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one piercing scream.

doorway, calling loudly:

She appeared at the window.

"Doth want me, Josiah?"

"Ho, mother!"

hang our Margaret?"

ha' ridden toward Sterndorf with or-

seal, who hath all control in this vil-

lage. Fool, thy pure, kind Margaret

Mayland"-he laughed a loud, scornful

break o' day by the king's soldiers,

her," he replied sneeringly, "but hap-

The blood left Hetty's heart. She

groped about her blindly, then, with

another wild shriek of horror, fell in a

rough jerks Josiah tried to lift her to

"Aye, come at once an' bring wa-

that she is, hath fallen in a swoon!"

turbed the peaceful quiet of the hour.

her gracefully in soft folds, she re-

sembled some goddess or queen of the

night that the moonbeams had come

to worship. After a time, her listening

ear catching no sounds of approach-

ing footsteps, she drew a sharp breath

of impatience and, stepping down, pac-

ed restlessly back and forth before the

Elsbeth appeared at the window to

"Hath on no wrap, bonny?" she

asked solicitously. "Thy frock is thin,

and methinks there is much coolness in

With a little shiver Margaret turned

"I' truth I am cold," she said; "but,

to speak, "and waste not thy time in-

venting foolish reasons why Godfrey

At that moment Sir Godfrey La Fa-

bienne, followed by his man Gaston,

to whom he was giving some final in-

structions, came out of the door of the

Sign of the Red Heart. Wearing a

doublet made of purple velvet orna-

mented with heavy silver trimmings,

long silken hose of lavender and on his

er sweeping over the brim, his gay ap-

pearance was in direct contrast to his

of the onlookers. The usual number of

loiterers stood about the steps, and to

his brief salutation they returned sul-

len looks and ominous scowls so sig-

nificant that La Fabienne's anger was

"Diable"-he turned upon them furi-

ously, laying his hand upon his sword

hilt, intense indignation on his face-

"curs, whelps, that durst not speak, but

stand about silent, conveying threaten-

ings in thy glances! I have tried to ig-

nore ye, but endurance now hath

ceased. If any man or all of ye have

aught against me let him step forward

and accuse me, and"-drawing his

sword-"that one will see that I am not

loath to defend myself against his ac-

The group of countrymen, alarmed

"Cowards! If there is a man among

ye, let him step out, and once for all

in look and action. What, dastards!"

trained to fight in the open? God's

death, but thou art valiant mothers

sons! Where is thy brave leader, Mas-

ter Taunston?" he scornfully cried.

information. "I' truth, he hath not come,

Then he took off his glove and dashed

"When thy leader—thy brave, upright

at his vehemence and evident dctermi-

nation, drew back from him hastily.

cusations."

draw in the lattice.

and entered the house.

the air tonight."

doth not come."

why had she not put the pink blossom in her hair that he admired so much! Hetty was frightened, apprehensive. She wished he would stop, if only for one short moment, and, although the young woman had other ideas for a busband, she had admitted to herself more than once of late that for a common everyday friend Simon did very well, that she missed him and that her | awaiting orders, and brought to trial heart was a little sore at his treat- | for a witch." ment of her since she refused to marry him. Kempster reached the gate-

"A greeting, Simon."

The soft, fluttering voice fell on Kempster's ears strangely. He felt a pen the people, our good friends and tugging sensation in his breast, but, neighbors, who have had enough of controlling himself by a strong effort, her damnable pranks, may decide to regarded the little smiling, enticing burn her!" face coldly.

"A good even, mistress," he said, with quiet civility. Then he rode on, possibly a trifle faster, without even a heap on the floor. Angrily and with backward glance.

For a moment she stood speechless her feet; then, seeing that she was with surprise; then as an understand- really unconscious, he strode to the ing of his meaning came to her she drew a sharp breath and tossed her head angrily.

