## A MURDER IN VIRGINIA.

A MYSTERY THAT IS CERTAINLY VERY PUZZLING.

T 13 Accusations of a Little Girl Against a New York M n-Sh . Says He Carried H+r Away-O hers News of Very Great

Onancock, Va., March 5. - The residents of Guilford Neck, at the extreme end of Accomack County, are much worked up over a murder mystery which the authorisies seem unable to unravel. Cornelius Annis, a young man of 25, was the victim. While talking to Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor, in whose house he was boarding, some one rom without fired through the window. Annis was within three feet of his assassin, and received the contents of the weapon in ais left side. About two dozen buckshot entered his body, shattering his and tearing away half his side. The young man lingered until yesterlay morning, when he died.

Mrs. Taylor has not lived with her husband for several months, a deed of separation having been signed by both. According to the provision of the deed which is recorded Taylor agreed to give his wife \$200 and some personal property, in consideration of which she surrendered all her interest in his estate, and he further agreed not to visit, molest or speak to her, or enter any house where she was known to be, and to allow her full liberty to live where she pleased and to conduct any business she might like, just as if she were a single woman. Taylor subsequently consulted a lawyer with a view to getting an absolute divorce from his wife. Mrs. Taylor says her husband has recently been making overtures to her with a view to reconciliation, but she has repulsed all his advances. Annis has been boarding at the house since Tayfor left. Taylor is a heavy-set man about 50 years old. His wife, who is supposed to be the cause of the trouble, is about 40 and plain looking. As yet there has been no clue to the murderer. It has only been a month since a brother of Taylor died suddenly from strychnine poisoning, and his wife is now in prison charged with murdering him. Her trial will take place sometime next week.

## BURGESS DENIES IT ALL.

#### And Grace Irwin Aggravates Her Charge Against Him -- \$2500 Batt Demanded,

NEW YORK, March 5. - Grace Irwin, the 13-year-old girl who accused James Burgess of abducting her, was brought to the Harlem Police Court y sterday morning by Agent Stocking of the Children's Society to appear against Burgess. Her cousin, Miss Caroline Smyth, and Henry and Simeon Irwin, two grown brothers of Grace, were in court. The girl altered the charge by denying that she consented to Burgess' relations with her. Burgess now denied the whole story, and demanded an examination. It was set down for next Friday, with bail fixed at \$2500.

The two brothers of Grace, who were not called upon to testify, lived with Miss Smyth until about six months ago. They said yesterday that their father was a surveyor in the employ of the English Government at Dublin, where they lived well until his death. Eight years ago Miss Smyth, a second cousin, sent for the sisters Helen and Grace to come to this country, promising to adopt them and give them a schooling. Afterward the boys came. Henry declares that while they lived with Grace they were drudges. Grace was often sent out, he says, to gather cinders and irewood in the neighborhood, and was kept for hours at a time scrubbing the floors. In the evenings he had to go with his sister to the houses in the neighborhood distributing circulars of the school, which often kept them out until 10 and 11 o'clock. He savs the girl was whipped and was ill fed. Miss Smyth says that this is not true. Grace's nands are hard and calloused.

# PORT ARTHUR NOTES.

## Rich Strike-\$7000 to the Ton-Assay Office Burnt-Warm Weather.

PORT ARTHUR, March 4. The West End Silver Mountain mine has made another rich crike, a splendid pay streak on the drift working east, fully two feet, yielding ore in abundance assaying \$7000 to the ton. So rich is the ore that drills have been discarded and the ore is coming out with picks. The Badger mine has sent Thos. Marks &

alver brick weighing 274 ounces. The assay office of the Silver Mountain East mine was burned last week. The office and contents were a total loss.

Co. a paper weight in the form of a solid

The weather is extremely warm. The snow all gone, causing loss and inconvenience to he lumbermen, who are unprepared for such state of affairs. The ice in the bay and rivers is melting rapidly.

