

**BORN.**

**HARRIS.**—In Georgetown on Friday, June 21st, the wife of Mr. K. H. Harris, of a daughter.  
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**WADDELL.**—In Georgetown on Saturday, 13th June, the wife of Mr. R. D. Warren, Rector of St. Paul's Church, of a son, Robert Waddele.  
**GIBSON.**—In Georgetown on Monday, 18th June, the wife of Mr. A. H. Gibson, R.A., Head Master Georgetown High School, of a son, Robert.

**DIED.**

**PILLETON.**—In Guelph, on Monday, June 25th, John Pilling, aged 62 years.  
**THOMAS.**—In Paris on Friday, June 11th, Hiram Thomas, aged 61 years.  
**TAYLOR.**—At Peterborough, on Thursday, 20th June, Sarah, widow of the late Dr. Tassie, of Galt and Peterborough, in her 70th year.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 1895.

**NOTES AND COMMENTS.**

In his speech at the opening of Parliament the Governor of Queensland suggests that Great Britain, Canada and Queensland join in laying the Pacific cable if the other colonies hesitate.

The British exports to Canada increased four per cent. in May, and decreased seven per cent. for the five months. The imports into Great Britain from Canada increased seven and eight per cent. in the same periods.

Mr. W. F. Maclean moved in the House in connection with the Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Railway bill that a two-cent a mile passenger rate be inserted in the bill. The motion was ruled out of order, but will stand as a notice of motion.

The Dominion Customs Department has decided to permit tourists to bring their bicycles free into Canada, requiring them to pay an import duty on the value of their personal property and are not for sale, and will be taken out of the country.

Lord Selby has definitely undertaken the task of forming a ministry, and has announced several Cabinet appointments, including that of Mr. Chamberlain as Colonial Secretary, and that of Sir Michael Hicks Beach as Chancellor of the Exchequer.

No fewer than 1,930 estates are to be sold at auction this month by the State Bank of Western Ontario, which has foreclosed the mortgages. They nearly all belong to nobles who are hopelessly insolvent, in a few cases through a succession of bad harvests, but generally through extravagance and neglect.

The London Morning Post, this week reviewing editorially the Manitoba school question, said that now that Manitoba had given her decision there remains no obstacle to Parliamentary debate, and it may be inferred the Canadian Government will go to the country on the question, provided they fail to carry the legislation advised by the Governor-General-in-Council.

The people of this country are rapidly raising a wealth of fine arts, they are more generally utilising the services of artists and for the safe keeping and enhancement of their savings. In 1871 the deposits of the Canadian people in chartered banks were \$15.48 per head; in 1891 they had risen to \$35.40; in 1871 the deposits in savings banks were \$2.06 per head; in 1891, \$6.44; in 1891, \$10.12, while in 1893 they were \$11.02 per head.

It is learned that the new Loan Bill passed by the Newfoundland Legislature is all right. It was framed in and drafted from England. It is modelled in conformity with the English law, known as the Colonial Stock Act. This act provides that colonies raising loans in England shall appoint an agent there, who registers certificates for such amounts as are received, issuing stock certificates as inscribed stock, which is equivalent to debenture bonds.

The Newfoundland Assembly has introduced a bill extending the French shore *sousies* *couées* two years. The British Government still insist on a permanent treaty. The French warship La Clochardie and H.M.S. Cleopatra are on hand to see the act enforced. On Saturday the Whiteway Government expounded from the journals of the Assembly all the records of convictions against the seventeen White-washers members who were sentenced in consequence of their trials.

There is a certain relief in knowing that the St. Thomas murderers confirmed their crime before being hanged. It will remove an argument from the philanthropists who object to inflicting the death penalty on circumstantial evidence. Until the same worthy persons are able to maintain, by other means, the safety of society and provide the necessary good accommodation for unchanged murderers, the country will no doubt continue to do all in its power with the existing system to protect itself and its fair reputation.

**HONOURABLE RESIGNS.**

**Mr. Green Requests Selection of a Government.**

On July, June 24, it is officially announced that the Honorable Government will resign. Lord Selby has been summoned by the Queen to form a Ministry, and his cabinet will proceed with the routine business of the House, obtain provisional supplies, and then dissolve Parliament.

The court circular contains the following. "The Earl of Rosse, First Lord of the Treasury, and President of the Council, arrived at Windsor Castle, Saturday, and tendered his resignation to her Majesty." He was accepted.

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After dinner at Windsor Castle Saturday night Lord Rosebery had a long private audience with the Queen, and communicated to her the decision arrived at by the Government. The length of the Cabinet's deliberations was due to the attitude of Herbert Asquith, the Home Secretary, and John Morley, Chief Secretary for Ireland, who were strongly opposed to the proposal.

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All the Ministers, with the exception of Premier Rosebery, remained in town over Sunday.

After four days' interruption, navigation was resumed in the Cornwall canal on Sunday. The steamer *Orion* left there for Montreal, after being repaired.

