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Over Two Hundred Miners Imprisoned in a Coal Mine and Suffocated by Choke Damp—Heartrending Scenes at the Mouth of the Pit.

BRUSSELS, March 12.—An explosion occurred Friday at the Amberlois colliery in a gallery 400 feet below the surface.

There were working in the mine 270 men. Of this number 40 escaped by means of the second shaft and 16 others were rescued in a terrible, and it is believed, fatally injured condition. It is feared that of the men in the mine 200 have been killed.

The explosion occurred at 8 o'clock this morning. It was very heavy and the shock caused by it resembled an earthquake.

The ground for a large area in the vicinity of the colliery rocked and trembled for several seconds from the immense force exerted by the exploding gases.

Houses were shaken to their foundations, windows were loudly rattled and smashed and crockery and other articles of household ware were thrown about and broken. The residents of the place were paralyzed with fear while these disturbances lasted, but they soon realized what the nature of the trouble was, their experience with similar visitations telling them another of those heartrending fatalities which every nothing town sooner or later experiences had occurred in their midst.

Almost before the troublings caused by the mighty explosion had died entirely away the inhabitants began to rush from their dwellings, and crowds of excited men and women and children, the faces of all blanched with the horror which possessed them, flocked to the mouth of the fatal pit, down which but a few hours before miners had been lowered to begin their dreary and laborious work in the bowels of the earth. Almost every family in the whole place had a relative or friend among the men employed in the mine and not a person in all the mining settlement but experienced a thrill of fear for the safety of some loved one when the ominous upheaval bore to their minds forebodings of their danger.

The scene around the pit soon became one of great excitement and anguished piteous shrieks and cries resounded on every side, as it was at first thought that every one in the mine had been killed.

Women in the surging crowd were especially loud in their lamentations as they realized that an awful explosion would likely bereave them of husbands, sons, fathers, brothers or sweethearts.

Searching for the Slain.

Just as soon as the overpowering and deadly fumes, which had been rushing up the shaft in stifling volumes, had been dissipated and it was thought that the pit could be entered with some degree of safety a willing band of hundreds of brave men volunteered to descend into the abyss and commence the work of rescuing those of their companions, if any, who might have survived disaster or bearing the blackened and torn bodies of killed to the surface. Arrangements were quickly completed for making a thorough search of all the chambers and galleries in the mine and the first batch of rescuers were lowered down the shaft amid cheers and prayers from bewailing women that their gallant efforts might result in restoring the imprisoned men to the arms of their families.

The searchers had to proceed with much caution, as the huge piles of debris which continually barred their passage had to be first removed before any advance could be made, and their own lives were always menaced by the possible fall of immense masses of coal from roof and walls, which had been considerably weakened by the terrific force of the explosion.

There was a long interval of waiting and suspense before a signal was received from below by watchers at the mouth of the pit that the rescuers had reached some of the miners and were ready to have them hoisted up.

The cries, prayers and shrieks of the anguished crowd were redoubled as the men at the windlasses at length completed their work and the limp and black forms of from 30 to 40 of the poor men were disclosed to the straining eyes of the weeping multitudes.

All the victims were either dead or badly injured, and the face of each was fearfully disfigured. Their countenances were smeared with blood and were completely black from volumes of smoke and dust which followed the explosion and were swollen out of all proportions. A great sweep of flame must have swept through the mine as the hair, beards and eyelashes of all the unfortunate men had been completely burned off, and in addition to cruel cuts and bruises they had received their bodies were horribly burned.

Kind hands bore the victims from the place and the wounded men, groaning pitifully at every step taken by their carriers, and followed by their sorrowing friends, were tenderly conveyed to the infirmary, which had been got in readiness for reception of a large number of patients which it was known would soon tax all the resources of the institution. A large staff of doctors and Nurses had already arrived at the infirmary when the first batch of blackened and disfigured humanity was carried into the place and all necessary medicines and instruments were lying at hand ready to be used for the alleviation of the wounded men's sufferings.

The crowd surrounding the mouth of the pit had constantly increased as the day wore on and news of the catastrophe spread throughout the surrounding country. People flocked from every direction and soon the place was packed with a mass of struggling, vociferating men and women, all endeavoring to get nearer the pit's mouth and catch a glimpse of the mutilated forms as they were slowly hauled up the shaft. All were desperately anxious to gain the slightest information in regard to the safety of relatives and friends, but in the great confusion and excitement which existed no definite or reliable news could be obtained.