# A RUNAWAY TRAIN.

## Remarkable Accident in the Main Street of a Michigan Town.

MARQUETTE, March 4. - A singular railroad accident occurred here this morning. The South Shore heavy freight train loaded with time machinery was pulled out of a spur track with two engines. The track is in Front, street and four cars were left on the spur. When the train got part way up the hill it broke in two, one car from the engine. The train flew back and crashed into the cars on the spur, drove them over the big bulk head, across the street into Fraser's block, knocking the whole front of Steel & Lobdell's grocery in, tearing out the corner of Pickands & Co's coal office, damaging Rothschild & Benjamin's front and completely blocking the street. No lives were lost.

# Filled a Ghost With Buckshot.

Casey, Ia., March 5 .- There is a little pond known as Silver Lake four miles west of here. Recently a ghost-like apparition has caused nightly terror in the neighborhood. Several nights ago the apparition frightenel a farmer's team, which tipped over the bugs and nearly killed the former's wife. To musband procured a shotgun, loaded it with buckshot, and then lay in wait for the ghost four nights. Thursday night he filled the ghost full of buckshot. It cried, "My God! Don't shoot any more," and fell prostrate. The ghost was carried home by the shooter and cared for. No one but the attending physician has seen him, and he refused to give any name. He is suspected to be a land seeker, who wished to scare the owners and buy the adjoining land cheap.

### Collapse of a Montreal Sawmill. MONTREAL, March 4 -- An old saw and planing mill at the corner of St. Philippe and Dorchester-street collapsed about 11,30 today. The roof fell in, the sides bulged out and the brick casing tumbled into the street. The workmen, of whom there were about twenty-five in the building, escaped without injury except in the case of two. Foreman Lamarche and laborer Philip Marsin were puned down by the roof tubers, but were taken out without much difficulty. Lamarche sustained several scalp wounds and Martin had his leg broken.

W. Millions has purchased the old Sta Andrew's church building, Carleton Place, for \$500. He purposes converting it into a

dcuble tenement dwelling. Somerville & McNab, general merchants, Carleton Place, have assigned.

TORONTO TOPICS.

"Settling Day"-An t. C. C. Boy Presen ed With a Humane Society Meda.

TORONTO, March 5. Yesterday was settling day. Encuiries at the wholesale houses revealed a more encouraging state of affairs than last year. The dry goods trade have met their payments very prompily, and there are reports of but few applications for renewals. In the hardward trade a similarly encouraging state of things is reported. Boot and shoe payments are quite up to expectations Grovery men are not much behind, but there seems to be more complaints about payments in this line than any other. The drug trade have paid up well, but there does not appear to have been very much heavy paper maturing. Of course Feb. 4 and Aug. 4 are the big settling days, but the 4th of each month is looked forward to with some anxiety. The prompt payments of yesterday will do something to stimulate trade and restore the confidence that should exist, but which has unfortunately not been felt for some time past.

Yesterday was a "red-letter day" in the Listory of Upper Canada College. Charles Brand, one of the pupils, was publicly pre sented with the bronze medal of the Royal Humane Society for an act of bravery in saving two . s in August last. His Lordship the Bishop of Toronto made the presentation.

At the Police Court this morning Em ma Wilson flippantly acknowledged that she had taken a \$100 bill from Wm. Fastby in a house at 89 Richmond-street. Wm. Palmer, also charged with the same offence, pleaded not guilty. According to his story he had rescued Eastby, who was in a helpless condition, from a gang of pool sharks on Bathurst-street. The evidence, however, showed that Palmer had done this for his own financial benefit and with the intention of robbing Eastby. The girl was committed to the Mercer Reformatory for six months, and was then utilized a a Crown witness. She had taken the money and handed it to Palmer. The latter took it home and hid it under a paint pot. "Yes, and I was sorry and would have given it back had I known where Eastby lived," said Palmer. He was committed to the Central Prison for three months.

