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THE 5 P.M. EDITION

AXLE WAS BROKEN

And the Fire Horse Went on a Gallop.

A broken axle on a light rig, used by the fire department, was responsible for an accident Saturday morning which might have very easily turned out more serious. Driver Frederick Reid was exercising one of the horses, when the mishap occurred, and when the horse bolted, he was thrown out of the rig, and given a severe shaking up. In the mix-up which followed, the rig was overturned on the sidewalk, and the horse, carrying with it part of the shafts, continued on its wild career. The animal went across the platform at the Kingston & Pembroke railway station, over two tracks, against some box cars, then came back, stumbled on the platform, came within an ace of running against a young man who was coming across the platform, and then got out on the road again, when it was captured by John Stansbury, just after it collided with a dray. Several horses were on the street at the time, and when the fire horse started off, there was a great scramble to keep the other horses in check. The scene was a most sensational one, and was witnessed by quite a number of citizens.

Topping Girl Released.

Sheriff Dawson, on Saturday morning, received an order from the minister of justice granting the release of Minerva Topping, the young woman who was the complainant in the high court case, and she was thereupon given her liberty. The girl will probably return to her home in the country with her brother.

For Sale.

Best family steamyacht, boathouse and camping utensils, property of the late John Routley. Enquire of Mrs. John Routley, personally, over store, 173 Princess street.

Rev. Father Gill, O.P., of Ottawa, late rector of Cathedral Concordi, in Kansas, will deliver the annual charity sermon in aid of St. Vincent de Paul Society in St. Mary's cathedral, Sunday evening, April 5th.

Spring is bringing many tramps to the city and surrounding district. A few cases of begging have already been reported and at the outer station many Weary Willies are to be seen. Every night quite a number turn up at the station for shelter.

Our assortment of Woollens is very choice. Call and see them. Crawford & Walsh, tailors.

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MANY BAD PLAYS

SEEM TO BE WHAT PEOPLE HANKER AFTER.

The Tastes of the Public Should Be Revised—The Best Men Have Gone From the Stage.

Kingston, March 31.—(To the Editor): The denunciation of theatres by the Rev. W. H. Sparling, as reported in your issue of Monday, calls for comment. Such condemnation is misleading and unjust. Innocent and instructive entertainments have always been considered desirable; they were appreciated and encouraged in apostolic times, "Whatsoever things are true, etc." A well-trained voice, with suitable action contains all the elements of the above, and whether that be heard or seen upon a public stage of a theatre, or in the pulpit, matters little, so long as the surroundings are consistent and adequate, opposition to the contrary notwithstanding. The theatre reflects the age as much as the pulpit; immoral people patronize and support questionable entertainments, in some form or other; those suffering from enlarged livers, ennui, and a perpetual fear and contemplation of death, employ preachers to sermonize upon topics not edifying to the masses, and seldom conducive to the welfare of mankind. The vile language, so common among us, spreads a moral leprosy, with apparently free right-of-way, while the pharasaic aceticism, so attractively attired in anarchistic atrophy foretells nothing, if not atheism. If people wish to hear good plays and cultured actors, there are some left, but so long as they prefer coarse immorality and suggestive innuendo by bar-room tough, comic opera, vaudeville, and melo-dramatic cut-throatism, there will always be those to supply the demand.

A short time ago, two of the greatest living actors, Frederick Warde and E. S. Willard, retired from the stage to lecture to college students, consequent on lack of appreciation of legitimate and historical drama, and its starvation, while the coffers of the up-to-date sort have been overflowing.

The character of the theatre is determined by the public, to which it will cater; if the clergy, instead of condemning the theatre, as an institution, would encourage its best, and discourage its vile efforts, much of the latter would vanish; but to rank all actors alike, is not only unfair, but unjust; one might with equal propriety, condemn all parsons, because some few may preach to please, regardless of the truth they utter.

