

NEWS OF THE DOMINION.

A TORONTO MERCHANT SKIPS TO THE STATES.

The Safe in the Ottawa Police Station Robbed of \$500—No Clue to the Thief—Ambitious City Notes.

TORONTO, March 7.—In all probability the population of Toronto has been decreased by one, and the populace of New York State increased in proportion. William Burgess, a local wholesale fruit canner and commission merchant, has had some trouble lately with his creditors which would have reached a climax yesterday, but, it is said, Mr. Burgess did not wait to see it out. Mr. Burgess' factory is in Mimico. He resides in Parkdale, and has an office downtown. On Saturday last Burgess called on a leading assignee and informed him that he (Burgess) had between \$8000 and \$10,000 worth of notes falling due on Monday, the 4th, and that there were no funds to pay any of them, or anything on account. In view of this, Burgess said, an assignment would have to be made. Nothing has been heard from him since, and the assignee expects that he will execute the assignment and send it across the bridge in the regular way. Nothing further of his liabilities is known outside of the paper due on Monday.

The bad results of the Fourth of March are much heavier throughout the province than was anticipated. Yesterday morning the business community was flooded with reports of embarrassments from almost every district in Ontario. Happily large failures are few, but the numerous small bankrupts are bound to not only try the patience, but will also hamper the business of larger houses.

Among the usual routine motions heard by Judge Robertson yesterday was one to strike the name of J. P. MacMillan, County Attorney of Dufferin, from the roll of solicitors. The application was made on behalf of a client of the solicitor, who charges Mr. MacMillan with not paying over to him certain moneys collected by him. An order was made to strike the defendant's name off the rolls, but the order is not to issue for two weeks.

The Grand Jury yesterday returned true bills against John Wadsworth, false pretences; and Richard Cole, bigamy. The case of Richard Cole, the old pensioner, who is charged with bigamy, was traversed till the next court, when it is expected that several important witnesses will be here from England. Cole was released on bail.

The merchants of King street to the number of 100 crowded into the Mayor's office yesterday morning to represent to him the peculiarly horrible condition of that thoroughfare. The result of the invasion was that the Mayor issued orders to Street Commissioner Jones to set all the men he could find able to handle pick or shovel to work to remove the packed snow from King-street between Sherbourne and York-streets.

The Police Magistrate yesterday sent William Vevers to jail for 30 days for a brutal attack on his wife. Ellen Sullivan for theft got seven days, and Edward Doran for disturbing the Salvationists was fined \$7 or 30 days. J. E. Townsend, on a charge of fraud preferred by Mary A. Hagel, was committed for trial.

AMBITIOUS CITY NOTES.

City Hall Tenders Accepted—The Projected Summer Carnival.

HAMILTON, March 6.—The markets, fire and police committee has accepted three important tenders in connection with the new city hall. For putting in the wires for electric lighting, there were four tenders. That of the Hamilton electric light company was accepted. The company agrees to supply and put in wire for 450 lamp, of 16-candle power, for \$3 a lamp, and the price of switches, etc., brings the total amount of the tender up to \$1490.

Tenders for supplying the tower clock were received from three firms—one English and two American. The Howard Clock Company of New York was awarded the contract, its figure being \$2312 for a clock capable of bringing a full, clear tone from a 4000 pound bell; the clock to be hour-striking, arranged with four sectional glass dials eight and one half feet in diameter. Three tenders for the bell were received. The tender of Meneely & Co. of West Troy, N.Y., was accepted. The firm agrees to supply a 4000 pound bell for \$920, and guarantee it for four years.

This morning James Nichol, employed at Tuckett & Son's factory, accidentally fell into a box in which tobacco is dried, and was badly injured.

The scheme to hold a summer carnival at the beach during the association aquatic meeting is taking active shape. It is proposed to have the carnival last a week, with the amateur rowmen's regatta as the chief attraction.

