AN APPEAL TO MOTHERS.

Gipsy Smith Told Women of Their Responsibility.

Personal Testimony Has a Wonderful Effect.

Excursions Being Run From Outside Points.

Toronto despatch: Far back in the top gallery at Massey Hall was an intoxicated man, Gipsy Smith's appeal went home to even his clouded intellect. "You're right," he shouted. An usher moved in his direction, apparently to quiet him, but the missioner's attention was attracted, and he quietly said, "Leave him alone. He has a right to hear."

On another occasion the call came for Christians to confess themselves and to help those still in doubt. All over the hall personal influence was brought to bear, and it was almost pitiable to hear a grey-headed man sob, "What's the good when you can't keep it." These are two incidents culled from the great meeting now being held. Day by day the mission gathers force. The hall was packed to its capacity last night. Striking was the putting into practice of Gipsy Smith's advice to get out into the streets and preach. More than one sermon was preached by individual workers to little knots of listeners around the hall.

A DEEP APPEAL.

Gipsy Smith swept his audience with his deep appeal. Again he emphasized the personal responsibility and the reward which would follow. "While I am no faddist about faith cure or any other quack," he said, "I say that when you let Jesus Christ save you from the stains of sin you will be on the high-road to eternal health."

Again: "A dead fish can swim with the stream, but it takes a man to breast the tide, look the world in the face, and say, 'Christ for me.'"

To men and women he pressed the home influence of Christ in the family. Particularly did he appeal to the women, for it was they who could best influence the children. "And," he said, "if I were told I could take any section of this audience for Christ I would take the boys and girls, for they have their lives to come. You, mothers, some of you, will have to answer some day before the Great White Throne for the rearing and training of a half-damned child."

PERSONAL TESTIMONY.

People from outside points are commencing to flock in to hear Gipsy Smith. Yesterday afternoon the attendance was increased by the presence of two hundred people from Brantford. To-day three hundred are expected from Harriston and to-morrow Owen Sound will send a contingent of four hundred. Excursions from London, Woodstock and Paris have also been arranged for.

In the afternoon the missioner spoke on the value of personal testimony. At the outset he mentioned that when first he commenced his evangelical work he was much discouraged by an aged minister who had told him that he would never make a preacher because he was "too quick on the application."

They had, however, the value of personal testimony illustrated in the story of Naaman, the leper Syrian General, and the little Hebrew slave maid. That little girl had said, "I would God, my Master, was with the servant of God in Samaria." It was that little testimony which had led to a great conversion. "You're churchgoing, you're little bit of fuss, doesn't amount to a row of pins until you get down to business, until you admit Christ and testify to Him in your daily life. It is far easier," he declared, "to preach to a thousand people than to one soul, but Christ preached the most wonderful things He ever said to individuals, and when you and I get the right spirit we shall see in one person a multitude.

UNLIKELY INSTRUMENTS.

"I have myself again and again been surprised at the unlikely things that God uses in the way of personal testimony." Then he went on to draw instances from the wealth of his experience. He told how while driving in the old country he had dropped a word to the village blacksmith and reprobate in one of the hamlets through which he passed, and afterwards been surprised to find that man attracted by that stray shot to one of his meetings and converted. A professor in one of the theological colleges in England had emphasized the value of personal testimony, and when asked by his students gathered from city, town and country why he did so, told them to inquire among themselves. They did, and all but two confessed that they had been brought to Christ by some one who had taken them by the hand and looked them in the face.

"You preachers," he rapped, "it will do you good to talk specially to some of your young people about surrender to Christ. And you mothers do it with your child, and if you haven't got religion enough go and get some more.

"Let me give you a peep through the window. Just a glimpse. My dear father was under deep conviction for four or five years, longing for Christ but didn't know the way. We were travelling along one day and there was an old man mending the road. He had his shovel and his barrow and his face was inviting. He had a white muffler round his neck; his corduroys strapped beneath the knee, but his face was a quarter of an acre of sunshine. My father spoke of his trouble, and he said: 'I know what you want; you want Jesus.' We don't know that little man's name, but he helped to do something that day the result of which is on the platform to-day."

