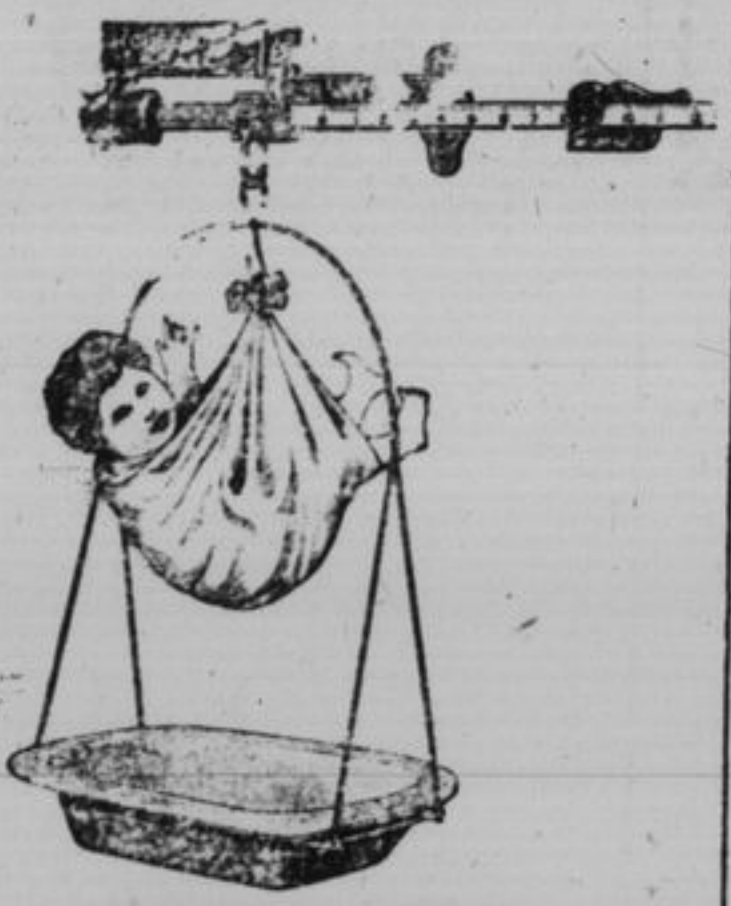


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THE DAILY WHIG. Opiter per Orbem Dicor.

THE CRISIS AGAIN ON. Principal Maggs, of the Wesleyan Theological College, some months ago placed his resignation in the hands of the governors. It was inferred that he was disappointed with the status of the college, with the work it had accomplished, and with its outlook. He withdrew his resignation later, and entered heartily into the reconstruction of the college according to plans which promised success. The reports that reached the Whig have indicated that the position of the institution has been improved, that the attendance of students has been increased, and that its general tone has been inspiring. And yet there is the announcement, for a second time, that the principal is determined to retire. Dr. Maggs is an able man. He came to Canada upon his merits. He has appeared unto the people in many ways and in many capacities and has impressed educationists as an earnest, able, and progressive leader. The inference is that he is not as hopeful as some others in regard to Wesleyan college. It is a small institution, and expensive considering its size. The idea of consolidating it with Victoria College has been advanced, but not entertained for two reasons, (1) that it is not wise that the theological students of the Methodist church should pass through the same moulds, and (2) that the church in Quebec would lose in prestige and in educational interest. But the college cannot endure a series of crises. It must be made strong and permanent and abiding at once and for all times, or it must suffer in an irreparable way. This uncertainty or unsteadiness in the principalship for whatever reason is exceedingly hurtful.

A DOCTRINE IN PERIL. Reading public opinion in the United States, as it is expressed by the press, it is inferred that there is not to be an application of the Monroe doctrine so far as Venezuela is concerned. The difficulty is a financial one. The smaller republic has been deliberately courting trouble. It has been ready to assume all manner of liabilities, to incur debts somewhat foolishly and recklessly, to even give guarantees for them, and then ignore the demands that are made for the fulfillment of its part.

The New York Evening Post sagely remarks that "Venezuela is bigging over her debts to England and Germany, relying on the United States either to give bail for her, or to prevent the creditors from collecting their money by seizing her custom houses. According to the latest advices from Washington we shall do neither. The doctrine never made us responsible for the borrowings or pilferings of the transient governments of Central and South America. The only thing that could make us responsible for such claims would be an attempt on our part to prevent other nations from collecting what is due to them, and using such force as may be helpful to that end."

It is observed, however, that public opinion may be against Venezuela because of the helpless and defenceless nature of the case; and it is not one European power, but two of them, and the strongest, that are making a warlike demonstration. Some years ago Mr. Cleveland was prepared to intervene when the United States had not a better case than it has to-day. The conclusion is that the Monroe doctrine is not based on a principle which admits of no modification by circumstances. It is simply a handy subterfuge for the politicians, and affords them something to talk about when they have nothing else to do.

