DESPERATE BRAVERY OF ROUMANIAN PEASANTS.

Ten Thousand Insurgents, Accompanied by Their Wives and Children, Attacked the Troops.

Bucharest, April 8.—The determined bravery of the insurgent peasantry in some of the recent fighting is illustrated by a story of the Battle of Belaneshti, near the Craciova, published in a local newspaper. The insurgents, who numbered 10,000, armed with guns, axes, knives and scythes, accompanied by their wives and children, made a desperate attack on a body of Roumanian infantry and artillery. The latter opened fire, killing large numbers of the peasants, who, after an unequal combat, retreated to a village, carrying their dead and dying. Half an hour later a long funeral procession, headed by a priest, issued from the village, the coffin being followed by thousands of weeping peasants. As they approached the troops the commandant ordered the mourners to halt, but the latter pressed on, and were met by a volley, which killed or wounded a number of them. After further fighting the remainder of the peasants fled, leaving the coffin, which, when the soldiers examined it, was found to be empty. A few minutes later the peasants again attacked the troops, meeting the same fate. Artillery was then brought into action, and the insurgents were summoned to evacuate the village within three hours.

The peasants utilized the interval to unite their forces and delivered a fourth desperate assault on the troops, advancing in the face of the artillery fire and rifle volleys and getting into hand-to-hand conflicts with the soldiers. The peasants, however, were defeated in the end and the houses of the village were razed to the ground by the fire of the field guns.

TWENTY-EIGHT EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS.

Eight People Killed and Three Hundred Homes Destroyed at Bitlis, Turkey.

Constantinople, April 8.—The following despatch was received here to-day from the Rev. Royal M. Cole, head of the American mission at Bitlis:

"Bitlis, Turkey Armenia, April 3.—At 10 o'clock in the forenoon of March 29 there burst upon us unannounced the most earthquake witnessed in forty years in these or the Erzerum volcanic regions. Such was its force that other cities seemed to be in the jaws of some monster who would shake us into shreds, as a mastiff does his game. Down came plastering, the furniture was overturned, cracks were opened in strong walls, roofs were shattered and rain poured in. During the first day there were fourteen shocks and they still continue. There have altogether been 28 shocks. Of the 4,000 houses here over three hundred have fallen, and half the remainder have been seriously damaged, about fifty dollars to five hundred dollars being needed to repair each house. The officials report that eight persons were killed by falling walls, but they are all unknown in Bitlis. Many persons were wounded and many churches, mosques and Government buildings were damaged. The surrounding villages sustained heavy shocks, but it was in the day time, and so there was no great loss of life.

"Famine prices prevail, and there is great poverty and extreme suffering."

THAW MAY LIE LONG IN JAIL.

Jerome to Appeal From Fitzgerald's Finding

That He Cannot Inspect Minutes of Commission

And He May Stop the Trial for Weeks or Months.

New York, April 8.—Harry K. Thaw was declared sane to-day in the unanimous report of the commission in lunacy appointed some two weeks ago to inquire into his present mental condition. The moment the decision was handed down from Justice Fitzgerald's desk, District Attorney Jerome was on his feet vigorously protesting against its confirmation by the court. He charged that he had been excluded from the last session of the commission and demanded access to the minutes and the stenographic notes of what happened at the final mental and physical examination of the defendant. When Justice Fitzgerald declined to turn the minutes over to him, Mr. Jerome declared he would carry the case to the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, and ask that a writ of prohibition or mandamus be granted to prevent a continuance of the Thaw trial until the higher court had ruled upon the legality of the commission's course. It is expected that unless Mr. Jerome succeeds in obtaining a writ of prohibition by Monday Justice Fitzgerald will confirm the continuation of the trial without delay.

In giving reasons for their finding, the commissioners say: In the frequent and in some cases daily intercourse during the several months last past had by the defendant with the Tombs physicians, chaplains, keepers, other attendants and the probation officers, these persons failed to discover anything irrational in his conduct or speech.

The defendant has taken an active part in the conduct of the trial, and has made numerous suggestions orally in court and by letter as to the selection of jurors and the examination of witnesses. Many of these suggestions were deemed valuable and were adopted by his counsel, and examination of the letters referred to shows that generally the suggestions contained in them were material, sensible, and apparently the product of a sane mind. While the testimony of numerous experts called by the District Attorney and the defendant's counsel is irreconcilable, that given by certain experts who personally examined the defendant during the trial and since the appointment of the commission, and who of all the alienists examined had the greatest opportunity of observation, disclosed the fact that no indication of insanity at the present time could be found in his speech, conduct or physical condition.

