

Local and Other Items.

TROTTING.—We are requested to state that the green race for the harness will take place on Hillsborough ice to-morrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

LECTURE AT CORRAN BAN.—Bannerman Warburton, Esq., will deliver a lecture at Corran Ban on the evening of Tuesday, 5th March next.

SALE OF A NEWSPAPER.—A New York despatch says that W. J. Arkell, of Jersey, has bought Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper for \$400,000.

A HARMLESS AFFAIR.—The Philadelphia Ledger is of the opinion that the prize fight of the period is about as dangerous to the participants as an editorial duel in France.

IMPORTANT.—The children who are practicing the "Twining of the May Pole" and the "Grand Amazonian March," will please meet at the rink this (Wednesday) evening, at 7.30.

A MILD INSINUATION.—This is how the Chatham World puts it: Life is too short to follow a grinning, conceited, jumping-jack prevaricator through the mazes of his mendacity.

ADJOURNED.—The meeting of the Liberal-Conservative Association for King's County has been adjourned until Tuesday, the 12th March, at 2 p. m.—then to be held at Georgetown Hall.

DEATH IN THE LOZENGE.—A daughter of W. B. Burgess, of the St. Catherine's, Ont., Daily Star, aged 18 months, ate some clove of potato lozenges one night recently, and died shortly after.

HILLSBOROUGH RINK.—In consequence of the Children's Carnival, there will be skating this week on Thursday afternoon and curling on Friday afternoon—the skaters and curlers having agreed to exchange.

CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL.—The Children's Carnival, on Friday evening, was so well-livened by a "May Pole Dance" and an "Amazonian March." It will undoubtedly be an attractive entertainment.

HER KEEL DAMAGED.—The schooner Willie Irving, Captain Yates, from Souris, which went ashore near Salem, was floated on Thursday night and towed to Boston. It is thought that her keel is somewhat damaged.

Let quality, not quantity, be the test of a medicine. Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the concentrated extract of the best and purest ingredients. Medical men everywhere recommend it as the surest and most economical blood medicine in the market.

CHOKED TO DEATH.—F. Cohen, shopkeeper of Ladbark, Ont., was the victim of strangulation a few days ago. He had an ulcerated tooth and the swelling therefrom spread to his throat. He was trying to swallow some milk when he choked and death at once ensued.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES.—The evangelistic services conducted in the Athenaeum every evening by Miss Bartlett are increasing in interest. The Hall was rendered more comfortable last evening by the addition of another stove. Service again this evening at half-past seven.

A FREAK OF NATURE.—Mr. John Wallace, collector of Customs at Hillsboro, N. B., has a cow which gave birth a few days ago to a curiosity in the shape of a calf with two distinct heads and shoulders, four forelegs, two hind legs and two tails. The calf was dead.

PARNELL'S HEALTH GOOD.—The Philadelphia Press says: "It is not true that the health of Charles Stewart Parnell is critically affected, and he is likely to suffer collapse. Mrs. Parnell, his mother, yesterday received a cable message stating that Parnell never was better—so his doctor says."

AT HIS OLD TRICKS.—A special from Missingville, Montana, says that about 150 of Sitting Bull's followers have left the agency at Standing Rock and gone up the Big Missouri River. It is said that Sitting Bull has inspired them with hostility toward the whites and trouble is expected.

BIG LOSS.—A loss of \$45,000 was caused by the explosion of turpentine on Monday morning in the three-story and basement brick building, 63 and 65 Canal Street, Chicago. A third of the loss is on the building owned by S. B. Richards and the remainder is divided among half a dozen manufacturing firms, all well insured.

ORCHESTRA.—The musical public should not forget the concert to be given at the Y. M. C. A. Hall, on Tuesday night next. All should try to make their arrangements so as to be able to attend. There will be a greater variety in the numbers of the programme than has ever been placed before the public, so as to suit the musical tastes of all. The orchestra parts are well worked up, and we can safely say that those who attend the concert will be more than delighted. Programme in next Saturday's issue.

BLIZZARD IN NEW YORK.—A blizzard prevailed throughout Western New York all day Saturday. The thermometer dropped below zero on Friday night and heavy gales with fine snow blocked the railroads. The snow drifted ten to fifteen feet deep at places and trains were five to seven hours late. A passenger train was stalled three hours between Murray and Holley, the drifts being over the car windows. Five engines pulled it out. The Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg road abandoned its western division.