It might be well for the purpose herein, to state that the theatre is almost as much an institution in English speaking countries, as is parliament, because its history is the history of British literature. If you take away therefrom Shakespeare, Ben Johnson, Garrick, Sheridan, Byron, Goldsmith, Lytton, and all that host of literary giants, "whose graves are watered by a nation's tears," we remain but a great, dumb nation, unable to speak.

Some thirty years ago, Dr. Davis, of Albany, N.Y., informed his congregation that he had taken up the cudgels against unjust criticism of actors, and he having investigated the criminal calends of England and America, found that "fewer actors were imprisoned for crime, than any other class of men—not excepting ministers of the gospel." The Bishop of London, speaking to actors, some time ago, said, "The church recognized the marvelous opportunities which actors had for reaching the people, etc. The actor in a great cause of truth and beauty, could reach thousands, who would see him and hear his message, but would never listen to a word from the bishop," and suggested for them the motto, "Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, think on these things."

That there is need for stage reformation, no doubt exists, and that many actors wish for such a consummation, is no less a fact, but when society reforms itself, doubtless the stage will follow its example—it is but the shadow of the things which are, not of what they may be.—Yours truly, W. H. COMPTON.

THREE CITY HORSES SOLD.

The Famous Affidavit Horse Frank Brought $150.

Three of the city corporation's horses were sold at auction, Saturday morning, on the market square, by William Murray. The celebrated affidavit fire department horse, Frank, for which last year's civic fire committee paid $235, brought $150 under the auctioneer's hammer. Another fire horse, known as Charlie, sixteen years of age, used by the fire department for a long time, and originally costing $112.50, brought $95. The big grey horse of the light and power department, sold to the city four years ago for $79, brought $60. The last two sales yielded well. The two fire horses yielded $245. It will cost the department probably $450 to replace them. R. N. F. McFarlane bought the $150 horse; Rigney & Hickey the $95 one and Mr. Velow, of Cataraqui, the one at $60.

An Able Address.

In the English room at Queen's University, on Friday evening, Prof. Cecil Lavell, gave an illustrated lecture on "The Renaissance In Venice." The lecture was given under the auspices of the Kingston Teachers' Institute, and the room was crowded, a great many teachers being present. The lecture was very interesting all through, not a dull moment during the entire proceedings. The pictures shown were of the finest and aided greatly in the address. The speaker dwelt on the city of Venice, showing many beautiful pictures, ancient and modern, during his remarks. At the end of the lecture, J. C. Ettinger, on behalf of the Teachers' Institute, moved a vote of thanks to Prof. Lavell for his kindness in delivering the lecture for their benefit.

F. W. Charlton, Montreal, is in the city to-day.

Bibby's $15 suits are beauties.

AT THE POLICE COURT.

Assault Case on the Docket Saturday Morning.

A young man named Russel Waller, was accused, in police court, this morning, with assaulting Henry Irving. Both men are employed at the knitting mill. The charge was that Waller struck Irving with a two-pound weight. Waller is seventeen years old and Irving is forty years of age.

Irving appeared in the witness box, with a large bandage around his head. He said that he was employed in the knitting mill, and had been working there for the past five years. Russell Waller, the accused, was also employed at the knitting mill. On Thursday last, April 2nd, witness was in the wool drying room. The accused and another young man, named Robinson, came into this department, and witness ordered them out. The men went out, and as they did so, Waller threw a two-pound weight at witness, inflicting a wound that required seven stitches. He underwent treatment at the hospital. Witness said that he did nothing to Waller, to cause him to attack him.

"He has been picking at me for years," said Irving.

Donald McIntyre appeared on behalf of the prosecution, and J. McD. Mowat appeared for the defence. Mr. Mowat was about to cross-examine Irving, when he was called to attend a sitting of the court of revision, and the hearing of the case was adjourned until Monday morning.

GRAHAM AND HARTY

Ask For Improvements Between Kingston and Brockville.