"Now I will marry my French courtier when he doth come!" she exclaimed hotly. "A common farming man need ne'er take such a high hand with me. He hung so much about me in the latter months and I was e'er so friendly with him that I thought 'twas only decent to offer him a greeting. But," with a shrug of her shoulders, "I'll ha' done with him now, andmayhap-when I'm gone from him to | ple stirred on the brook, and but for France forever"-with a little tremble | the occasional hoot of an owl or the in her voice-"he'll regret his cold call of the whippoorwill no sound dislooks an' ugly manners."

Pouting her lips, she took a seat upon the bench at the door and soon grew so absorbed in her plans to wreak venge- the evening by, so intent was she upon ance on poor Kempster that she did not hear the firm, quiet step of her rection of the village. With her light mother nor was she conscious of her approach until the harsh voice fell sharp- | caught with a jeweled ornament, that ly on her ears.

"Art pining again, foolish lass? Canst find naught to do but sit and think thy silly thoughts?" she asked sternly. "Where are the tallow dips, that they are not lighted? Am I, that am weary with a day of prayerful toil, to cross my threshold into a darkened house? Once thou wert of some use and handy at thy work, but of late, prithee, 'tis naught but dreams and sighs! And thy pale face and absent mind doth fairly madden me."

Hetty, who had risen at the first words, now hastily entered the house, followed by her mother, still scolding. She lighted the candles and hung the kettle on the hob, saying as she did so:

"Forgive me, mother. My thoughts were but of our cousin Margaret, whom I met an hour since walking on the highway. She stopped to have speech with me; but, remembering thy strict injunctions not to speak to her, I turned my face and passed by hurriedly. Once I paused to glance backward, and she was still standing where I had met her, looking after me with such a sad, surprised and grieved expression on her fair face that tears sprang to mine eyes, and I ran hastily toward home lest I might be tempted to disobey thee

and go to my cousin." "Thou passed her on the road an' she looked long at thee with her evil eyes?" cried the dame in great consternation. "No wonder I find thee with head a velvet hat with an ostrich feathpale face and pining. Ah, woe is me! What trouble more will come upon this dull surroundings and the plain dress

"What meanst thou, mother?" Hetty regarded her mother apprensively. "I mean, Henrietta Taunston, that

thy cousin is a witch, a woman in connivance with the devil to invoke harm to God loving people, and that she hath been proclaimed so to be by the people," the woman replied, with a sternness that did not quite cover up a certain gloating in her manner. "To thy knees, girl, and pray for God's good influence to overcome the evil to which thou hast been exposed today."

Unconvinced, trembling and wondering, the little Puritan sank down upon her knees before a wooden chair and covered up her face with her hands.

Later that night, as Josiah Taunston was putting up his horse in the barn, a light footfall was heard, and a small, gray clad figure came toward him has-

"Josiah, dear · brother," Hetty exclaimed breathlessly, "dost bring good news? Surely the tales my mother we'll put an end to this stabbing in the hath been telling me of our Margaret's dark, these innuendoes and insinuations sore affliction of being possessed of the devil are not true. My heart is breakas no one came forward. "None of ye

ing, for I do love her, Josiah. Surely she is blamed without fault."

She clasped her little hands about his arm and clung to him entreatingly. "One so pure, so beautiful and kind | "An ne's anywhere about, ask nim to could never willingly consort with such step out. I'd like to settle with him the vile sin and wickedness. Remember, first of all. Not come yet?" he repeat-Josiah, she is our kinswoman. Use thy ed, turning to the innkeeper, who stood great influence for her good and let no near and who had ventured to give the harm befall our cousin."

nor will he until from his skulking Josiah threw her from him roughly. "Call not that devil's witch thy cous- place in the forest he hath seen me, in!" he cried angrily. "Know now that | the man he hath cause to fear, well out I have renounced her before the village of his way!" and that she is an outcast from us forever. All the long afternoon the elders | it on the ground before the men. and councilmen have been in consultaleader-doth arrive, give him that glove. tion and but an hour stace arrived at a

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with an angry laugh, "he careth not to fight, by heaven, when next we meet he'll take a well deserved horsewhip-Then he sheathed his sword and, slowly followed by his servant, strode away in the direction of the Mayland farm. A moment later Josiah Taunston.