COST OF STEEL RAILS. The steel rail mill at Sault Ste. Marie has been closed down, and Mr. Clergue has intimated that it will stay closed until it gets another order, and one is expected without delay from the Temiskaming railway. Canada Mr. Clergue alleges, is being made the slaughter market for German manufacturers, and five millions a year are being sent out of Canada which, if sent at home, would go largely to the workmen and the material produced by Canadian labour.

What can Canada do? Ontario has aided the Clergue company in a most generous manner. The local government has encouraged its enterprises by grants of land and subsidies of money. The federal government has aided the company by a bounty of \$2 on pig iron and \$3 per ton on the finished steel, and Mr. Clergue has declared that he can produce the goods as cheaply as any manufacturer, and American authorities have held that steel can be made for \$15 a ton. Rails were some years ago sold at a profit of \$17.50.

Mr. Clergue's grievance is that he can compete with German industry, which is highly protected and bonused, and which sells the rails,

delivered at Port Arthur, for \$27 a ton. Supposing that he can manufacture as cheaply as the Americans, at \$16 a ton, and can sell them at German prices, \$27 per ton, to which must be added the government bounties, \$16 per ton, he has a total of \$33, and advantages which are very much in his favour.

Germany is not, as one paper has put it, playing a destructive game in Canada. Its manufacturers are not evilly disposed towards Mr. Clergue. They are simply up against a great depression, and are doing the only thing possible, namely, business at a discount. The United States resorted to the same tactics some years ago, and its steel makers sent rails abroad at \$17.50 a ton and realized \$1.50 per ton upon them. The contingencies of trade have to be contemplated and the experience of to-day cannot be regarded as surprising. Still Mr. Clergue, with a mill which cost \$23,000, 000, and five hundred men out of employment in consequence, is giving a stimulus to the agitation for a duty on rails, and it remains to be seen what parliament is going to do about it.

FORESTRY EDUCATION. This important subject, which for many years, has been provided with special schools in Europe, is earnestly engaging the attention of the Ontario government. This province has the greatest forests on the continent, and a larger area than that of the other provinces of rough and rocky land fit only for trees. It is fitting that it should lead the way in making provision for the education of men to preserve and render permanent a valuable inheritance. The minister of education has been, for several years, alive to the importance of making a beginning. In January, 1901, on the occasion of Professor Fernow's lecture here on forestry, Mr. Harcourt expressed himself as delighted that the question was receiving attention at a university. Queen's had the reputation of undertaking new projects, and it would be a grand thing for the country were a school established at Kingston.

In April last, at the laying of the corner-stone of School of Mining buildings, Mr. Harcourt again expressed his appreciation of the educational work being done here, and declared that "the government stood ready to assist in laying the foundations of the important department of forestry in Queen's," meaning, of course, in connection with the School of Mining. Judging from newspaper reports, the minister is prepared to advocate an even more generous provision for this branch of study, by the establishment of a chair of forestry in Toronto University. If the government is prepared to start off with two schools of forestry, each of which will cover a territory of its own, so much the better for forestry, and for the great lumber interests of the province.

EDITORIAL NOTES. It is up to some man in Canada with large means to give a half a million to Queen's College and immortalize his name.

Hon. Mr. Dryden warns the farmers not to expect prosperity without a lull. But he doesn't invite them to be banking for hard times.

Ottawa has a surplus in the city treasury of \$13,000. The thing is unprecedented, and because it is some folks think there is some mistake about it.

Seven persons killed at level crossings this week at Havelock, Grimsby and Cobourg—by passing trains. When are the farmers going to get the protection they demand?

It is estimated that in Montreal each consumptive patient gives tuberculosis to five other persons, such is the power of its infection. Still some people marvel at the high rate of mortality from this disease.

The late Mr. Nast, the cartoonist, before going to Ecuador, as United States consul, sketched himself as greeted by a skeleton figure in a box, on which was written: "Yellow jack will dead head you." Somewhat prophetic.

The Street Railway company of Kingston is not airtight of the diggers. The conductors' boxes are tossed about the cars among the passengers with a very defiant air. The invitation seems to be, "Pick them if you dare."

The Chicago Inter-Ocean says the presence of Admiral Dewey's fleet in the Caribbean Sea may remind European governments of the Monroe doctrine and its terrible reality. The British and German men-of-war seem to be in dreadful danger.

There was crookedness in the referendum election in London. In a polling subdivision there was a surplus of sixteen votes, which no one could account for. The men in charge of the box should be made to solve the question or pay a penalty.

C. A. Mallory, the former leader of the farmers' new movement, lies at

the point of death. Hit at a railway crossing by a passing engine, near Cobourg. He has been an exceedingly able man, though modest and unpretentious.

Rockefeller, egged on by the examples of Carnegie and Frick, has decided to donate \$10,000,000 to the United States people for educational purposes. Giving the people back some of the money screwed out of them in oil, eh? Yes, but such a small percentage.

The Hamilton Times cannot see what advantage it is to Mr. Willison to edit The Evening News in place of the Globe. It all depends on the future of the News. As the organ of one man of independent mind and means there is no telling what it may do. "You cannot serve two masters," etc.