This morning as Arthur Carpenter, who is employed at Wanzer's factory, was on his way to work he took a short cut through Brennan's lumber yard. In jumping over the fence he fell and fractured his leg.

The Garrick club celebrated its removal into new quarters in Main-street east by holding a housewarming party last evening.

MONTREAL AND OTTAWA.

A New Delimitation of the Roman Catholic Archdioceses Decried.

OTTAWA, March 6.—It is said that a decree of the Sacred Congregation of the Propaganda orders a new delimitation of the archdioceses of Montreal and Ottawa. The line of demarcation common to both will start at the Ottawa River passing to the east of Chatham, Wentworth, Howard and Beresford townships, thence in the same direction to the boundary line between Joliette and Montcalm Counties, and following this latter line in a northwesterly direction until it strikes the territory tributary to the vicarage of Pontiac.

BEARING THE LION IN HIS DEN.

The Safe in the Ottawa Police Station Robbed of \$500.

OTTAWA, March 7.—Last night the safe in the Ottawa Police Station was robbed of \$500. The thief entered the station, got Chief McVeity's key, thence entered the clerk's office, obtained the key of the safe and rifled it. No one heard any noise and who the culprit is a mystery. An ex-policeman is suspected.

Railroad Consolidation.

BOSTON, March 6.—The Oregon Short Line and the Utah Northern Railway, branch lines of the Union Pacific, are about to be consolidated. The two companies operate 1055 miles of railroad. The question of incorporating with this new company the other Utah lines of the Union Pacific is under consideration.

The English Beer Syndicate.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., March 6.—The three leading brewers of the city were to-day purchased by an English syndicate. The prices paid were as follows: Bartholomew Brewery, \$2,500,000; Genesee Brewery, \$500,000; Rochester Brewery, \$500,000. Five per cent. is paid down.

THE EX-PRESIDENT.

Mr. Cleveland's Enthusiastic Reception at Jersey City—He Looks Ill.

New York, March 6.—The train bearing ex-President Cleveland and party arrived in Jersey City at 6 p.m. The train should have arrived at 4.57 but, desiring to avoid a crowd, Mr. Cleveland had it sidetracked for a time at Bergen Point, six miles from Jersey City. The effort to avoid a crowd went all amiss, however. Each incoming train was met by an ever increasing crowd to see the distinguished passenger. When Mr. Cleveland's train came in there was a great rush. Policemen attempted to stay the people in vain. Mrs. Cleveland smiled as if pleased by the warm reception. Mr. Cleveland several times touched his hat. When the two finally entered their carriage a man proposed three cheers and a tiger for Grover Cleveland. They were given with a will and were followed by three tremendous cheers for Mrs. Cleveland. Then three cheers and a tiger were given for Col. Lamont. After crossing the ferry to New York the party was driven to the Victoria Hotel. Mr. Cleveland did not appear to be well. His eye did not have the brightness of health, his skin was leaden and there were dark circles under his eyes. Col. Lamont looked pale and thin.

THE FLOUR OUTPUT.

Falling off Last Week—The Market Dull—Drop in Prices.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 6.—The Northwestern Miller to-day says: Both ice and low water hindered the mills during all of last week and although there were fourteen running part of the time the flour output fell off somewhat. The aggregate production was 86,700 barrels against 95,250 the week before and 128,100 for the corresponding week in 1888. Ten mills running to-day are producing at the rate of about 15,000 barrels daily. Three others with an output of 4500 barrels are expected to start up within a few hours.

The heavy decline in wheat has affected the flour market unfavorably and the moderate demand reported by some mills previous to Saturday has been cut off. Prices of flour have been reduced 20 cents per barrel, but apparently without any effect toward inducing buyers to take hold. In fact millers disposed to treat the subject frankly say that they never saw a duller market.

The direct exports of flour for the week were 13,800 barrels against 10,740 barrels the preceding week. Merchant mills in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Dakota and New York to the number of 114 have made reports of their flour output and exports during January, showing a total output in 1889 of 765,738 barrels; same mills in January, 1888, 919,834 barrels.