white faced and looking as if he had heard the loud and angry words just uttered, came around from the back of the inn. The men, excitedly pointing to the glove, told him what had been said. He listened quietly, with a sneer on his face, nor did he move it until one young decision. Messengers on swift horses fellow, stooping to pick up the challenge, was suddenly sent sprawling on ders signed with the chief councilor's the ground by a push from Josiah. "Heedless callant!" he exclaimed in a low, terrible voice. "Wouldst thou

tell him that Sir Godfrey La Fabienne

calleth him a woman striker and a cow-

ard! And if after that," he continued,

touch aught belonging to an accomplice laugh of derision-"will be taken at the of a witch? Hath forgotten Christopher? John," calling to the innkeeper, "throw now on their way from Sterndorf, a burning fagot on that devil's instruwhere they ha' been stationed o' late | ment that it may be consumed!"

"Wilt thou take the cavalier's words and make no answer, man?" whisper-"Josiah! Brother!" Hetty gave out ed a neighbor, following Josiah into "Thou'lt not the drinking room of the tavern. "Why, he said he'd horsewhip thee for "Nay, soothe thy fears, I'll not hang a coward!"

Taunston turned to him with a black look on his face, sinister and containing evil not unmixed with triumph. "He'll get his answer. Yonder popinjay, now at his lady's feet, will get his answer ere the rising of another sun," he said significantly. "Mayhap I will not bring it to him in person, but the answer will be one that will satisfy his worst enemy, an' I wot the fool hath many of them. Ha, ha"-his laughter was cruel and triumphant-"again I do assert that he'll get his answer, neighbor! Forsooth, he'll get his answer!"

CHAPTER XX.

ter, for Hetty, weak, soft headed wench HE dogs tied in the yard at the Mayland farm jumped and barked at the sounds of a That night the full moon hung low man's footsteps approaching as and yellow over the mountain and sent Margaret, opening the door again, its clear rays through the trees, whose stepped out into the moonlit night. branches, rustling with the soft sum-Now her appearance was entirely mer breeze, cast weird, quivering changed, for thrown about her was a shadows on the ground. Hardly a riplong cloak of quilted white silk reaching to the ground, and a hood of the same material covered her soft hair and cast a shadow over the radiant face that was aglow with happiness at Margaret Mayland, standing before the sight of the newcomer.

her door, quite passed the beauty of "Thou laggard!" she exclaimed, going to meet La Fabienne, with hands looking down the roadway in the dioutstretched. "Didst take thee all of several hours to don thy best attire, hair combed high upon her head and foolish Godfrey?"

He regarded her with looks of ad- buy it. flashed and sparkled under the moon's miration and content. rays, and her dress of white gauze. with fine threads of gold woven through its dainty meshes, clinging to

thou call me that name in earnest, bright eyes, where aught doth concern

At his words, as if from the return of some unpleasant remembrance, the smile on Margaret's face faded, and, pressing the hand more firmly that still held hers, she led La Fabienne to the middle of the roadway, where there was no shade of trees and where the bright moon, now higher in the sky, hovered over them, casting its radiance down with effulgent sympathy, illuminating them. Throwing back her hood, she raised her head with a sudden, swift motion, and there was an expres-

sion of intense seriousness on her face. "Godfrey," she asked entreatingly, "is my look baleful? Have I wickedness in my glance? Are mine eyes

more than that, a nervous and uncanny feeling hath possession of me. Fetch With a suppressed exclamation of my cloak, Elsbeth," she added impaanger La Fabienne encircled her with tiently as the older woman was about

pure soul, rather are they like two sunny France, to Paris, the city stars of heaven, pure and holy, leading love." men to better thoughts and deeds. More are they like the sun, brightening and warming all that they do rest upon. Damme, but thy question doth cause my choler to rise! Hath any man dared to affront thee? Who spoke of thy looks?"

"'Twas an hour or two since," Margaret began softly. "I was standing



"Are mine eyes evil?"

yonder by the sundial, near the path toat leads through the pasture from the Taunston farm, when one of the village women, walking through, came upon me. For a few seconds she stood still and stared at me, then, throwing up her arms, ran from me, crying wildly: 'God's protection, 'tis the witch! I ha' looked into her eyes! I will be stricken of the devil!' Godfrey, tell me what it all doth mean."