A VERY MEAN MAN.—The Moncton Times says: Last month a young man arrived in town and put up at one of our hotels. The proprietor, ascertaining that he belonged to the same church as he, tendered him the use of his pew. The young man thanked him for his kindness, and accepted the invitation. Last week, however, his estimation of the obliging hotel keeper lessened considerably when he received a bill of 75 cents for one month's pew rent.

SOCIAL ENTERTAINMENT.—A correspondent writes: The social held at Mr. W. McMillan's, Alberry Plains, on Friday evening, in aid of the poor of that place, was a decided success. Over 100 persons were present. The blooming youth of Perth were there, and Edith's Road produced its share of attractions to enliven the entertainment. After partaking of the choice viands spread for the occasion, the company were entertained with vocal and instrumental music, speeches, &c., till the wee sma' hours. The ladies deserve great credit for this, their first undertaking for so laudable an object. We are happy to learn that the receipts exceeded their expectations.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.

PARNELL COMMISSION.

PIGOTT MAKES A CONFESSION.

The Letters Were Forged.

PIGOTT TO HAVE BEEN ARRESTED

But Escapes in the Night.

LONDON, Feb. 26.

Pigott has made a confession that the letters in the Parnell case are forgeries. Before the Commission opened this morning, the Judges had a private consultation in their room. It is reported they were considering a proposition of the Times to withdraw from the case, to which the Parnellites very strongly objected. The withdrawal of the Times would put a stop to the proceedings and the Irish leaders would have no chance to refute the slanders which have been heaped upon them during the past three months. It would also involve the winding up of the Commission, for which nobody is prepared, and with which nobody but the Times would be satisfied. Should the Times persist in its intention, as rumored, the court will probably bring about a suspension of trial by adjourning until both sides are ready to resume, or the court decides the investigation must go on. The statements of Pigott having been read, counsel for the Times, after consultation, decided to call no witness to-day, and, saying they were not ready to proceed, asked the court to adjourn to enable them to consider what course to pursue. The Commission granted the request, and at 2.30 p. m. adjourned till to-morrow.

Before adjourning to-day, they issued a warrant for the arrest of Pigott, on charges of perjury and forgery. The Times' detectives appear to have kept no watch over him, and he was allowed to escape during the night.

Mr. Parnell has abandoned his appeal in the Scotch case against the Times.

Dr. McGuire, colleague of Secretary Houston, in the Royal and Patriotic League, is dead. It is reported he had a stroke of apoplexy upon hearing that Pigott had fled.

When court adjourned for the day Sir Richard Webster said the counsel would take the opportunity to consider whether they would resume any part of the case.

The Commission issued an order for seizure of papers and effects left by Pigott at his hotel. Among them was found a bundle of letters, one of which particularly bore on the present case.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT

Summary of Proceedings.

OTTAWA, Feb. 26.

In the Commons to-day, Hon. John Costigan rising to a question of privilege cited a statement appearing in the Canadian opposition press based on certain correspondence in the Auditor General's report, and which had been tortured to insinuate that he had control of the secret service fund, and had, in all probability, rewarded the informer Le Caron out of that fund for the services he was supposed to have performed for the Canadian Government. Hon. Mr. Costigan said the correspondence between him and the Auditor-General related to money spent in the preventive service of the Inland Revenue which he had a right to expend without stating the names of the recipients, did he so desire, but out of the increase of expenditure of the preventive service all that had been paid to parties not named during the eight years he had been in office had been only between \$500 and \$700, and this had been paid to Canadians for service rendered in Canada. So far as the man LeCaron is concerned, he had never heard of him until he saw his name in the paper.

Hon. Wilfred Laurier rose to call the attention of the House to the position of the fisheries question, concerning which he considered no satisfactory information had so far been given to the House. Upon it the Government appeared to have no policy save a policy of halting and vacillating until the time for consideration was passed. He moved the following resolution: "That in view of the rejection by the Senate of the United States of the Washington Treaty of 1888, and unfortunate and regretted differences existing between Canada and the United States on the fishery question, the House is of the opinion that steps should be taken at an early day by the Government of Canada for a satisfactory adjustment of such differences and the securing of unrestricted freedom in the trade relations of the two countries, and that in any negotiations entered upon for such purposes Canada should be directly represented by some one nominated by its government, and to prevent such negotiations being unfavorably entered upon, and to afford evidence of the anxious desire of Canada to promote good feeling and remove all subjects of controversy, the House is of opinion that the *modus vivendi*, proposed on behalf of the British Government to the government of the United States, with respect to the fisheries, should continue in operation during the coming fishing season.