PIGOTT DOUBLY A TRAITOR.

It is Now Said He Wrote the Secret History of Fenianism.

CHICAGO, March 6.—Col. Richard Burke, of this city has known Pigott, the Parnell letter forger, since 1868, and charges that Pigott gave the English Government information about Burke's connection with the Irish Republican Brotherhood that sentenced him to prison for 15 years, five of which were served.

"Last November," says Col. Burke, "I wrote The London Times a letter suggesting the likelihood that Pigott had a hand in forging the alleged Parnell letters. There has been published a secret history of Fenianism, and the English press has made a great ado over its alleged exposures. I associated Pigott with its authorship, for the half truths in it could come only from the Government officers, who had all the facts accumulated during the trials of 1867-8, or from three certain men who were in the confidence of the Brotherhood leaders. One of these was Pigott."

"The others may be implicated, but to my mind Pigott is probably the man who wrote the book. I am tracing up the thread of the story in its connection with Pigott and the other two men and I think I will be able to say soon who wrote that book."

On a Friday, in Room 13.

LONDON, March 6.—A large number of dispatches have passed between the Government and the British Embassy at Madrid concerning the disposition of Pigott's effects. The informer's papers have been ordered into the custody of a special detective now in Madrid, and they will be put in evidence before the Parnell Commission on Thursday. It is stated that a letter has come to light in Madrid addressed to Ponsonby, otherwise Pigott, regarding Mr. Shannon's promise to pay the informer money. This letter is said to contain important evidence concerning the responsibility for Pigott's escape. It is rumored ominously that Pigott committed suicide on Friday in room 13.

A Hydrophobia Epidemic.

NEW MARTINSVILLE, W. Va., March 6.—Nearly 300 dogs suspected of being mad have been killed in this county during the past month. The interior of the country still seems to be overrun and there is general alarm. There has been considerable loss of swine, sheep and cattle, which have died from being bitten by infected dogs, and in two instances horses have succumbed. Several people have also been bitten but in no instance any serious result followed. Farmers consider it dangerous to go along the roads unarmed and dog-killing squads are out daily. One man has seven dogs believed to be mad. They have taken to the woods and are running wild with dozens of other dogs in a like condition. These dogs spread the disease by biting other dogs, live stock, etc. The disease first appeared in Fishing Creek last August and has been growing worse steadily.

Wholesale Poisoning in Kentucky.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 6.—On Spruce Creek near Mt. Sterling, Frank Wright, Jim Holden and Sue Holden have been arrested for poisoning Conk Wright's nine children from 3 to 19. Conk Wright is a widower and lived in unlawful intercourse with the Holden woman. His children protested violently and were beaten for it with threats of driving them from home. Conk Wright's 9-year-old daughter was taken with severe vomiting Saturday night and died. The other children were also taken sick and at last reports one was dying. There is much excitement over the case and talk of lynching.

The Cobourg Fugitives Captured.

COBOURG, March 6.—Robert Paterson and Robert Calder, who escaped from the jail here yesterday, were recaptured last night.

The Electric Sugar Conspirators.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., March 6.—Olive E. Friend and Howard, the electric sugar-refining conspirators, left for New York last night in custody of four detectives. They broke completely down when the news of Governor Luce's decision reached them, and claimed that their last hope of justice was gone when they had to leave Michigan. They threaten to make disclosures that will implicate Cottrell and others.

NEWS OF THE OLD WORLD.

DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS CLOSED IN THE BRITISH HOUSE.

The Flurry on the Paris Bourse Subsides—King Milan's Abdication—The Italian Cabinet Crisis.

LONDON, March 6.—In the House of Commons to-day W. H. Smith moved a closure on the debate on the address in reply to the Queen's speech. The motion was carried, 247 to 66.

Sir Julian Pauncefote, the new British Minister to the United States, will start for Washington about the end of this month. After a short stay he will return to London for the summer. In the autumn he will take his family to Washington for a permanent residence.