LIKE CHAMPLAIN.

The Steamer Tunisian Damaged by an Iceberg.

Montreal, May 17.—A marconigram was to-day received by the Allan Line from Captain Fairfull, of the Tunisian, stating that that vessel had suffered an accident almost similar to that which recently befell the Lake Champlain, and that he had been compelled to put into St. John's, Newfoundland, for safety. The Tunisian, while steaming slowly, inward bound, through a heavy field of ice, struck an unusually heavy mass, and started a plate under her forepeak. The broken plate caused quite a heavy leak, and Captain Fairfull considered it his duty to head at once for St. John's, which was only sixty miles distant.

The vessel will be overhauled there, and if it is found that she has sustained serious injuries the passengers will be forwarded from St. John's across Newfoundland to Port Basque by rail, thence by the Reid Newfoundland Company's boat to Sydney, where they will be taken by special trains to St. John, N. B., and Montreal.

This is the third accident the Allan boats have suffered since the opening of navigation, the Corinthian and Siberian having both met with mishaps.

SUNG THEM DOWN.

Disorder at a Socialist Meeting in New Zealand.

Wellington, New Zealand, May 17.—Mr. R. McNab, formerly Minister of Defence, who is stumping the country, advocating compulsory military training, addressed a crowded meeting here to-night. The Socialists and ultra-radical Laborites endeavored to pack the meeting. The speakers were refused a hearing and the utmost disorder reigned. The Socialists sang "The Red Flag" and the Loyalists drowned out the chorus with "Rule Britannia," "Boys of the Bulldog Breed," and other patriotic songs.

At the finish some one started the National Anthem, which, amid intense excitement, was sung with a patriotic fervor seldom heard, even in New Zealand. The Socialists are in a decided minority in the colony, which is solidly in favor of the Dreadnought offer. It is believed the attitude of the Socialists will stimulate the majority of the people to favor compulsory training.

MORE BIGAMY.

Windsor Woman Has a Couple Arrested in Pittsburg.

Pittsburg despatch: Mrs. Elizabeth Templeton, of Windsor, Ont., to-day had her husband, A. H. Templeton, 37, and Eleanor Walcott, 38, for whom he is said to have deserted his wife, arrested. The Walcott woman claims to have been regularly married to Templeton.

Seventeen years ago Templeton married Elizabeth Dicken, in Windsor. After two years of married life he disappeared. She heard nothing further of him until about two months ago, when she received information that he had married again. This morning, accompanied by Attorney Granger, of Cleveland, the first Mrs. Templeton, in company with detectives, went to the Stockton avenue house and arrested Eleanor Walcott Templeton. Her husband was arrested later in the day, when he returned home.

BLOC BROKEN.

National-Liberals and Radicals Withdrew From German Reichstag.

Berlin, May 17.—The Reichstag committee which had been discussing the new tax bills held an exciting session today on the subject of the tobacco taxes, Chairman Paasche, National Liberal, having been overruled on a point of order, resigned. The National Liberals and the Radicals then withdrew. The incident apparently is a death blow to the Government's bloc, although under the German constitution it is not necessary for the Government to have a majority in the Reichstag. Chancellor von Buelow, about a year ago, refused to continue in office unless given the support of a majority of the members.

CHURCH MEETING.

Presbytery of North Bay and Presbytery of Temiskaming.

Toronto despatch: The Presbyterian Synod of Toronto and Kingston this morning authorized the division of the Presbytery of North Bay. The northern part of the Presbytery will henceforth be known as the Presbytery of Temiskaming and the southern portion will keep its present name of North Bay. In considering the report of the Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund the Presbytery passed a resolution that the fund should be brought more prominently to the attention of the members of the church, and expressing the opinion that all ministers of the church should be on the fund.

INSANE AT SEA.

Englishman on the Teutonic Lost His Mental Balance.

New York, May 17.—William J. Hawke, of St. Austle, Cornwall, was confined in the hospital of the Teutonic when she arrived in this port today from Liverpool. Hawke was accompanied by his brother, George E. Hawke, and the first two days out was very seasick. Sunday night he started through the boat's cabin, informing everyone that New York had been reached, and in many ways acting strangely. He was put under the care of the boat's surgeon, Dr. Fleming, but had not recovered his mental balance when the boat docked.

