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Editorial Note and Comment.

—The heated term caused nearly 400 deaths in U. S. cities.

Premier Sir Wilfrid Laurier goes to Paris on July 17, and will later visit Switzerland. He will then return to England and sail for home about August 19.

—A case of murder and suicide in a house of ill fame in Montreal last week. A liquor crazed man shot a woman, not the one he meant however, and then suicided. Fruits of the traffic.

—Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone have been entertaining Sir Wilfrid, and the premiers of New South Wales and New Zealand. The Grand Old Man is still one of the sights of England.

—Pres. Kruger suggested to his executive and it was done, that as a fitting act of grace at the jubilee period, the only two remaining prisoners of the raid should be liberated. He is a tactful generous old man.

—The English Rudge-Whitworth Bicycle Company have made a cut of almost 50 per cent on their wheels, and a mild panic among manufacturers has been the result. Importations will be stopped and the cut may come here too.

—Cape Colony has distinguished itself in a practical way. She has made the Imperial Navy a present of a first class battle ship. Canada's gift was of a commercial nature, the Cape's is protective, both are extremely pleasing to the British people.

—The Sultan has practically defied the powers, and will not agree to leave Thessaly. The powers are now invited to "make a demonstration" at once to compel the Sultan to yield! How the Sultan will laugh! Is Thessaly to be another Armenia?

—The Jubilee celebrations have given an immense impetus to the idea of Federation, and no one thing has contributed more to that end than the presence and prominence of our own premier. Ontario province is larger than any of the Australian "colonies," yet her chief magistrate is not thought of because a greater than Hardy is here.

—Tory newspapers have been busy lately making changes in the Liberal cabinet, and predicting disastrous times for the government in the process. These machine tactics should receive their quietus—for a while—since the Premier has said—"I know of no changes, actual or contemplated." When Sir Oliver Mowat tells Laurier he is an incapable and Laurier gets even with Mowat, Cartwright, Tarte and a few others by describing them as a "nest of traitors," will be a fitting time to predict changes.

—The great Christian Endeavor Convention is in session in San Francisco and 20,000 delegates are in attendance. Pres. Clark made a stirring address on "A world encircling movement" and one is forced to conclude it must be when we read that the Junior Badge Banner to the country making the greatest proportionate increase during the year goes to Spain.

—North Grey Reform Association has placed their present member, Mr. Cleland in the field as their next candidate. The proceedings were characterized by the utmost harmony, and the declaration of a unanimous nomination roused great enthusiasm. Mr. Cleland made a capital speech showing that it was a fortunate thing for Ontario that Sir Oliver Mowat had been succeeded by so able and honest a man as Mr. Hardy. Mr. Cleland's speech has in it a ring of victory.

—A great strike of coal miners is in progress in the United States, and other branches of organized labor talk of coming to their assistance. It promises to be one of the great contests between capital and labor which are becoming so frequent. Bellamy's dream that "the nation should organize for industry in the same way it organizes for war" may yet be realized, but not without a fearful struggle on the part of the privileged classes. Meanwhile, this and other commercial clouds are darkening the McKinley regime and the clouds which closed on Bryan are assuming a silver lining.

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It is a community affair, with a committee or set of officers elected annually they work with each other to make the event a success. This year is their greatest in point of attendance some estimating the crowd at 3000, and from the vehicle-lined road and the swarming bush there might well be.

And they feed these thousands too, and no miracle about it. Edge Hill baskets seen bottomless, their waiters are legion, and the stuff of the best. How they do it? Well, they do it.

They make a nominal charge, but dear to many can get over the fence and are lost to the gate keeper. The funds go to pay entertainers, for the object of the committee is to provide a day's fun and pleasure for the numerous visitors.

Without a doubt the first in the list of attractions to the greatest number is the dancing platform, and though the thermometer was at 80 degrees hundreds of both sexes "swung and cloaked" the whole afternoon and well into the night to the inspiring strains of varied music, violin, fife and bagpipes of the well known McDonald Bros., Pricievile. When it came on to look at them. Is it right to dance to look at them. C. E. Workes at Dromore just one week before. The engrossing nature of the amusement is well shown here but the question of its rectitude it is safe to say far from the thoughts of the youth and beauty who tripped the light fantastic on the planks that day.

A platform surrounded with canvas scenery, once no doubt brilliant, but now showing the touch of time was taken possession of by Mr. Jno. Moffatt, as Chairman early in the afternoon and for 3 or 4 hours speech and song was presented to those who were not enamored of the dancing. An organ, taken there by Mr. S. T. Orchard, Agent, Durham, was cleverly handled by Miss Black, Durham, as an accompanist. Prof. Peel gave some cornet solos to the delight of the crowd. Mr. S. T. Orchard was rapturously encochored in the comic line, as was also Mr. Leighton. Miss Mary Gordon, our young rising elocutionist, captured Edgell by her skill as a declaimer, and though the scream of the bagpipes broke into the middle of her selection she held bravely on and held her audience too.

Edgell pines may have to do with-out Chris Williams some time, in the far future we hope but at present he seems a fitting father to the whole community. His racy description of the 47 years growth of Glenelg babies he has witnessed, "and begorra they are still growing" is always taking, but the vim of the old man is best seen in his song.

The speeches of the day were delivered by Mr. Mearns, Hanover, and Geo. Binnie both of who launched out with eloquence on features suggested by this Jubilee year. Barrister Batson was also honored and acquitted himself well. In the course of his remarks, he made a gentle hint that the two last named speakers were political aspirants, and gave a lawyer to ought to know.

Certainly the most rousing speech, if not the most elaborate, was that by Mr. John Graham, the well known and successful teacher of the section. The chairman publicly acknowledged that Mr. Graham was the chief mover in the picnic and like everything Mr. Graham touches, success crowned it.

Last but not least came the Chronicle and the Review. Mr. Irwin branching out vigorously and at some length on educational and patriotic lines. The Review man at the end of the long drawn out programme contenting himself by briefly summing up the excellence of the resources of Edge Hill.

The Wire Walking by Prof. Wm. Locheed was quite a thrilling exhibition, and his nerve and skill were duly applauded. Glenelg tug of war team was ready but Bentuck for some reason wasn't, so this event did not come off.

The fireworks at night were quite a success we were told though it caused a few mishaps by startling horses. Next year the committee intend to have the grounds lit by electric light. A Baseball Match between Edgell and Zion was played on a field nearby, Zion being the winners, the home catcher getting an injured eye weakening his team. It was a splendid day for a booth, and it was well patronized. We were pleased to meet Mr. M. K. Beaton and his lovely bride on the grounds.

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