Hon. Mr. Graham, and Hon. Mr. Harty, accompanied by Mr. Chapleau, engineer of the public works department, waited, this morning, on Hon. Mr. Pugsley, minister of public works, at his office, Ottawa, and submitted plans, estimates and reports asking for improvements to the main channel of the St. Lawrence river, between Kingston and Brockville.

The expenditure necessary to make the improvements recommended will be about $100,000, and the minister of public works looks very favorably upon the scheme, in view of the improvement of the main channel of the St. Lawrence river, on the Canadian side. The channel referred to is the one which runs through the Thousand Islands, nearly all the way between Kingston and Brockville.

Mr. Harty was detained in Ottawa, on account of having to attend the above matter, and will not likely return to Kingston till the end of next week. He missed the late Saturday morning train for Brockville.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Movements Of The People—What They Are Saying And Doing.

Mrs. J. Sullivan, York street, is ill, in the hospital.

James King has returned home from a business trip to Montreal.

Samuel Lucas, of Napanee, went to Watertown, N.Y., yesterday.

Daniel Reid, of Inverary, went to Watertown, N.Y., on Friday.

Dean Farthing preached in Trinity church, Brockville, on Friday night.

Arthur Peters, of Inverary, has left to visit friends at Watertown, N.Y.

Gilbert Merritt, of Colborne street, is confined to the house, owing to illness.

Norval Hodgson, returned to Toronto, to-day, after visiting friends in the city.

Miss Connell, head of the Church of England Deaconess Home, in Toronto, spent yesterday in town.

Miss J. Anderson, of Napanee, arrived in Kingston, on Friday, and left to-day, for Watertown, N.Y.

Mrs. Hall was in Guelph on Thursday night at the wooden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Swift.

Miss Sadie Freeman, of Verona, has arrived in the city, and will act as maid on the steamer New Island Wanderer, again this summer.

Henry Polson, of N. C. Polson & Co., has gone on a business trip through the maritime provinces, and will be away two months.

WON BY CAMBRIDGE.

The Annual Boat-Race With Oxford Held To-Day.

London, April 4.—Cambridge won the annual boat race between Oxford and Cambridge to-day. Though 3:30 p.m. had been announced as the time for the start of the race the crowd began to gather at dawn along both sides of the Thames, and by three o'clock 50,000 spectators were scattered up and down the course. Cambridge was the favorite up to a week ago, five of the Oxford crew having suffered severely with influenza. Within the week, however, Oxford picked up its lost training and at the start to-day the race was regarded as any one's.

Steamboat Appointments.

Calvin Co., limited, Garden Island, Ont.—Steamer Simla, Captain P. Sullivan; engineer, Robert Veech. Steamer India, Captain, Charles Coons; engineer, Thomas C. Smith. Steamer D. D. Calvin, captain, George Houston; engineer, George Boyd. Schooner Burma, captain, J. Ferguson. Schooner Ceylon, captain, F. Lawrence.

The annual meeting of the Kingston yacht club is to be held on Monday evening. The club has had a successful year under new conditions, and the story of the year's affairs will be rehearsed by Charles S. Kirkpatrick, the venerable secretary.

J. W. Mallon, inspector of legal offices, has reported the evidence against Magistrate Woodcock in the York justice inquiry, to the attorney-general.

St. George's Cathedral—Bishop of Ontario will preach in the morning, Dean Farthing will preach in the evening.

A fine wildcat was captured at Riverview and purchased by a Toronto man.

See Best's new competition of skill, explained elsewhere.

Mrs. Ada Bowin, a Toronto woman, is seeking a divorce in Chicago.

Bibby's for Tooke Bros.' shirts.

Many a well fed man is starving for God.

NEWS OF THE WORLD

OCCURRENCES RECOUNTED IN BRIEF FORM.

Matters That Interest Everybody—Notes From all Over—Little of Everything Easily Read and Remembered.

Fire destroyed the Lafayette hotel and adjoining business blocks at Meadville, Pa., early Saturday morning. Over an hundred guests had narrow escapes.