Quite a heap of larcenies were reported to the police yesterday. They were: A lady's ulster, stolen from De La Salle Institute; a book and 75c, from R. G. Walker, 147 Victoria-street; an overcoat from the house of S. Johnson, 189 Argyle-street; a watch from Charles Glover, who lives in Salem avenue, and another watch from D. Davis, 289 King-street west Mrs. Stafford of 73 Victoria street, reports the loss of 330, taken from her pocket while entering Bond-street Congregational Church Sunday

### The Rowe-White Case.

BUFFALO, March 4. - Jack Rowe and Deacon Jim White are nursing a surprise for the baseball world. They have received legal advice to the effect that they have got the Detroit League corporation on the hip. Their lawyer says that if Detroit refuses to release them they will offer their services to Detroit at the beginning of the season, and then start in to collect salary at last year's rate, sung after the first month in case the Detroits fail to pay. The lawyer believes that they will have a legal claim that the contracts were between these two players and the Detroit management. He says the men cannot be sold like galley slaves to other clubs. Baseball people here think that Detroit would rather release the players than go to the trouble and expense of such litigation. The buying clubs would not now have any interest in backing up the Detroiters, for Boston does not want White now, and Rowe positively will not play in Pittsburgh.

The Interstate Commerce Act. WASHINGTON, March 4.—President Cleveland, before the expiration of his term of office, approved the bill amending the Interstate Commerce Act. One change requires three days' public notice of any proposed reduction in the published rates of a railroad. Special provision is made to prevent and punish "underbilling" under severe penalties. The penalty section of the present. Act is strengthened by adding the penalty of imprisonment to the fine now provided when the offence is an unlawful discrimination in rates or charges. The provisions of the present Act in regard to the publication of rates are made to apply to joint through rates. A change is made in the court provisions which is intended to facilitate the recovery of damages for overcharges, and the powers of the commissioners are increased in several respects.

# PRICES AND PROSPECTS.

# Leading Features of the Grain and Pro-

duce Markets at Home and Abroad. TORONTO, March 5. - St. Lawrence Market was rather quiet yesterday. Quotations: Wheat, white, \$1.06; wheat, red winter, \$1.06; wheat, spring, \$1.10; wheat, goose, 86c; oats, 37c; peas, 65c; barley, 52c; rye, 64c; dressed hogs, per 100 lbs., \$7.25; beef, forequarters, \$4; do., hindquarters, \$6.50; geese, per pound, 9c; turkeys, per pound, 10c; ducks, pair, 70c; chickens, pair, 85c; butter, rolls, 22c; butter, tubs. 18c; lard, 13c; eggs, 20c; squash, 10c; pumpkins, 10c; cabbage, dozen, 30c; onions, bag, 75c; cauliflower, each, 10c; beets, per bag, 75c; potatoes, bag, 50c; turnips, bag, 25c; parsley, dozen, 20c; celery, 5c; apples, barrel, \$1.25; carrots, bag, 75c;

marrows, Sc. Receipts of hay were small, the demand good and prices higher. No straw was offered, there was a good demand, and the nominal price went up to \$12. Hay sold at \$20 and \$21.

The sales of grain on the street yesterday were 500 bushels of barley at 52 to 57 cents, and 200 bushels of oats at 367 and 37 cents. No wheat was offered.

On 'Change No. 1 Manitoba hard wheat was offered at \$1.40, and one car was offered at \$1.35 to arrive at Carlton Junction, with \$1.33 bid; frosted wheat was offered by sample at 90 cents with 85 cents bid; one car of No. 2 frosted was offered to arrive on track at \$1 with 90 cents bid; two cars of No. 2 were offered at Montreal at 95 cents. BEERBOHN'S REPORT.

