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### The Watchman.

THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 1892. Reciprocity With the U.S. THE result of the recent reciprocity negotiations at the Washington conference was officially made known in the House of Commons by Mr. Foster in his budget specch a week ago. The result of the negotiations has brought to a close the agitation in favor of Unrestricted Reciprocity, or for that mat a fair measure of reciprocity, between Canada and the United States for some years to come. The recent conference between the Canadian Ministers and the Washington authorities will satisfy the vast majority of our people, that the trade controversy through which this country has passed, and which had become somewhat tiresome, has been fruitless one, in so far, at least, as wider trade relations with the United States are concerned. The small remnant of our people, who may still persist in talking to the contrary, belong to that class which is ever open to conviction but would just like to see the man who can convince them. The result of the late negotiations were briefly as follows: Hardy endeavored to re-assure the The United States autherities demanded that any reciprocity must include all manufactured goods as well as natural products; preferential terms in our markets, with discrimination against the rest of the world, especially against although there was such a provision Great Britain; that the tariffs of the two countrys be made uniform, and that the latter should be fixed by the the people of Ontario to know to what United States; and that our excise regulations should be made to conform to those of the United States. In other words Canada was asked to hand over her commercial freedom to a foreign nation; to discriminate against the Motherland; and to provide as best she could for a loss of revenue, as a resul of the adoption of terms proposed, of some sixteen or eighteen millions of dollars annually. It is needless to say that the ultimatum of Secrectary Blaine on behalf of the American government times as much, and even more. One ask you to publish this communication, closes reciprocity negotiations with the noticeable feature in many cases is the Both you and your correspondent seem to United States, and places the great fact that intending purchasers invariab- have gone wool-gathering, become fast in liberal conservative party in this coun- ly employ some strong partisan support- cating yourselves. Permit me to come to ed to stand aside to make room for Eliza try in a splendid position to say to their er of the administration, to act as agent opponents, "I told you so." The duty in effecting the transfer or completing otherwise he would be better informed. of the Canadian people under the cir. the purchase, who if reports, or the you cling so tenaciously, was made last cumstances can best be defined by re- admissions of purchasers be at all corcalling the words of the late Hon. Geo. rect, exacts a good round toll for his may congratulate themselves on the fresh-Brown, on the occasion of a similar services. In the case of a community, I have not secured one wife yet (I am sorry failure to obtain freer trade relations or individuals, seeking a bonus from the with the Republic to the south of us, government, the employment of eighteen years ago :- "It is not for the strong partisan supporter of the same whence he gleaned his information, except people of Canada to be influenced by to work the game has become a settled it originated in his own fertile imaginaany such anticipation (of reciprocity custom all round; but why such a pro- ordinary propriety should have restrained with the U.S.). They have shown their cedure should prevail in what should be that concern neither himself nor the pubability to open up new markets for a matter of straight busines, no more, no lic But I am only a school teacher, not a themselves when the American market less, is one of the mysteries unexplained explain myself only in my own humble was closed against them; and the clear We fear the atttitude of Messrs. Mowat respected, nevertheless, and since you have path for them is to follow up with reland Hardy in the White-Johnston doubled energy and perseverance, the policy on which they have entered. Let them seek to develop their great nation. getting proper value for its timber myself and resent an intermeddling, which al industries, and especially the agricul- limits, or that the working of the sys- uncalled for. tural, shipping, fishing, mineral, and tem in dealing with the sale of them is lumber industries; let them open up above the closest scrutiny. A governnew markets adapted for their traffic; ment also, which has claimed a never and let the Canadian flag be found failing surplus of \$6,000,000, has not floating on every breeze." History has had the excuse of having been forced to

tions lately closed, both as to the results and as to the nature of the advice given the Canadian people; for the manly, cided that our county councils are as a loyal, words of the great Reform leader rule too large and cumbersome, and as of the past, are an eloquent and full a consequence too expensive. A bill conservative leaders of to-day.