He was taken to Ellis Island, where his physician hopes that a few days of quiet will restore his health and he will be able to continue his journey to Chicago.

COLLISION NEAR GALT.

Two Freight Trains Met Headon—No One Was Injured.

Toronto despatch: Two C. P. R. freight trains, a regular and an extra, met in a head-on-collision near Schaw, a small station situated midway between Guelph Junction and Galt, about 5.30 yesterday evening. No one was injured, but the two locomotives were badly damaged and two freight cars were demolished. Both of the big locomotives were put out of commission, and were badly battered. They were pulled into the Guelph Junction and Galt yards.

The road was cleared at 8.45 p. m., allowing the Detroit flyer for Toronto and the local to Galt from Toronto to pass through.

FIVE DROWNED IN NEW YORK

Two in East River, One in a Pond and Two in North River.

Guatemala Student Drowned While Swimming in Pond.

One Man Jumped Into River and Committed Suicide.

New York, May 17.—Five persons were drowned yesterday within the city's limits. Two met death in the East River, one in a Staten Island pond, and two more in the North River.

Abraham Ribera, a student, 20 years old, and a member of a wealthy family of Guatemala, Central America, was drowned at West Newbrighton while trying to swim a pond there.

Two unknown men were drowned in the Hudson River when a small boat in which they were rowing was upset by the wash of a steamer. Hundreds of persons on shore saw the men drown, but were powerless to help as they were too far away.

Thomas A. Hayes, 45 years old, fell into the North River from a pier off the coal wharves where he was employed, and was drowned.

An unknown man, of about middle age, jumped from a lighter at pier 48, North River. After swimming about ten feet toward the middle of the river he stopped swimming and went down. The body was not recovered. The captain of the vessel, Chas. Petersen, and the mate told the police that the suicide a few minutes before jumping had asked them to give him a nickel with which to get food.

ATTACKED MOTHER.

A Student Goes Violently Insane at Brockville.

Brockville despatch: Without previous warning Elmer Pennock, a third-year student in medicine at Queen's University, went violently insane at 1.30 this morning, and but for his mother managing to elude him a tragedy would have resulted. His father, a G. T. R. conductor, was out of town, and the mother and son were alone in the house. The former was awakened by her son standing over and attempting to choke her to death, saying that he was going to do away with her. She managed to run out of the house and into a neighbor's house in her night clothes, whence assistance was summoned, Dr. MacAulay arriving first, followed by neighbors and two policemen. The young student fought desperately before he was overpowered and locked up.

In the recent examinations he failed, and this is thought to have brought about the sudden change in his mind. He is 26 years of age. A committal to the asylum here was made out this afternoon.

BITTEN BY RAT.

Father Saw Large Rodent Leap From His Baby's Cradle.

Ottawa, May 17.—Death was the result of the bite of a rat was the sad fate of little Eugene Jambeau, the 9-days'-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Jambeau, of 154 Besserer street, this morning, after having been severely bitten on the hand by a large grey rat. The infant developed blood-poisoning.

The baby had slept in its carriage in the same room as its parents for several nights, and on Friday night last this was also the case. Mrs. Jambeau retired about 1 o'clock, her husband being already asleep. At 2 o'clock she was awakened by the sound of the baby's cry, and aroused her husband. On jumping out of bed he saw a large grey rat leap from the cradle to the floor, and escape, in spite of his attempts to kill it. The baby was found with its left hand covered with blood from seven bites on the inside of the palm.

Medical assistance was summoned, and an antiseptic applied, but blood-poisoning soon set in, and the infant grew rapidly worse, until death ensued.

AFFIDAVIT CASE.

Haileybury Lawyer Arraigned in Woodstock Court.

Woodstock, Ont., despatch: Alfred Hall, the Haileybury lawyer, formerly a resident of this county, who was brought to Woodstock by the local authorities on a charge of fabricating evidence, and misleading the High Court, in that he produced a certain affidavit to the Court, purporting to be signed by one Davidson, who was supposed to be prosecuting a local suit, was arraigned to-day. Davidson declared that he had never signed nor authorized the signature of the affidavit.

