

money so raised was entirely used for deposits in connection with the trial. The witness did not handle the money. This business was managed by Mr. Parand, who was the original maker of the notes. Mr. Parand distributed the money among the constituents. Asked who paid the notes, the witness said he did not know. He did not know the total amount for which he became accountable.

Shown by Mr. Barwick that his name was on \$25,000 of paper, the witness could not say in what part of Canada the 25 notes requiring these deposits were filed.

Asked whether any part was sent to Nova Scotia, the witness did not answer. Mr. Barwick questioned the witness as to his recollection of these heavy obligations.

He said that the original purpose was to renew the notes when they fell due. He had not known that instead of renewing the notes Mr. Parand had paid them off.

Mr. Langier, counsel for Mr. Mercier, having made charges reflecting on Senator Robitaille, the latter made a statement today. He merely declared that the allegations were untrue in all particulars, and asked the committee to take evidence and probe the whole matter to the bottom, beginning at the very beginning.

He has retained Mr. Barwick, and the Ontario bank has withdrawn from the case.

General Intelligence.

RAIN MAKING.

The results of the unique experiments which are being made by the Scientific Expedition which has been sent out by the United States Government to test the possibility of causing rain in arid districts by explosions in the atmosphere will be looked for with interest all over the world. The theory on which these experiments are based is by no means so absurd as many may be inclined to think. The demonstration of the power of man to produce artificial rain by the electrical or other atmospheric conditions which cause rain, and so to bring showers at will, would be but another step in the discovery and utilization of the laws in accordance with which Nature performs her manifold operations. The modes of operation would be far more easily understood by the common mind than that which governs the application of electricity for the production of light and force. Of course it by no means follows that the theory of the correctness of the theory would render the method immediately available for practical use. The question of expense, for instance, suggests formidable difficulties. Yet the history of the applications of science to practical purposes in other cases would warrant the belief that the relation of cause to effect being established, economical and workable modes of utilizing the knowledge would sooner or later be found. The possibilities suggested are stupendous. Among the alleged facts which give support to the theory is the statement that many of the great battle fields of modern history have been deluged with rain very soon after the cannonading. It is also said, on the authority of Senator Stanford, that when the "Great Pacific Railroad" was being built through a mountain region where rain rarely fell, the heavy blasting was followed almost daily by copious showers, and that these totally ceased when the work was ended. If this be so the builders of the Canadian Pacific should be able to give us some corroborative facts.—*Work.*

AN EXCITING SCENE.

EXCITEMENT BETWEEN A MAD BULL AND THE SOLDIERS BEAR—THE BULL SHOT.

An exciting scene took place in the I. S. C. barracks yard at 2 o'clock this afternoon. A bull which Stanley Chase, butcher, was leading down Queen street with a rope became wild, and escaping, dashed through the barracks gate. Heading at once for the upper end of the yard, the pet bear, chained to its post soon met its view; and with a snort the bull rushed at him.

A lively encounter ensued in which bruins proved no match for his antagonists, being butted, tossed in the air, and overturned without inflicting any punishment whatever on the bull. Had the soldiers not come to the rescue when they did they would in a very short time have been mourning the loss of their pet; and even then it was with great difficulty that the bull was kept off. So violent was it that no one could approach any nearer, not to say, take hold of it; and it became necessary to shoot down the animal. A rifle shot, fired at a distance of ten or fifteen yards, took the bull in the mouth and sent him staggering. A second shot took effect in the brain and laid it dead.—*Gleaner* 28th.

LOTTERY OFFICERS ARRESTED.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE LOUISIANA COMPANY AND OTHERS HELD FOR VIOLATING POSTAL LAWS.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 27.—Affidavits were filed to-day against the president and directors of the Louisiana Lottery Company and several of the employees for violation of the anti-lottery law in sending lottery circulars through the mails. The company has lately been mailing to all points of the country a large number of pamphlets containing the decision of the Louisiana supreme court in favor of the lottery amendment passed by the late legislature submitting the question of extending the charter of the company to the popular vote. There was some doubt on the part of the post office department as to whether this pamphlet was in violation of the law. The affidavits are based on the discovery in these pamphlets of circulars and envelopes telling how persons desiring lottery tickets may secure them by means of the express office.