The direct oral and physical examination of the defendant by the commissioners themselves disclosed no insanity in the defendant at the present time. Upon all these facts they base their opinion that the prisoner is sane and able to conduct his case in a rational manner.

New York, April 8.—Much uncertainty again invests the Thaw case. Harry K. Thaw is sane, according to the finding of the Commission in Lunacy which has been placed in Justice Fitzgerald's hands and he is adjudged competent to consult his lawyers. But this triumph by him over the prosecution may end with the report and he may yet have to spend many weary weeks of imprisonment before his fate is decided.

This contingency, if it should occur, will be because of District Attorney Jerome's uncompromising attitude, for he has determined to appeal from Justice Fitzgerald's ruling that he cannot inspect the minutes of the Commission. The appeal will be in the nature of an action to obtain a review of the justices' decision. It will be taken in the Appellate division of the Supreme Court and by it the District Attorney will seek either a writ of prohibition or a writ of mandamus. Such an application will act as a stay of proceedings and if granted it will halt the trial, which had reached it's last phase, for perhaps weeks or for months.

Mr. Jerome is proceeding on the ground that he cannot, without having examined the minutes make an intelligent argument against the adoption of the Commission's report. Justice Fitzgerald has not yet confirmed the report, but doubtless he will do so next Monday morning. The jury meantime is excused until that day.

THE TEACHERS' TRADES UNION

WILL HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH PICKETS OR STRIKES.

But Will Try to Keep Everybody Out If Does Not Want In—To Make the Teaching Profession a Close Corporation—Will the Government Approve of It?

A Toronto despatch: Within the past three days the teachers of Ontario have taken the decisive step of forming themselves into a Teachers' Union. The new organization has been formed not by the Ontario Educational Association, but by the teachers acting independently of the association, although it was in the association and in some of its sections that previous discussions have taken place. Nor is it to be a trade union or affiliated with the labor unions. The word union, as Dr. Embree pointed out in the General Association meeting Wednesday night, must be dissociated from the ideas of spies, pickets, strikes, etc. The object is mutual benefit, counsel and protection. The main purpose seems to be to raise the standard of the teaching profession by securing influence with the Government, and through it controlling to a large extent the admission of persons into the profession and shutting out the immature and incompetent ones who now get in.

Dr. Embree was unanimously voted for as President, but, owing to his having been chosen President of the Ontario Educational Association, declined to accept, as it might be misunderstood. He nominated Mr. David Young, of Guelph, a former President of the A. A. E., as representing the largest body of teachers in the Province. Mr. Young was, therefore, chosen by acclamation, and took the chair. The other officers are: First Vice-President, Dr. Embree; Second Vice-President, Miss L. A. Carruthers, Toronto; Secretary, Mr. E. T. Young, Toronto; Treasurer, T. J. Moore, Guelph.

Executive Committee—E. S. Hogarth, Hamilton (Collegiate institute); C. G. Fraser, Toronto (Public School); Inspector Galbraith, Mount Forest; C. E. Kelly, Hamilton (Public School); Principal Wm. Scott, Toronto (training); Geo. Wilson, Lisle (rural Public School); Geo. A. Cole, Orillia (Public School); Samuel Acheson, Ottawa, (Public School); J. W. Rogers, Lindsay (Separate School); Dr. Glashan, Ottawa (inspector).

Further details are left with the Executive. A meeting will be held on May 24 and 25. In the meantime a provisional constitution will be drafted. The fee has been set provisionally at $1. The roll already numbers more than seventy members paid up.

KNOX HONORS HER GRADUATES.

FORMER STUDENTS GIVEN DEGREES BY THE COLLEGE.

Two Former Pastors of Erskine Church, Hamilton, Receive Degrees—Rev. Dr. Lyle and Rev. Dr. Fletcher Take Part in the Ceremony.

