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The Scotch Curlers in Lindsay

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famous Skip Flavelle, of Lindsay, the best curler in Canada. He (Rev. Kerr) had enjoyed meeting him—in fact he had looked forward to the game ever since he had landed. The result of the game reminded him of a story. One morning in Edinburgh a poor fellow was found with his throat badly gashed, and a razor in his hand. He was taken to a hospital and when the wound had been attended to and he was on a fair way to recovery, he was asked why he had turned the deadly weapon on himself. His reply was that he wished to give himself "a don fricht" Well, he (Rev. Kerr) believed he had given Mr. Flavelle a don fricht," (cheers and laughter); while playing his last stone he thought he noticed Mr. Flavelle's knees tremble. He had been defeated, but would carry home his broom bearing the inscription Mr. Flavelle had attached thereto, and show it with pride to his children, and it would be preserved by his children's children. (Applause.) The speaker then referred to the success of Skip Flavelle and the Lindsay curlers at the Winnipeg bonspiel and elsewhere, and to realize their number it was only necessary to glance at the grand showing of silver trophies,—he did not know of any club that could make as fine a display. He would dearly like to see a Canadian rink visit Scotland. They (the visitors) had had an unique experience in Lindsay in having their healths toasted in water. They were glad of it—they had to curl in water at home sometimes. If a Flavelle rink came to Scotland he could promise them a unique experience — to see their health drank in whisky. (Laughter.) The speaker closed with a reference to the phenomenal development of Canada and the attention being attracted of late to its enormous possibilities. He hoped the visit of the Scotch curlers would be looked back upon as marking the inauguration of a new era of better feeling between Scotland and Canada. (Applause.)

Mr. Provan, of the visitors, contributed a song, "When first I met my Jean," in fine style and was vociferously applauded.

Dr. Kirk, of Bathgate Club, was the next speaker. He, also, looked forward to the visit of a Canadian team, and by way of inducement was prepared to go even farther than the Chaplain of his team—he would promise that their healths would be toasted in champagne instead of whisky. The farther west they travelled, it seemed, the warmer were the welcomes extended; they had been told to expect Indians, war paint and tomahawks, but a close scrutiny of the features of those present disclosed only Scotch faces—darkened perhaps by the bracing winter and summer suns of this fine land. He hoped in the near future to be able to visit Canada in the summer season. From what they had seen of this great Colony, and what they had been told awaited them, he was prepared to say that hereafter, instead of having to maintain immigration agents in Scotland, they would have at least 23 enthusiastic advocates in the old land, ready and eager at all times to praise Canada. (Hear, hear.) They had been defeated by the Lindsay curlers, but he never regretted being whipped by fine fellows and true sportsmen. Dr. Kirk then proposed the health of the members of Lindsay Curling Club, the visitors rising and singing "For they are a jolly good fellows." Three cheers and a tiger followed.

Mr J. D. Flavelle made a short but happy speech in reply to the toast. He had enjoyed very much his game with Rev. Mr. Kerr, and had, as that gentleman so humorously explained, been given a very bad fright (Laughter.) His narrow escape was an indication of what might happen if a Lindsay team visited Scotland. He hoped to accompany the visitors on their trip to Winnipeg bonspiel, and on behalf of Lindsay Club he wished them success in their games there. (Applause.)

The banquet was then brought to a close by singing the national anthem and "Auld Lang Syne."

IN A BAD FIX.

Newtonville Station Agent McDougall Admits Blame—Another Man Takes Office He Lost Through Carelessness.

Port Hope, Jan. 23.—"I am the man who is to blame. I have no desire to throw the responsibility on anyone else. I did in a moment of carelessness neglect the order which caused the disaster, and I had no way of preventing it after I had discovered my mistake," pathetically remarked Alex. McDougall, ex-G. T. R. operator at Newtonville.

McDougall was calm when he spoke to the reporter, and he said he appreciated the serious position in which he was placed.

"I know I am in a bad fix. I can't see any way out of it," remarked the unfortunate man grimly.

"Were you overworked?"

"No, I was not. I had to work from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., and another man took the other 12 hours.

McDougall has five small motherless children to look after. His wife died a year ago, while the eldest boy was in the Sick Children's Hospital in Toronto, suffering from hip disease.

McDougall glanced at the wicket at which he has presided since he was transferred to Newtonville, and there was a pained expression on his face as he watched George Johnston take his key from the night operator. Mr. Johnston went down on the early train from Toronto.

Mr. McDougall, when asked for a definite statement as to the cause of the accident, said: "You see, we have the block system, and we have a single track. When a train leaves Newtonville going east I cannot let another train take that track until the preceding train has reached Port Hope. Section 2 of Train 84 had passed, and I raised the block allowing section 3 of 84 to go through without thinking of the order which was in front of him instructing me to hold that 3rd section of the 84 train. That's all."