A Crowd of Surging Humanity.

A large force of gendarmes, which had been hurried to the scene when the authorities learned of the disaster, were almost unable to cope with the increasing crowd, and it was only with the greatest difficulty that they were able to force a passage through the dense mass whenever a number of men bearing a stretcher containing a mangled form would pass from the mouth of the pit to the infirmary.

The crowd was mad with grief, and women, young and old, sobbing and shrieking in a most heartrending manner, struggled with all the energy of despair to force their way to the narrow human line and catch a glimpse of the men as each successive batch of blackened bodies was carried through.

When some bleeding form was recognized a shriek more piercing than any in world rend the air and in many cases women fainted dead away as a result of the terrible suspense they were undergoing as the horrible sights which their eyes met.

Nearly All Will Die.

Of the men thus far brought out of the mine alive only a few are likely to recover. In every instance the unfortunate men were bruised, torn and burned in a dreadful manner and were also prostrated by inhaling deadly choke damp, the bane of every miners' existence, which poured in volumes through the mine, filling every crevice and vitiating the whole atmosphere.

The noxious gases which still prevail in the mine, owing to the ventilator being destroyed by the explosion, thus cutting off all means of furnishing pure air, greatly retards the work of the rescuing parties, as it is impossible to safely breathe the heavy, overpowering air for any length of time, and there is constant danger of another explosion as fatal as the first one.

From the condition of the mine as reported by lifesavers hardly a shadow of hope is entertained that any of the miners who are still entombed in their dreadful prison can survive, and this horrible state of affairs adds greatly to the overwhelming sorrow visible on every side.

The latest official estimate places the number of dead at 200.

The Ministers of Husbandry and Public Works are at the scene of the disaster, and are personally directing the operations of the rescuers.

THE OXFORD SCANDAL.

Tutor Morland, the Bogus Widow, Gets 10 Years at Hard Labor.

LONDON, March 12.—A large crowd, comprising many persons well known in fashionable society, assembled in the Central Criminal Court, Old Bailey, Friday to listen to the trial of Maitland Francis Morland, the aged Oxford tutor, who was accused of attempting to blackmail members of the nobility.

When Morland was arraigned he pleaded guilty of attempting to extort money from Earl Russell.

The prisoner was sentenced to 10 years' penal servitude. There is hardly a question that this is equivalent to life sentence, for Morland is now 65 years old.

Prior to the passing of the sentence Morland made a most eloquent appeal to the court asking for mercy. He said: "I wish to state that I am entirely to blame in this matter. My wife and children are entirely innocent. My wife never read the letters I wrote. I also wish to say, in justice to Oxford University, that my house was conducted on the strictest moral principles, as undergraduates can testify."

The prisoner under the name of Maitland and Morland wrote to a number of young members of the nobility representing himself as a young and fascinating widow, who, for a money consideration, was willing to assume immoral relations with them.

During the appeal for mercy Maitland sobbed bitterly. He begged the judge to allow him to die in the midst of his family instead of in prison.

Justice Smith said the enormity of Morland's crime was increased by the letter he had written to Earl Russell's fiance, Miss Scott. The punishment he might inflict for the offence was penal servitude for life, but that he would not do. Taking everything into account, the prisoner's age and other circumstances, he could not impose a more lenient sentence than ten years' penal servitude.

The prisoner was removed from the courtroom to the cell below, all the while weeping bitterly.

A BLOW AT BOOTH

The General Alleged to Be Feathering His Own Nest

LONDON, March 12.—Gerrals Booth invited 3000 dossers and ex-criminals to meet last night in Grecian Theatre, City road, to hear him explain the progress of his social scheme.

The condition of admission was presentation of a ticket to be obtained by passing the previous night in one of Gen. Booth's houses of shelter.

At the appointed hour a motley crowd gathered in force outside the building singing ribald songs and uttering coarse jests.

Each person was presented with a meat pie on entering.

The building was soon crammed and General Booth was received with a storm of hisses when he stepped on the stage. The crowd became so noisy that the general could not make himself heard, and he was obliged to give up the whole program. There was a chorus of shouts of, "Go it, old sweater," "Chuck him out" and similar expressions, the opinion being that the General has been feathering his own nest.

The police ejected many of the noisiest and finally General Booth managed to make a short address to an accompaniment of hisses, cheers and derisive remarks to the effect that his shelters teemed with vermin.