definition of the policy of the liberal- is before the legislature, proposing to give to the people in each county the right to settle at the polls the question of reducing their councils: This is a A Timber Limit Breeze. move in the direction of economy on WHAT a howl of indignation would the part of the Mowat government, have been raised by the supporters of which will be scarcely received with as the Mowat government, had the Whitemuch favor by either the aspirants for Johnston timber limit deal been connected with the Ottawa civil service out the province, as many other moves departments, instead of under the that might safely be made in other Mowat-Hardy regime at Toronto. directions to lessen the burden of local 1872 a timber berth on the north shore and provincial government. Several of Lake Huron was sold by the Ontario government organs we notice have government at \$85 per square mile, taken care to quiet any excitement on one-half the purchase money being paid the matter in question, by assuring down. For thirteen years no further their own particular localities in adpayment was made, the government vance that the number of their county in other words carrying all the risk fathers is not so great as to require the for that length of time. In 1885, at Mowat pruning knife to be applied. It the end of the time referred to, one is undoubtedly true that in the case of Thomas Johnston, wood-ranger, who had made the original valuation, and numerous than is at all necessary or was still and is now in the employ of desirable, and no harm can come from Mr. Mowat in that capacity, together with Mr. Aubrey White, at the time the question of reduction. It is to be a clerk in the Crown-Lands department, regretted, however, that the people of and now asssistant commissioner of the province could not be heard upon Crown Lands, recommended to the the question by itself, as to whether it government the transfer of the limit is absolutely necessary for their peace, to one Barnett, on his payment of the happpiness, and prosperity that there arrears of the original purchase. should be two local representatives for knowlege of the increased value of the their counties instead of one, and as limit was in the possession of Johnston as wood-ranger, and consequently in an average be more practical, useful, and the possesion of White. On the govmore superior representatives in every ernment agreeing upon the transfer, way in the local assembly, than the Messrs. White and Johnston almost average selections of party conventions immediately secured a purchaser for and as to whether the province could Barnett at the splendid figure of \$2,500 not survive a considerable reduction per mile, or \$90,000 for the berth. of the numerous army of officials of all Barnett thereupon paid Messrs, White and Johnston \$15,000 commission, to federation, or that have been created be divided between them for their sersince then, with a considerable addition Here we have government to the duties of those that might survive officials concealing the information they possible pruning process. The quespossessed, as to the value of the limits, tion is a large one; but to the people of from the government to whom it peperly belonged under their service, and the piper, there is a bonanza in it, if the using that information for their own question could only be tackled by them personal profit, by which means the without fear, favor or affection. Province of Ontario received but a tithe of the value of the limit in question. The Hon. Mr. Hardy, however, DOWNEYVILLE, Ont, March 25, 1892. and Mr Mowat for that matter, defended the officials concerned, whilst Mr. Ontario public that the government's management of the timber limit wealth is all right, "because he could find of the Post refuses to publish. I trust nothing in the law to prevent public officials from dealing in timber lands, regarding other public lands." It would | Editor Conadian Post Lindsay. be valuable as well as interesting for

extent this reculiar method of dealing

with their timber limit wealth has been

carried on. In the case in point, the

government evidently had not the re-

motest idea of the value of the berth they

were selling, whilst the officials had accur-

ate knowledge. There is scarcely a con-

stituency in Ontario that cannot furnish

an example of some lucky individual

has turned out to be worth from five to ten

of Ontario that the province has been

repeated itself in the case of the negotia- sell when the market was low.

### COMMUNICATIONS.

To the Editor of The Watchmon

SIR,-I enclose a couple of letters dealing with a very personal and impertinent paragraph concerning myself, which appeared dramatically: "Before Abraham was in the Downeyville correspondence of the Post of March 11th, and which the editor you will give them place in your next H. MATHEWS.

DOWNEYVILLE, March 12, 1892.

SIR,-In your issue of the 11th inst., the ial intentions. I consider it a piece of the most brazen affrontery that reflects on either you or your correspondent, and hence, I demand, sir, that it be retracted by both of you in your next issue. H. MATHEWS

DOWNEYVILLE, March 18, 1892.