Beerbohm reports: Fiosting cargoes-Wheat steady; corn, quiet. Cargoes on passage—Wheat and corn, quiet and steady. Mark Lane-Wheat, steady; American corn, quiet; Danube corn, steady; flour, steady. Spot good No. 2 Club Cal. wheat, 34s, was 34s; present and following month, 32s for new crop; old was 32s 9d. Good cargoes No. 1 Cal. wheat off coast, 38s 4d and 38s 6d, was 38s 9d. London-Good shipping No. 1 Cal. wheat, prompt sail, 37s 6d, was 37s 6d; do., nearly due, 37s 6d, was 37s 9d. French country markets, tone generally firm. English farmers' deliveries of wheat during past week, 54,504 qrs.; average price, 29s 7d, was 29s 5d. Liverpool Spot wheat and corn very dull. No. 1 Cal., 7s. 91d; No. 2 Cal., 7s 64d; American red winter, 7s od; Western mixed, 7s 8d; spring 7s 9 1-2d; all 1-2d cheaper. Flour, 28s; peas, 5s 7d; unchanged. Corn 4s 1d. 1.2d cheaper.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS. Liverpool reports: Wheat, quiet; demand poor; holders offer moderately. Corn, steady; fair demand. Spring wheat, 8s; red winter, 7s 8d; No. 1 Cal., 7s 7d; and 7s 91d. Corn, 4s 11d. Peas, 5s 71. Pork, 63s 9d. Lard, 34s 9d. Bacon, short cleared, 31s an i 33s; long cleared, 31s and 33s. Tollow, 29s. Cheese, white and colored,

5/1 6d.

# TOPICS FROM THE CAPITAL

A CRUSH AT THEIR EXCELLENCIES FIRST STATE BALL.

Crief Session of the House-The Member for Annapolis' Scheme for the Annexation of Maine.

OTTAWA, March 4.- The features of the Capital to-day were a very brief session of the House, the appearance of Sir Charles Tupper in public and the state" ball at Government House this evening. The House adjourned at 6 o'clock to give the members time to get ready for the spectacle at Rideau Hall. There has been no small amount of dissatis

faction over the list of invitations to the ball. The press gailery does not of course feel sore because they are overlooked. That, is a yearly occurrence in connection with festivities at the gubernatorial residence in Ottawa. But there is any amount of soreness among some forty members of Parliavent who were overlooked this time. Others kid not receive their invitation cards until late this evening and they had almost given up the hope of receiving them. Just how the oversight occurred is not at present known, but it is said His Excellency's aide, who had charge of the invitations, made a sad bungle of his task, overlooking those who were entitled to go and sending more than one card to others who were barely eligible.

There was a terrible crush at the ball. Toronto, Hamilton, London and other western towns were represented by a sprinkling of

society people. The House sat for about 25 hours this afternoon and disposed of routine busitess. Mr. Girouard withdrew his bill to incorporate the Ottawa and Montreal Boom Company, as he saw the measure was objectionable to not only the Government but almost the entire House. Sir John Macdonald told Mr. Mulock that

the Government had decided at last to allow the allowance to the York and Simcoe battahon. The Premier also informed Mr. Mulock that 3\ years' interest would be added to the allowance, as the battalion ought to have been paid the money in December, 1885, at the same time the 10th Royals of Toronto received theirs, Col. O'Brien, Col. Denison of Toronto, and Col. Tyrwhitt have been energetic in inducing the Government to make this

In the Banking and Commerce Committee this morning, Mr. Edgar's bill incorporating the Canadian Assets and Debentures Company came up for consideration in its amended condition and, after discussion, passed. The most prominent amendments to the original bill are the striking out of the founders' share clause and the clause authorizing the company to receive money on deposit. Mr. Kirkpatrick's act to incorporate the Canadian General Trusts Company was also considered. The incorporators are Geo. W. Stephen, C. A. Goffrow, T. Drummond, J. L. Morris, J. Crothern, E. K. Greene, C. M. Holt, F. H. Chrysler, D. B. Maciennan and G. M. MacDonnell. The rights asked for in the bill were refused by the Quebec

take place in the House and it was decided to In the Railway Committee to-day Sir Hector Langevin asked that the bill incorporating the St. Helen's Island Bridge Company should be postponed. Mr. Curran said he had been asked by the City Council and Board of Trade of Montreal to oppose the

