

Daily British Whig.

Copy for Ottawa Press.

Rev. G. Pusey, of the Bible-Christian Church, went to England to secure the consent of the English Conference to the proposed Union, but such consent has been refused. As the English Conference controls the church property in Canada this action may block the way of the Bible Christians to Union.

The directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway, accompanied by a select party of Canadians and foreigners, will leave Montreal by special train to-morrow on a trip to Calgary, eight hundred and forty miles west of Winnipeg, at the foot of the Rocky Mountains. The guests will consist of Prince Bismarck, of Prussia; Count Witte, East Russian; Lord Elphinstone, John Longue, editor of the London *Standard*; W. Bradman, editor of the London *Morning Post*; Baron Albert Salviati, editor of the Paris *Figaro*; Professor Paul Paquet, of Paris; Dr. Oscar Bergroem, of the Vienna *Post-Press*, and a number of others. Among the Canadians will be ex-Governor Archibald, T. E. Kenny, C. R. Duffin, of Halifax, and Charles Cambell, of Montreal. Mr. Archibald twelve years ago, went out to Manitoba, at that time a howling wilderness, as Lieutenant Governor. The then struggling village of Fort Garry is now a flourishing city of 25,000 souls. The wilderness of that day is now covered with waving corn and other cereals, and the ex-govt has given place to the planter and dairymen.

A FALSE ALARM.

The English papers are prone to believe the worst possible thing about the Canadian colonists. When the tragic death of Webb created a painful sensation in England, the press and public looked about for somebody to blame. The old report that the railway companies had offered a prize of \$10,000 to Webb for the performance of the trip was soon upon, though the voluminous reports by cable gave no indication of any exertions or gathering; for an attack upon the government as well as the railways. The Plymouth *News*—“to cite one instance—panned railroads over America’s civilization, comparing it to that of Rome of old when men were sacrificed to make holidays for the people. Then with churlish imagination and taunting geographical knowledge it reports that the Erie and N. Y. Central railroads “got up the tragedy and ran scared,” and that the responsibility rests with the Government of Canada. We trust the journal made an unscrupulous retreat when it learned, not only that the railway companies refused to encourage Webb, but also endeavored to persuade him to abandon his feet, and that he went to Niagara secretly, and a dozen governments could not have stopped him unless by arresting him far in advance and keeping him perpetually in prison without any warrant.

WESTPORT’S HOPES.

If the Kingston *Whig* will send a commissioner to South Leeds it will discover that its position upon the railway question is not in accord with popular opinion. Fully nine-tenths of the people are strongly in favor of the Brockville and Weston line, and will only accept the K. & P. extension to the last resort.—Brockville *Press*.

For residing orders command us to the *Times*. In this indomitable heat it ought almost to be felt in Kingston. Our contemporary is fighting a host of imaginary enemies in Kingston while no one here has importance the people of Leeds. A sale of a West part branch to the K. & P. Railway did not originate in Kingston or Frontenac. Deputations came here from Westport and solicited the favor of the railway company as well as the support of the local press. The Company has made a generous offer and we have published the letters of ardent supporters of the branch in Leeds. No Kingstonians have written us, and we have on our part simply laid before the people of the adjoining county the feasibility and probability of a branch scheme, as opposed to the痴ical idea of a road to the South. We cannot be so very ignorant of the feeling in Leeds, where many evolutions in our possession, and we are very certain that the *Times* does not speak for the people of Westport when it offers to consider as a last resort a branch they have so ardently sought. The object of our contemporary is evidently to create a hatred between the railway company and the neighbors, but this will fail, as the former has taken a more passive interest in the project, having already done work of its own to employ it sufficiently for two years to come. When the people of Leeds are ready for business with the K. & P. R.R. this city will be prepared to meet them adequately as it did in the days of the old empire roads; meanwhile no bats will be shed. Let them beware, however, that they do not grasp at a great big shadow and lose a promising and valuable substance. No one can for a moment question the greater value of the through line proposed, but it is a huge expense, and there does not appear upon the surface anything of any merit able to carry it.

A FRIENDLY CRITIQUE.