Live Stock Imports.

LONDON, March 12.—Mr. Chaplin refused in the House of Commons to relax the schedule against live cattle imports. He said if further action was taken the restrictions would be increased but not diminished.

An Austrian Blizzard.

VIENNA, March 12.—A blizzard is raging in Northern Austria and Hungary. The snow has made roads impassable.

Many railway lines are blocked and some trains are imbedded in snow.

The Drought in India.

CALCUTTA, March 12.—The distress caused by the drought is increasing. In many districts the water is falling and the condition of cattle is serious.

Oxford's Playhouse Scorched.

LONDON, March 12. The Oxford University Theatre was partially destroyed by fire at midnight. No performance has recently been given at the theatre.

Cable Flashes.

Frederick Charles, one of the Walsall dynamiters, has been admitted to bail.

The Princess May of Teck, who was betrothed to the late Duke of Clarence, has started for Cannes, accompanied by her father and mother.

The London Times expresses the opinion that the building of the cruisers, is more necessary for the strengthening of the British navy than the building of ironclads.

Caused by a Monkey Bite.

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—Herbert Thomas, an 18-year-old patient at the German Hospital, is afflicted with a strange case of hysteria, which in some respects resembles hydrophobia. Several years ago he was bitten by a monkey belonging to an Italian organ grinder.

He had been teasing the animal, when it leaped at him and tore a piece off his arm. Since that time the hysteria has developed, and with time has grown more violent.

Sudden Death.

WELLAND, Ont., March 12.—Davey Bruce, 6 years of age, son of William Bruce, moulder, was taken with a pain in his head about 8 o'clock and died in 3 few minutes.

What the Victory Means.

Montreal Witness.

The victory of yesterday cannot be called a victory for the conservative party, complete as their advantage has been. Their very boasting that it was a triumph over boodling is really an ascription of it to the honesty of the liberals. If it is a triumph over boodling it is no triumph for those who, while they have talked nauseatingly against the sins committed at the Baie des Ciflaeurs, have in no single instance uttered a protest against the iniquities that are being glorified and whitewashed and pensioned at Ottawa, or against the presentation, on the eve of election, of the finest property in the province to the most powerful electioneering organization in the country.

Comfort for the Party.

Toronto World.

"Joe" Hickson, son-in-law of the late William Dow, brewer, of Montreal, whose beer has always been reckoned as among the best in Canada, is a prohibition commissioner who may be trusted not to wipe out his wife's family by too many concessions to the blue ribbon party. There is some comfort for the "moderate drinker" party in this reflection.

No Seats at Hamilton.

Hamilton Herald.

We may all hope that when the prohibition commission passes Hamilton it will step off and have something.

Negroes are emigrating in large numbers from Arkansas to Liberia.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

OTTAWA COVERED WITH A MANTLE OF SNOW.

Little Business Transacted in the House—A Motion to Empower Canada to Negotiate Her Own Treaties—New Members Arriving at the Capital.

OTTAWA, March 12.—The floor of the House was more interesting yesterday than it has been any afternoon this session, because there were more interesting political personages present than at any previous convening of the House. Among the latest arrivals was Mr. Davies of Prince Edward Island, one of the Reform leaders from the sea. Mr. Davies came in after prayers and got a round of applause. He took Mr. Mackenzie's seat in the front row.

Hon. John Costigan and Mr. Davin, who came in from South Perth, after having been kept five hours in a snowdrift almost within sight of the towers on Parliament Hill.

The proceedings in the House were short and tame, outside of the personal interest attaching to the celebrities who were present in such numbers to-day.

Mr. Reid of South Grenville had a grievance to air with respect to the Galops (pronounced Galoos) Canal.

Mr. Haggart briefly replied to Mr. Reid, promising to look into his representations.

Hon. Mr. Dewdney gave notice that he would on Monday move to authorize the Governor-in-Council to convey to the corporation of the city of Toronto certain ordnance lands in that city for such price as the Governor-in-Council deems proper.

A tremendous blizzard struck this section last night. Trains were late and the electric wires in the city became so laden with snow that for two miles in Rideau street every telegraph pole broke beneath the burden. The street presented an extraordinary appearance this morning, being an excellent illustration of the phrase "confusion worse confounded." Of course the trolley wires were down and the cars did not run on that street to-day. It is probable that $10,000 will not cover the loss and expense of replacing the poles and wires.