Legislature. It was explained that discussion

upon the principle of the bill would have to

The bill extending the time for the commencement of the railway within three years of the Hamilton Central Railway Company was passed. An act changing the name of the Lake Nipissing and James' Bay Railway Company to the Nipissing and James' Bay Railway Company and in various other ways amending the act of incorporation was passed. Dr. Hickey's bill incorporating the Ottawa, Morrisburg and New York Railway and Bridge Company was reported with a number

The act to amend the act incorporating the Kingston, Smith's Falls and Ottawa Railway Company was considered. Hon. George Kirkpatrick explained that the contemplated line would run from Kingston to Smith's Falls and from thence to Ottawa. Kingston and Smith's Falls would grant bonuses and efforts were being made to induce the adjacent townships to do this also. It was intended to commence work next year. It was decided by the committee that the railway should be commenced within two years from June next and completed within five years from the same date.

Mr. Daly's bill to incorporate the Lac Seul

Railway was reported. Mr. John A. Grose, who lately resigned his position in the Customs Department, has commenced an action against Messrs. Walters and McMichael, Toronto, of that service for the recovery of a portion of the proceeds of certain seizures and confiscations in which he claims he should have shared. Mr. Curran, M.P.

is acting for Mr. Grose. The Minister of Public Works informed Sir Richard Cartwright to-day that from July 1888, to Feb. 1, 1889, there had been expended for plant and organization of the pointing bureau \$82,984 and on the building to Feb. 1 last, \$129,946. It is hoped this bureau will improve the public printing of the country. Typographically the blue books and other public documents that have been turned out under the contract system have been a standing disgrace to the art preservative in the Dominion. One of these contractors grew immensely wealthy by getting top prices for slop work that would disgrace any

back township printing office in the country. Mr. Mills of the salt water County of Annapoles, N.S., put an extraordinary notice in the paper this ev. ning. He believes he sees in the near future the dissolution of the federation known as the United States and the setting up of foreign powers in the New England States which might imperil British interests on this continent. He therefore asks the House to pass resolutions empowering the Governor-General to co-op-rate with Her Majesty's Government in securing such an amendment to the Act of British North America as may be necessary to extend the boundaries of the Dominion of Canada so as to include portions of the New England States, such boundaries, however, not to be extended in a westerly direction beyond the Connecticut River, the Green Mountains and Lake Champlain. Mr. Mills also graciously proposes that Canada assume the debt of the states which he proposes to absorb.

Sir John Macdonald gave notice this evening of a resolution providing that any member of the Northwest Mounted Police Force. other than a commissioned officer, may receive a pension for life provided he joined the force subsequent to May 23, 1873, and completed 25 years' service, or if having completed 15 years he retires in consequence of bodily or mental infirmity. The following order in council was passed

His Excellency-in-Council has been pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the apecial rate of toll of the cents per ton, adopted last year for the passage through the Welland and St. Lawrence conais, of certain cereals, wheat, Indian corn, peas, barley and rye, when shipped for Montreal or for any other port east of Montreal, be continued during the forthcoming season of navigation and no longer, such toll covering the Welland and the St. Lawrence

# Winnipeg Wire Whispers.

WINNIPEG, March 4.- The local papers report the elopement of a grocer's wife with her music teacher, but no names are given. . The prospects for the b aspiel to-morrow are discouraging, owing to soft weather; 62 rinks are entered.

Seeding will probably be general next week The Clarke-Burrows libel suit was again adjourned to-day till Thursday.

Found Dead in Bed. ST. CATHARINES, March 4-Miss Eleanor Jane Tenbroeck was found dead in her bed this morning. . The deceased was 58 years

AMBITIOUS CITY NEWS.