A Toronto despatch: Men known throughout Canada, on whom honorary degrees were conferred, mingled with the graduating class of 1907, who received their diplomas at the convocation of Knox College in St. James' Square Presbyterian Church last night, and a large audience manifested considerable interest in the proceedings. Rev. Principal McLaren presided. Rev. A. Gandier, pastor of the church, and Rev. Dr. Lyle, of Hamilton, asisted in the devotional services.

Rev. Robert Martin, Stratford, formerly pastor of Erskine Church, Hamilton, and Rev. Murray C. Tait, B. A., Claremont, were presented by Rev. Dr. Turnbull for the degree of Bachelor of

REV. ROBERT MARTIN, B. D.

Divinity. The conferring of this degree by the Principal was followed by the conferring of the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity on Rev. Hugh McKay, Round Lake, Sask.; Rev. John H. Ratcliffe, St. Catharines; Rev. John G. Shearer, B. A., Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance of Canada, and Rev. Robert E. Welsh, M. A., General Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society in Canada.

Rev. Dr. Neill announced that Rev. Hugh McKay was unable to be present. He spoke of Mr. McKay's splendid services to the country in inducing the Indians to remain friendly to the Crown during the Northwest rebellion.

Rev. Dr. Fletcher, Hamilton, presented Rev. John H. Ratcliffe for his degree.

Mr. John A. Paterson, K. C., presented Rev. J. G. Shearer, who had "found his work" in the Lord's Day Alliance. Mr. Shearer, he said, was a great organizer, a fearless and eloquent platform speaker and a tireless worker. He had in the Lord's Day Act of Canada preached a great sermon.

Professor Kilpatrick presented Rev. Mr. Welsh, a graduate of the University of Glasgow, who had done missionary work in Japan, besides having had charges in London, England.

Brief and modest addresses were given by Revs. Dr. J. H. Ratcliffe, Dr. J. G. Shearer and Dr. R. E. Welsh, who expressed pleasure and gratitude at having been made doctors of divinity by Knox College.

EXPRESS ROBBED.

YOUNG MAN ARRESTED IN NEW YORK ON SUSPICION.

New York, April 8.—Four men were arrested yesterday on charges of complicity in a series of robberies by which the United States Express Co. claims to have lost goods valued at more than $20,000. The men arrested were Charles W. Webb, 22 years old, a clerk employed by the company; Milton J. Carman, 18; Israel Aronow, and Charles Cook. Webb and Carman were charged with larceny and Aronow and Cook with receiving stolen goods. All were held under bail.

TO OPPOSE ROOSEVELT.

A Movement on Foot to Defeat His Policies.

Washington, April 8.—It is said on authority at the White House to-day that there is ample evidence at hand for the claim the President holds, that there is a movement afoot to defeat his policies in the next Congress and in the next national convention. It is declared that the "Hearst-Harriman-Rockefeller combination" has already a fund of $5,000,000 with which to carry on its campaign in opposition to the President.

ALFONSO HASN'T CONSUMPTION.

Madrid Makes Formal Declaration That His Health is Good.

Madrid, April 8.—Despite all rumors to the contrary, including the recent one to the effect that he was suffering from tuberculosis, King Alfonso is in excellent health.

The Government has decreed that in the event of Queen Victoria giving birth to a son he shall bear the title of Prince of the Asturias, the title given to the heir to the Spanish throne, the first assumed in 1388.

NO OVER-CROWDING.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO GIVE RELIEF TO STRAP HANGERS.

London, April 8.—The Liberal Government has started a campaign against the overcrowding of railroad cars. The subject was forcefully brought to the Government's notice during a recent session of the House of Commons by complaints of its democratic followers who utilized the underground and suburban railroads to reach their residences in distant suburbs. A bill will be introduced at the reassembling of parliament giving the Board of Trade and the Railway Commissioners power to order the companies to run more frequent or longer trains, and to impose penalties in order to prevent overcrowding. The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Lloyd George, declares that the strap-hanging nuisance and danger must go.

SEVEN STEEL STEAMERS.

Latest Lake Line Makes Toronto Headquarters.

Toronto despatch: A new lake line has been launched, with a fleet of freighters, head office in Toronto.

The Canadian Lake Line is the latest company to hoist a flag on these waters. The flag is a red diamond on a dark green ground, with the letters "C. L. L." in the diamond.

The steel steamers Morena, Nevada and Corunna, built in England for the line, are on the way over. They carry 1,600 tons each.

The complete appointment of masters for the vessels is not yet made.

