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## REMINDERS.

**SATURDAY.**  
WOODWARD Co. at the Opera House.  
**SUNDAY.**  
MISSIONARY SERMONS in Sydenham Street Church at 10.30 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.  
**MONDAY.**  
TENDERS received by W. Newlands, Jr., till 6 p.m.  
MEETING of Mariners, &c., at Council Chamber at 7.30 p.m.

## MARRIED.

MILLER SAUNDERS.—At Cape Vincent, N. Y., Jan. 25th, Ulysses S. Miller, Three Mile Bay, and Miss Lena M. Saunders, daughter of Capt. Richard Saunders.  
VISSEK WOODCOCK.—At Hay Bay, on 20th inst., D. Visser, of Norway, to George, daughter of Nelson Woodcock, of Hay Bay.  
PARKS-DORLAND.—In Napanee, on the 25th inst., C. Parks, of Hay Bay, to Annie, daughter of J. P. Dorland, of Adolphus town.

## DIED.

FERGUSON.—After a brief illness, on the 26th inst., at Eastlaw, Toronto, the residence of Mr. Justice Ferguson, Eleanor Harriet, third daughter of Sheriff Ferguson.  
Funeral from her father's residence, King Street, on Monday morning, the 31st inst., at 10 o'clock.  
MAYNE.—On Jan. 28th, Mary Ann Mayne, third daughter of the late Andrew Mayne, aged 79 years.  
The funeral will take place from her late residence, 258 Sydenham Street, on Sunday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.  
PARKER.—In Gananoque, 24th Jan., Asa Parker, aged 89 years.  
PARKER.—In Philadelphia, 18th Jan., Ethie, only child of J. R. Parke, druggist, Gananoque, aged 4 years.

## WANTED.

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## TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to SIX P.M., MONDAY, 31st INST., for the various trades required in the erection and completion of a Brick Residence on Johnson Street for R. W. Garrett, M.D.

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Jan. 6. EDWARD MORHAM.

## CARD.

WE DESIRE to return our thanks to the British American Assurance Co., of Toronto, and its agent, W. H. Godwin, for payment in full of our loss by fire on the 14th inst.

Jan. 29. ROBERT & J. O'CONNELL.

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## LATEST ELECTRIC SPARKS.

**Piling on the Agony.**  
LIMERICK, Jan. 29.—Some 600 police are preparing to assist in seventy evictions of the Bolyke estate, county Clare.

**The Scotch Getting to Work.**  
LONDON, Jan. 28.—At a meeting of Scotch members it was resolved to take parliamentary action in favor of home rule in Scotland.

**Arrested For a Serious Offence.**  
DES MOINES, Iowa, Jan. 29.—Dr. Scholer, dean of the Iowa college of physicians and surgeons, was arrested yesterday, charged with complicity in the grave robbery.

**Caught the War Fever.**  
VIENNA, Jan. 29.—It is reported that the Hungarian delegation will soon be summoned for special session to vote the credits for military preparations and debate other momentous questions.

**The Capture of the Robbers.**  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Five of the men engaged in the robbery of a railroad train at Gordon, Texas, on Sunday, were arrested. The prospect is that the other three will be captured.

**Cruelty in the Evictions.**  
DUBLIN, Jan. 28.—The people of Achill Island are preparing to repel the sheriff, who is on his way thither to execute fifty ejectment writs. The last series of evictions at Glenbeigh, county Kerry, commence today.

**A Pointer By The Prince.**  
CORK, Jan. 29.—The municipal council has adopted a resolution, declaring that instead of the Irish people subscribing to the Queen's jubilee it would be more fitting for the Prince of Wales to send relief to the Irish people in distress.

**John L. Broken up Again.**  
NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Yesterday a nery doctor in New York re-broke John L. Sullivan's arm because it was not properly set after the Cardiff fight. He did this while Sullivan was pre-occupied. The champion fell back in a dead faint.

**The Party in a Strait.**  
LONDON, Jan. 29.—There will be no petition from Liverpool, as Mr. Goschen will be got into the House at once. The Tories are in great straits to find him a seat as Sir John Mowbray will not resign the Oxford seat to take a peerage, not having sufficient means to support it adequately.

**Randolph Has Made an Impression.**  
LONDON, Jan. 28.—The Tories explain that Lord Randolph Churchill's speech produced the impression that it was probably intended to produce, viz.: that the government's foreign policy was a reckless and dangerous one, and they think Lord Salisbury ought to reassure the country as soon as possible. The liberals are delighted at the outlook.