Editor Canadian Post, Lindsay. SIR,-The correction which you published in the Post this week, as the outcome who has secured a limit for a few of a letter from me, is entirely at fault and your sympathy quite misplaced. My letter thousand dollars, which in a short time neither denies nor asserts that I have matrimonial or purchasing intentions, consequently, in justice to myself, I must and said letter, a copy of which I enclose. a thorn bush, and can see no way of extriyour assistance. Your news-monger must | and in reality has been little more than a be a comparative stranger in this locality, The purchase he referred to, and to which July from Mr. Michael Lehane, Peterboro, not from Mrs. Tracy, so that your readers ness and authenticity of that new item to say) instead of proposing to secure another, as your correspondent would have a the public believe. How hecame to know that I have matrimonial intentions, or him from writing so glibly about matters school inspector, nor an editor, and can way. I like to have my individuality allowed some unknown person, to attempt to expose me to public ridicule with no episode will scarcely satisfy the public better effort at retraction than a correction, which rather misrepresents than amends matters, I am thus forced to protect is as personal and unbecoming as it is H. MATHEWS.

#### DIED.

In Lindsay on Saturday March 26th, William Cameron, aged 58 years.

John Massau, age 91 years, 7 months and walk to visit some relatives, and perished 28 days.

Another Electrical Execution at Sing Sing.

SING SING, N. Y., March 28.—Cotto was executed by electricity at 10.55 a. m. to-day. Warden Brown, shortly after mid-night, went to Cotto's cell and read the death warrant to the murderer. Although it's contents were interpreted to him, Cotto did not seem to understand it. He slept considerably during the night When he was not on his knees praying he was smoking a cigar. Rev. Father Serafino de Santis, of Brooklyn, attended him in his last moments. The execution differed but little from those which have taken place in the past. Cotto murderded Louis Frank Elosa, in New Utrecht, L. I. He was with Elosa's wife and the pair wanted municipal honors, or the people through- to get rid of Elosa. the signal to Electrician Davis to turn on

the current. Immediately there was a convulsed movement on the part of Catto's body and a soft hissing sound was heard in the room. Five contacts were given. There were ten seconds intervening time between each contact. The second shock was given at 10.48 o'clock, Dr. Icving then felt the pulse and listened to the heart beat. The doctors present were then invited to step up to the chair and examine the man. A number of doctors accepted the invitation. They all pronounced Cotto dead. The body presented a shocking Money Order, Express Money Order, sight. The right leg where the electrode or Postal Note, made payable to was applied was severely burned and several counties the ruling body is more Cotto's face was distorted and horribly References—Any newspaper publishers, Rev. T. Dewitt Talmadge, all mercantile agencies and banks in New York City. discolored and it was black above the eyes. The electrician Mr. Davis, gave an explanation. He said that the discolorathe voice of the people being heard on tion and what appeared to be burns on leg were really only a slight scalding. TITATI AT LOG DATITUDVI LEG be rapidly and honorably, by those of Sixteen hundred volts were used. These HIGH-GLASS PUULIN witnesses who were present and who had also witnessed McElvain's execution, agreed that Cotto's face was more disfigured and distorted than McElvain's was.

Prince Michael in Jail,

DETROIT, March 28.-Prince Michael (M. K. Mills) is in the lock-up. The longhaired prophet and Elizabeth Courts, one to whether the wardens would not on of his spiritual wives, were arrested at roon on a charge of adultery preferred by a St. Thomas, Ont., woman. Detectives swooped upon the "God house," and informed the Prince and Miss Courts that they were wanted. Both had been informed of the impending arrest and took matters very coolly.

James Daily, "Lucifer" Durand, Jos. Bell, Jennie Sutton, Bernice Bickley, Alice Courts, Clara Bendie and May grades that have existed since con- Webster were also taken into custody as

> The women are all "angels," and members of Michael's household.