The manager of the new line is Mr. Frank Plummer. H. A. Young, late traffic manager for the Montreal and Lake Superior Line, is appointed traffic manager.

WHITE FLAG FOR A GIRL.

How Alfonso Will Announce Sex of First Born to Subjects.

Madrid, April 8.—King Alfonso has issued a decree naming the numerous official and diplomatic personages who will be privileged to attend the presentation ceremony which follows the birth of a royal child. The decree also contains the following:

"For the advantage of the inhabitants of the most heroic city of Madrid there will be displayed on that part of the palace called the Diamond's Point a Spanish flag if the child be the heir, and a white flag if it be a girl."

If the child be born at night colored and white lights respectively will be shown.

THE WATCH TRUST.

Memorials to President Against Waltham and Elgin Companies.

Washington, April 8.—A memorial which was presented to the President yesterday by representatives of the independent watch-manufacturing interests of the country reached the Department of Justice to-day. It alleges that the Waltham and Elgin Companies have violated the Sherman anti-trust act in employing methods in restraint of trade. The Department of Justice some months ago started an investigation of the so-called trust, which has not yet been concluded. Whether the department will take legal action to dissolve the so-called combination will depend entirely upon the facts obtained through this investigation.

VANCOUVER CARPENTERS.

Reject Proposal to Arbitrate Strike Under New Dominion Act.

Vancouver, April 8.—The Vancouver Carpenters' Union, the members of which are on strike, held a conference this afternoon and gave out a statement that three months ago the Builders' Exchange were notified that $4.50 per day would be asked after April 1st. The Minister of Labor appealed to by the builders, suggested arbitration under the new Dominion act, but the carpenters objected to outside interference Government or otherwise, and say arbitration should be voluntary. Over a thousand men are involved. Some have left the city.

MUST SHOW AUTHORITY.

Chinese Missionary to Explain Right to Solemnize Marriage.

Toronto, April 8.—Mr. Robert Brown, pastor of the First Chinese Church, and very well known as a worker among the Chinese of the city, was required to demonstrate to the court this morning his authority to perform the marriage ceremony. Mr. Brown, who was at one time a shoemaker, solemnized the wedding of a Chinaman and a white girl, Jessie Stocks, about a week ago, and Wednesday night he married Chin Cheu and Ida Hopps. The two brides and Jennie Goldbeck were arrested just prior to the Stock girl's marriage.

FOUND DEAD IN THE SNOW.

Boy Murdered Near St. Charles de Bellechasse.

Quebec despatch: Chief McCarthy and Detective Sylvain, of the provincial police, went down to St. Charles de Bellechasse, 30 miles below Quebec, yesterday to investigate the death of a boy, aged fourteen years, named Amedee Carrier, found dead in the woods on Monday last. They have returned to the city and reported to the Deputy Attorney-General that it is a clear case of murder.

WARNING TO KIDNAPPERS.

Forty Years in Prison the Penalty in New Jersey.

New York, April 8.—The Times has received the following despatch from Trenton: Assemblyman Buck's bill making the penalty for kidnapping forty years in State prison was passed in the House to-day. Speaking of the bill, Mr. Buck said that the heartrending grief of Dr. Marvin over the loss of his little boy should induce the House to guard against a similar offence in New Jersey by making the penalty as severe as possible. No votes were recorded against the measure.

The House also passed the Jess bill forbidding the sale of cigarettes to children under sixteen.

TIGHTENS NOOSE WITH HIS OWN HAND

Alleged Murderer Defies Counsel and Goes on Stand—Scene in Chicago Court.

Chicago, April 8.—Howard Nicholas, who with Leonard Leopold, alias Lippold, is now on trial for his life charged with the sensational murder of Margaret Leslie, the actress, to-day made admissions in Judge Ball's court which his attorney declared would hang him.

The accused man, desperate, believing the noose is dangling but a few inches above his head, defied his attorney and went upon the witness stand.

He made the sensational statement that the diamonds identified as those belonging to the strangled actress were his own.

"Tell that story and you are doomed," Attorney Robert A. Cantwell had warned the prisoner.

Nicholas gave the names and addresses of women who, he claimed had borrowed money from him, giving diamonds as security. The prisoner insisted on telling his story after being assured by Attorneys Cantwell and Gallion that he would certainly be hanged if it were related to the jury.