**The Law of Libel.**  
TORONTO, Jan. 29.—A deputation from the Canadian Press association waited upon Attorney General Mowat yesterday and presented a memorial praying for certain modifications in the law respecting libel. They asked that the plaintiffs in libel suits should be compelled to deposit a sum towards the costs before action could be proceeded with. Mr. Mowat promised to consider the matter.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

**The Representation of Kingston.**  
KINGSTON, Jan. 29.—(To the Editor): I have a great respect for Dr. Stewart, and perhaps all he says is correct, but my suggestion is easily tested. I leave it to the candidates and Dr. Grant; if they agree let us all rejoice. During this year of jubilee there could not be a grander sight than to see these two great parties, on the eve of battle, lay down their arms and choose a representative by selection, not election. I know the candidates are in the hands of their friends, but political friends are not always the best advisers. They are apt to reason by their feelings. Let us not deceive ourselves or our candidates. Defeat and humiliation is in store for one or the other. Let us avoid this and all that it means to such worthy men, and at the same time secure such an able and independent representative as Principal Grant.—Yours truly, J.S.P.

**Another Suggestion Offered.**  
PORTSMOUTH, Jan. 28.—(To the Editor): Permit me to move an amendment to "Christian Charity's" suggestions in to-day's Whig. Is it religion that pauperizes? Ask John Leadbeater. He can tell you of citizens who bring many a family to poverty. Now I propose that a direct tax be imposed on these parties, quite sufficient to supply every need, and let the institutions devoted to lifting up of the down trodden go on unhindered in their Christ-like work.—Respectfully, W. BAKER.

**Joyful News.**  
It is certainly joyful news to the poor invalid to be informed of a remedy that will give prompt and sure relief in case of painful suffering. Such a remedy is Hagar's Yellow Oil, adopted for internal and external use in all aches, pains, lameness and soreness. It cures rheumatism, neuralgia, sore throat, croup and all inflammatory pains.

## EVENTS OVER THE SEA.

### ANOTHER HEATED DISCUSSION OF THE IRISH QUESTION.

The Speaker Interrupted the Discussion to Say that he Would Not Allow the Use of Certain Language—Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's Remedy for the Poverty of Ireland.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Mr. Frye, liberal, asked the government, in the house of commons, what it had done to prevent the burning of dwellings from which tenants had been evicted at Glenbeigh, Ireland. He asked whether General Buller had tried to obtain concessions in rent for the tenantry in Ireland.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach replied that General Buller had not interfered until some seventy evictions had been executed, when he tried to influence the mortgagees towards greater leniency. The government, had no legal right to go further than this. "There is," continued the chief secretary, "one real remedy, and that is to remove these poor people from the poverty, stricken districts." (Cries of "Shame," "Shame," and "No," "No.") "With their own free will," went on the speaker, (Cries of "No," "No," "never," "Shame.") "to some other place in Ireland."

A great and prolonged uproar here ensued. The speaker interrupted the proceedings and notified the members that cries like "Shame" would be rigorously suppressed.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach—"All I wished to say was that the very poor people, living in poverty-stricken districts, should be removed to other parts of Ireland, or elsewhere, so that they could live in prosperity and comfort. (Conservative cheers.) If those who take an interest in this matter desire to promote such a settlement I will be most delighted to give every aid in my power to any action they may combine on to bring it about."

William Redmond—"Does the government approve of the action of the authorities in burning the houses at Glenbeigh?"

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach—"It is not my business to express any opinion on that point." (Conservative cheers.) The subject was dropped.

### Debate on the Address.

Mr. Sanderson, conservative, attacked the land league, which he said had manufactured the present crisis. It had to be crushed, if Ireland was to be made contented and happy. The object of the "plan of campaign" was to overthrow the authority of the crown. He believed it had more or less commended itself to Mr. Gladstone. (Mr. Gladstone shook his head in the negative.)

Mr. Harrington, nationalist, contended that the plan of campaign was better than the pressure which Sir Michael Hicks-Beach exercised.

Mr. Frye, liberal, said he thought if Sir Michael Hicks-Beach was unable to give an opinion or suggest a remedy for the Glenbeigh affair he ought to follow Churchill's example.