The magistrate reserved his decision pending the settlement of certain legal points, which would be referred to the Attorney-General.

PETERED OUT.

The Strike of Paris Postmen Seems to be a Failure.

Paris, May 17.—Instead of showing an increase this morning the number of striking postal employees in the city seems to have diminished. The leaders of the strike, however, still talk desperately of unexpected developments, including the declaration of a general strike by the General Federation of Labor. On the other hand, the authorities, with the endorsement of the Chamber of Deputies behind them, insist that the movement will collapse totally in a few days without recourse to the elaborate reserve arrangements that have been perfected. At Lyons, Toulouse, Marseilles and some other places the strikers to-day abandoned the struggle and returned to their posts.

A BOY'S GREAT INVENTION.

Evansville, Ind., May 17.—A lanky, sweatered schoolboy has achieved what Tesla, Marconi and other wizards of the wireless have been months vainly laboring for—the invention which scientists long ago agreed would be the greatest blessing to mankind.

He is Charley Williams, 18-year-old Evanville lad.

By pressing the key of a wireless instrument rigged up in his mother's woodshed the other night, he caused an explosion to occur three miles away. It shook every building in the city.

That's what this boy has accomplished.

Charley Williams hasn't stopped at inventing the apparatus which sets off the explosive. He has discovered the explosive itself. He calls it "Williamsite," and declares it to be forty times as powerful as dynamite.

FELL 6,000 FEET.

Three Men Killed in the Red Jacket Mine, Calumet.

Calumet, Mich., May 17.—Death which was swift and sure, but none the less terrible, came to three miners at the Red Jacket mine here this afternoon, when the ground upon which they were at work suddenly gave way, precipitating all three into a yawning abyss. For a distance of 6,000 feet the shaft runs down into the very bowels of the earth, and through this opening the unfortunate men were shot as though impelled by a mighty catapult.

The bodies were crushed into an unrecognizable mass of blood and splintered bone. The men were all foreigners. Their names are: Louis Rossio, Lowis Mustonen and Zech Benjamin.

The shaft of the Red Jacket mine is famous all over the world as the deepest working mine in existence.

TOMLINSON'S DEATH

Growing Belief in St. Thomas That Man Was Murdered.

St. Thomas despatch: Detective Greer has made little headway in solving the mystery surrounding the death of William Tomlinson, a M. C. R. machinist's helper, whose body was found buried in a sandpit in Kettle Creek, below the M. C. R. bridge, last Friday. Harry Walden, who knew the deceased, says he saw Tomlinson on the day before the body was found, which dispels the theory that the body had been in the water over a week, and had been washed upon the sandpit when found. It also deepens the mystery of how, surmising that death was accidental, his head and legs came to be covered with sand in less than twenty-four hours.

The Crown authorities firmly believe that the wounds on the deceased's head and the injury to the abdomen were not caused by the accident, but that the man was murdered somewhere in the city or the outskirts, carried to the creek and buried in the sand, but that the rising water washed off some sand and exposed the body to view.

WANTS NO VOTE.

Her Majesty Indicates That She is Not a Suffragette.

London, May 17.—Queen Alexandra is evidently not in sympathy with the female suffragists. Princess Louise to-day to-day opened the Women Nurses' Congress at Liverpool, and in a little speech said: "I have a message for you from the Queen. She has the fullest sympathy with you in your work. She feels that this is the work which women can do. Some women nowadays try to be like men, but this is the thing that men can't do, and it, therefore, is here that we feel superior to anybody else."

The Queen's attitude is the more interesting because her daughter, Queen Maud of Norway, sent a message of sympathy to the International Suffragists' Congress, which met a few weeks ago in London.

DAM BLOWN UP.

Causes Serious Floods in Upper Napanee River.

Kingston, Ont., despatch: Some unknown persons blew up the dam near Fifth Lake, one of the head waters of the Napanee River, with the result that there was a sudden rise in the water, which carried away several bridges. The bridge at Bell Rock is a foot under water.

