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Telegraphic News From Different Parts in Canada, the United States and Other Countries as furnished for the Convenience of Readers.

CANADIAN. Prof. Heine, the blind violinist, died of apoplexy yesterday in St. John, N.S.

The 15th Battalion of Belleville has decided not to visit Peterboro on the Queen's birthday.

At Peterboro on Monday Dr. Michael O. B. Ward, of Montreal, was married to Miss Ellen Maria Delaney, of Peterboro.

Toronto's hospital bill for the first three months of this year amounts to \$7,188.80.

Col. F. C. Denison, M.P., has given notice in the House of Commons of a resolution to deepen the St. Lawrence canal to twenty feet.

THE WILDE TRIAL. All the Evidence in the Prisoner's Crosses.

London, May 1.—The Old Bailey was less crowded yesterday morning when the court opened for what was expected to be the last day of the trial of Oscar Wilde and Alfred Taylor.

Sir Edward Clarke claimed that Wilde was a martyr and that he had accepted a verdict of "not guilty" in the Queen's Bench only because it was evident that it could not be properly tried there.

G. P. Gill on behalf of the prosecution began his cross-examination on the same lines as that of Edward M. Carson, Q.C.

When Black Rod enters he announces: "Her Majesty's faithful Commons wait upon your lordships." The election of the new speaker is announced and a hope is expressed that he will be acceptable to Her Majesty, whereupon the Lord Chancellor assures the Commons of Her Majesty's gracious pleasure, and extends her congratulations to both House and the Speaker.

There are between twenty and thirty young men in the non-historical plays, and an examination of their peculiarities and characteristics enables us to form some conception of Shakespeare's own ideal of young manhood.

In the first place, it is noticeable what physical perfection they are all supposed to have. The poet's young hero should, as a general thing, "laugh like a god, Valentine, eat and drink heartily, walk manfully, and only look sad when his purse is empty."

Further, Shakespeare seems to lay stress on young men's "being natural, unmanufactured, as if to him affection indicated a weakness or affectation in the man's character."

SALE OF CANADIAN HORSES. Mr. D. H. Grand Disposes of Some Choice Specimens in Buffalo.

Buffalo, May 1.—D. H. Grand began a big sale of Canadian horses yesterday. Over 200 head of high class horses were on the catalogue from the stables of Grand & Graham, Toronto; D. T. Lowe, Brampton; Louis G. M. Gault, London; and R. S. Wickett, Hagersville, Ont.

H. H. King, a Boston horse dealer, bought the pair Democrat and Republican for \$300, and Gladstone and Salisbury for \$400.

BEWARE OF SKINS. An Important Caution with Regard to the Eating of Fruit.

Fruit skins carry germs and are no more than intended to be eaten. The skins of peaches, apples, plums, etc., are full of germs.

Port Colborne, May 1.—The four Buffalo fishermen who were arrested yesterday by the patrol steamer Dolphin and together with their boats etc., were taken to this port, made their escape by cutting loose one of the boats and quietly pulling out into the lake unnoticed.

Death of Mr. Thomas Graham. Brampton, May 1.—Mr. Thomas Graham, barrister, of the firm of Blair Graham, died here Sunday after an illness of a week.

Kingston, May 1.—Mr. Marsh for the appellant in the appeal case before the Arbitration Court has been holding the floor for the past four days and the length at which the argument has been presented.

Mr. T. R. Leuty, Gladstone, was yesterday elected M.P. for Essex, Leeds, defeating J. Danvers Power, Conservative.

The French troopship Thibet, with troops for Madagascar, is ashore in the Suez canal, and passage through the canal is suspended in consequence.

AN INTERESTING CEREMONY.

THE OPPOSITION PARTICIPATE ACTIVE IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

In the confirmation of the House of Lords of the election of a Speaker, the English Parliament, the most striking portion of the ceremony is witnessed, when it forms, as it usually does, a part of the proceedings of the opening of Parliament.

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HONORS AT VICTORIA

Chancellor Burwash Confers Degrees at the Methodist University.

Toronto, May 1.—The annual Convocation was held at Victoria University yesterday in the presence of a great assemblage.

Chancellor Burwash conferred the degrees. A large number of prominent gentlemen from different parts of the province were on the platform with the chancellor.

The honorary degree of D.D. was conferred on Rev. J. H. Pope, of Manchester, Eng., who was in Toronto last September.

Rev. John Potts, D.D., Rev. Prof. F. H. Wallace, M.A., D. Victoria University, and Rev. O. R. Lambly, M.A., Bloomfield. The degree of B.D. was given to Henry E. Bayley, B.A., of New Westminster, B.C., and George A. McClinton, B.A., of Ontario.

Mr. Bayley was awarded the Sanford gold medal and Mr. McClinton got honorable mention. The Ryerson prize, founded by J. George Hodgins, LL.D., in New Testaments, was won by W. E. Lane, M.A., of Napanee. Mr. Lane also won the Wallbridge prize, donated by A. F. Wallbridge, M.A., of Newcastle, for New Testament exegesis.

The Macdonald prize, donated by J. Macdonald, Toronto, for pulpit eloquence, was won by T. E. E. Shore, B.A., Toronto; the Massey bursary, donated by Hart A. Massey, Toronto, by A. F. Ingram, and the Walker Anderson, assigned to speaking by H. B. Christie, Guelph, Ont.