Sir Michael said he thought that Mr. Frye's remarks were unfair. The government had in view proposals for the amelioration of the condition of Ireland. It was because he had concerned himself very much, even going beyond his ordinary duties to prevent the sufferings alluded to, that he had been misrepresented and charged with supporting the plan of campaign. The plan, he continued, meant a combination to force landlords to accept what the tenants chose to offer, (that sum to be further reduced next), or leave the tenant in possession of the land, rent free, and then to raise a cry about the hardship of eviction for the purpose of deceiving the country. (Cries of "Oh," "Oh," and cheers.) The government was obliged to do its best with the tools in its hands, but with the difficulties and delays of the criminal law as existent, it had not sufficient power to cope with such a proceeding as the plan of campaign. Adjourned.

### The Defeat of Goschen.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—Mr. Gladstone has written a letter congratulating the Liverpool electors on their success in the "struggle against the personal and official influence of Mr. Goschen, the intervention of the Marquis of Hartington, and the belief of our antagonists that we seek to sever the union. On the contrary we desire to convert the union into one of cordial and perpetual affection, instead of one of force." Mr. Goschen has had the refusal of thirty parliamentary seats.

### The Irish Question.

DUBLIN, Jan. 28.—Hundreds of people assembled outside of Kilmainham jail this evening and serenaded the nationalist Moroney, who was imprisoned for refusing to testify in his bankruptcy case, arising out of the adoption of the "plan of campaign."

Mr. O'Brien in a speech referring to Chamberlain's condemnation of the plan, said Chamberlain's life during the past year had been a lie, and that his turning against his friends made him equal to an assassin.

### Capital and Labor.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Some 2,900 employees of Bolckow, Vaughan & Co., iron masters and steel manufacturers, at Middlesborough, struck to-day. The proprietors threaten to close the works.

POTTSVILLE, Jan. 29.—If there is any feeling among the miners of Schuylkill region favourable to the strike in support of coal handlers, it has not yet materialized.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Judging from the present indications 50,000 longshoremen, coal handlers, etc., will be out on strike to-day. The freight handlers who unload the cars at the railroad docks sympathize with the strikers and will probably quit work. It is said that the managers of the strike have under advisement the calling out of the gas works' men and the electric light men unless a satisfactory arrangement is soon reached.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—An extension of the strike to the railroad freight handlers on the piers of several roads having dock facilities on the city water front brought the number of men now out up to nearly 30,000. The probabilities are that before the day is over other railroad employees will stop work.

All the ministers seeking re-election in the Denmark Folkething were successful.

## POLITICAL POINTERS.

### Great Activity Manifested by Both Parties For the Coming Contest.

Dr. F. W. Borden, ex-M.P., Kentville, will oppose Mr. Woodworth.

The Hamilton conservatives have nominated Adam Brown and Mayor McKay.

Hon. Thomas White leaves Ottawa for the west to-morrow evening to enter upon the work of the campaign.

James St. Grier, Bismarck, will oppose George E. Casey in West Elgin. Mr. Casey's majority will be nearly one thousand.

James Eisenhauer, the largest fish exporter of Lunenburg, has accepted the liberal nomination and will oppose Mr. Kaulback.

The conservatives of Centre Toronto have nominated G. R. R. Cockburn, ex-principal of Upper Canada College, as their standard bearer.

H. T. Shibley entered on the campaign in Addington to-day. He speaks to-night at Yorkton. He intends to make it lively for John W. Bell.

Dr. James Johnston, of Millbank, is the liberal candidate for North Perth. There was not a dissenting voice to his nomination.

Mr. J. H. Ross, member of the North, West Council for Western Assiniboia, has at last consented to oppose Mr. Davin for the house of commons.

The Globe publishes a letter from "A Tory M.P.," who declares that Sir Charles Tupper will never be chosen to lead the conservative party.

Henry Gould, Smith's Falls, may contest North Leeds in the liberal interest. The conservatives in the field are Dr. Ferguson, F. Jones and Henry Merrick.

The Yarmouth liberals have nominated John Lovitt, ex-M.P.P., against Mr. Kenny. Mr. Lovitt is one of the largest and wealthiest sheep owners in Yarmouth, and is a strong man to beat.

The liberals have nominated Mr. Ellis, M.P.P., editor of the Globe, to oppose Dr. Barker in St. John city, and C. W. Weldon and C. T. Skinner to oppose Mr. Everett and Mr. McLeod in St. John county.