The circulars were discovered by

Inspector Maynard at Austin, Tex. The information was furnished it is said by a clerk in the lottery office. Fifteen affidavits were filed in all. They are against Paul Corral, president of the company; John Morris, owner of the Morris park race course in New York; Chapman Hyams, Frank Howard, P. J. Herwig, J. L. Herwig, P. O. Parand, J. P. Harner and others. Nearly all are men of wealth, most of them being millionaires. A majority of them are now abroad travelling. Those who are here surrendered this morning and were released on bail. The others will be arrested when they arrive here and held to appear for trial in Austin, Tex.

TRIAL OF THE BELLEDUNE PRISONERS.

DALHOUSIE, Aug. 26.—The Belledune case came before the circuit court today. Three charges were preferred against Patrick Culligan, Alex. Cameron, Joseph Arsenau, James Young and William Gougar. The first was assault, occasioning actual bodily harm; the second, assault with intent of occasioning grievous bodily harm, and the third, assault with intent to do actual bodily harm. The grand jury found a true bill on the second count against Culligan, Cameron and Young, and against Arsenau and Gougar. Solicitor General Pugsley appeared for the crown, and Messrs. Gregory and Barrie for the prisoners. Mr. Gregory objected to the indictment and the case was allowed to stand over till tomorrow morning.

DALHOUSIE, Aug. 27.—Proceedings in the Belledune case were continued today. After the jury was sworn in Solicitor General Pugsley addressed them, and briefly described the case.

Antonie Petre, in whose household the attack took place, was called on behalf of the crown. He was examined by Mr. Pugsley, and cross-examined by Mr. Gregory. His story was substantially the same as that told to the magistrate in January, and reported to the *Sax*. He identified the coat and cap left at his house by the sailor, George Williams, and which his wife had given to Andrew Harvie, a justice of the peace, living near Belledune.

Andrew Harvie, called and sworn, identified the clothing, and explained how he had obtained possession of it. Thomas Petre, son of Antonie Petre, was the next witness. His evidence was not exactly in line with that given at the examination in January. When this was brought to notice he accounted for it by saying he did not remember the facts as distinctly now as then.

Margaret Petre, sister of the last witness, did not remember the facts as well as in January, but her evidence was in the main the same as given then. DALHOUSIE, Aug. 29.—The jury brought in a verdict at 9:30 this morning in the Belledune murder case. They acquitted Young and found Culligan and Cameron guilty of common assault. The judge sentenced the two men to Denbigh to one month with hard labor and a fine of \$100.—*Sax*.

MURDERED AT THE ALTAR.

FERIBLE DEATH OF A PRIEST WHILE CONDUCTING SERVICES.—THE WIFE WAS POISONED.—HE DRANK OF THE CUP AND FELL DEAD BEFORE THE CONGREGATION.

ROME, August 26.—The deliberate murder of a priest while in the performance of his holy office at the altar has created a sensation at Palermo. The tragic event occurred on Sunday. The priest was named Don Giuseppe La Rosa, and he was the private chaplain to the Countess de Mazzarino. At the accustomed hour yesterday the priest began his mass service in the private chapel of

the Mazzarino villa, in his usual health and in the presence of the family of the Countess.

The solemn moments following the elevation of the host were particularly quiet when, in a voice that appeared faltering and feeble, the priest began to recite the balance of the mass, but suddenly stopped abruptly, cast his eyes upward, and as his congregation, attracted by the unusual action, raised their heads to look at him, he fell to the floor groaning and writhing in the most frightful convulsions, and despite the assistance of those present he died before he could be removed from the chapel and in the most horrible agony.

The evidence of poison was so apparent that an investigation was ordered immediately and the fact was revealed that corrosive sublimate had been put into the wine used by the priest for the sacrament, and the plate was actually murdered at the altar while in the discharge of his most sacred duty.

THE WORST IS KNOWN.

SIXTY-ONE BODIES TAKEN FROM THE PARK PLACE RUINS, AND 35 YET UNACCOUNTED FOR.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE GAZETTE. New York, Aug. 27.—The worst is known about the Park Place disaster. Sixty-one bodies have been taken out, and the announcement is made that there are no more in the ruins. The verified list of missing shows 35 persons unaccounted for. The number of unidentified dead taken from the ruins is 18—allowing that 18 of the missing persons are represented by unknown dead, it will be seen that there are still 17 unaccounted for. They are not in the ruins and the theory is advanced that owing to the fierceness of the flames which raged several hours, some of the bodies were entirely consumed.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 31.—Steamer "Emure" from Japan, brings news of a typhoon in the Japan sea that caused a loss of about 250 lives. The victims were mostly Japanese and Chinese sailors.