"Can they hold an inquest if the bodies are not found?" seriously asked Mr. McDougall.

"I don't think so," replied a bystander, who, like everyone in the locality, wanted to sympathize with the operator.

Speculation was rife as to where the bodies of the two unfortunates were. At a late hour last night nothing had been discovered to indicate that the two men were dead, but, nevertheless, there is a warrant issued for an inquest by Coroner Aldrich, and it is said that he handed it to the constable at 2 o'clock in the morning.

TO MEMORY OF LATE QUEEN.

Second Anniversary of Her Death Observed at Many Places.

London, Jan. 23.—The second anniversary of the death of Queen Victoria was observed yesterday at Windsor, London and elsewhere, by the depositing of wreaths on statues erected to her memory, and by memorial services. King Edward, Queen Alexandra, the Prince and Princess of Wales, and other members of the royal family were present at a service held in the Frogmore Mausoleum. The sarcophagus of Queen Victoria and the Prince Consort was decorated with plants and white flowers. Subsequently salutes were fired in celebration of the accession of King Edward.

They Knew Him Not.

The ancient cat sits on the fence
And sings of other days;
His thousand children roam the earth
And wend their devious ways.
His throat is sore, his voice is cracked,
And sad is his "meow;"
Not one of all his prosperous sons
Will recognize him now.

THE GERMAN POLICY

Count Von Buelow Makes Defence in Reichstag.

NO DESIRE TO BE THE FIRST

Chancellor Replies to the Strong Speech of Socialist Herr Bebel—Reasons For Present Actions Against President Castro of Venezuela Given—Prestige of the Powers—The German Fleet.

Berlin, Jan. 23.—During the budget debate in the Reichstag yesterday, Herr Bebel, Socialist, ascribed the Empire's deficits to the enormous expenditures for the army and navy, and to the futile efforts to play the first role in the world, which Germany was unable to do. The Government, he continued, is afflicted with the malady of suddenness, which defeated its own aims. The speaker instanced the re-armament of the army with artillery which already had been relegated to the second rank. The United States, Herr Bebel added, had entered into the competition for armaments, and, owing to her great resources and energy, will soon outstrip Europe.

Herr Bebel further said the Empire's expenses for the army and navy are likely to grow even greater under the present conception of the foreign policy. Germany wanted to be first everywhere. Its attitude towards weaker States never would be tolerated towards itself. Its action toward Hayti was brusque, and now, the speaker asked, can the Panther's bombardment of Fort San Carlos be justified? Continuing, Herr Bebel remarked:

"President Castro is struggling for life and the maintenance of the Presidency. We cannot take it ill of a man under such circumstances if he resists excessive demands. The coercion of Venezuela is in the interests of great capitalists, and the Krupp firm has a share in it. Such violence should be resorted to only in the most extreme cases."

Von Buelow's Reply.

In speech replying Chancellor Von Buelow said: The question at issue between Venezuela and the powers is not merely one of claims, but of the defence by the powers of their prestige, which has been impaired through President Castro's action and through the manner in which he repudiate, impolitely, to express it mildly, our just claims. We were, therefore, perfectly justified in proceeding jointly, with Great Britain and Italy, for the preservation of our prestige.

He declared that when the German plans re. a fleet were completed Germany would be fourth or fifth among the navies of the world. In conclusion, he said: "Let us keep our powder dry; let us not quarrel too much among ourselves, and nobody will run foul of our wagon."

CURLERS FROM SCOTLAND.

Welcomed in Toronto They Tie Outside Rink—Beaten by Granites.

Toronto, Jan. 23.—The Scotch curlers are here and everything is theirs. They arrived at 8.35 yesterday morning from Peterboro', were given a genuine welcome and everybody wore a sprig of heather. Four pipers from the 48th Highlanders headed the procession from the Union Station, and all of the principal officers of the organizations were in line. After the Ontario Curling Association's luncheon at the Granite Club, the Scotchmen's first play in Toronto was started on Church street ice, with representative curlers from outside towns. They finished a tie and in the evening the tourists, after their royal treatment by the Granites, gratefully accepted their defeat by 26 shots. Great crowds watched the play from the galleries.

MINE OWNERS' VIEW.

Chamberlain's Scheme For Government Control Is Objected To.

Johannesburg, Jan. 23. — Mr. Chamberlain in a speech Wednesday night proposed that the Government should import to South Africa five thousand natives on condition that the mines import an equal number, the Government laborers to be employed on the railroad and other Government works. He estimated that this step would release ten thousand natives for work in the mines. The mine owners, however, appear to object to any Government control in the matter. They want the open door policy and believe that the shareholders will not sanction the importation of British laborers.

