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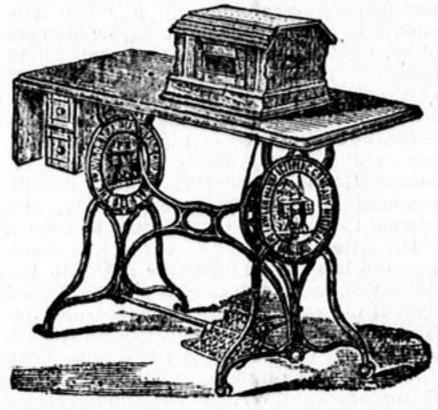
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Assassination

The new Irish Secretary Lord Cavendish, and under-Secretary, Burke, murdered.

The Victims Frightfully Mulilated.

Dublin, May 7 .- The most horrible tragedy which has characterized an agitation in connection with which deeds of blood have unfortunately been numerous occurred here yesterday evening when Lord Frederick Cavendish, the recently appointed Chief Secretary, and Mr. Thomas Haviland Burke, Under Secretary, were assassinated in Phœnix Park. The deed was all the more startling and unexpected on account of the enthusiastic reception extended to the Government's conciliation policy and the cordial welcome which greeted Earl Spencer, the new Lord Lieutenant, on his arrival yesterday morning. The day was one of general rejoicing. The temper of the people seemed to promise the most farmer named Bruce got a verdict for favourable results for the new departure. On every side were heard expressions of satisfaction with the change and men who had hitherto been prominent opponents of the Government were loud in their congratulations on the altered aspect of affairs. A terrible revulsion of feeling, however, came with the announcement this evening of the assassination under circumstances of peculiar horror of Lord Frederick Cavendish and Mr. Burke. The news spread like wildfire through the city, and created everywhere the utmost consternation, horror, and indignation. It was long before the details were generally known, and the most contradictory rumours obtained currency. It was stated on the streets that Earl Spencer had fallen a victim. The people flocked to the scene of the tragedy in Phoenix Park by thousands, but the police prevented all approach. The excitement, as may be supposed, was intense when the actual facts became known. It appears that after the installation ceremony Lord Frederick Cavendish and Earl Spencer remained at Dublin Castle engaged in the transaction tot official business until six o'clock in the evening, when each drove to his respective residence dinner. After dinner Lord Frederick Cavendish set out for a walk in the Phœnix Park. Here he was overtaken by Mr. Burke, who had just left the Castle and had taken a car at the Park gate. On recognizing Lord Frederick he alighted from the car, joined him in his walk, and dismissed the driver who returned to the city. Shortly afterwards, the time being

about ten minutes past seven o'clock, a car drove rapidly up, stopping close to the pedestrians, and four men alighted who wore slouched. hats pulled down well over their foreheads. They rushed simultaneously upon Lord Frederick and Mr. Burke and attacked them with knives at close quarters. The Under-Secretary was apparently the principal object of their vengeance, but Lord Frederick coming to his rescue the assailants turned furiously upon him. The struggle was a very short one, as though both victims (fought bravely for their lives they were entirely unarmed as well as outnumbered. Mr. Burke was stabled several times near the region of the heart and his throat cut from ear to ear. Lord Cavendish was separated some distance from his companion in the melee and sustained a number of terrible wounds about the upper part of the body. The murders ers having completed their bloody work, remounted their car and drove off rapidly, leaving the Park by the Chapelized Gate. It is supposed that the whole affair was over in a minute. There were few people in the neighbourhood at the time, and as the tragedy occurred in the dusk of the even ing it attracted no attention. The only witness so far secured who actually saw the murder is a boy named Jacob, who states that while bird-nesting in the park he saw about 200 yards from where he was, and close to the road, a group of men apparently wrestling. As he thought they were roughs he paid no attention to them. He then

saw two men fall to the ground, and four others jump on a car and drive off towards Chapelizod gate. He is unable to give any description by which the murderers can be identified.

WEDNESDAY noon,-There is no clue to the identity of the assassins of Cavendish and Burke. Several persons have been arrested on suspicion but have been released.

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ONE good result of the diptheria scourge in Newmarket is that an efficicient health inspector has been appointed, and the sanitary condition of the town is being rigorously looked after. The tota! number of deaths occurring there during the winter has been nineteen, and the Reformer has every reason to believe that its ravages have been providentially overcome and its course stayed.

MUNICIPAL officers, school inspectors, secretaries of school boards, and other public officers have received the first instalment of a schedule of questions from Mr. A. Blue, Secretary of the Ontario Bureau of Industries for Ontario. The first report will be published early in May. A copy of it will be sent to every newspaper in the Province. One of the instructions to correspondents is: "If you can't answer a question, don't; inaccurate information is misleading and mischiev. ous." The following questions are asked: "What is the condition of fall wheat on the various soils?" Extent of injury to wheat by frost, worms, or insects!' The other questions relate to live stock, fruit trees, and the progress of the spring work.

A NEW postal law or decision in the U. S. authorizes the publishers of newspapers to arrest any man as a thief who takes their papers and refuses to pay for them. This is a fair and judicious law, and should have been enacted years ago, as a means of protection to publishers, for there are lots of persons who will take a paper for a time, and when asked to pay for it will laugh at the publisher, and tauntingly defy him to get it if he can. In this manner publishers lose hundreds of dollars. The law is intended to meet just such rascals, and publishers generally should unite in having it enforced. A little of the same kind of law in Canada would not be out of place, and would prove a boon to publishers who lose a large sum annually rather than sue delinquent subscribers by the present Division Court process which is slow, doubtful and expensive, for it is an easy matter to get a judgment, but quite another to enforce collection of

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