Mr. Mills has given notice that he will move that in the opinion of the House it is expedient to obtain all necessary powers to enable her Majesty, through her representative, the Governor-General, upon the advice of his Ministers, to appoint an agent or other person to negotiate commercial treaties with other British possessions or with foreign states tending to the advantage of Canada, subject to the prior consent or subsequent approval of the Parliament of Canada.

D'Alton McCarthy has promptly turned his attention to the class of legislation with which his name is prominently associated. He introduced a bill in blank with respect to dual languages in the Northwest Territories. It will be remembered that the power conferred on the Assembly of the Territories to deal with the language question was accompanied by limitations and conditions. Mr. McCarthy proposes to remove those restrictions and grant the Assembly full power to decide for itself all such questions forthwith.

A whole host of petitions came in to-day from all parts of the country, praying that the Canadian Parliament will prevent the Canadian exhibit at the World's Fair being open for inspection on the Lord's Day.

BRITISH BY-ELECTIONS.

Three Contests Yesterday to Fill Vacancies in the Commons.

LONDON, March 12.—Thomas Healy, McCarthyite, has been elected without opposition to fill the vacancy in the House of Commons caused by the resignation in October last of John Redmond, who gave up his seat to contest Cork city in the interest of the Parnellites.

In the Parliamentary election in Kirkcaldy district to-day Dalziel (Gladstonian) received 2567 votes and Cox (Unionist) 1531. The election was made necessary by the death of Sir G. Campbell (Gladstonian) incumbent.

Full returns from the Parliamentary election in East Belfast show the election of G. W. Wolff over Sir William Chorley by a vote of 4708 to 2607. Both were Conservatives.

LONDON, March 11.—In the House of Commons John Gordon Swift Macneill (anti-Parnellite), member for South Donegal, moved to strike out the names of Sir Lewis Pelly (Constitutionalist), William L. Ashmead, Bartlett Burdett-Coutts (Conservative) and Sir John Henry Puleston (Conservative) from the list of members of the House who voted last night for the credit for the Mombassa Railway survey, which was carried without division. There was a long discussion of motion, the principal speakers being Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Balfour.

Finally a vote was taken and the motion was approved, 154 members voting for it and 149 against.

The vote was greeted with loud cheers by the Opposition.

The result is considered a defeat for the Government.

PRINCE MICHAEL STONED.

But He Says It Is Only a Fulfilment of the Scriptures

DETROIT, March 12.—About midnight the house of G. W. Bell at 47 Hamlin avenue, where the long haired Israelites hold their services, was stoned. Nearly all the windows in the front of the house were broken and twelve large stones were found on the floor this morning. Prince Michael will preserve them as mementos.

The Prince says the act is simply a fulfilment of the Scriptures. Michael laughs at the dispatches from Toronto which say that Joseph Durand, alias "Lucifer," is possessed of an evil spirit, and that he exerted a mesmeric influence over the settlement, even over Michael himself.

Born Without a Skull

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—Mrs. Angelo Anizini of 720 Brinton street, a small thoroughfare running eastward from Eighth street, below Christian, yesterday morning gave birth to a child which is a veritable freak of nature and a puzzle to scientists. The infant is anything but pleasant to look on. It has no skull and consequently no forehead, the crown of the head being parallel with the eyebrows. Mrs. Anizini is becoming famous as the mother of freaks. Only about a year ago she gave birth to a child which had no roof to its mouth.

The brain of the little one is in its proper position, but instead of being covered with bone it has only a transparent membrane to retain it in its place. The various veins and tissues about the brain seem to be in their normal condition and properly formed.

A Young London Preacher Dead.

LONDON, March 12.—Rev. W. J. Little, late pastor of Hamilton road Methodist Church, is dead. He was a promising young pastor and had only been in the ministerial calling a few years. He leaves a wife and a small family. The remains will be taken to Milton, Ont., for burial.

Be a Missionary.

How often in church, lecture-room or theatre one will notice the shoulders of a good-looking and well-fitting garment pleasantly besprinkled with Dandruff. Be a missionary and tell people that Anti-Dandruff is guaranteed to remove Dandruff with three applications.

"Whig" Never Said Anything so Bad, Queen's College Journal.

The Queen's team did not play nearly so clean a game as the week before, but several of the players went in for shinney from the start. If Queen's is ever to beat Ottawa, or any other club like it, the men must learn to hold their sticks properly and do no slashing.

The Steal is Accomplished.