New York, Aug. 31.—A London special says that rumors are current here of a recent big robbery of the Bank of England. The sum stolen is said to be £250,000. The police officials either profess ignorance of such a robbery or decline to commit themselves. The cashier says the report is untrue. St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 28.—Oliver Dalrymple, the great wheat grower of North Dakota, said last night concerning the condition of the harvest, that the first frost had destroyed almost one-sixth of the entire wheat and oat crop in the Red River Valley from Fargo to the British possessions.

Rain raised the Wallouasac river. At midnight Bennington, Vt., people were called from their beds by the first alarm, and found the streets and cellars flooded. No dams gave way, but one bridge was carried off. Crawford and Carey's shanty mill was undermined, tipped over and buried, the workmen barely escaping.

LEONARD, Aug. 31.—An explosion of fire dam occurred this morning in Malaga colliery near Belminter, Somersetshire. A rescue party have found four miners dead; four others are seriously injured; many more are known to be dead or injured. The bodies of seven dead miners have been recovered; two others are missing. About a dozen were seriously injured.

VIENNA, Aug. 29.—A Russian ecclesiastic now in the city, who has returned from a journey through the distressed districts of the Russian province of Kozan says: In many places the population has been decimated by starvation.

At Nardany many people are so weak they were unable to eat food which he offered them. There is no food there and the only food of the people for a fortnight consisted of lime leaves pounded into pulp. In this villa are 47 out of 150 families had died of hunger.

PARANCIOS, Aug. 28.—Hoege & Co's cement factory here is running day and night to its fullest capacity. During the last two or three weeks 35 barrels of blue-herrie and 250 bushels of peas have been handled every day. Most of the herrie come from the Minto district over the Canada Eastern railway. A small steamer created an excitement in the military barrack yard this afternoon. It attacked the soldiers' pet bear and for a while it was in peril. Finally the bear was driven from the yard and shot in the yard.

Two pilots and three other men on a mackerel fishing expedition report that on Sunday last, when eight miles off Richibucto shore, they saw a sea serpent. It was 200 feet long, about the size of a man's body and had a flat snake head with a forked tongue. A frog it resembled a snake, sometimes raised its head six feet out of the water, and its body curved like an immense hammer. They were near enough to see the scales on its body and were within view for an hour or more. The parties are all reliable.—*St. John Gazette.*

MONTREAL, Aug. 27.—The witness called for the following special dispatch from Winnipeg to-night:—The Province of Manitoba and the North West Territories suffered a rather severe frost visitation last night, considerably worse than any previous frost of this season. The reports received show that the frost was general over the entire Province and extended west to Regina. It averaged from one to four degrees and instances are given where it reached five and six. It touched four at Brandon and at Morris the thermometer registered seven. It is at once impossible to give any estimate of the damage, as that can only be revealed when the grain is threshed, but all sides over the country. The weather to-day is simply superb for harvesting operations.

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New Advertisements.

TEMPERANCE MEETING!

A Temperance Meeting will be held in the

SONS OF TEMPERANCE HALL,

Newcastle, on

MONDAY EVENING NEXT, SEPT. 7.

Among those expected to address the meeting are Revs. N. McKay, Thos. Marshall, Jos. McGeary, A. F. Thomson and Mr. James Henderson.

Chair to be taken at 8 o'clock. A collection will be taken up at the close to defray expenses.

Newcastle, Sept. 1, 1891.

Intercolonial Railway.

Tenders for Snow Shed.

Sailed tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked on the outside "Tenders to Snow Shed" will be received until Friday the 11th September, 1891, for the erection of a wooden snow shed at a point one and a half miles East of Little Metis Station.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Chief Engineer, Montreal, and at the office of the station master, Little Metis, where forms of tender may be obtained.

All the conditions of the specification must be complied with.

Railway Office, D. POTTINGER, Montreal N. B., Chief Superintendent, 20th August 1891.

Newcastle Field Battery.

OF ARTILLERY.

Battery Orders.

The Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Gunners and Drivers will parade in front of the Armoury, Newcastle, at 7 a.m. on TUESDAY, the 22nd SEPTEMBER, 1891, for the purpose of proceeding to Sussex to perform the Annual Drill in camp there.

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