Part of Nicholas' story also consisted of a reflection against the character of the woman he is accused of having brutally murdered and robbed.

Attorney Cantwell, after investigating Nicholas' story, declared in open court that it could not be verified and refused to remain in the case.

"It's my one chance. I'm going to tell this story even if it hangs me," declared Nicholas to-day just before going on the witness stand.

Then he resumed his testimony and declared that the diamonds identified as belonging to the collection of Margaret Leslie had been given to him in Indianapolis by women as pledges for loans.

FINDS HIMSELF IN JAIL.

Farmer Committed on Serious Charge After Handing Money Over to Lawyer.

Owen Sound, Ont., despatch: Last summer Dr. Parks, of Feversham, while attending the family of W. Patterson, of Collingwood township, had his suspicions directed to the thirteen-year-old daughter of the house, whose mind is somewhat unbalanced. Direct questioning elicited a confession that for two years the girl had maintained illicit relations with Hugh Thompson, a neighboring farmer, who is 50 years old.

In November following Dr. Parks took the girl and her parents to the office of Mr. John Birnie, K. C., Town Solicitor of Collingwood, where depositions were made. Mr. Birnie went to Thompson, and as a result the latter visited the lawyer's office and made a settlement for $800, paying $600 cash and giving a mortgage on his farm for the balance.

Two hundred dollars of the amount paid, Mr. Birnie handed over to Dr. Parks, and the rest he retained, the parents of the girl receiving nothing.

Recently the Attorney-General's office learned of the charge against Thompson, and Provincial Detective Greer went up and arrested him. He appeared before Magistrate Dewson, of Flesherton, yesterday and was committed for trial.

Mr. Birnie, in explanation of his detention of the money, stated that he heard rumors that the Crown was about to take the matter up, and thought it best not to pay over the money to the parents. Dr. Parks claims that the $200 which he received was in payment for professional services to the family, in addition to $160 which he had already received.

ODD WEDDING FOOLS GOSSIPS.

Son Marries Widow, While Father Takes Her Daughter.

Snoma, S.D., April 8.—A unique wedding, at which a man aged 60 married a girl of 20, and his son, aged 38, married her mother, aged 44, was celebrated at the Barrett ranch, south of Snoma, a few days ago.

Richard Ellsworth and his son, Keene Ellsworth, lived on a ranch adjoining that on which Mrs. Emma E. Barrett and her daughter, Miss Jennie Barrett, made their home. The elder Ellsworth drove frequently to the Barrett ranch to spend an evening, and a Sunday afternoon, and so did his son. It was supposed by most of their neighbors that the father was going there to pay court to Mrs. Barrett and that the son was courting her daughter. The father and son and the mother and daughter did not labor under any such delusion.

Richard Ellsworth was courting Miss Barrett and Keene Ellsworth was courting Mrs. Barrett. They decided to have a double wedding and to take a wedding journey together. The parties are well off and stand high in the community.

A BOMB IN THE CHURCH.

Anarchists Are at Work in the City of Genoa.

New York, April 8.—The Herald has received the following despatch from Genoa: While the Jesuit Father Passivich was preaching in the Church of San Siro here yesterday some one threw a bomb in the main door. It exploded and caused a tremendous panic, but no one was injured.

After the commotion Father Passivich resumed his sermon, first saying a Te Deum in thanksgiving for their escape.

Investigation by the police showed that the bomb was filled with nails and iron wire, and led to the arrest of the authors of the plot, who are two well-known Anarchists, Ectore Campanini and Giovanni Belloni. A search of their lodgings revealed quantities of material for the manufacture of bombs.

MRS. EDDY INCOMPETENT.

Her Counsel and Friends Admit Her Incapacity.

Concord, N. H., April 8.—Counsel for the plaintiffs in the Eddy case said in a statement to-day that it appeared to them that Mr. Etreeter, personal counsel for Mrs. Eddy, and those who have charge of her, have, after mature deliberation, arrived at the same conclusion as to the incapaciay of Mrs. Eddy to manage harebusiness affairs that her son came to when he saw her in January last.

This suit, they declared, is not directed against Mrs. Eddy or at Christian Science. The position of the petitioners from the beginning has been that because of her incapacity to manage her business affairs, reformation as to the management, control and accounting thereof was necessary for her protection.