The Educational Monthly contains some but contains the second portion of an able writer who criticizes a criticism of Chancellor Fleming’s address at the last convocation in Queen’s University. The writer of this paper would prefer to see no change attempted in the teaching of the University which would in the least impinge upon the sphere of education. Rather it should be our effort to widen its basis and raise the structure to a higher elevation than ever before. The educational system exists in no way to be measured with. In his judgment it is inexpedient at this time to

make any radical change. The Arts course should be maintained in its integrity, in order that every student, whatever his mind leads him to the study of the classics should have an opportunity of profiting himself in ancient literature as fully in Queen’s University as in any other institution. I believe,” he adds, “that the interests of the University would be consulted and benefit to extend to many among the youth of Canada if another complete course were instituted. The course suggested should be at least equal in rank and status to the Arts course; in the study of the ancient languages should not be excluded; it should be enriched by the special study of modern languages and modern literature and mathematics, and it should explore all subjects calculated to accomplish the objects of a genuine and generous education, and fit a man intelligently and honorably to perform every public and private duty in the twentieth century, now so soon to dawn upon us. The practical effect of this proposition would be the division of the scheme into two main fundamental branches or twin faculties, Arts Classical and Arts Modern.” The ideas of the critic and the Chancellor are after all not so dissimilar. Mr. Fleming does not want the Classical course ignored or depreciated, but he has questioned the wisdom of men devoting to ancient literature more valuable time when they purpose adopting a scientific and technical profession. There is no immediate prospect of a change in the curriculum of Queen’s, but the subject undoubtedly receives serious consideration and Chancellor Fleming may yet see, white associated with the institution, some of his suggestions carried into effect.

AGAIN IN THE PULPIT.

Rev. Wm. Jackson, of Montreal, son-in-law of W. Bradley, Coburg street, occupied the pulpit of the Queen Street C. M. Church yesterday morning. Mr. Jackson was a former pastor and his re-appearance in the pulpit after an absence of three years, was pleasing to a large number of the adherents of the church. The discourse was an able and practical one. He pointed out the necessity for activity in the church. There was far too much lethargy exhibited now-a-days in religious matters. Methodism had lost much of its old fire because there was a lack of the demonstrative manifestations manifested years ago. It would be a thousand times better to have no churches if the youth were allowed to grow up unawakened and unstimulated over it into pietism. He testified that the world was better, but men were harder to reach and impress than at any previous period. He did not approve of spasmodic religious excitement lasting for a month or so in winter, but approved of a religion that nothing could chill. Incidentally he testified to the mighty work accomplished by the Salvation Army and their demonstrative manifestations that God was with them in their endeavors to save humanity. In the evening he preached in Sylveston Street Church.

SOCIALITY OF THE HOLY FAMILY.

Since Friday evening the Ladies’ Branch of this Society have been very busy attending to the religious duties imposed upon them as members. On that evening His Lordship, who returned especially to attend the meeting, gave a sermon in which he presented the advantages of being attached to such a holy and blessed organization. Yesterday morning the members of this branch partook of Holy Communion at both early masses. Father Twosey at 10 o’clock Mass took occasion to tell the congregation how much he was pleased at the members so regularly attending to the meetings, and announced that on next Sunday there would have an opportunity to find the example of the laity of the congregation.

PAMPER ON RECORD.

A gentleman returned from the Rochester room given an account of the great speed of the five-year-old gelding, “J. I. C.” called after its owner, J. J. Case. The horse made its debut when four years old at Chicago, covering a mile in 2:12. This season he entered the circuit at Cleveland and made a mile in 2:12, beating the best time for five-year-olds by 2 seconds. At Rochester the horse, whose name is spelled out “Jay-Eye-See” was promised to beat its best record and it did so, making the mile in 2:14. The eight was a magnificent one. He passed under the judges stand amidst deafening applause and when a moment after the time card bearing the figures “2:14,” the best time on record for any five-year-old, and beating his own time by one second, was displayed the applause swelled into a roar.

MR. REED’S BIRD BRANDING.

A Peterboro gentleman, now in the city, says Mr. Miller, the Queen’s College student, has become quite expert in bird branding. He became convinced of the fact that the accomplishment was not exclusive, that Stewart Cumberland and Bishop were not the only ones who could, so far as the hiding and finding of birds, were concerned, understood the inspection and thought of another. Mr. Miller has practiced nearly all the Cumberland did in Kingston, and under circumstances which excited equal wonder. He has given a great many private lessons, and again on public occasions he acquitted himself very creditably. He will be a prominent character at the next session of the College.

WEIR CANADIAN.

By a queer freak the Artillery Park Barracks square, below Market street, is styled in military quarters the Artillery Park. Therefore one remarks regarding the closing of the Park gates against the public, save and except them two cars and that horse, is taken an official notice to apply to the barracks square. This, however, is open at all reasonable hours to the public, and is frequently traversed from time past passing animals or vehicles by Supt. Taylor. It is the portion of the park above Market street, the grassy and shaded hill, which the public went to see opened up. Will it be granted?

LATE LOCAL NEWS.