The rush of water carried away the dam at fourth lake. In the upper part of the Napanee many acres of land are under three feet of water and a number of farms have been rendered useless by inundation.

The dam at third lake is still holding out. If it goes Yarker will be flooded and many of the houses rendered uninhabitable. Many places near Napanee are already flooded.

Boiled or roasted meat which is to be used cold may be wrapped in a wet cloth before putting away, and it will be moist and tender.

A SAD CASE.

Boy Returns From School and Finds Mother Dead.

Detroit, May 17.—Returning to his home from school a few hours after he had been punished by his mother because he refused to buy liquor for her, seven-year-old John Harder found the mother's lifeless form on the floor at 11.30 o'clock yesterday morning.

Johnnie wasn't in a hurry to get to his home, 237 Sherman street, after he had been dismissed from the morning session of school. He declared that he had been whipped "good and proper" by his mamma. The thrashing administered to him had proved a good persuader, he said, and he purchased the liquor, delivered it, slammed the door unusually hard, and had gone away.

When the boy walked back into the house no dinner was awaiting him in the kitchen. Proceeding to the dining room he saw the corpse of his mother. He raced out of the house, and notified John Baut, a neighbor.

Coroner's Clerk De Laurier was summoned. He ordered the body removed to the county morgue.

County Physician Grimes held a post-mortem examination and decided that death was due to alcoholism.

ENGINE SMASHED.

Wonderful Escape of C.P.R. Trainload of Passengers.

North Bay despatch: A dangerous accident occurred yesterday on the Kippewa branch of the C. P. R. between Mattawa and Kippewa. The railway runs north from Mattawa to the foot of Lake Temiskaming, and winds its way through the Laurentians, along narrow ledges far above the Ottawa River, and through many huge rock cuttings. As the passenger train north, heavily laden, was passing through a particularly dangerous section, where the roadbed clings to the mountainside, with the river many feet below, a five-ton rock crashed down the declivity, striking and smashing the locomotive, but fortunately not forcing the train over the precipice into the rocky canyon.

The passengers were severely shaken up by the sudden stop, but not seriously injured. So tightly was the engine wedged by the immense rock that dynamite had to be utilized to clear the wreckage.

READ THIS, DIOGENES

And Then Go to St. Mary's, Ont., for Your Honest Man.

Galt, May 17.—An interesting bit of fire insurance history has just come to light in the official records of the Gore District Company, of this town.

A. H. Lofft & Company, dry goods, St. Mary's, had a loss by fire, for which the adjusters allowed $6,250. At their next stock-taking, the firm became convinced they really had not lost more than $3,750. Having confirmed this by a second stock-taking, they immediately returned the fire insurance companies $2,500, overpaid by them, the share of the Gore being $289.43. The explanatory letter was ordered inscribed in the company's minutes in full, and a resolution, moved by R. S. Strong, seconded by W. K. McNaught, M. P. P., was passed, expressing the appreciation of the high-minded and honorable course pursued by the Messrs. Lofft.

WON'T LET HER GO HOME.

U. S. Officials Bar Canadian Woman From Returning to Husband.

Clinton, Ont., May 17.—The people of this town are indignant at the action of United States immigration officials in refusing to allow a woman, who had been visiting her old home here, after a residence of some years with her husband in New York State, to return to her husband.

Mrs. W. Hamm, the daughter of Joseph Cooper, of this town, married two years ago and went to live in Rose, N. Y. In the fall of 1907 she came to visit her parents, and remained some months, returning to her husband with no interference. This spring she again came to Clinton, and was here two months, but on returning on May 7 she was stopped at Suspension Bridge, and refused admittance to the United States.

The case had been taken up with the authorities in Washington.

WELCOME KAISER.

Emperor and Empress of Germany Arrive at Vienna.

People Grateful to Them and Give Them Big Reception.

Vienna, May 17.—The German Emperor, accompanied by the Empress, reached Vienna this morning from Pelab, where they arrived on the imperial yacht Hohenzollern yesterday, and were given a hearty and elaborate public welcome. Emperor Francis Joseph and all the Austrian archdukes and archduchesses meet their majesties at the southern railway station.