Her lover's face reflected the seriousness of her own.

"Sweet, this toonsn nonsense nam gone to greater measures than I had ever thought it would," he said. "Thy cousin's influence is strong in this comtattling to make great stories and to have them all believed. It is that foul fiend Josiah Taunston's scheme to set all against thee, so that thou wilt be forced to abandon thine estate. Then when thou art gone, as next of kin, he would ride in and take possession."

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Masonic Reception Sir Godfrey's face grew dark. "The dastard keeps out of my way, or from the very bitterness I hold in

my heart against him I would long since have run him through," he said. "But I will deal with him before I leave, for I have sworn that no man may speak evil of thee and live."

"Godfrey!" Margaret's eyes were filled with sudden terror, "promise me that thou'lt not anger him, for any tilting of words between ye, so hot is each against the other, that a conflict would ensue that might end in-death. Smile"-she swept her hand with affected gayety over his frowning countenance-"chase that angry look from off thy face, and now under this bright moon, with the breeze stirring so softly, think only that thou art with me and that tonight is ours."

He drew her closer to him, and they paced slowly up and down under the shadows of the trees.

"Margaret, methinks to journey forth to London in three days. Canst be ready to go with me, sweet?"

deep flush spread over Margaret's countenance, extending to the roots of her

"Ready to go with thee, Godfrey?"

she repeated questioningly. "Aye, love, as my wife," he replied in a voice touched with emotion. my adored, deeply cherished wifethat is how I will take thee, sweet!"

his, and they kissed each other. "I will go with thee, Godfrey," she said simply.

The moon rose higher in the heavens and seemed to shed a brighter luster on the scene as, pacing slowly up and voices, made their plans and arranged for their departure. As there were no servants about the place, Elsbeth taking care of the house and Gaston doing the work among the animals, there was no chance of their intended departure being known. It was La Fabienne's idea to rise before the sun and, with Elsbeth and Margaret, ride down the mountain, leaving the estate in charge of trusty Gaston. By fast riding they could reach London before the dawn of another day and would go at once to the house of La Fabienne's sister, the Lady Grenville, where they would be married and then proceed to Paris.

Margaret saying, with a little shiver, that she would never care to visit Cragenstone again, Sir Godfrey said that they would offer her estate, including house and animals, to a land dealer he knew in London at such a low figure that he would not refuse to

"For thy cousin can have naught ed, with decision. Their final arrangements being made, their conversation drifted to other

matters. "How truly doth the Scripture speak, dear Godfrey." Margaret said gently. "where it saith that 'one day telleth not what another day bringeth forth.

When thou didst come I did not think to go back with thee. Methought thou would come again for me." "Margaret, tell me truly, had the conditions been happier, had thy stay here been more pleasant, could thou have let me ride down the mountain

without thee?" hadst thou wrung a consent from me to vest. While earnings still show re-"Thy glance wicked!" he exclaimed in the roadway at thy horse's heels and passionately. "Thine eyes evil! Nay, cry to thee to take me with thee to

> La Fabienne laughed a joyful, ringing laugh as he clasped her to his heart. "Sweet, when I set foot in this village and saw the set of churls about where thou hadst taken up thy dwellmountain? Nay, love; too close I hold thee in my heart!"

The wind rose and blew colder through the trees. Drawing her cloak closer about her, Margaret clung to her lover's arm. "'Tis a solemn night, Margaret," he

said whansically, "thou and I alone together on this high mountain top, miles away from those who love us and in reality among a band of evil wishers and enemies-we two, with our troth plighted and our wedding day so near at hand! Is't not enough to make a man stop to consider when he is on the brink of such a serious undertaking? Sweet Margaret," he continued seriously, pressing her hand, "knowing so well thy worth, seeing thy marvelous beauty and having a fine understanding of thy high character, I tremble lest, imperfect man that I am, I may not live up to thy standard; that I may fail to fill thy life so full of happiness as I hope now and pray God I may

Margaret laughed a sweet, low, hap- burton. py laugh.

out thee I would die. When, dear months. Godfrey, thou art near me, 'tis then the sun doth shine, an' when thou'rt people so great that it takes but little gone all is gray, dull and dark, an' again. An', Godfrey, I trust thee entirely. I come to thee willingly to be thine own dear wife, to care for thee. to do thy bidding, to go with thee where'er thy fortunes take thee, hand in hand and heart to heart, and to love

(To be continued.)