OUT FOR CARLETON ISLANDS.

About 10 o’clock this morning there was a wide company in and around the Market Battery Telephone. The rain poured down with a vengeance and all signs of a fine day for the indulgent picnic seemed to be dampened out. The officers of the Army looked sad and even the redoubts of Lister, Neils and Brooks’ new houses paid beneath the sombre surroundings. They with Capt. Keeler sat in a cab and looked like an picture of “grief.” Do you think it will rain any more?” Neils asked of a reporter, but he was not a prophet, but thought it would—some day. Then he thought the rain was sent for something and a crusty old sailor believed she was correct. It was sent to refresh the earth. Lister, Brooks said the rain would wash out their pride, but again the bad man interrupted and thought it would wash out the style, along with the starch, from many fine garments. Then the winning smile of Abbie peered through the cab door. She wore a neat suit of him and a rose hat with a lovely blouse upon it and her smile cleared the atmosphere wonderfully. The rain just then, too, seemed to let up and the crowd assembled for the Mass. About 10:45 o’clock she went out having 200 people with her and more followed on the afternoon trip. There was a big crowd at Cape Vincent to join them.

AN IMPORTANT STATEMENT.

George Edwards, a member of the well known Montrealists of tail makers, gives his opinion of the recent safe burglary at Kingston. Gananoque and Perth, from which it is evident the whole work was done by one man who thoroughly understood his business.

He states that some seven or eight years ago, the firm of which he is a member, took in three or four boy apprentices to learn the trade. Some failed to pass in the whole time, but others ultimately became thorough safe makers. About the best mechanic in the lot turned his attention to safe breaking and being captured, was sentenced to a term in the Penitentiary. St. Vincent de Paul could not accommodate the new prisoner, and was transferred to Kingston, and was only liberated a few months ago. Following closely upon his release came the robbery of Ainslie’s jewelry store at Gananoque, and in due time the depredations at Kingston and Perth. Mr. Edwards states positively the safes were operated upon by a person thoroughly conversant with the tools and material of which the safes are composed, and that the boy apprentice is undoubtedly the culprit.

AT LONG LAST!

We are happy to announce that the publication of the long looked-for Canadian edition of Evan McColl’s poetic productions will soon be an accomplished fact. Hunter, Rose & Co., the well known publishers of Toronto, have the work in hand. They intend bringing it out in the shape of two handsome volumes—the one containing the Bard’s English productions exclusively, the other his Gaelic poems. The Canadian lovers of his name have been long wishing for the opportunity of possessing themselves of his works, and are now enabled to do so, we feel assured that thousands of them will be glad to extend to these volumes a very hearty, patronizing welcome. In Kingston alone, where a subscription list will be immediately opened, an amount of patronage sufficient to cover the whole cost of a pretty large edition may well be expected, and for the honor of the literature city, in which so many of these productions had their birth, we hope to find the same.

ABOVE SECRET.

A representative of the *Whig* was let into the secret on Saturday last which Capt. Abbie has been guarding so jealously for the past few days. She will divulge it this afternoon at the picnic, so that it will receive simultaneous publication on both sides of the line. Well everybody knows that a happy little Army girl came here many months ago and ‘twas well that she did, and there was prospects of a wedding when she was called away. Time passed and the gossips ceased to talk, but the tongue wagged yesterday for the lady was here again, ready for the picnic and all its attendant joys. She looked as well as ever and with a blithe refund to say whether the secret related to her or not. She went on the boat to-day and so did —. Well, this isn’t the secret. What Abbie wanted to tell the people was that the Army would have a moonlight excursion on Wednesday evening. She used strategy; she did not wait to tell about the moonlight until the picnic was over. She wanted the people to go to both.

WORSHIP UNDER DIFFICULTIES.

San Francisco, Aug. 19.—Religious services under the auspices of the Knights Templar were held in the pavilion on this afternoon. There was a terrible crush, 8,000 persons being in the building, and 4,000 others, who continued to make every effort to obtain an entrance. Although a large police force was present, they were unable to control the crowds, the greater number of officers being engaged in carrying off fallen worshippers. The pavilion was about 2 miles in from the city. Hon. H. H. Wilson had half over the people compelled to stand outside and the latter stopped. Wilson was over. The rain was very heavy.

A DESTRUCTIVE STORM.

Bellville, Aug. 18.—A very severe thunder storm passed over this section this afternoon. In Amherstburg the bare of McMillan, Peacock were struck by lightning and burst, with the greater part of the army’s crop; loss \$20,000, insured for \$300.