The conservative candidate for Addington, J. W. Bell, refuses to hold joint meetings with Mr. Shibley, and states that he does not intend to hold any meetings. Mr. H. Shibley has named dates for over-twenty-five meetings and invited Mr. Bell or his representatives to address them.

### THE CONVENTION PROGRAMME.

Arrangements Made for the Event—Very Interesting Time Expected.

As already announced the seventeenth annual convention of the Ontario and Quebec Young Men's Christian Associations will be held in Kingston from Feb. 3rd to 7th, at Congregational hall, Johnson street. Subjoined is a most interesting programme:

Thursday, from 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. Organizing and reports from associations. Evening. Addresses of welcome and presentation of college work.

Friday morning—Conversation, led by Thom. J. White. How can we utilize to best advantage reading rooms, libraries, educational classes, mechanical and popular talks, reception, etc.; Devotional meeting, led by D. A. Budge; Executive committee's report; How to secure, retain and utilize our membership, G. M. Lee.

Friday afternoon—The maintenance of inter-collegiate relations, J. K. Unsworth, McGill college; The training class, sample lesson, D. A. Budge, Montreal; Organization and training of committees, G. A. Kuhring, Ottawa; The district work, its importance, how promoted.

Friday evening—Service of song, F. Lonsdale; Addresses, Hon. S. H. Blake, Principal Grant and Rev. Lyson Hague; Work for rail way men, five minute talks by Messrs. Orr, Weir, Jamieson, Wanless, Wallace and Lonsdale.

Saturday morning—How to increase the membership among new students, Dr. Bennett, Queen's college; Bible reading, Rev. Mr. Dobbs, Portsmouth; Report on executive committee's report; The importance of having the finances on a business basis, Geo. Hague, Kingston.

Saturday afternoon—The development of our work in the religious life and activity of boys, F. H. Heath, London; Devotional meeting, Alfred Gandler, Queen's college; The claims of the general secretaryship upon the strong men in our colleges, L. D. Wishard, New York; Physical development, W. F. Chapman, Bradford; Song service, by college students; The work of the college missionary committee, J. McP. Scott, Toronto University.

Sunday 9 to 9.45 a.m. consecration meeting, personal work, Wm. McCulloch, Toronto; 9.45 to 10.30 a.m. the bible class, sample lesson, L. D. Wishard; 3 p.m., evangelistic meeting, (for men only), J. J. Gartshore, chairman; 3 p.m., ladies meeting, Thos. J. Wilkie; 8.15 p.m., farewell meeting in city hall.

### EVENTS IN THE CHURCHES.

Missionary Meetings Fixed for To-morrow—Selecting the Next Moderator.

Principal Grant preaches in convocation hall to-morrow afternoon.

Rev. Prof. Nicholson occupies the pulpit in the Williamsville Methodist church to-morrow evening.

Rev. James Somerville, B.A., graduate of Queen's university, preaches in Chalmers' church to-morrow.

Miss Dugdale, of Garden Island, is assisting in the special services now being held in Gananoque by Rev. David Savage, evangelist.

The congregation in Toronto, of which Rev. T. W. Joffile is the pastor, is about to move into a \$40,000 edifice. A \$3,000 organ will be put into it.

Rev. F. B. Stratton, of Madoc, father of Mrs. T. Carnovsky of this city, is delivering interesting lectures in his congregation on Sabbath evenings.

Last year, St. Andrew's church, Toronto, contributed \$1,270 towards the endowment fund of Queen's university while old St. Andrew's church paid \$100.

Rev. Dr. Burns, of Halifax, formerly pastor of Chalmers' church, has been nominated by the Halifax presbytery as moderator of the general assembly.

Revs. Crossly and Hunter remain in Picton until Wednesday next. Between 700 and 800 converts were made. As many as ninety have been at the altar in one night.

The annual missionary sermon, on behalf of the Ontario diocese missions at St. George's cathedral, will be preached to-morrow morning by Rev. H. Pollard, rector of St. John's church, Ottawa. The offertories at all the services of the day will be devoted to the mission fund of the diocese.

There is a revolution among the inhabitants of the Maldivian islands in the Indian ocean. They became incensed at their sultan because of his failure to remove certain grievances. They invaded the palace, deposed the sultan and installed his nephew in his place.

## AFFAIRS OF THE WORLD.

### TELEGRAMS FROM THE EARTHS FOUR QUARTERS GIVEN.

**The Little Things That Affect Canadians—Flashes From Europe and What They Portend—A Little of Everything Easily Read and Remembered.**

Secretary of war Endicott does not believe a rupture will take place between Canada and England.