Further correspondence between Lord Salisbury and Mr. Bayard on the Sackville affair is about to be submitted to Parliament.

In the event of the Farnell Commission presenting no interim report on the forged letters the Opposition contemplate a motion to adjourn in order to call attention to the action of the Government in aiding the prosecution to collect evidence, or an address to the Crown regarding the expenses of the commission.

Crispi in Trouble.

ROME, March 6.—Signor Crispi is experiencing great difficulty in forming a Cabinet. He has chosen Signor Doda, of the Left, for Minister of Finance, to the astonishment of his friends, who believe Doda to be incapable.

Signor Crispi to-day presented to King Humbert a cabinet list composed of members of the Left, but he expressed a doubt as to his ability to secure a majority in the Chamber of Deputies and therefore proposed that the King entrust Signor Biancheri with the formation of a transition cabinet. King Humbert has the matter under consideration but it is probable that Signor Biancheri, if summoned, will decline the task and that Crispi's ministry will be given a trial.

Abdication of King Milan.

BELGRADE, March 6.—King Milan has abdicated the throne of Serbia. Crown Prince Alexander will be proclaimed King to-morrow. MM. Restitch, Pretitch and Belimarkovitch will act as regents during the minority of the King, who was born Aug. 14, 1876.

King Milan in announcing his abdication declared there would be no change in the relations between Serbia and Austria.

After a solemn service to celebrate the proclamation of the kingdom, Milan returned to the palace, where he received the congratulations of the ministers, diplomats and others. The King addressed the assemblage thus: "I thank you for your congratulations. Excuse me, I am very busy. I beg to inform you that I have resolved to abdicate. The manifesto will perhaps explain my motives." He then silently shook hands with all present and went into an adjoining room, where in the presence of the cabinet and state council Milan, in a voice choked with emotion, read the Ukase announcing his abdication. He then gave a cheer for the new king, all present joining with enthusiasm.

King Milan will remain commander-in-chief of the army during his son's minority. A rumor is current that ex-Queen Natalie will return to Serbia and take up her residence at Kragevatz.

The Flurry on the Paris Bourse Over.

PARIS, March 6.—The Bourse was quiet to-day. The market closed firm on reports that the position of the companies interested in the Societe des Metaux is secured. Societe des Metaux shares advanced 60f. Rio Tinto shares advanced 33f. 75c.

The evening papers concur in the opinion that Rochereau committed suicide. The Temps gives particulars according to which there was no alternative but suicide.

Six directors of the Comptoir d'Escompte have announced their readiness to pay on demand all monies deposited with the company. The chiefs of the principal banking firms to-day resolved to place themselves at the disposal of the Comptoir d'Escompte in order to assure, in case of necessity, the repayment of all deposits.

A Conspiracy Against the State.

PARIS, March 6.—The Temps states that the magistrats inquiring into the affairs of the Patriotic League have found documents proving that the league was engaged in a scheme to mobilize its members. The Government, the Temps says, intends to criminally prosecute the chiefs of the league for conspiracy against the state.

To be Arbitrated.

COPENHAGEN, March 6.—In the Lower House of the Rigsdag to-day the Minister for Foreign Affairs stated that the British minister at Athens had consented to act as arbitrator in the dispute between the United States and Denmark regarding the claim of Mr. Butterfield against Denmark for the loss of a number of vessels near St. Thomas many years ago.

Royal Nuptials Fixed.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 6.—The marriage of Grand Duke Alexandrovitch to Princess Alexandra of Greece is fixed for June 16.

Stallo Will be a Roman.

ROME, March 6.—The Riforma says it learns that ex-Governor Porter of Indiana will succeed Judge Stallo as American Minister at Rome. The Riforma speaks in high terms of Judge Stallo, and says he has decided to settle in Rome.

W. L. Alden, the American Consul-General here, will also resign. He intends to resume journalistic work.

Trunk Line Meeting.