Toronto Telegram (Independent Conservative).

The government may not steal a seat for Hon. John Carling. If not the Grits can thank the stringency of the law rather than the virtue of the enemy for Hyman's escape.

Having a Sad Time of It.

Toronto News (Conservative)

Mr. Clancy is making brave efforts to find something wrong down at government buildings; but, so far, isn't he rather on the trail of a mare's nest.

Von der Ahe's Wonder.

Washington Post

Von der Ahe has unearthed a pitching phenomenon named Callaghan, who hails from the wilds of "Canuck" land.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

The Expenditures on Various Public Institutions in the Province.

TORONTO, March 12.—Yesterday afternoon Mr. H. E. Clarke moved for a return showing in monthly form the expenditure in the public institutions of the province from the year 1883 to the year 1891, both inclusive.

In support of his resolution Mr. Clarke said that there were discrepancies between the accounts of the Provincial Inspector and those of the Provincial Treasurer. He then went on to explain in greater detail, the purport of the remark. In 1886 the inspector had reported an expenditure of $939,256, and for the same year the treasurer had reported an outlay of $599,528. For the eight following years the inspector official reported as expenditure of $8,199,474, while the treasurer for the same period submitted an expenditure of $5,256,471. This, as they would readily perceive, was an excess on the part of the latter of $94,000. That such a large discrepancy should exist was a serious matter, and in his estimation the fact ought to receive a thorough investigation.

In concluding his observations Mr. Clarke hoped that the Provincial Treasurer would not give the usual official answer to such motions that too much time and trouble would be involved in collecting the return required. The matter, owing to its seriousness, should be looked into. In his opinion a good bookkeeper could demonstrate the reason for such a discrepancy in the public accounts by two hours' consideration of the subject.

Mr. Gibson prefaced his remarks by observing that the matter, in his opinion, as well as in that of the previous speaker, was, if it were not so easily explainable, of a very serious nature. The discrepancy was, however, only an apparent one. The reason was that the time for making up the different accounts was not the same. The inspector closed his on Sept. 31 of each year, while the treasurer consummated a similar act on Dec. 31. During these three months the alleged extra expenditures took place, and were only, therefore, accounted for by the inspector.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Awrey's bill to amend the Assessment Act received its second reading. It is in line with legislation sought for by various farmers' institutes throughout the province, and provides that land situated within villages or towns, not held in lots than blocks of 10 acres each by one person, shall be assessed as farm land, and be exempt from taxation in vogue in these corporations mentioned.

KILLED THREE BEARS

Had Only Buckshot for Ammunition, but It Proved Effective.

MOUNT FOREST, Ont., March 11.—John Morley while out rabbit hunting ran across a bear in a hollow stub, in a scrubby bush only a few rods from the residence of Mr. William Duncan, clerk of West Luther, and quite near the road. Although only armed with a fowling piece, loaded with pigeon shot, the old gentleman let drive at him as soon as it poked its head out of the hole. When the same head, as Mr. Morley thought, appeared again he was ready with another dose of shot. Again the third time a head appeared and again the hunter blazed away, thinking the game was hard to kill. Failing to see any further signs of life after the fifth shot the hole was inspected, when three dead bears, two cubs and an old one, were dislodged.

THE FLOUR IS MISSING.

A Mystery Which is Exciting Brampton to Its Very Depths.

BRAMPTON, Ont., March 12.—No little surprise was caused this week by the report that a shortage has been discovered in the flour mill of Messrs. Pearen Bros. The managers declare that from the quantity of wheat purchased and taken to the mill since Aug. 1 last—about 50,000 bushels—there should have been upwards of 750 barrels of flour more than the quantity accounted for.

After investigating the facts the proprietors have concluded that the flour must have been stolen from one or other, or both, of their storehouses.

ANNIE ROONEY'S AUTHOR

A Popular Song Writer Convicted of Stealing from a Companion.

HARTFORD, Conn., March 12.—Mike Nolan, the newspaper reporter, comedian, music arranger and author of "Annie Rooney" and "I Whistle and Wait for Katie," was a prisoner in the Police Court yesterday. The charge against him was theft. He was convicted, fined $7 and sent to jail for 30 days.

And the Counsel Talked Sense.

HAMILTON, March 12.—Judge Muir held a special criminal court in the county council chamber at 11 o'clock yesterday for the trial of William Tyson, the young man charged with fraud.