In Toronto Shortly

IN HONOR OF GREAT CONCLAVE OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR-WILL COST \$25,000 OR MORE.

sonic circles, to which is attached the greatest of interest, is the meeting of the Sovereign Grand Priory of Canada, Knights Templar, in Toronto, on way engine. He saw it standing in August 11th, 12th and 13th. Already arrangements have been made by the local commanderies for the entertainment of the visitors, and the sum collision. of \$25,000 has been set aside to give the American Knights a really Masonic welcome. Ten commanderies Anthony MacDonnell, one of the new from the United States have already peers, had less change to make in her At the unexpected announcement a signified their intention of being name when she married, in 1878, than present, and many others are expect- is the case with most ladies. She ed to be here before the opening of just added the letter 'n' to her surthe conclave. The uniformed bodies name, and the change was completed. from across the line that will take She was Miss Henrietta MacDonell, a part in the big parade are: St. member of the Scottish clan of that Bernard Commandery, Chicago; Da- ilk. There is no record of any memmascus and Detroit Commanderies, bers of these two families finding auy of Detroit; Lake Erie and Hugh de cause for controversy in the letter 'n,' Payens Commanderies, of Buffalo; as was the case with Sir Anthony's vision took the opposite view, and For answer she raised her face to Monroe and Cyrene, of Rochester; fellow-Connaughtmen the O'Conors Niagara Falls, Lockport and Port and the O'Connors, some years ago. Huron, besides the local preceptories. The members of the Council of the over a pull hunt, resulting in injury

Sovereign Great Priory of Canada will meet at the King Edward hotel on Tuesday evening, Aug. 11th, at 8 away from a quay, tossed a newsboy, down, the mistress of the Mayland o'clock, when the conclave will be of and then knocked down several perfarm and her lover, talking in low ficially opened. On the following morning the Escort Committee of shop, making its exit through the Knights in uniform will meet incom- window. Mounted police, by this ing trains and conduct the visiting time arrived on the scene, but the bull in the 6th Argyll and Sutherland Highcommanderies and preceptories to eventually reached Kingsbridge sta- landers totalled 990 rank and file, and

their several quarters. an assembly will be held at the Alex- aimed police on board, set out in purandra Theatre for the purpose of giv- suit. The animal was overtaken, and ing a formal reception to the visiting many shots were fired at it, but owing commanderies. In the afternoon the to the swaying of the engine accuracy uniformed knights will meet at the of aim was impossible. The chase con-Armouries, University-ave., and par- tinued for six miles until near Clonade through the principal streets, dalkin, where at last a bullet took finishing at the foot of Bay-st., when they will be conveyed to Island Park.

Railway Receipts Still Show Decrease

"Aye," he replied, "full well canst that doth belong to thee," he announc- BUT CANADIAN RAILROADS LOOK FOR INCREASED EARN-INGS SOON.

> There was a decrease of almost three hundred thousand dollars in the earnings of the Grand Trunk and week ending July 14th. This, how- officer. ever, is a good deal less than some of the decreases that have been registered, and is regarded as a sign that Penge police and the Beckenham pobusiness is gradually awakening ow- lice, Sergeant Dearlove was struck has been visited by numerous kings. ing to the increase in tourist traffic on the head with a ball and so ser- By November of next year the castle "Ah, Godfrey," she replied, with a and the increasing confidence in the iously injured that he died a few will have been six hundred years in little fluttering sigh, "I am such a weak | West, which has been caused by the days later. woman and so overfond of thee that prospects of a record-breaking harlet thee go I wot when I saw thy back | duced figures as compared with last | that England has had for years. There | Menai Straits. A big retriever followturned toward me I would fain forget | year, they are in advance of previous my promise and in my loneliness and years, and the net result will be not ty-five hours, or more than two and came exhausted, and, in defiance of despair run after thee, throw myself much behind previous ecords, The a half hours per day more than the retriver traditions, attempted to save railways are hopeful that the worst average of June sunshine. has been passed, and that it will not be long before there is an advance in their work, which will obviate the tion dog, has been killed by an ex- off, whereupon the animal became use of the red ink in their periodical reports, which indicates that the fig- lected on an average nearly £40 a been drowned but for some ladies,