NO RECIPROCITY.

Canadian Duty on Soft Coal Not to Be Interfered With.

Toronto, Jan. 23.—The Globe's Ottawa correspondent hears on good authority that there is little prospect of the Canadian Government imitating the action of the United States Congress and removing the duty off bituminous coal. The rebate of duty by Congress is only temporary, and the opinion here seems to be that it would be inadvisable for Canada to take off its duty under the circumstances. As to a reduction of duty, Congress has not fulfilled the conditions which under the Dominion tariff would enable Canada to lower the coal rate from 57 cents to 40 cents a ton.

Will Appeal the Case.

Buffalo, Jan. 23.—Attorney D. V. Murphy will appeal from the verdict convicting Ernest Stanton of Hamilton, Ont., of murder in the second degree, for the killing of Freda McGregor at the Badge Restaurant. Stanton was Wednesday sentenced to Auburn Prison for life. Mr. Murphy does not believe the evidence warranted the verdict.

Big Orange Crop.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 23.—Railroad officials say that there will be between 22,000 and 23,000 carloads of oranges shipped from Southern California this year.

LYNCH'S TREASON PLEA.

Boer Colonel Says He Took Up Arms Thinking Naturalization Act Permitted It—Naturalization Was Treason.

London, Jan. 23.—The court in which Col. Arthur Lynch, member of Parliament for Galway, is being tried on the charge of high treason, was again crowded yesterday.

After reading the deposition of an American, Lewis Handley, who said Col. Lynch had compelled him to take up arms in behalf of the Boers at Glencoe, but who had got off through the intervention of the American consul, counsel for the defence submitted that the prisoner was protected by the naturalization laws. He claimed that a man was entitled to become an alien at any time, even after the outbreak of war. Referring to the war of independence, he said there were at least 20,000 men of British birth in the American mercantile marine, and asserted that there were 20,000,000 people living in America who possessed two nationalities.

Counsel contended that Col. Lynch took up arms in behalf of the Transvaal without secrecy and under the mistaken belief that the Naturalization Act permitted this. In any event, counsel added, if the court decided the prisoner was a British subject, he ought to be tried in Australia, where he was born.

The Attorney-General, Sir Robert Finlay, replying for the prosecution, argued that Col. Lynch procured naturalization for the purpose of fighting against his own country, and added that even could naturalization cover the prisoner's subsequent actions it could not cover his anterior reason, namely, adhering to the Queen's enemies and declaring his willingness to fight against her forces.

Ultimately the court decided that the Naturalization Act afforded no defence in the present case. Naturalization was a treasonable action.

The case was then adjourned.

DEALERS IN COAL.

Charged in Brantford With Conspiracy to Destroy Competition.

Brantford, Jan. 23.—An information was sworn out yesterday before Police Magistrate Woodyatt by W. A. Farrow of this city, charging the Ontario Coal Association with conspiracy to destroy competition in the matter of securing coal in Brantford. The information was laid at the instance of the Merchants' Fuel Company of Brantford, a company which quite recently obtained a charter from the Ontario Government for the sale of wood and coal in the city of Brantford. The informant, Mr. Farrow, is a director of the company.

It is said that several of the largest manufacturers in the city have been "blacklisted" by the Ontario Coal Association, so that they cannot secure any coal, except through the association.

The preliminary hearing of the defendants will be held before the Police Magistrate on Tuesday, Jan. 27.

It is understood the Coal Association will fight the matter through.

The section under which action is taken by the complainant is 520 of the criminal code of 1892, in which the parties, if found guilty, are liable to a fine of not less than $200 and not more than $2,000, or to two years' imprisonment.

NEAR THE END.

Strike Commission Hearing Will Last Ten Days More.

Philadelphia, Jan. 23.—The question of who is responsible for the apparent shortage in the supply of anthracite coal was the subject of considerable debate yesterday by the attorneys representing the parties before the Strike Commission. It was testified to that the miners are not obeying President Mitchell's request to make extra efforts to produce more coal to relieve the situation.

This was followed up by James H. Torrey and Everett Warren, both of Scranton, who represent several of the large companies, challenging the correctness of Mr. Mitchell's statement that 3,000 men are idle and ready to go to work.

C. S. Darrow, for the miners, replied that he would show that it was the operators, and not the men who were responsible for the shortage in the production. "If I don't," he said, "I will ask the commission to find against us." It is expected the hearings will last ten more days.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

Treaty For Its Construction by United States Signed.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The treaty between the United States and Columbia for the construction of the Panama Canal by the United States was signed yesterday in this city.

Sergeant Got Cheques.