The greetings between the two monarchs was exceptionally cordial, as was also the ovation accorded them by the immense crowds that had gathered on the streets through which the visitors drove in an open carriage to the Vienna Hofburg. Rain somewhat marred the spectacular effect of the lavish decorations along the route, but there was no mistaking the warmth of the demonstration, gratitude to the German sovereign being deep for the unfaltering support which enabled the dual monarchy to score such a notable success in the late Balkan crisis.

WORLD'S COMMERCE

Total Exports Were $14,000,000,000 and Imports $16,000,000,000.

Washington, May 17.—A new record for the international commerce of the world was established in 1907, according to the statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor. This abstract puts the total exports of the various countries and colonies of the world in that year at $14,000,000,000 and the imports at $16,000,000,000. Ten countries contribute more than two-thirds of the total. On the export side the United Kingdom headed the list with $2,073,000,000; the United States coming next with $1,835,000,000, Germany next with $1,629,000,000, and France fourth with $1,080,000,000.

On the import side the United Kingdom again headed the list with $3,143,000,000, Germany coming second with $2,082,000,000, France third with $1,201,000,000, and the United States fourth with $1,194,000,000. Practically two-thirds of the total of international trade is accredited to Europe.

In the year under consideration Canada took 58 per cent. of her imports from the United States.

VILLAGES WIPED OUT

The April Earthquake in Portugal Very Serious.

Boston, May 17.—Advices which have reached the Portuguese Consul in this city, Viscount de Valle Decosta, concerning the earthquake of April 23 in the vicinity of Lisbon, indicate much suffering among the inhabitants of that region, that he decided to-day to make an appeal for assistance to the American people. In Lisbon itself there was great property damage, according to the despatches received by the consul, and the towns of Samora, Benavente and Salveterra de Magos, on the south side of the Tagus River, opposite Lisbon, were entirely destroyed.

Forty-six persons are reported to have been killed, many are missing and scores were injured. The villagers are destitute, and are living in tents and in the open throughout the countryside. Owing to the failure of the crops in that portion of Portugal last year, the inhabitants of the places not affected by the earthquake can do little to relieve the sufferings of the homeless.

BUYING DRINKS.

Proposed to Render Illegal Treating at Bar in Quebec.

Quebec despatch: In the Provincial Legislature this afternoon Allen Wright Giard introduced an amendment to the license law providing that no license-holder shall accept money from a person at the bar for more than the drinks the man himself consumes. It was designed to render illegal all treating at a public bar.

So many members of the House supported the amendment that the Provincial Treasurer was plainly discomposed, and he finally urged that the proposal be held in abeyance until it is learned whether public opinion will support it. That suggestion was carried by a small majority.

FIRED AT HER.

Steamer Leaves Cleveland Amid a Shower of Bullets.

Cleveland, O., May 17.—Through a fusilade of revolver shots, said by the police to have been fired by strike sympathizers, the steamer Republic left port here late last night. It is supposed that no one on board was injured, as the boat did not turn back after the firing ceased. The Republic is bound for the head of the lakes.

Prior to the departure of the boat strike sympathizers talked with the non-union crew aboard the vessel and tried to induce them not to ship.

The Republic belongs to the Hanna fleet.

STRIKERS REBUKED

By Vote in the French Chamber of Deputies.

Paris, May 17.—A turbulent session of the Chamber of Deputies to-day ended in another signal victory for Premier Clemenceau, when the Government's policy with regard to the postal strike was emphatically endorsed by a vote of 454 to 59, including also the Government's insistence that the postal employees and other functionaries have no right to strike. Immediately afterwards the Chamber passed a vote of general confidence in the Government by 365 to 159.

Up to midnight there was no change in the situation. If anything it was in the direction of the weakening of the strike sentiment. The general conviction is that if the movement does not make vast strides to-morrow it is almost certain of complete failure.

M. Barthou, the Minister of Public Works, Posts and Telegraphs, during the course of the debate asserted that only 2,367 out of 24,205 postal employees in Paris and the Department of the Seine are out, and that conditions in the Provinces are even better.

