promote the welfare of this progressive congregation.

Mr. McDonald spoke in the same strain, and both were loudly applauded. The star attraction on the programme was Master Willie Kerr, of Detroit, the boy singer. He looked very nice in a lace collar and cuffs, and revealed a sweet and well trained soprano, which had no suspicion of the falsetto to detract. His three other selections were a duet by Miss Gilmore and Mr. J. W. McIntosh; solos by Miss Lillywhite, Mr. W. T. Moffatt, Mr. E. J. Forsythe, Mrs. Ellis, Miss Walker, and instrumentals by C. E. Wheeler. Rev. J. A. Murray presided, and short speeches full of good humor, good will and good advice were delivered by Rev. Mr. Cook, of Dorchester, and Rev. W. J. Clark, city.

Mr. Murray thanked the people for their liberal patronage in cordial terms. The platform was beautifully decorated with flowers, donated by Messrs. Greenway and Gammage. The proceeds go to the extensive Sunday school improvements. Mr. George Fraser was the secretary of the concert committee.

POLITICAL POINTS.

North York Tories Fail to Agree On a candidate.
A convention of the Conservatives of North York to select a candidate for the Local House was held at Newmarket Tuesday afternoon. A number of names were submitted, but it was decided that no action be taken for the present.

The New York Tribune says that Justice Newton, of Grand, has turned state's evidence, and will assist the prosecution in disposing of the cases of indictment of followers of John Y. McKane.

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Men's Summer Shirts and Drawers, 23c. Men's Socks (seamless), 10c pair. STEEL SCISSORS, worth 40c, reduced to 19c.

COTTONS AND SHIRTINGS—Best Cottonade, only 19c. Best 28-inch Sheeting, worth 12 1/2c, for 10c.

36-inch Sheeting for 5c. Best Spools, 1c each. White Carpet Warp, 18c pound.

CARPETS—Union Reversible, yard wide, 28c. BOOTS AND SHOES—Ladies' Dongola Kid, 99c pair.

Men's whole stock Boots, 99c pair. Baby's Shoes, 25c. Ladies' Kid Cut Dongola Buttoned Boots, 99c pair.

HOSIERY AND GLOVES—To save the dust and dirt which will be here, at half price.

28-inch Cream Embroidered Flannel, for waists, 25c a yard. Embroidery Skirting, worth 25c, for 15c a yard.

UNDERWEAR FOR LADIES—Take at your own prices. SMALL WARES—Hooks and Eyes, 1c dozen.

Silk Spools, 2 1/2c each. Hairpins, 1c package. Best Pins, 1c paper.

FANCY GOODS—Must be sold. Come and see our prices. Your friends all shop here. Why not you? Brown Windsor Soap, 1c cake.

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