Sir John Macdonald said that in all fairness Mr. Laurier should have given notice of his resolution as would have enabled the Government to take it up paragraph by paragraph, or sentence by sentence. It seems to provide for three things: that Canada should seek a new treaty; that she should keep the *modus vivendi* in force, and that she should seek Unrestricted Reciprocity. Taking up first Mr. Laurier's advice that the Government should admit themselves in the wrong, Sir John said the advice certainly could not be accepted. Not only were the Government right, and did so claim, but the President of the United States had officially admitted the justice

of every one of their contentions. In token of acknowledgment of Canada's right the *modus vivendi* was accepted under this, the United States agreeing to pay Canada for rights which the Opposition now said were not possessed by her, and which the United States once claimed as theirs without payment, though they had now abandoned that claim. He had every reason to believe that there would be at an early day a friendly settlement of the questions at issue between the two countries. He had no official communications, but unofficially he had knowledge that there was a likelihood of the renewal of the negotiations. He declared that while the people of Canada would resent any humiliation of their national honor, yet they are more than anxious to enter into the most free relations with the United States, so far as the interest of Canada would allow. These interests had always been developed under the present government. As for the resolution of the leader of the Opposition he could tell that gentleman that it would meet with the indignant opposition of the people of Canada just as it would be rejected by the House.

After recess the debate was continued by Mr. Mills, Hon. Geo. E. Foster and Mr. Edgar. Dr. McDonald, of Huron, moved the adjournment of the debate and the House adjourned at 10.50 o'clock.

Montreal Murmurings.

MONTREAL, Feb. 26.

Archbishop Fabre arrived from Rome to-day and was the object of a magnificent demonstration in the streets and a great religious ceremony in Notre Dame Church, where ten thousand people sang the *Te Deum*.

The assessable property of Montreal increased in value \$6,000,000 last year. The total amount is \$86,000,000, with \$18,000,000 exempt.

Yesterday Ralph Husson, a consumptive, arrived here from England to marry a girl named Mary Muleahy to whom the Englishman was engaged. A clergyman was called in and the couple made one, and exactly two minutes after the ceremony was ended Husson expired.

Who Will Be Appointed?

TORONTO, Feb. 26.

Professor Young, the great metaphysician of University College, died yesterday, already the air is full of rumors about his successor. Professor Schurman, of Cornell, formerly of Acadia College, and still more recently of Dalhousie, Nova Scotia, is, according to the *World* of this morning, a candidate.

Weather Bulletin.

TORONTO, Feb. 27.—10 a. m.

Moderate winds; fair weather; stationary or higher temperature.

MARRIED.

At St. Andrew's, on the 26th, by the Rev. Monsignor McDonald, uncle of the bride, John J. McDonald, of St. Peter's Harbor, to Isabella McDonald, of St. Peter's Lake.

DIED.

At New Glasgow, on the 23rd inst., John C. Binns, jr., aged 20 years.

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A Favorite and Most Valuable Remedy for all Throat and Lung Diseases.

It has cured hundreds of cases considered hopeless. It soothes, heals and strengthens the diseased or irritated Throat and Lungs in a very short time. Just a few doses will cure a fresh cold if taken in time. Price 50 cents per bottle. For sale at the Drug Stores.

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Notice of Meeting.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Merchants' Bank of Prince Edward Island, for the election of Directors and receiving a statement of the affairs of the Bank, will be held at the Banking Office on THURSDAY, March 7th, at the hour of Eleven o'clock, a. m.

ORCHESTRA.

MR. VINNICOMBE, Assisted by his Pupils and some of the best Vocal and Instrumental Talent of the City, will give one of their

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Tuesday, 5th of March.

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JAS. PATON & CO.

From Now until the First of April we will offer

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FINE CARPETINGS

Oil Cloths, Mattings, and all kinds of House Furnishings.

Our Magnificent Stock of Brussels, Scotch, Hemp, Velvets, Canadian, Jute, Tapestry, Union, etc., with Rugs, Bordering and Stair Carpet to match, will be cleared out lower than ever before.

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Mantle and Ulster Cloths, Jackets, Furs, Wool Shawls, Squares, Hosiery, Underclothing, Corsets, White, Red and Grey Flannels, Embroidery, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, &c.

Mens' Coatings, Worsted, Tweeds, Shirtings, Underclothing, W. P. Coats, &c., &c.

Blankets, Quilts, Table Linen, Towelings, &c.

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February 19, 1889—dy & wky

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