NEW YORK, March 6.—The joint executive committee of the Trunk Line Association, as well as the general passenger agents of the same associations, assembled here to-day to consider the alleged violation by some roads of the agreement entered into by the trunk lines regarding paying and receiving commissions for passenger business. Some of the roads present confessed to having violated the agreement in this respect, others claimed not to have violated it. A resolution was finally adopted that on and after to-morrow they would refuse to pay further commissions for passenger business. It was also resolved that the signers would endeavor to persuade all connecting lines not in the association to stop paying commissions to agents.

Killed Her Sleeping Husband.

WAUKESHA, Wis., March 6.—Mrs. Ann Driscoll decapitated her sleeping husband Timothy with an axe during a temporary fit of insanity near Delafield this morning. She attempted to murder her son also, but was restrained by her daughter, who awoke in time to prevent the act. The woman has recovered her reason. She says she was impelled to murder her entire family in order to save them from some unknown calamity.

STRONG RESOLUTIONS.

The Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario East on the Jesuits Estates Act.

CANFELFORD, March 6.—The Orange Grand Lodge this morning passed the following resolutions, the entire assemblage rising to their feet and receiving them with British fire and repeated cheers:

"That while we claim for our Roman Catholic fellow-countrymen the rights and privileges we ourselves enjoy, yet we, the members of this Provincial Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario East representing 375 primary lodges, view with great apprehension the present state of affairs in Canada, where both political parties show such a strong disposition to pander to the Church of Rome, and moreover we take this opportunity of explaining ourselves as being in hearty accord with leading papers in their wise and outspoken course regarding their wise and outspoken course regarding the disallowance of the Jesuit bill; and further we are of opinion that a continuation of the present course of political action must inevitably lead to the coalition of the best of all parties with definite principles and a definite policy—principles based upon eternal righteousness and truth, and with a policy that will accord equal rights to all but exclusive privileges to none; a policy that will put country before party and stand by right and truth at any hazard and at every cost.

"That the act respecting the Jesuits' Estates recently passed by the Legislature of Quebec is clearly derogatory to Her Majesty's prerogative, inasmuch as it invites the interference of an alien power in our domestic affairs. Therefore this Grand Lodge petition His Excellency the Governor-General in-Council against said bill, and asking for its disallowance; also that all county, district and primary lodges be instructed to petition to the same effect."

A resolution was also passed endorsing the action of Colonel O'Brien in his intention to bring before the Dominion Parliament a resolution disapproving the allowance of the Jesuits Estates Act.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

A Long Discussion on the Price of School Books.

TORONTO, March 7.—The price of school books was the topic of discussion at the Local House yesterday afternoon. Outside of this little was done with the exception of passing these bills through their third reading: To amend the Ontario Shops Regulation Act; respecting St. Andrew's Church, Darlington; No new bills were introduced.

Mr. Preston moved for a return showing the names of all publishers of public school text books, with the respective books published by them and their prices; also for copies of all correspondence by or with the Minister of Education or any officer of his department respecting the price or publication of public school text books subsequent to that already brought down.

A long discussion followed, participated in by Mr. Preston, the Minister of Education, Mr. Clancy, Mr. Harcourt, Mr. Wood, Mr. Creighton, the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Hammett, Mr. Whitney, Mr. Awrey, Mr. Willoughby and Mr. Dance. The motion was at length carried.

At the evening session half a score of private bills were passed in committee. The most important bill read a second time was that relating to the consolidation of the debt of Ontario. The other bills passed were: respecting the Ontario and Sault Ste. Marie Water, Light and Power Company and the Town of Sault Ste. Marie, to authorize the Synod of the Diocese of Huron to sell certain lands; to revive and amend the act incorporating the Sarnia and Lambton Southern Railway Company; respecting the Toronto, Hamilton and Niagara Railway Company; respecting the Niagara and St. Catharines Street Railway Company.

FIRES OF A DAY.

Serious Loss at the Deaf and Dumb Institution in Montreal.