Now that the imperative need of this reform is conceded, counsel said, a remaining question would seem to be whether the interests of Mrs. Eddy will be best cared for and protected by a receiver appointed by the court or by trustees appointed by and acting practically as a continuation of the old regime.

NO TUNNEL.

RUSSIA OPPOSED TO ONE UNDER BEHRING STRAITS.

St. Petersburg, April 8.—The Cabinet yesterday rejected a proposal made on behalf of an American syndicate for the construction of a railroad tunnel under Behring Straits by which it was hoped ultimately to connect the Trans-Siberian with the Canadian Pacific railroad.

The scheme for a tunnel under Behring Straits and an all-rail route from America to Europe, has been under consideration for some time, and the matter has been pressed in Russia by Baron Loioq de Lobel, who represented the American-Trans-Alaskan-Siberian Company. A year ago despatches from St. Petersburg said the Russian Government was disposed to consider this plan favorably.

BURGLARS BUSY.

No Less Than Five Montreal Stores Robbed in the Night.

Montreal despatch: Burglars last night successfully made raids upon no less than five business houses. The police profess to believe that it was the work of boys, but in all cases there are earmarks of professional burglars, and clever ones at that, seeing that they did their work all around No. 10 station, and got off without detection, and enjoyed a banquet at their last calling place, and left several mementos of the occasion.

They robbed in succession Winch's butcher shop of McGill College avenue, the English provision store, St. Catherine street, John Murphy's grocery at the corner of Guy and St. Catherine streets, Cote's grocery and Chapman's book store. At Cote's grocery they had lunch on the goods they stole from Winch's store.

ALMOST THREE THOUSAND.

One Day's Arrivals at the Port of St. John.

St. John, N. B., April 8.—The C. P. R. steamer Montezuma, in command of Captain Birsenman, arrived in port today with 2,161 passengers. This is the largest number of passengers ever landed here from one steamer, and it is also a record from the fact that there was not a single case of sickness during the voyage.

The passengers were all steerage, the larger portion being Galicians and Italians ,with a sprinkling of Germans, Hollanders and Belgians. All but 78 are going to the Canadian west.

The Donaldson liner Cassandra, the big new boat of the Donaldson fleet, also reached port this morning from Glasgow with 785 passengers.

FOUR APPLICATIONS SIGNED.

Rev. J. G. Shearer Will Bring Suit for Desecration of Sabbath.

Toronto despatch: County Crown Attorney Drayton and Rev. J. G. Shearer, of the Lord's Day Alliance, held a conference yesterday afternoon with Hon. J. J. Foy, the Attorney-General. As a result of the interview four applications for prosecution were signed by Rev. Mr. Shearer, two against the C. P. R. and two against the Grand Trunk.

In both cases proceedings will likely be taken against these companies for doing shunting on Sunday and allowing their employees to work. In some instances the men work 12 hours a day and seven days a week.

The druggists are unanimously in favor of observing the Sunday law, and have asked a number of the pastors of the city to co-operate with them to help in properly carrying it out. They have decided to keep the window blinds of the drug store down during all Sunday, and to keep all goods covered from view except those they can legitimately supply.

PRINCE LEOPOLD IN CANADA.

Son of King Edward's Beloved Younger Brother.

Vancouver, April 8.—Most unostentatiously, accompanied only by his travelling secretary, a nephew of King Edward and grandson of Queen Victoria stepped ashore from the Oriental liner Empress of Japan this morning. The young man is Leopold Charles Edward, Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha and Duke of Albany. He will ascend the throne of Saxe-Coburg on attaining the age of 25. He is on a tour around the world, and is a son of the late Prince Leopold of England.

AEROPLANE SMASHED.

Santos-Dumont Fails in Attempt to Win Prize.

Paris, April 8.—Santos-Dumont made an effort to-day with his aeroplane to win the Deutch Archdeacon prize. The aeroplane rose two mitres (two yards) and had covered 50 mitres (53 yards) when the wind proved too violent, and the apparatus fell and was smashed. Santos-Dumont was not hurt.

To win the prize the machine must cover a closed circuit of nearly two-thirds of a mile in circumference.

DONE ITS BEST.

BRITISH DIPLOMACY NOT INDIFFERENT TO CANADA.

Said Right Hon. James Bryce at the Canadian Club Luncheon—Canadian Desire to Have Interests Protected in Future Negotiations With United States.