**CHRISTIAN YOUNG PEOPLE**

Third Annual Convention of Halton Christian Endeavor Union.

The annual convention of Halton's federation young people's societies of the various churches was held in Oakville last Thursday and Friday. In many respects it was one of the most successful gatherings of the kind ever held in the country. In one particular it was certainly unique. Of the twelve societies invited to the meeting, the programs to take part, they were all present with a single exception.

This contributed much to the success of the proceedings and rendered the duties of the business committee very light indeed.

The visit to Oakville was thoroughly enjoyed by the delegates. The lakeside town is noted far and wide for its beauty of situation and environment; for the large-hearted hospitality of its citizens, and for the strength of its young people's societies. The hospitality was found to be unequalled.

The business was conducted fairly and smoothly, and the young people glib and enthusiastic in the work of their societies were on hand to render their quota toward success.

Delegates were present from all parts of the country, but of course the representation was larger from the lower portion. The following were represented:

**ACROSS.**—Rev. J. W. Rae, Mr. and Mrs. P. Moore.

**GRIMES.**—Rev. D. D. Warren.

**HAMILTON.**—Rev. C. T. Tough, Moses Bibb, Rev. W. C. St. John, Rev. W. C. Smith, Mr. W. H. Hall, W. T. St. John, H. E. Hall, H. T. Hobson, W. Wilson, Jr., J. Douglas, M. H. Gray, Rev. G. Mitchell, M.A., Nelson Miles, Faunce Featherstone, Agnes Gardiner, M. Allan, Isabel McErlane, Eila Miller, Rev. C. F. Miller, F. Featherstone, J. J. Miller, T. Wilson.

**NOVA SCOTIA.**—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. D. Higgins.

**OAKVILLE.**—Rev. S. S. Craig, G. W. Colvert, J. T. Marshall, Meadows J. Howes, S. C. Craig, Minister Lucy J. Smith, L. J. Wright, Misses Mary H. Anderson, J. White, George Parrot, Adeline MacLean, Lou Bowker, M. E. Jeffers, Phoebe Fox, Mrs. V. Patterson, Sara Fairfield, Helena Coote, Mary Pickett, Mary H. Adams, Kate Prentiss, Mabel Fisi, Bertha Coote, Anna Lucas, Josie Stonehouse, M. E. Coote, Emily Wright, Lizzie Cross, Minn. Bowker, Meares, C. W. Coote, W. H. Carson, J. M. Perkins, Harry Husband, G. E. McKown, T. L. Lyon, F. Lyon, A. B. Peckford, B. Gantlett.

**PEACEFIELD.**—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. D. Higgins.

**ST. CATHARINES.**—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Miller.

**ST. JOSEPH'S.**—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. G. Hardie, O. A. Lawrence, Fred Wilcox.

**SIXTEEN.**—Miss Ida Austin, Mrs. and Mrs. A. McKay, Mrs. J. McPherson, M. Orth, Merricksburg, Rev. J. Campbell Tibb, B. D. H. Campbell.

**TORONTO.**—Rev. J. D. McQuarrie.

**TRINITY.**—Rev. E. B. Harton, Miss Jessie Pencock, Lotta Fish, Agnes L. Wilson, Mrs. H. B. Harting, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Fleming, Fred C. Watson, R. R. Lousley, Ursula, Miss Phoebe Anderson and Andrew McDonald.

The following visitors were present:

**MRS. (REV.) W. F. WARNE.**—Rev. C. G. Calvert, Mrs. A. Hamilton, Montreal; Mrs. H. C. Speer, Toronto; Rev. H. Lee, Toronto, and Rev. Mr. McBeth, Winnipeg.

The programme was thoroughly planned, and each paper and address held the attention of the audience. The heads of the union each had individual merit, but those of Miss L. J. White, on "Conservation," and Mrs. Lucy Smith, on "The Endeavour's Reward," were especially deserving of mention. Evidence of careful preparation was shown to the choice language, beauty of diction and wealth of eloquent and practical thought expressed.

The splendid addresses of Rev. Dr. Sims, Rev. A. C. Crews, Rev. J. Neil and Rev. J. C. Speer, Toronto; Rev. J. Vanwyk and Rev. J. H. McBeth, Hamilton, and Rev. Mr. McBeth, Winnipeg, contained much of inspiration and encouragement for the young people.

The officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

**PATRIMONY.**—H. D. Warren, Georgetown, Vice Pres.—Mrs. Lucy M. Smith, Oakville.

**PEACEFIELD.**—Miss Anna Davis, Valence.

**ST. CATHARINES.**—Miss Featherstone, Electric.

**ST. JOSEPH'S.**—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. G. Hardie.

**TRINITY.**—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. G. Hardie.

**WATERLOO.**—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. G. Hardie.

**WINDSOR.**—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. G. Hardie.

**WILLISTON.**—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. G. Hardie.

**WILCOX.**—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. G