

Geographic Briefs From Over the Globe.

CANADA. has been decided to erect a monument in St. Catharines.

Andrew Carnegie will give Hallifax for a public library.

The Northwest Territories Legislature will meet for business of March.

Winnipeg city council has decided Sunday cars by a majority vote.

The Canadian Society of Civil Engineers will visit Sydney, C.B., next week.

The estimated expenditure of the Hamilton Public School Board is \$3,920.

Winnipeg builders demand higher wages and they may strike if not met.

Somerville, an ex-sergeant of the 7th regiment, of London, Ont., committed suicide by cutting his throat.

Board of Trade has a petition of 244. L. Harris is the president.

Seventy persons were killed on railroads during the last week being passengers and 118 eyes.

A. Brunet, broker, of Montreal, was arrested in connection with recent ballot frauds in St. John.

The Hamilton Public School Board has made an appropriation of \$100 to help cover the deficit.

J. Mackenzie, formerly of Toronto, will erect a ten story building in Winnipeg in the spring. The site is in Main Street, and sold for \$1,000 a foot.

Winnipeg Agent Speers, just returned from the western States, says United States farmers will visit Western Canada this year.

W. Cleversley, accountant for the Carriage Company, has Hamilton, and is said to be \$2,000 short in his accounts.

The Toronto Board of Control refused to make a grant to assist the building of the Royal Society of Canada, the society will meet in May instead of Toronto.

H. Douglas, Dominion appraiser just returned from South America, says that Canada stands next to Britain in the South American markets, and is of the opinion that a great trade can be worked up between the two colonies.

GREAT BRITAIN. Admiralty estimates for 1902-1903 are \$16,275,000.

George Cadbury paid £135,000 for the new works, London.

London magistrate has just decided that Jesuits may domicile in London.

Henry Irving has been re-elected president of the Actors' Benevolent Fund, London.

April 1 Great Britain will have 212 armored cruisers and 27 other vessels of war under construction.

Sir Edward Chichester, commander of the British squadron during the Spanish-American war, has been made an admiral.

UNITED STATES. The Senate has selected as a committee of the Ways and Means.

Henry Corson, the oldest person in Pennsylvania, is dead at Fort Lytle, 108 years.

Government has decided to discontinue the fighting of the Statue of Liberty's Island.

It is rumored that there would be a battle of the Walls Fargo, American and United States Express companies is denied officially.

Speed, the most notorious assassin, never known to the United States marshals of the South, has been arrested.

Winnipeg, aged 65, a non-communicable disease, has been detained at New York, has fallen heir to \$50,000 left by his brother, 90 years old, in Sullivan.

Chicago, Missaukee and St. Paul, has issued a general warning on all employees of the city to submit it once to vaccination.

Ministerial Alliance of Salt Lake, after investigation, has issued a report that polygamy is practiced by Mormons in the Utah.

Winnipeg shops of the Pullman Car Company has commenced work on the gorgeous car which will be used by Prince of Wales.

The fourth time the House at Victoria on Thursday passed a resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution for the election of members by direct popular vote.

20,000th finished engine will be turned out of the Baldwin Locomotive Works on the 70th anniversary of the foundation of the works, which will be celebrated shortly.

U. S. Senate has passed a resolution to amend the constitution by changing the date for the election of President and Vice President from March 4 to the last day in April.

GENERAL. Berlin 75,000 persons are with employment and 40,000 partly employed.

It is reported at Yekaterinburg, Russia, between students and Democrats and the athletes.

BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL

At the Eventime of the World It Shall Be Light.

Light from the Cross! Light from the throned Streaming, joyous outgushing, everlasting light!

Again, the text shall find fulfillment in the time of old age. It is a grand thing to be young, to have the sight clear and the hearing acute and the step elastic, and all our pulses marching to the drumming of a stout heart.

While 'light' in all languages is the symbol for gloom and suffering, it is often cheerily, brightly and impressively. I speak not of such nights as come down with no star pouring light from above or silvered ways tossing up light from beneath.

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THE S. S. LESSON.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON, MARCH 2.

Text of the Lesson, Acts vii, 54 to viii, 2. Golden Text, Matt. v, 44.

54, 55. 'But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up steadily into heaven, and said with power and boldness, being filled with the Spirit, Stephen had spoken the truth and like Peter, had accused the council of being the murderers of Jesus Christ. They were so cut to the heart that they were filled with fury and gnashed their teeth at him.

56. 'And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.' This is one of the seven times that we find the phrase in Scripture 'heavens opened.' The passages are Ezek. i, 1; Matt. iii, 16; John i, 51; Acts vii, 56; x, 11; Rev. i, 1; xix, 11, and they will repay a careful study for the Lord Jesus is always the central person, and the more we look into heaven, the more heavenly we become, and there is no room for improvement in that direction.