Premier Clemenceau, in a typical epigrammatic speech, coolly closed the existing session with the declaration that it was merely a case where France must choose between revolution on the one hand and progressive evolution on the other, or between work under republican law and order and a spirit of adventure calculated to disorganize and rend the republic.

PRINTING CONTRACT

Provincial Government Makes Five-Year Contract For Work.

Methodist Book Room and Harcourt & Co. Get the Work.

Toronto, May 17.—The contract for Provincial printing for the five years from July 1 next has been awarded to the Methodist Book Room, while the contract for the ruling, printing and binding for a like period is awarded to the firm of E. H. Harcourt & Company. The contracts were in both cases awarded to the lowest tenderer.

Hon. A. J. Matheson, who made the announcement, said the Province would save approximately $28,000 per annum on the new contracts over the existing figures. The tenders, he added, were remarkably close in the aggregate, and the Government experienced considerable difficulty in determining the lowest offer. In all six tenders were received. The present contract with the firm of Warwick Bros. & Rutter terminates on June 30.

Under the new system adopted, the contract—hitherto a bulk one—is subdivided into five branches. The first of these comprises the printing of the orders of the day, votes and proceedings, bills, statutes, and bindings; the second embodies the department reports, sessional papers, Parliamentary returns and bulletins; the third, the printing of the Gazette; the fourth, job work, pamphlets, forms, circulars, etc., and the fifth, the ruling, printing and binding of blank books.

The first four go to the Methodist Book Room and the fifth to the Harcourt firm.

HAMID'S FUND

To be Used in Defraying Expenses of Invading Army.

Constantinople, May 17.—The Minister of Finance has decided that the cash found in the Imperial Palace of Yildiz, the residence of Abdul Hamid, the deposed Sultan, shall be used in meeting the expenditures incurred by the mobilization of the first and second army corps, and the march on Constantinople to restore constitutional government. The funds in question amount to nearly $8,000,000.

BEAT THE BAKER

Threw Him Into Vat of Dough and Pelted His Wife.

New York, May 17.—Max Alhtim, who did not close his bakery when the bakers recently went out on strike, was dragged from his bed to-day by a mob, and throwa into a vat of dough in the basement of his establishment. He was so badly beaten that his removal to a hospital was necessary. Women meanwhile attacked Mrs. Alheim and threw pailfuls of dough upon her. The police dispersed the raiders and arrested two of them.

TO BUILD FOUR.

Italy to Spend Over Fifty Millions in Dreadnoughts.

Rome, May 17.—The Minister of Marine, Admiral Mirabello, has obtained the approval of the Cabinet to a naval programme that provides for the construction within three years at a total expense of $52,800,000 of four Dreadnoughts and a number of fast scout cruisers. A local paper says the decision to build these vessels was reached after Italy had learned that Austria-Hungary was going to spend $40,000,000 on increased naval power.

WINNIPEG FAIR.

Two and a Half Millions Wanted For International Exhibition.

Ottawa despatch: The Winnipeg Exhibition delegation this morning asked the Prime Minister for two and a half million dollars aid for an international exhibition in 1912. Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that he would give the request serious and sympathetic consideration. By way of comment he said that like their country and their views the demands on the western men were large.

ALBERTA'S BIG STEER.

Weighs 2,000 Lbs. Now and Will be Placed on Show.

Calgary, May 17.—A big steer raised 30 miles north of Geichen, is to be taken to Alaska, Yukon, exposition, to show the possibilities of Alberta's natural grasses. The animal, although only three or four years old, stands 6 feet high, is 11 feet 2 inches long, measures 8 feet 8 inches around the girth, and 6 feet on the hips, and weighs 2,560 pounds.

The steer was worked in an ox-tram last fall and was turned out on grass, never seeing the inside of a stable throughout the winter.

It is thought the steer will before the end of the season weigh 3,500 lbs. The owners have refused $4,000 for it.

MISSOURI WHEAT.

Kansas City, Mo., May 17.—Rain again fell over the greater portion of Kansas last night, the precipitation ranging from 3-10 of an inch in the western part of the State, up to an inch and a half in the central counties, where it is said, wheat will be greatly benefitted.

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