Toronto despatch: If the Right Hon. James Bryce required further assurance of the desire of Canada that her interests should be amply protected in future negotiations with the United States, that assurance was given in the most spirited manner at the luncheon of the Canadian Club which the British Ambassador addressed yesterday. His Excellency delivered a splendid address on the faults and advantages of democracy as shown by the example of Switzerland, and following the completion of that address came a motion of thanks by Lieutenant-Governor Clark, which precipitated a demonstration of feeling on diplomacy of the past and future which left no doubt as to the feelings of Canadians so far as the Canadian Club represented them. His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor began his brief address by a reference to the fact that Mr. Bryce had represented the speaker's own native city of Aberdeen in Parliament for twenty-three years. "And any man who can do that," said his Honor, "is a man of staying qualities. He must be a man who believes 'what I have I will hold,' and I think that is not a bad sentiment to take with him across the line.

At this pointed reference there was an enormous demonstration of enthusiasm by the members of the club, the applause and cheers lasting for some time. His Honor continued: "In the most interesting address which we have just listened to his Excellency has referred to one of the conditions which have conspired to consolidate the Swiss republic. He says that one of these conditions is the fact that they have been subject to a little squeezing from the neighbors. (Laughter and applause.) I did not say anything gentlemen, about our case here." (Applause).

Mr. Goldwin Smith, who seconded the vote of thanks, remarked that the visit of the British Ambassador to Canada opened a new epoch in our history. Hitherto there had been frequent proposals that Canada should send an envoy of its own to Washington. In the speaker's opinion that would make the confusion still worse. The issues of peace and war were not in the hands of this country. "We must not expect more than British diplomacy can do."

The isue having thus been raised, Mr. Bryce found it necessary to withdraw from his hiding place of diplomatic silence, and in his acknowledgment of the vote of thanks he said: "I thank you cordially not only for the vote of thanks, but for the attention with which you listened to my address. I must not, both for the sake of time and also because it would not be possible on such an occasion as this, I must not enter into the issues which were raised either by the Lieutenant-Governor or by any old friend, Mr. Goldwin Smith; but this I will say, that I will ask you to suspend your judgment upon all these questions in which it is alleged that British diplomacy has not done its best for you. In these matters you have only heard one side of the case, and I feel it is my duty to my country and to the Government which I represent to tell you this, that I believe you are entirely mistaken if you think that British diplomacy has been indifferent to Canada or has not done the best it could for Canada.

"Having said that, let me say for the future, as I can prove for the past, that there is in every section of the British people the warmest sympathy for Canada and every desire that all we can do shall be done to secure justice for Canada in every respect. (Applause.) And I may venture to say for myself that I do not think anyone will come here as Ambassador—certainly I would not—if I were not persuaded that that is the feeling of the British people, and that it is my duty, in a representative capacity, a duty of paramount importance, to secure justice for Canada." (Applause.)

A HUNDRED WIVES.

MATRIMONIAL BUREAU SCHEME UNEARTHED AT PHILADELPHIA.

James Marshall Accused of Marying All the Women Who Applied for Husbands at His Daughter's Office—Said He Wedded Six Within Last Month.

New York, April 8.—The Herald has received the following despatch from Philadelphia: Asserting that James Marshall, alias James Ross, had married her at a matrimonial bureau here six weeks ago, Mrs. Marjorie Friel caused Marshall and his daughter to be held on the nominal charge of false pretense to-day. They are under heavy bail.

The daughter conducted the matrimonial bureau, according to Mrs. Friel, and turned over applicants to her father, who had been advertised as a "well-to-do gentleman" anxious to find a wife.

On the witness stand Mrs. Friel said Marshall deserted her two days after the wedding. Evidence is being collected by detectives she put on the case and the United States postal authorities, in an attempt to show that Marshall married most of his applicants and that he now has one hundred wives scattered over the country. Reports from out of town have brought charges of bigamy against Marshall in many places. That Marshall married six persons within the last month is one of the things Mrs. Friel expects to prove.

Mrs. Friel avers that she had been cajoled by Marshall into turning over to him all of her money and valuables just before his disappearance, and expects to prove that this was his method of procedure in scores of other cases.

Many a man has a good heart, but the trouble is a man doesn't think with his heart.

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