PRESS TIPS. An Emphatic Order. Toronto Mail. Owing to the scarcity of fuel the cold wave has been requested to move on.

A Pointer To Willison. Syracuse Post-Standard. According to the Inter-Ocean the only flaw in the influence of the independent press of Chicago is that nobody cares what it says.

Bracing Up The Boys. Hamilton Spectator. Conservatives should promise no votes to grit aldermanic candidates. They should vote straight, and not help the enemy.

Workmen's Day Of Rest. Hamilton Times. Winnipeg has voted against Sunday cars. The working men there want their day of rest. They're taking no chances.

No Wonder He Was Wise. Toronto Star. After all, it is not surprising that Solomon was such a wise man. Didn't he have a thousand wives to point out to him how to hang the pictures and put up the stovepipes?

A Misdated Lecture. London News. Prof. Dudley told a Toronto audience yesterday that Christ's second coming would be at 2 a.m. on April 14th, 1911. He is very positive as to the date. "Prof. Dudley should have arranged to deliver his lecture on April 1st.

FAMOUS ESTATE BOUGHT. Chateau de Grignan New Home of Count Boni. Paris, Dec. 13.—Comte Boni de Castellane has purchased for \$50,000, the historic Chateau de Grignan, near Montellmar, formerly the home of Mme. de Sevigne.

The Chateau de Grignan originally belonged to the powerful family of Provence nobles with which Mme. de Sevigne became connected, her only daughter having married the head of the house, Francois d'Albon, Comte de Grignan, in 1669. The family had been all powerful in the district since the days of Charlemagne. The building was burned in 1792 by revolutionists, but was not entirely destroyed, and was restored recently. The bed chamber and bonoir are still pointed out, and the chateau contains an interesting series of memorials of the celebrated writer and her family. Mme. de Sevigne died at the chateau in 1697.

CAUSING ANXIETY. The Strength of the Archbishop is Waning. London, Dec. 13.—The weakness of the Archbishop of Canterbury, which has been causing anxiety, since his collapse in the House of Lords, on December 4th, while speaking on the education bill, has become extreme. Dr. Thomas Barlow was summoned, last evening, to consult with the physicians in attendance upon the archbishop. After the consultation a bulletin was issued to the effect that Dr. Temple had lost strength during the day and that his condition was causing anxiety. Special prayers for his recovery will be offered in all the English dioceses on Sunday.

Stomach "Scowls." Ever notice the seams and furrows that steal into the face of the sufferer from indigestion, dyspepsia and chronic stomach ailments? Watch the sunshine break in and the lines vanish when Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets are given a chance to show their power. One lady, in writing of their efficacy in her case, calls them "A heaven-born healer." 35c. Sold by Henry Wade and H. B. Taylor—120.

Stringing The Cable. San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 13.—The steamer Silverton has begun the work of laying the cable from this city to Honolulu. President Mackay says the line will be open on Christmas day and that it will be completed to Manila Bay next July. Thousands witnessed the ceremony at the beach, including school children and public officials.

Christmas Neckties. For the last two months we have been picking up the very cream of the market. See the very choice patterns in flow ends and derbies. 50c, 75c, \$1, Jenkins.

Pools for Christmas, at Uglow's. A writ was issued in Montreal against the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society, of New York, for \$275 paid as war premiums on the lives of the French contingent, which did not see any fighting.

Stationery boxes, at R. Uglow & Co's. The bakers and butchers have struck work at Wardsville in sympathy with the striking dock laborers. "Coedla," F. Marion Crawford's new book, for Xmas, at Uglow's. Lord Lansdowne expressed hopeful opinions regarding conditions in Ireland. Christy Calendars, at Uglow's.

PROF. MCCOMB'S LECTURES.

The First Lecture in St. Andrew's Church on Sunday Evening. The first of the course of seven lectures, on "The History of English Religious Thoughts in the 19th Century," by Rev. Dr. McComb will be given in St. Andrew's church, Sunday evening at the usual service.

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Dr. McComb is himself an Oxford man, having studied theology there, and is, therefore, qualified to speak with authority on such themes. We have no doubt but that large and appreciative audiences will greet the reverend lecturer on successive Sunday evenings. Some of his other subjects will be: "Frederick Denison Maurice and the Higher Theology"; "Benjamin Jowett and the Critical Movement"; "James Martineau and the Meaning of Religion"; "John Laird and Scottish Theology."

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY. Newsy Paragraphs Picked up by Reporters on Their Rounds. Novelties in frames at Uglow's. Just read Taylor's ad., page 2. Experience worries more men than it teaches.

Christmas pictures, artistically framed for gifts at R. Uglow & Co's. Diplomats have merely to manage men, but women manage diplomats. Many men regard life as an alternate round of high jinks and hygiene. H. Cunningham, piano tuner from Chickering's, New York. Orders received at McAuley's bookstore.

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