Attempted Suicide-The Railway Deputation off for the Capital. HAMILTON, March 4.—On Saturday night Annie Russell, who became distracted at he death of her husband, Thomas Rusesll, which occurred at the hospital last week, ried to committ suicide by taking a dose of

Rough on Rats. Russell, who was about 45 years old, was the black sheep of a respectible Scotch family, and went through fortune of \$50,000. He lived for many years in Ottawa, where ais brother, who is a respectable business man resides. He was a big, handsome fellow, being quite an athlete, and took a great interest in all kinds of sport. He formerly worked for his brother, but neglected his business and squandered his money in drink. He was married, and his dissolute ways caused his wife so much grief that they separated about 15 years ago. Russell left Ottawa and wandred around the bountry, spending his money freely and loolishly. The woman who tried to poison herself claims that she met him in Buffalo about three years ago, and that they were married and lived together as man and wife antil his death. At that time she did not know that he had been married before and that his wife was still alive Mrs. Russell's condition is unchanged to-night, but recovery is not probable.

The railway deputation, consisting of Mayor Doran, Ald. Moore, Ald. Stinson, Capt. Fairgrieve and others, left this evening via Toronto, for Ottawa and will appear before the Railway Committee of the Privy Council to morrow.

this morning and \$10 in cash, three boxes of

William T. Allison's hotel, corner of Bay and Stuart-streets, was broken into between II o'clock last night and 5 o'clock

rigars and a bottle of wine were stolen. The thief got in by a cellar window. Four boys, aged about 15 years, being tired of living in a metropolis like Toronto, set out last Friday night to visit the wild west. They came to Hamilton and were on the point of starting for Buffalo, when Mr. Wilson, of Toronto, put in an appearance and collared his son Frederick. The lad was taken home, and the others proceeded on

their pilgrimage.

Daniel Sullivan, against whom a charge of committing aggravated assault upon Michael Flynn was dismissed a few days ago, was charged by Flynn this morning with selling liquor during prohibited hours. The case was dismissed.

## STOLE LOTTA'S NONEY.

### Advance Agent Merriwether Runs off With the Box Receipts. Louisville, March 5. -"Dink" Merri-

wether, for several years advance agent for dramatic companies going out of New York, but who has lived in the city for the last few months, is mysteriously missing, and with him departed nearly \$1000 belonging to Manager John T. Macauley and Lotta, the actress. The latter was booked at Macauley's for the entire week commencing last Monday, but when Miss Anderson was secured for the first three nights, Lotta's managers consented to play at Lexington and Frankfort upon the same terms which were offered here. Mr. Macauley could not leave the city, so Merriwether was engaged to take charge of the box office at the two towns. The managers of the theatres were to receive 30 per cent. and Mr. Macauley and Lotta the remainder. The engagement closed at Frankfort on Wednesday night and the net receipts of the trip amounted to \$960. The money was paid over to Merriwether. On Thursday morning Merriwether left on the 5.30 train, before the members of the company got up. He was heard from in Covington through a letter which he sent to a friend here, but since then nothing has been heard of him. Manage Lacauley says that Merriwether was as much Lotta's representative as his, and that he is not responsible. Manager Dunn of the Lotta combination, however, holds that Merriwether was Mr. Macauley's representative, and the latter is responsible for the amount due the company.

# ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

### Little Done Yesterday Beyond Passing Resolutions- A Lot of Deputations.

TORONTO, March 5. - Little was done in the Local House yesterday besides the passing of various resolutions. Mr. Bishop created quite a sensation when moving the second reading of his bill respecting live stock insurance by condemning the working of the Lion Provident Life and Live Stock

Mr. Davis introduced a bill to amend the Municipal Act, the object of which is to give the franchise to freeholders and householders whose lease extends over a term of not less than five years from the date of

Mr. Willoughby moved : "That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that all Police Magistrates should make the same returns of convictions and fines, imposed by them in respect of infringements of the Canada Temperance Act as are made in other cases to the clerks of the peace. That such when made, should be published and that all expense in connection with the enforcement of the act should be submitted for audit to the county auditors." The motion was lost on division.

These bills passed their third reading yesterday : Mr. Fraser's Franchise Assessment Act. To confer certain powers upon the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto. To legalize a by-law of the Town of Galt, and other purposes-Mr. Master. A lot of pri vate bills were also passed through their second stage.