Troops are being concentrated in Lisbon, Oporto and a half dozen of the other leading Portuguese cities, in anticipation of serious disorders during Sunday's election to the cortes.

To-day's Official Gazette announces the appointment of Toronto's new postmaster, W. B. Rogers, and the appointment of J. L. Stiver, Toronto, as assistant inspector of gas and electricity for that district.

Hon. Dr. Reaume will have a strong opponent in North Essex. J. A. Tremblay, who was mentioned as the successor to the late Senator Casgrain, as the representative of the French-Canadians in Ontario.

The working men, of Rome, are parading, to-day, in honor of those of their number killed on Thursday, in street fighting with the police. Thousands are in line and the situation is so tense that rioting seems inevitable before nightfall.

F. H. McGuigan, formerly fourth vice-president of the G.T.R. and later vice-president of the Great Northern, is said to have been offered the position of general superintendent of transportation of the Chicago and North-western.

Game Inspector Chauvin, Windsor, Ont., is preparing to conduct an active campaign against sportsmen from the United States, many of whom, he says, are breaking the Canadian game laws by shooting duck on the Canadian side of Fighting Island.

GIVEN SENTENCES.

Foreigners Were Before the Judge For Decision.

Toronto, April 4.—A large number of prisoners, convicted during the sessions just concluded, came before Judge Winchester for sentence, this morning. Most of the cases in which the offenders were young and the circumstances were extenuating, met with leniency. Kowarski, the Russian Jew, got six months; Samuel Finkle, an Austrian Jew, was sent to the Central for twelve months for arson; Cannone, an Italian, was sent down for eighteen months for wounding his parents with a knife; R. J. Fleming, a young Englishman, received eighteen months for wounding his sweetheart. Others of the offenders received sentences of a few months. It was particularly noticeable that most of the convictions were again foreigners and the judge impressed upon them the fact, while they were welcome in this country they must obey the laws of the land.

All Through Liberal Rule.

Toronto, April 4.—Robert Broddy, sheriff of Peel county, is the last surviving conservative official appointed under the regime of John Sandfield Macdonald. He will be eighty years of age next week. Mr. Broddy was appointed sheriff in 1866, when Peel county was organized.

Bibby's $1 shirts are beauties.

Livol—Do not confuse with similar preparations—as Livol is superior to all others, and vastly more beneficial in results, is a delicious, palatable preparation of cod liver oil, without the fatty oil, combined with the great tonic properties of peptonate of iron. Try this wonderful tonic to-day, and if you are not satisfied in any particular, your money will be most cheerfully refunded. Sold only at Best's Drug Store. Free sample on application.

Try Bibby's 25c. cashmere hose.

Tenders are to be called for right away for the alterations to be made to the store at the corner of Montreal and Princess street, where the new theatorium is to be opened. It will be known as the King Edward.

Livol—The cod liver oil preparation without the oil, especially valuable to old people and children. Sold at Best's.

See Bibby's special $5 trousers.

The property committee of the Board of Education will meet, to-night, to consider the plans and specifications for the fire escapes to be placed on the schools.

See Bibby's $8 top coats.

The man who looks into the eye is coming to Kingston—at Chown's Drug Store.

Try Bibby's dainty $1 shirts.

High finance is productive of low character.

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In a great variety of widths and patterns, worth from 12½c, 15c, 18c.

Your Choice To-night, 10c Yard.

180 Ladies' Fine White Waists

Dainty designs. Some lace trimmed. Others with embroidery. All buttoned back and sleeves. These are all different and are worth $1.35 and 1.50.

Your Choice To-Night and Monday, $1.15.

200 Remnants Wide Ribbons

Plain colors, also in Fancy Designs. These are suitable for hair ribbons and belts. Lengths 1 yard and 2 yards.
Values from 18c, 20c, 25c yard.

Your Choice To-night, 12 1-2c yard.

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