ures represent losses. For the week ending July 14 the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. ing I resolved when I would begone to earnings of the Canadian Pacific were take my sweet love with me. Didst \$1,4077,000, as compared with \$1,551,think, Margaret," he cried, with sud- 000 for the same period last year, a den passion, "that I would leave thee, decrease of \$144,000. On the Grand my tender flower, raised under the Trunk the traffic earnings for the rays of the warm sun of France, to same week were \$748,015, as compared wither away and perish on this bleak with \$892,582 during the same week last year, a decrease of \$143,567.

Railway men say that there has been a gradual increase in business, both in the passenger and freight departments of late that leads to hope that in the near future the trade of the country will awaken sufficiently to make the railways once more so busy as to give returns that will not compare disadvantageously with those of last year.

MACHINERY FOR DONALD STATION PASSED THROUGH

WILL BE USED BY WOOD PRO-DUCE CHEMICAL WORKS.

Two large charcoal boilers and one cooler weighing about twenty-five tons, pesced through town last versity, Scotland, graduating B.D. in week to the works of the Wood Pro- March, 1904. The same year he was duce Co. a few miles south of Hali- offered and accepted, a professorship versities, except that in English Ma-

"Hath finished, foolish Godfrey? ly been founded, has its large cement now Calcutta Christian College, found- thing that strikes us as a surprise is Then hear mine answer to thy drivel- building under construction, and ed about 80 years ago, being the first the fact that all students must fully ings! In all the world I love no one several such boilers are installed, in institution for higher education in In- understand the English language belike thee. Of thy imperfections I know | which will be manufactured wood | dia. Here he filled the chair of Po- fore they are admitted to the college naught. Thou art part of me. With- alcohol and charcoal. within a few litoical Economy in English for two course. The actual teaching term is

MARRIAGES.

Littleton.

OVERSEAS MAIL

IRELAND.

County Council, at Lifford, for tolls day. Learning that the stationmason bigs, it was urged for the defence ter's daughter had recently been Toronto July 22.-An event in Ma- that the pigs being dead were not stricken with blindness Her Majesty

> A man was charged at Dublin police court with running away with a railthe station, and simply got on and started it, regardless of danger signals and incoming trains. Fortunately he was stopped just in time to avert a

Lady MacDonnell, the wife of Sir

Dublin has just been in a ferment

to several people. The animal broke sons. In the High street it wrecked a tion, where it jumped on the perman- 29 officers, making a total of 1,019-In the evening the local brethren ent way and disappeared down the four beyond the establishment. There will tender a reception to all visiting line. The mail train was nearly due, are 31 privates and 16 officers waiting Knights with a sail on the lake on and the officials, fearing a serious dis- for enrolment. the Cayuga. On Thursday morning aster, requsitioned an engine, and with effect with a startling result. To the amazement of those on the footboard,

ENGLAND.

ed the oncoming engine. The result

was fatal to the animal, whose car-

case was conveyed back to the city.

ports of the "Victory" yellow, their saw the fall, n 1693, of Malcolm III, color at Trafalgar, and to re-rig the King of Scots, and about a century ship as she was in Nelson's time.

chief constables, only three have ris- sued the hero of Chevy Chase, when en from the ranks, thirty-three being when he sallied forth to that cele-Canadian Pacific Railways during the ex-army officers, and one an ex-navy brated but 'woeful hunting'; and

During a cricket match between the

Last month was the sunniest June were only four rainy days, and seven- ed him, but about half way across be-

press while crossing the line. He col- ferocious, and the man would have

There was a touching incident at Wilton on the departure of Their In an action brought by the Donegal Majesties from the town the other went to the little girl and tenderly kissed her.