The Attorney-General and his Cabinet exhibited a vast amount of patience in listening to half a score or so of deputations which waited on them last night after adjournment. The untiring \$600 exemption men urged what they consider will be a step towards a modern utopia, the temperance advocates gave the Government the benefit of their views, the druggists were, on hand to talk about the Pharmacy Bill before the House, and so on.

# Beath of Dr. Hyde of Stratford.

STRATFORD, March 4 .- Dr. John Hyde, one of the oldest residents here, died this afternoon at the age of 70 years. He was a graduate of Glasgow University and has been in practice here for over 30 years. Until late years he took a promin nt part in politics. Dr. Hyde was for many years a member of the town council and a school trustee. The funeral occurs on Wednesday at 3 o'clock.

### A Lumber Camp Burnt. SEVERN BRIDGE, March 1 .- At 3 p.m. to-

day Boyd's camp of the Georgian Bay Lumber Company, near this place, was destroyed by fire. Nothing was saved. Some of the men lost heavily. The cause of the fire was a defective stove pipe. In the camp were quantities of clothing, jewelry and in many cases the winter's earnings of those employed by the company.

The Injured at St. George. St. George, March 4.-The injured here had quite a favorable day and improvement is noticeable in all.

A letter of thanks from the Mayor of Woodstock to the citizens of St. George for their efforts in alleviating the sufferings of the injured has been received. It is one of

## HARAISON'S INAUGURAL.

THE NEW UNITED STATES PRESI-DENT SWORN IN.

## He Makes a Long Address, Principally Concerning Domestic Affairs - The Monroe Ductrine ReWrmed.

WASHINGTON, March 4. There was a stir and a bustle about the city from an early hour this morning. Probably 100,000 visitors and as many more of the resident population of Washington were along the line of march. The inauguration ceremonies were delayed for some time by heavy rain which, threatened to drive the Presidential party from the east portico to the Senate chamber. After consultation with the Vice-President, President. Harrison announced that he would not disappoint the large crowd in front of the Capitol and that rain or shine the inaugural address would be delivered on the east portice.

At 11.15 the Senate was called to order by Senator Ingalls and the senators rose as the diplomats entered. The venerable Hannibal Handin, the only living ex-VicePresident, occupied a seat at the right of the presiding fficer. Shortly before 12 o'clock the members of the House of Representatives and members-elect led by Speaker Carlisle entered the Senate Chamber. A few minutes before 12 o'clock the President of the United States was announced. He entered the main door opposite the presiding officer, followed by his Cabinet. A moment later the President-elect was announced. He entered with Senator Hoar of Massachusetts. As the hands of the Senate clock reached the hour of noon the Vice-President-elect was announced. He was escorted to the platform of the presiding officer by Senator Cullom of Illino's. Everyone in the chamber arose and remained standing while Senator Ingalls administered to Mr. Morton the oath of office. At the conclusion of his remarks Senator Ingalls turned and handed he gavel to Mr. Morton, who assumed the position of presiding officer and called the Senate to order in extra session. Vice President Morton then addressed the Senate briefly. At the conclusion of this speech the new Senators were sworn in. The message of the President convening the Senate in extra session was then read and the Senate having completed its organization, the ceremonies of maugurating the President were begun. As the President and President-elect ap-

peared they were greeted with cheers from the

When all had been settled the Presidentelect rose and the Chief Justice administered to him the oath of office. The great crowd rose and remained standing with uncovered heads during the ceremony. As the President bowed his head and kissed the open book the crowd cheered again and again. Turning from the Chief Justice, President Harrison began the delivery of his maugural address.

After referring to the inaugural oath, and expressing the opinion that the obligations imposed by it on the President are no less binding on the people, the address notes that the occasion is the hundredth anniversary of the inauguration of Washington as first President, a statement which serves sto introduce the pean of congratulation and triumph in which he refers to the nation's progress in wealth, population, territory and all that makes a nation great, during the century.