The boiler of the tug Thomas J. York, Philadelphia, exploded, killing Nathan Dumas.

The municipal woman suffrage bill has passed the Kansas senate by a vote of 25 to 13.

John Morley has been agreed upon as mediator in the dispute between the employes and coal miners of Northumberland.

Serious floods have occurred in southern Queensland, Australia. Fifty-eight persons have been drowned and much damage done to property.

Louis Bialer who shot surveyor Beattie in the New York custom house has been convicted, and sentence postponed until Feb. 9th.

David Roach, of the Rio Grande sugar plantation, was shot and killed by R. Tizard, agent of the company, while they were moving household goods.

The Channel Islands packet, Brighton, struck a rock during the fog off the Island of Guernsey and foundered in fifteen minutes after striking. The crew and passengers were saved and mails lost.

Cardinal Taschereau, of Quebec, visited General Grant's tomb, in Riverside Park, New York, and before leaving he removed his hat and blessed the place.

The winter school of herring has struck in on the American coast and about twenty-five English vessels are fishing. Meanwhile the cruiser Middleton is patrolling about, ready to seize any American fishermen that venture across the line.

The Germaine savings bank, Jersey City, N.J., is closed. C. M. E. Schroeder, secretary and treasurer, is missing. He is believed to have gone to Canada. The deficit of \$80,000 has been discovered in cash accounts.

The customs department has decided to release the American fishing schooners Jeanette and Maggie Mitchell, seized at St. Andrews, N.B., on payment of fines of \$50 and \$100 respectively.

### THE FISHERIES TROUBLE.

What Canada Proposes to Do—The British Government is Very Pacific.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Canada last year passed a law which assumes the right to search any vessel entering her ports. Any American vessel entering Canadian ports would be subject to examination in the event of not satisfying some official. This act of the Canadian parliament has received the royal assent; therefore England is equally responsible for it. With such a law the officials will harass and annoy our merchant marine. The captains of American vessels will not submit to it. Undoubtedly vessels visiting Canadian waters during the coming summer will go armed. The members of the foreign affairs committee have, therefore, recommended strong retaliatory legislation for the purpose of checking Canada and bringing her to terms before the dispute becomes more serious.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—The subject of the dispute between the United States and Great Britain, in regard to the Canadian fisheries, was brought up in the house of commons this afternoon. Sir James Ferguson, parliamentary secretary of the foreign office, in answer to inquiries said the government had been conferring with the government of the United States on the question of the Canadian fisheries. He said they were very valuable and the government had followed the policy concerning them which had been adopted by the preceding governments, and would maintain the rights of colonists with every desire to conciliate the United States. The government was unable at present to narrate the whole course of the negotiations with the United States, but could state that dispatches had been received which were of a pacific character and afforded him satisfaction.

### A VERY CRITICAL POSITION.

A Man and a Team Fastened in the Railway A Happy Release.

Last evening Joseph Scrivens came to the city from Harrowsmith with a load of wood. He states that when he reached the G. T. R. crossing at Cataract, his horses, owing to the fact that the rails were higher than the planks in the bed of the track, could not pull the load over, and came to a standstill just when the sleigh was half over the crossing. This was a critical position indeed for Mr. Scrivens and his horses to be placed in, when it was considered that a train was dashing along the track towards him. He tried to spur his horses on, but they could not move the load. The whistle of the locomotive blew, Mr. Scrivens jumped off his load and was about to detach his horses from the sleigh when they became frightened, and, after a desperate pull, released the load of wood from the track. Mr. Scrivens says that if he had met with any loss he would have sued the G.T.R. company for damages for not keeping the crossing in proper condition. He says the planks in the bed of a railroad at a crossing must be an inch higher than the rails, so that horses will have no difficulty in drawing heavy loads over them.

### OUR QUERY CORNER.

**The Meaning of Sine Die.**  
To the Editor of the Whig.  
Is it right to say that a council or society has adjourned sine die when the date of its meeting again has been fixed?—ALEX.

Decidedly not. Sine die is the latin of "without a day appointed."

**A Man of Much Ambition.**  
To the Editor of the Whig:

In how many constituencies is Sir John Macdonald a candidate?—L. C.

He has allowed his name to be used in Carleton and Kingston, he is talked of as a candidate in West Simcoe and West Toronto, and he says himself that it may be necessary to run in several constituencies before the campaign is over.