> The Lord Chancellor, Lords Ashbourne, James, Robertson and Collins, have judgment in the House of Lords, in an action against the proprietors of the Imperial Hotel, arising out of a claim for £1,900, for the value of a bag containing jewellery stolen from the hotel office by, it is supposed, professional thieves, who left a bag containing some worthless pieces of zinc, while removing the bag containing the jewellery. When the traveller, who had the bag in his possesson, arrived. the boots placed the bag in the office. By night it was gone. The Lord-Ordinary took the view that the hotelkeeper was liable for the full value, which he assessed at £1,790, but the Second Dilimited the amount, under the Innkeepers' Liability Act, to £30. The Lord Chancellor, Lords James and Robertson were in favor of the judgment appealed against, but Lords Ashbourne and Collins dissented. The appeal was dismissed by 3 to 2.

SCOTLAND.

It is announced that the enrolments

Two Russian Poles, Ludwig Bruno and Cal Smith, were charged with entering a bank at Motherwell and firing on the bank agent and accountant. The officials escaped serious injury. When pursued by the police and others the prisoners fired, but again missed. Bruno was sentenced the infuriated bull turned and charg- to ten years' and Smith to seven years' penal servitude. Both were ordered to be expelled from the country on the expiration of their sent-

Alnwick Castle, which the Prince It is proposed to paint the gun and Princess of Wales visited lately, afte rhis grandson, William the Lion, was taken prisoner in sight of its Of the forty-four English county towers. From the castle in 1388 isfrom Alnwick poured reinforcements that made Flodden one of England's most famous victories. Standing thirty miles south of the border, it

A man started to swim across the himself by getting on the man's back. The man found the dog's weight tro "Bob", the Reading Railway Sta- much for him, and tried to shake it yetar for the Great Western Railway who took both him and his tormentor into their boat.

Says Brahmins are Clever

FORMER RESIDENT OF MINDEN VILLAGE DESCRIBES COLLEGE CONDITIONS IN THE FAR EAST - EXAMS. AS STRICT AS IN THE O LD LAND.

just returned to Minden, after an absence of several years, gave the following sketch of his life since he left the old home nest, to the Minden

After graduating B.A. at Queen's Kingston, Ont., in 1901, he took three years' course at Aberdeen Uni- or European students, and that the in India, in the General Assembly's thematics and Science, the examina-The company, which has just late- College of the Church of Scotland, tion is often more difficult. Another years. In April, 1906, he was request- eight months in the college, while in ed to go to Madras, India, to relieve the lower schools the term is about the Principal of the Church of Scot- equa lt oours in schools of the same PULEY-LITTLETON.-At the resi- land there. The term at Calcutta grade. Mr. McIntosh is in good dence of the bride's parents, Fene- being closed, he went to Madras, en- health, and, thanks to his temperate oln Falls, by the Rev. W. J. M. tering upon the dutes of Prncipal, habits, escaped any fever or other se-Cragg, on Thursday, July 23rd, Mr. thus allowing the President to go to rious illness while in the hot climate John Herbert Puley, of Stoney Scotland for a year's furlough. Be- of India. where the snow never falls Plain, Alberta, eldest son of Mr. fore the year had expired the commit- except in the Himalaya mountains. Henry Puley, of Fenelon Falls, to tee at Edinburgh requested him to His return trip, which was a pleasant Mable, daughter of Mr. George H. continue a second year, which he did, one, made his tenth voyage across at the end of which time, desiring to the Atlantic.

Mr. Archibald McIntosh, who has come home, he declined any further appointments. In Madras there were 42 teachers-

and 650 students in attendance at the

college, and in the high school, which

is in affiliation with the college. Mr .-

McIntosh says the best Brahim students are as clever as the best English B.A degree, which the students take in India is as difficult as the same degree in Canadian or European Uni-