Art students are about to write on their examinations. Their convocation takes place first thing in the fall.

A P. A. PAPER BARRED.

The Committee of the Hamilton Public Library Against It.

Hamilton, May 1.—An important meeting of the library committee of the public library was held Monday, the object of which was to consider a request that the A. P. A. Journal of Michigan, edited by the Hamilton Journal, be placed in the file in the library reading room.

The journal was presented to the library by the publisher, a Detroit man, but was not put on file on account of objections raised by the Rev. J. Lynch Stanton, one of the board.

The March number of the Patriotic American contained a cartoon on the subject of the boycott instituted by the Roman Catholic church in the United States against the sale of goods and the figure of the Pope appeared in the background of the picture.

Mr. Stanton claimed that the paper was both abusive and insulting and should be removed from the library. Mr. W. H. Fricker pressed the claims of the A. P. A. Journal to a place in the library files and said the Catholic Record and other Catholic papers were on file.

Mr. Stanton said that the paper was not placed on file, but some of the committee did not concur in the report and when the full board meets the matter will be thrashed out again.

Many of the horse owners and trainers located at the Hamilton Jockey Club track object to the military tournament which it is proposed to hold on these grounds on the occasion of the visit of the Queen's Own to Hamilton on May 8.

Many of the horse owners say it will be necessary to remove the horses far away from the track, as they would be put through a series of races, and would be subjected to the strain on their nervous condition which the noise and excitement would cause.

A public meeting of ministers, professional and business men will be held at the Hamilton Jockey Club on May 10, to discuss the matter of the military tournament and measures will be decided on to suppress all such exhibitions in future.

NORFOLK HIGH COURT.

A Light Docket Disposed of in a Day by Judge Rose.

Simcoe, May 1.—The spring sittings of the High Court, with a jury, was opened here yesterday before Mr. Justice Rose, Mr. Alfred S. Ball, of Woodstock, conducting the crown business. Four cases only were brought on for trial.

Mr. Justice Rose, in the first case, *Brander vs. Rockefellow*, an action for damages for the seduction of plaintiff's daughter, was settled out of court.

Fecker vs. Dedrick—W. E. Kelly for plaintiff applied to have the writ of habeas corpus issued for the plaintiff, who was imprisoned, adjourned on the ground of the absence of a material witness. An order was made postponing the trial to next court on payment by plaintiff of the costs.

Dredge vs. Williams was an action brought to recover back \$1,000 paid to defendant for maintenance of a horse. The contract was on the ground of a breach of the contract. A settlement was made on the suggestion of the judge.

The case of Robertson vs. Teeter, an action on a promissory note, written in a good hand but illegible, was tried by the newspapers, was settled between the parties by the action being dismissed without costs, neither party to the suit receiving the position taken by him in his pleadings.

The only criminal case was one of highway robbery against John W. Shaw, who was defended by Mr. W. E. Kelly. The crown not being ready to try the case, the defendant was discharged on his own recognizance in \$500 to appear for trial when called upon.

NEWS IN SHORT SHAPE.

John Shanks, who was brought back from Buffalo for trial for the murder of a woman, was sentenced to penitentiary.

Alex. C. G. Wilkie, charged with stealing \$800 from W. D. Matthews, of Toronto, arrived in this city yesterday in charge of a detective and was placed in the hands of the police.

A number of the big financial institutions of Toronto are helping their employees to purchase bicycles by advancing money and accepting repayment in instalments without interest.

Last February Ames, Holden & Co., Toronto; G. Bresson & Co., Montreal; J. O'Keefe, Hamilton, and James Hamilton got an injunction preventing the sale of the bankrupt stock of D. B. Pratt, boot and shoe dealer of Hamilton. The same court has awarded D. B. Pratt and Walter Anderson, assignees, \$847 damages and costs against the four firms for delaying the sale.

George Stone has escaped from the Erie county penitentiary in Buffalo. He was a Canadian crook.

SIR HENRY GIVES UP

The President of the Grand Trunk Quits the Position.

ANNUAL MEETING IN LONDON

A Large Attendance of Shareholders and a Good Deal of Excitement—Other Directors also Design—The Meeting Adjourned for a Week.

Montreal, May 1.—The Star special cable report of the annual meeting of the Grand Trunk Railway Company in London says: The anxiously awaited annual meeting of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada took place here yesterday. It was a packed one and great excitement prevailed.

When Sir Henry Tyler, who presided, arose he announced the resignation of himself and the board of directors. He was received with cheers and groans from the different sections of the meeting.

Sir Henry Tyler said he had presided for the forty-third and last time. This statement was greeted with more cheers, and silence on the part of his friends.

The board of directors held a meeting yesterday morning previous to the annual meeting. It was reported to them that the committee of the disaffected shareholders had secured a majority of the proxies against the board.

The board, however, held the opinion that this had been accomplished by means of an unfair and misleading campaign.

Under great present unfortunate condition of the company it will be obvious to all impartial proprietors, not only that it is due to circumstances entirely beyond the control of the board, or of the management in Canada, but also that every possible exertion has been made by the strictest economy, to counteract the effects of the depression in business and low rate of conveyance.

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