"Come in, gentlemen," remarked the Prince, when Detective Boeberitz rang the door bell. Michael shook hands very affably with all the visitors, and was very the province, the rank file and who pay solicitous of their spiritual welfare.

"I am prepared to go even unto death to save my beloved people," remarked Michael. "E'en unto crucifixion, as I did nearly 2000 years ago Lead on, I am prepared to follow the scoffers and unbe-

"I am the Great I Am," shouted Michael as he mounted the steps of the patrol wagon. "Glory; we will follow thee, responded the faithful. They were tumbled into the wagon and

driven to the police station. Asked his age, Prince Michael replied was. I don't know my spiritual age. His temporal age was given as 35.

A search of his person disclosed but \$46

Eliza Courts, his alleged paramour, DENTIST gave her age as 49, and she looked it.

Mrs. M. K. Mills, the Prince's rea! wife, who made the comploint against GOLD and PORCELAIN CROWNING Downeyville correspondent seems to have Michael and Lizzie Courts, charging adullost his sense of propriety in the over-con- tery, fears bodily harm if she returns to fidence he has in public gossip. I refer to the colony and will be the guest of the his impertinence regarding my matrimon- wife of Sheriff Hanley until the case is concluded. THE NEGLECTED WIFE'S STORY.

The story of Mrs. Mills' wrongs goes to all the harmless dental Rubbers, and at the lowest livshow that she has been a fearfully abused and maltreated woman. She had been kert bound 12 hours hand and foot by given by his work. Prince Michael and the Courts woman, and that she was not only so bound but that she was exhibited to the other angels ing success in the use of these anaesshetics. No pain of the God house as an example of what would happen if any one should dare to rebel against the Prince who claims he expects to become Jesus Christ.

Mrs. Mills, who has been married to prince for 15 years, says her married life was happy enough until they ran across Eliza Courts in Illinois, but that since that unhappy event she has been compellslave for the Prince and his paramour.

After prosecuting the two she will return to her former home near St. Thomas, Ont.

of Elgin County, Ontario. He is a grandson of the Rev. Thomas Mills, one of the pioneers of the county, who in the earlier days took up land in the 2nd concession of Yarmouth. The elder's son married Miss Fordyce. They had five children, one of whom was Prince Michael, Michael worked for some years in an ax handle factory in South Yarmouth. He possessed a certain amount of mechanical genuis, but in other respects was a very commonplace individual. He took the world easy and it was never supposed by the neighbors that he would win either fame or fortune. He finally married a nice young girl well connected, the adopted daughter of a leading farmer. She it is who now has had him arrested.

At a meeting of Grand Trunk officials and men in Stratford Friday, an amicable settlement of difficulties was reached, as far as that division of the road is concern-

Sarah Morrison, a domestic employed in Mr. P. McCallum's house at Cobeurg, disappeared on March 16. Yesterday the body was found in a field near Cold In Lindsay on Monday, March 28th, Springs. It is supposed she started to from exhaustion.

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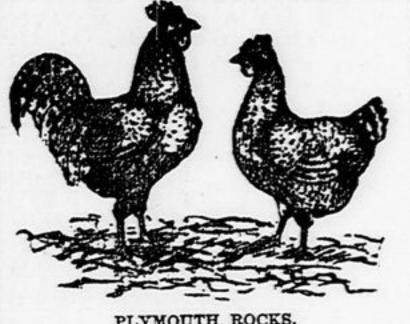
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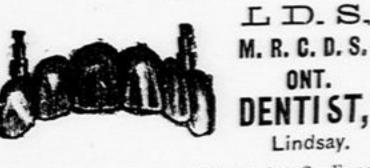
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regular weekly Society was he position of cor held, which rest Totten. Miss ing Scotch poen much appreciate Harris, organist Methodist chur enthusiastic adr by her beautifu strong and r ough musician s of soloplaying w sweet music fill musical echo, have prolonge The chairman "Resolved, th country a Rep is better than a affirmative was son and Shave speeches of all

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long will th event remain present. It regret that has been so and who pa many of her

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