The charge was that he defrauded William Miller on March 8, by giving him a Confederate States bill. "The bill is not a counterfeit," said County Crown Attorney Frearar. "So far as we know it is a good bill, and at one time was certainly as good as an American greenback, though its value now is a matter of opinion. The United States may some time redeem these notes. Who can tell? At any rate, if a man is foolish enough to give $10 for one of them it is his lookout, and his only recourse is by an action in the Division Court."

Judge Muir recorded a verdict of not guilty.

Fire at Moosejaw.

WINNIPEG, March 12.—At Moosejaw today fire destroyed Reipstein & Co.'s general store, occupied by R. Fletcher, and other buildings. Following is the estimated loss: Reipstein & Co., stock $8000, partial insurance; Walter Bole, drug store, stock $1500, insured; Wright Bros., butchers building and stock $500, partially insured; R. Fletcher, household goods $600; Electric Light Co., $200; Miss Clark, millinery, building and stock $1000; T. W. Robinson, damage to goods $300, insured; Doran's harness shop, damage $300; G. M. Arnaldie, two buildings destroyed, loss $500; Masonic and Oddfellows' Hall, $500, insured. The total loss will probably reach $15,000.

The Bicycle Score.

NEW YORK, March 12.—The score in the 72-hour bicycle race at 1 a.m. was Lamb 867 miles 8 laps, Ashinger 861 8, Martin 861 7, Reading 861 3, Lumsden 860 7, Schock 851 5, Stage 850 3.

Shortly before 6 o'clock Lumsden collided with Reading and fell. It is thought that he broke his nose.

Lumsden lost 9 laps by the fall, putting him fifth in the race.

True Bills For Murder.

HAMILTON, March 12.—The grand jury at the Wentworth Assizes have found these bills:

Queen v. John Bartram and John Lottridge, murder, true bill.

Queen v. John Bartram, John Lottridge and George Douglas, murder, true bill.

Queen v. John Lottridge and George Douglas, burglary, true bill.

The object of bringing in two bills for murder, one against Bartram and Lottridge, the other against Bartram, Lottridge and Douglas, is that the prisoners may be tried separately or together.

Stripped by a Shaft.

WIARTON, March 12.—James Donah of Colpoy's, while working in Mr. Segrest's mill, was caught in a revolving wheel and wound around the shaft. He received very severe injuries, having one leg broken in several places and otherwise injured, his clothes being also nearly torn from him.

A Merchant's Sudden Call.

NAPANEE, March 12.—John Hewett, one of the oldest merchants in Napanee, died suddenly at 6.20 p.m. yesterday. Deceased was around all day in his usual health.

From High Chair to Stove.

MOUNT FOREST, March 12.—The 18-months old child of William Williamson of Normanby fell from the high chair on to the stove and was so severely burned that it may die.

Tried to Kill His Baby.

MONTREAL, March 12.—J. V. Vincent, sewing machine agent, has been committed to jail on a charge of trying to kill his babe. He is insane.

Sold His Farm and Died.

MOUNT FOREST, Ont., March 12.—Thomas Douglas, aged 85, sold his farm, deposited the proceeds in the bank and returned. Next morning his daughter found him dead in bed. Heart disease.

A big discovery of gold quartz has been made near Cottonwood Springs, 125 miles east of San Bernardino, Cal.

Fresh Dates at Wade's drug store.

THE GREAT RUSH

—TO—

F. X. Cousineau & Co's Great Bankrupt Stock

Is Increasing. The Stores are Crowded Night and Day. Everything Selling About Half Price. Wonderful Bargains.

EVERYBODY COME. EVERYONE WELCOME.

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THE OTTAWA BUDGET.

There Will be Serious Work Next Week—Motions to be Brought Up.

Special to the WHIG.

OTTAWA, March 12.—The slowness which has characterized the proceedings in parliament, during the last two weeks, will not likely continue next week and the house will get into serious work. The estimates will be brought down on Monday or Tuesday. Mr. Mills has a notice on the order paper of a resolution declaring for the right of Canada making her own commercial treaties.

Mr. Lariviere will bring up the Manitoba separate school question by moving for a copy of the decision of the supreme court in the matter and Mr. McCarthy will reintroduce his bill to abolish dual language in the North-West territories. The Newfoundland matter, too, is likely to be discussed.

A deputation representing the paper manufacturers of the dominion waited on the government, yesterday, and urged an increase of the duty on foreign printing paper. To-day they again saw the minister of finance and acting minister of customs.