MONTREAL, March 6.—A fire broke out early this morning in the planing shed of the Deaf and Dumb Institution immediately opposite that building, at Mile End. The flames quickly demolished the planing shed and caught on the adjoining building, a factory 75 feet long and three stories high, which was also consumed. Three wooden sheds that were used for storing the material that was used in the factory were badly gutted. The loss is estimated at \$20,000. No cause can be assigned as no fires were ever used in the planing shed.

A \$2000 Blaze at Trenton.

TRENTON, March 6.—A fire broke out this morning about 2 o'clock in a wooden building on the market square occupied by G. A. Booth, grocer. The flames quickly spread to the adjoining building, also of wood, owned and occupied by J. Cunningham for livery stables, the whole of which was quickly reduced to ashes. The horses, harness, buggies, etc., were all saved. Total loss about \$2000, said to be covered by insurance.

SIR CHARLES' VISIT.

It is the Light He Has Come to Press a Fast Atlantic Service.

OTTAWA, March 6.—The impression prevails here among well-informed people that Sir Charles Tupper's unexpected arrival in this country is at the solicitation of Sir George Stephen and his associates, who are impressed with the idea that it is of vital importance to the interests of the Canadian Pacific Railway that a fast Atlantic service exclusively to Canada should at once be instituted. Their influence with the Government has already secured the stipulation that the new boats to be subsidized by the country shall be able to make twenty knots an hour against a heavy sea, and it is doubtful whether any company can undertake such a service for the half a million of dollars originally spoken of. Sir Charles is probably here to press the Government to accept the lowest tender, even if it be in excess of the sum contemplated.

The Inaugural Ball.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The inaugural committee has achieved an unprecedented financial success. There were 12,000 tickets to the ball sold, netting \$60,000. And it is expected that the receipts from the sale of tickets to the promenade concert held in the ball room yesterday and from the sale of souvenir ball tickets will bring this amount up to \$70,000. The \$50,000 guarantee subscribed by public-spirited citizens will be returned.

Busy Shaking Hands.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The new cabinet officers had little opportunity to attend to official business this afternoon, as they were receiving a continuous line of callers, mostly people from their own states who came to offer congratulations. Most of the assistant secretaries tendered their resignations but will hold office for a short period until the heads have succeeded in getting into working order.

A Fatal Fall.

ST. PAUL, March 6.—J. H. Baker, employed to make public exhibitions with a self-acting fire escape, fell from the Ryan Hotel to-day and was fatally injured.

ALEX. AND THE ACTRESS.

THE BATTENBURG'S MARRIAGE CAUSES CONSTERNATION.

The Queen Said to be Annoyed Beyond Measure—Empress Frederick's Mortification Even More Profound.

LONDON, March 6.—A thunderbolt in a summer sky could not have created more amazement and consternation than was caused at Windsor Castle by the news of Prince Alexander of Battenburg's marriage to a member of the family should marry an actress. Luckily for Prince Alexander and his bride they are beyond her reach. Everyone knows how zealously the Queen has exerted herself to forward Prince Alexander's interests, both public and private, and he has certainly proved that love has been more potent with him than gratitude. The mortification of the Empress Frederick is for obvious reasons even more profound, as she had constituted herself the champion of Prince Alexander during the whole of the last year, and now feels that she has compromised herself. She has shown herself to be entirely wanting in that wisdom which she wishes all Europe to suppose that she possesses by allowing her daughter to be ignominiously jilted by an individual of whose suit she had so warmly approved, and herself to be egregiously hoaxed.

The truth about the matter is that last August, when the squabbles about the Emperor Frederick's diary were amicably settled, Emperor William consented that his sister should marry Alexander, on the condition that the couple undertook to live quite privately at a distance from Berlin. It was then arranged that the marriage should take place in the private chapel at Windsor during the winter. Prince Alexander and his bride were to have lived at Cronberg, in the Taunus, where the Empress Frederick had purchased a villa for them adjoining her own.