Much space is given to an explanation of the reasons which led the young Republic to adopt a protective policy, so that commercially and financially it should be as free from foreign control as it had become politically. Only the existence of slavery in a section of the country prevented a more general adherence to the principle of protection for home industries, and the emancipation proclamation carried with it reasons why the South should seek to share in the benefits which had come to the North because of the manufactures nursed and reared under the shield of a tostering tariff. He looked hopefully to the continuance of the protective system, and to the consequent development of manufacturing and mining enterprises in the States hitherto wholly given to agriculture, as a potent influence in the perfect unification of the people. "Is it not quite possible," he asks, "that the farmers and the promoters of the great mining and manufacturing suterprises which have recently been established in the south, may yet gud that the free ballot of the workingman, without distinction of race, is

needed for their defence as well as his own :" The naturalization laws, said Mr. Harrison, should be so amended as to make the inquiry into the good disposition and character of persons applying for citizenship more careful and searching. The address continued:

We have happily maintained a policy of avoiding all interference with European affairs. We have been only interested spectators of their contentions in diplomacy, and in war ready to use our friendly offices to promote peace-but, never obtrud ing our advice, and never attempting un fairly to coin the distress of other powers nto commercial advantages to ourselves We have a just right to expect that our European policy will be the American policy of European courts. It is so manifestly incompatible with those precautions for our peace and safety which all the great powers habitual ly observe and enforce in matters affecting them that a shorter waterway between ou. eastern and western scaboards should be done inated by an European Government that we may confidently expect that such a purpose will not be entertained by any Power. We shall in the future, as in the past, use every endeavor to maintain and enlarge our friendly relation. with all the great Powers, but they will not expect us to look kindly upon any project that would leave us subject to the dangers of a hos tile observation or environment. We have not sought to dominate or absorb any of our weak er neighbors, but rather to aid and encourage them to establish free and stable governments, resting upon the consent of their own people. We have a clear right to expect therefore that no European government will seek to establish colonial dependencies upon the territory of these independent American States. That which a sense of justice restrains us from seeking they may be reasonably expected will ingly to forego.

It must not be assumed however, that our interests are so exclusively American that our entire inattention to any events that may transpire elsewhere can be taken for granted. Our citizens domicile for purposes of trade in all countries, and in many islands of the sea demand and will have our adequate care in their personal and commercial rights. The necessities of our navy require convenient coaling stations, and dock and harbor privileges. These and other trading privileges we will be free to obtain only by means that do not in any degree partake of coercion, however feeble the Government from which we ask such concessions, but having fairly obtained them by methods and for purposes entirely consistent with the most friendly disposition towards all other powers our consent will be necessary to any modification or impairment of the concession. We shall neither fail to respect the flag of any friendly nation or of the just rights of its citizens, nor to exact the like treatment for our own. Calmness, justice and consideration should characterize our diplomacy. The offices of an intelligent diplomacy or of friendly arbitration in proper cases should be adequate to the peaceful adjustment of all international difficulties. Hy such methods we will make our contribution to the world's peace, which no nation values more highly, and avoid the op-probrium which must fall upon the nation that ruthlessly breaks it.

The remainder of the message has no special interest for Canadians. William Henry Harrison, on his white horse 48 years ago to-day, headed 4000 patriots over the same route taken by his grandson.

Much comment was caused by the absence of the Cleveland ladies from the gallery reserved

The President took liberal draughts of hot beef tea at odd intervals. The area of the battroom floor was 37,000

## square feet, nearly an acre. Fire at Alton.

ALTON, March 4.-Fire broke out in the Dixte House block about 2 o'clock this more ing, and the whole block was completely destraced. The losses and insurance are as follows: Jackson Dean, proprietor of block and hotel, \$6000, msurance \$4000, partly in Wellington Mutual and partly in Western; J. A. McClelland, general store, \$1000, covered by insurance; G. F. Bull, grocer, \$300, no insurance; P. V. Lemon, butcher, \$100, no insured. The property of W. White, harness-maker, and N. C. Dodds' dwelling were also damaged.