To-day's *Canada Gazette* contains a proclamation extending the franchise, under the franchise act, to the bands of Indians in British Columbia.

According to Dr. Bourinot, Mr. Mercier cannot resign his seat in the legislature until the legislature meets and is organized. The speaker is the only person to whom Mr. Mercier can resign and there is no speaker until one is selected by the house.

The Behring sea dispute, which the speech from the throne regarded as in a fair way to an amicable settlement, is now looming up darkly as a possible cause of war. The treaty providing for arbitration still awaits the ratification of the United States senate, and that body will reject it if Mr. Blaine so desires. Mr. Blaine, by his note of March 8th to Lord Salisbury, accuses the British government of bad faith, and points out that if the contention of the American government is sustained by the arbitrators then any killing of seals by Canadian sealers would infringe both on the jurisdiction of the United States and on the right of property. The urgency of the matter is shown by the report brought here, yesterday, by Mr. Earle, M.P., one of the largest owners of sealers in British Columbia.

It is understood James Sutherland, M.P., will be appointed chief liberal whip.

Mr. Somerville asks for an order of the house for all correspondence, reports, petitions and other documents relating to the deepening of the channel of the Gallops Rapids, and for a statement of the work performed by the chain tug Iroquois, and of the services performed by John Still in connection with said tug.

F. J. Barnard, M.P., Cariboo, B.C., has arrived. The trouble between himself and Mr. Kellie, a member of the British Columbia legislature, was exaggerated. He did use some strong language to Mr. Kellie, for which he appeared before a committee and made an apology. This ended the matter.

A Fifteen Year Old Boy's Fun.

NEW YORK, March 12.—Much prominence has been given to a fire-eating letter published in the London *Times* and supposed to have been written by a "Captain Frank Scott" 28th Pennsylvania rifles, threatening the great British empire. The identity of the author has been discovered. He is Walter Scott, grandson of J. T. Williams, of Dunkirk, N.Y. who, indignant at the attitude of the *Times* on American questions, particularly with reference to the Chilian trouble, resolved to send to that paper an expression of his ire, and realizing that little attention would be given to a boy's letter on such a subject, signed a fictitious name and, without saying anything about it at home, wrote as many sell-Englishmen do. He was surprised that the *Times* printed his fire-eating letter and that prominence was given in American papers which have ridiculed the *Times* for ascribing so much consequence to such a letter from an unknown correspondent. Young Scott's relatives and acquaintances in Dunkirk were much surprised to learn that he had been brow beating the London "thunderer" in this lively manner.

A Terrible Arraignment.

TORONTO, March 12.—The *Evening Telegram*, independent, referring to Judge Elliot's decision in the London election, says: "The judge decides an election upon a miserable technicality that a police court lawyer would be ashamed to use in defence of a client accused of selling liquor without a license. Sir John Thompson's quibbling speech cleared the path for a crime, and the Hon. John Carling, the representative of an injustice that is all the more damnable because it has the sanctity of law, can take his seat. Judge Elliot has done his work so well that the government will not consent to his impeachment, but the opposition should propose to impeach his honor if the law does not permit the supreme courts to punish his indecent defiance of their authority."

From the Port of Halifax.

HALIFAX, N. S. March 12.—The dominion line steamer Labrador, from Liverpool, with the weekly mails arrived at noon today.

The death occurred this morning of George E. Morton, at one time a well-known druggist, and who afterwards, for many years, kept a book and stationery store in this city.

Mrs. Feeley, wife of doctor Feeley, of New York, and daughter of the late James Flynn, of this city, died this morning.

The schooner Harold Borden, from Matanzas, Cuba, with 1,500 bags of sugar for the Canada refinery, Montreal, arrived to-day.

A Lady Divorced.

NEW YORK, March 12.—The *Herald's* copyright despatch from Paris says: In the lobbies of the chambers, to-day, rumor ran that M. Clemenceau, the radical deputy, so often spoken of for the ministry and who, in the recent ministerial crisis was mentioned for a portfolio, had been divorced. It seems that Mme. Clemenceau has obtained the decree against her husband. For a long time M. Clemenceau has been considered to be rather "gay." Mme. Clemenceau leaves for America to-day.

Eastern League Circuit.

ROCHESTER, March 12.—The Eastern baseball league will be composed of Buffalo, Rochester, Elmira, Binghamton, Syracuse, Albany, Troy and Philadelph