About two months ago Emperor William was informed of Alexander's flirtation with Mlle. Leisinger, and I hear that after discussing the matter with his brother, Prince Henry, with Prince Bismarck and with his eldest sister, the hereditary Princess of Saxe-Meiningen, he sent to his mother in England a peremptory letter forbidding the marriage. The Emperor has absolute power over his relatives, as by the Hohenzollern family statutes he can deprive any prince or princess who disobeys him of any share in the state fund or family fortune. The Emperor later on explained to his mother that Alexander was trifling with Princess Victoria and acquainted her with the Leisinger story.

Then there came a right royal row at Osborne, as both the Queen and Empress were not merely furious, but also much ashamed of having so seriously committed themselves in support of Alexander. Poor Prince Henry, who has been languishing in the north wind of royal favor since this explosion, was ordered to write a letter to Alexander, then at Darmstadt, requesting an immediate and full explanation of the story which the Queen and the Empress could scarcely bring themselves to credit, whereupon the offender suddenly resigned his commission in the German army, a step which was at once followed by his private marriage, which was not intimated in any way to his relatives in Germany or to his patrons in England. The royal family learned it from the newspapers.

The Gold Fever in Southern California.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—The gold excitement in Lower California near Escondado is increasing. Work on the Cuyamaca, San Diego and Eastern Railway stopped and the workmen are leaving in a body for the mines. Steamers between San Diego and Escondado have doubled their rates, but the rush continues and stages are now running overland carrying many persons direct to the mines. San Diego papers declare that the development covers 100 miles square and that placer mines are making a great deal of money. Thirteen thousand dollars in gold dust were brought into Escondado and San Diego yesterday.

A San Diego special says: The Mexican border at Lia Juna has had the appearance of war for two days. Nearly 100 teams and trains and 500 prospectors gathered there to enter the gold fields. They wanted to evade the custom officers and the red tape and attempted to force their way into Mexico. Mexican troops were called out and the trespassers were forced back. The Union publishes statements from Prof. Antonio, Chas. Bennett, John R. Berry and others of undoubted veracity saying that the fields are phenomenally rich. Fully 1000 people are in camp. All the peninsular towns are deserted.

Business Crashes in the States.

TRENTON, N. J., March 6.—Willets & Co., extensive manufacturers of pottery, are financially embarrassed. Two of their notes to-day went to protest. The company employs 300 men. The company reported its assets in September at \$302,000 and its liabilities at \$103,000.

COLUMBUS, O., March 6.—The Mahoning National Life Association, doing an insurance business on the mutual assessment plan, failed to-day and a receiver was appointed. An inventory shows \$30,000 cash, notes and accounts \$21,000. The association has risks amounting to \$10,000,000.

Suicide in Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, O., March 6.—Nathan A. Wilson, secretary of the Cleveland Stove Company, shot himself dead this morning while sitting at his desk. His father is president of the company. This afternoon the company assigned. The nominal assets are \$200,000, liabilities nearly \$90,000. The assignment was made, it is said, to tide the company over the excitement caused by the secretary's suicide and to prevent hasty action by creditors. It is thought Wilson was depressed because of too close attention to business.

Navigation Opened on the Hudson.

NEWBURGH, N. Y., March 6.—The propeller Newburgh of the Rausdell Transportation Company opened navigation on the Hudson River between New York and Newburgh this evening by making a trip from New York to Newburgh in 5 1/2 hours. She had no difficulty with ice.

Robert Garrett's Condition.

RINGWOOD, N. J., March 6.—Robert Garrett, the insane millionaire, left here this morning in care of his physician and attendants en route for Mexico. Mr. Garrett's condition is greatly improved by his sojourn here, but he is not considered out of danger of a relapse.

Murdered by a Run-crazed Hester.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Mrs. Michael Martin, wife of a coachman, as she lay ill in bed had her skull fractured to-night, being struck with a ball from a run-crazed Burt Brown, a hester who boarded there. Mrs. Martin is dying. Brown was arrested.