The school at the Centre church was also struck; Jacob Wilson’s home near Rossmore, village was slightly damaged, and an old lady prostrated. In the city Wm. Knight’s house was struck and the chimney fell off.

The Womans have the reputation of being skilled in the profession.

OPERATORS STRIKE.

Encouraging Work—A Scrabble among the Telegraphers for their old Places—Some Left.

New York, Aug. 26.—The main office of the Western Union was besieged this morning by nearly 200 operators, seeking reinstatement. Both sides of the girls were among them. Only the best were taken back. All the branch offices will be open Monday. It will take about two weeks before positions can be found for the reinstated strikers. A number of the operators and all the line men still say the strike is not ended. A few of the strikers repeat that their holding out is to be retained.

Master Workman Mitchell said: “We should retain our organization intact, we will probably have to be even more secret about it.” The girls say the line men are very bitter in their strikes on the order to return to work and had the blame to the old girls.

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Last Night’s and To-day’s Events—Condensed Down For Busy Readers.

Stirred anti-Semitic outbreaks in South have been suppressed. The English-speaking tunnel scheme is rapidly growing in favour in England. The bombardment of Hoe has been commenced by the French. At Alexandria there were 57 deaths on Sunday from cholera.

Glass workers in Pennsylvania are appealing from Knights of Labor and joining the American Flint Glass Works Association.

The English missionary Shaw, imported by the French at Madagascar, has been released.

The death from cholera in Egypt on Saturday were 310, including five at Cairo.

oland, the Belgian journalist, unable to prove his charge of bribing two members of the Chamber of Deputies, has been expelled from France.

An Irish bishop will go to America to raise \$10,000 to supplement the \$10,000 set apart by the Irish Tramway Bill for emigration in Ireland.

Rodgee Duke Vaughan, Catholic Arch-bishop of Sydney, New South Wales, died at Liverpool suddenly.

At Saratoga it is reported that 1,100 horses have been sold to Lordships for sixty thousand dollars.

Gov. Hubbard, of Connecticut, has lost his fortune of a quarter of a million in Wall street.

A fire in the Eclipse lubricating works at Franklin, Pa., largest of the kind in the world, broke out last night. The loss reached \$1,000,000.

As O’Brien, House Rule member of Parliament, and some friends were shooting on the O’Brien property in Limerick, Friday, they were compelled to desist by a mob.

Casanova, recently destroyed by the Indian earthquake, is being rapidly rebuilt.

The value of imports and exports of the United States for the past year show a large increase.

After a protracted debate, chartered by great bitterness on the part of the Home Rulers, the imperial Government finished the Supply Bill, and gave a third reading to the Irish Tramways Act.

In London applications are invited for \$450,000 sterling for four years to tenants of Toronto for a forty years term, at fifty-five per cent.

King Alfonso is receiving many manifestations of loyalty to the throne in his tour through the Spanish provinces.

Documents have been seized comprising the Masonic society in the revolution agitation.

The bombardment of Hoe will probably be made to-day. The French hope to paralyze the enemy by the occupation of Hoe, the residence of the Asiatic sovereign always being deemed a sort of holy city.

Forty-six thousand immigrants arrived in the United States in July, a decrease of nearly 10,000 as compared with July of last year. The number arrived in the Dominion during the present year is 121,000, an increase of 7,000.

Judges Ferguson and Patterson have delivered judgment in favor of the petitioners in the West Simcoe election petition, unseating J. O. Phelps, on the ground of corrupt practices, in the free distribution of liquor.

Mr. Davis, editor of the Regina Leader, a Conservative and admirer of Sir John Macdonald, has visited Rail Portage, and does not hesitate to say that the town ought to be under the jurisdiction of Ontario.

Tower: Having been notified by the police authorities that he would not be permitted to attempt to swim the Niagara whirlpool, Capt. Rhodes declares that he will not make the attempt. Capt. Rhodes is somewhat like the man who got angry and threw up his sash just because his employer told him he was discharged.

The Handy Revolver.

London, Aug. 15.—In the House of Commons to-day Mr. Gladstone rebuked the habitual violence of language used by Mr. Healey. He and Mr. Healey’s utterances deserved the severest reprobation. They were calculated to stimulate national hatred which it had been Mr. Gladstone’s desire to mitigate, and to provoke extenuation. He regretted that Mr. Healey should have uttered the words of Ireland as an excuse. Mr. Gladstone was frequently interrupted by Mr. Biggar. The chairman pleaded with Mr. Biggar if he did not dissent he would name him. Mr. Healey in responding was very defiant. He declared there was a state of war between England and Ireland which would become physical warfare if the Irish had power to engage in a struggle.

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