Galt, Jan. 23.—Sergeant Wilkinson, a Hart's River hero, was made happy on Wednesday by receiving three cheques amounting to $2,112.93. He received $2,000 of this from the Patriotic Fund, $92.93 was arrears of pension and the balance was his share of the surplus from the Guelph banquet. Sergeant Wilkinson lost a limb and an eye in the service of his King. Corporal Minchin, his chum, also received twenty dollars from the Guelph fund, and an effort is on foot to give him a perpetual pension.

Boy Convicted of Manslaughter.

New York, Jan. 23.—Pietro Squazza, an 11-and-a-half-year-old boy, who has been on trial for manslaughter in the first degree, before Justice Newburger, for the killing of three-year-old Ambrose Kerrigan, was convicted of manslaughter in the second degree yesterday.

Coasters Badly Hurt.

Muskegon, Mich., Jan. 23. — Miss Mary A. Major, principal of the Pillsbury School, was perhaps fatally, and three other teachers and two of their boy pupils, seriously injured last night while coasting.

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Convention at Beaverton Votes on Four Candidates—On Mr. Grant Securing a Majority of Votes the Nomination Was Made Unanimous—An Eminently Pleasing Speaker, Fluent and Earnest.

Beaverton, Jan. 28.—The Liberals of North Ontario yesterday nominated Mr. George Grant of Orillia as their candidate in the approaching Dominion bye-election. The convention was one of the best ever held in the riding.

An Enormous Riding.

One or two of the upper townships were not fully represented, for attending conventions is a serious matter in North Ontario. In some cases it would involve a journey of 80 miles, including a drive of 20 miles. It is as if the people of Stratford were required to come to Toronto to attend their convention, yet Beaverton is the most central point available.

Three-Cornered Fight.

The balloting resulted in a keen three-cornered fight between three excellent men. Mr. Grant finally won by a small majority, but his ratification as the unanimous choice of the convention was urged by his rivals with a heartiness that augured well for the unity of the Liberals in the coming contest.

Mr. Grant is a young man, who will make an excellent candidate. He is a son of Rev. Dr. Grant of Orillia (Knoxonian), a nephew of Senator McMullen, and a brother of Mr. R. A. Grant of Toronto. He was born in Burlington 33 years ago, and in 1891 was admitted to the Bar, since which time he has practised law in Orillia. He is an eminently pleasing speaker, (as he proved in a five-minute speech to the convention), fluent and earnest, of dark complexion and athletic figure.

The Balloting.

Four names went to the ballot. Over a dozen nominations were made, but all retired except these four:—George D. Grant, J. D. Shier, Dr. H. S. Bingham and Mr. R. M. Noble. Mr. Noble announced that while he was allowing his name to go before the convention, he did not desire the nomination; consequently the vote for him was small. The other three polled almost equal votes, about 50 each. A second ballot resulted in the same way, but after it Dr. Bingham retired, leaving only Mr. Shier and Mr. Grant. Mr. Grant won on the final ballot by 86 to 76.

Those Nominated.

The full list of nominations were as follows:— A. P. Cockburn, ex-M.P.; J. D. Shier, Mayor of Bracebridge; Dr. H. S. Bingham, Cannington; R. M. Noble, Uxbridge; W. J. Rester, Zephyr; Duncan Graham, ex-M.P., Gamebridge; Geo. F. Bruce, Beaverton; Geo. D. Grant, Orillia; F. H. O. Thomas, Bracebridge; Geo. Thomson, Longford Mills; M. H. Roach, Beaverton; John Adams, Reeve of Rama; J. B. Tudhope, M.P., Orillia; Wm. Smith, Bracebridge; Wm. McPherson, Cannington; L. J. Gould, M.P.

SOUTH OXFORD ARGUMENT.

Appeal Case Brought to a Conclusion—Judgment Reserved.

Toronto, Jan. 23.—The appeal in the South Oxford case was brought to a conclusion late yesterday afternoon. Judgment was reserved on all three points involved.

Edmund Bristol, for the respondent, completed his argument on the cross-appeal from the decision of the trial judges, that Patterson had been proved guilty of hiring rigs. Mr. Watson, in reply, gave a long review of the evidence on the appealed points in the case, concluding with a lengthy translation of election law, as applied to the disputed points in the South Oxford case.

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And kissed you?" The effect of her reply
I'll leave for you to glimpse, then draw the curtain
"Well, no, not startled," came her answer shy,
"I thought 'twas you—but wasn't certain!"

A German Custom.

In some parts of Germany the girls have a pretty custom in which the queen of flowers plays a part. If a girl has several suitors and wishes to know which of them would be true to her, she takes rose petals and drops them into a bowl of water, giving each the name of one of her admirers. The leaf that remains floating longest represents the man whose faithfulness she may rely on and whom she would therefore do well to choose.

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