57, 58. 'Then they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and ran upon him with one accord.' This is the first of the four 'accords' of the devil's followers in this book of Acts, the others being Acts xii, 17; xiii, 29. The number four suggests the four corners of the earth (Rev. vi, 1). The whole story of Acts is that the whole earth lieth in the wicked one (I John v, 19, R. V.), and the wicked one will never cease his hatred of God or of the people of God. We are wise when we stop our ears as David did and refuse to hear the mischievous things that evil people speak (Ps. xxxviii, 12, 13), but to stop one's ears from hearing the truth of God is truly the devil's work. Refusing the truth, they were believing a lie (II Thess. ii, 14) and believing that Jesus of Nazareth was an impostor, they judged Stephen to be guilty of blasphemy, and in stoning him they thought they were obeying their law (Lev. xxiv, 16), while they themselves were, before God, the blasphemers and guilty ones, but they were blinded by the lying in 'envy' (I Cor. iii, 4).

59. 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Thus said Stephen as they were stoning him to death, for he knew whom he believed and saw Him even when he went out to be with Him, dying. He said, 'Therefore, into Thine hands I commend my spirit, and similar words came from David in the same spirit, long before (Luke xxiii, 46; Ps. xxxi, 5), for he also could truly say: 'I trusted in Thee, O Lord.' 'My times are in Thy hand' (Ps. xxxi, 14, 15). These dying words of Stephen and of the Lord Jesus give no encouragement to the belief that between death and resurrection the spirit is asleep and unconscious. If any are not fully persuaded concerning the life and bliss of the believer apart from the body, let them read and believe Luke xvi, 22; xxiii, 46; II Cor. v, 8; Phil. i, 21, 23; Rev. vi, 9-11.

60. 'Lord, lay not this sin to their charge.' Like his adorable Lord and Master he prayed for his persecutors (Luke xxiii, 34). Our instructions are, 'Love your enemies; bless them that hate you, and do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you and persecute you' (Matt. v, 44). And while this is impossible to the natural man, it is possible in Christ he is a new creature, born from above, a temple of the Holy Spirit, a mansion in which the Father and the Son have come to dwell (II Cor. v, 17; I Cor. vi, 19, 20; Eph. xiv, 23), and the life in us can do what He did when here on earth in the body prepared for Him. It is our privilege to yield fully to Him and take as our motto, 'Not I, but Christ' (Gal. ii, 20).

viii, 1. 'And Saul was consenting unto his death.' Hear his own account of what he said to the Lord Jesus long afterward. 'And I said: Lord, they know that I imprisoned and beat in every synagogue them that believed in Thee, and when the blood of Thy martyr Stephen was shed I also was standing by, and consenting unto his death, and kept the raiment of them that slew him' (Acts xxiii, 19, 20). Before Agrippa he said, 'I verily thought with myself that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth, which thing I also did in Jerusalem' (Acts xxvi, 9, 10). And then he went on to tell how not only in Jerusalem but in other cities, being exceedingly mad against the saints, he was the means of their imprisonment, punishment, and death. Our lesson tells of the greatness of the persecution in Jerusalem after the death of Stephen, and how all the believers except the apostles were scattered

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LOOKS LIKE MURDER. Death Rate in Montreal is Double What it Should Be. There is no one matter which can come before the new City Council as important as the public health, says the Montreal Star. The existing conditions would be terrifying if fairly presented to them. Here we have a delightful climate, a beautiful situated city, without great extremes of either heat or cold. The position of the city is such, on a hillside, that drainage is simplicity itself. Why, then, is it that Montreal has such a terrible death list every year? Assuming the population of Montreal at 250,000 (though it is really more, and making a comparison with other cities of about the same population or in other respects fairly comparable with Montreal, we find the number of deaths per 250,000 of population to be as follows:

Montreal ... .. 6,250  
Buffalo ... .. 3,547  
Detroit ... .. 3,795  
Jersey City ... .. 5,125  
Louisville, Ky. ... .. 4,005  
Milwaukee ... .. 3,332  
Minneapolis ... .. 2,670  
Newark, N. J. ... .. 5,085  
Pittsburg ... .. 4,730  
Providence ... .. 5,227  
Rochester ... .. 3,492  
Toledo ... .. 3,502  
St. Paul ... .. 2,377  
San Francisco ... .. 4,365

When we find that the public health is treated as a matter of such supreme indifference, that when an outbreak of a contagious disease which is now ravaging the world arrives in Montreal we are without hospital accommodation; when we find scarlet fever and diphtheria patients being hurriedly crammed into dwelling houses hired at the moment when we know that the want of a suitable hospital for contagious diseases has been impressed upon the authorities for years without effect, when we know that the other cities cited here are provided with modern, well-equipped hospitals for handling contagious diseases, and Montreal is without such, we have a ghastly precedence among the cities.

QUEER SECT IN RUSSIA. A new sect, having the most remarkable tenets, is making striking progress among the ignorant, Russian peasantry in the valley of the middle Volga. They call themselves Polninski, or 'dwellers' under the garb.' They bind themselves to care for all fugitives from justice, vagabonds, deserters from the army, and other miserable beings, whom they hide away in clefts or holes in rocks. Those among their own people who fall sick are treated in the same way, but are left without food or drink