

Local and Other Items.

MARCH—comes in like a lamb.

THE STYLE—for March, is at the Diamond Bookstore.

RINK.—Do not fail to see the Twining of the May Pole, and the great Amazonian March at the Carnival to-night.

CARNIVAL.—A large number of ladies, gentlemen and children will take part in the Carnival in the Hillsborough Rink this evening. Doors open at 7.15 p. m.

CRICKET.—A series of matches for the "Red and Green," will be commenced shortly between sides chosen by the President and Vice-President of the Club.

Y. M. C. A.—Rev. Jas Carruthers will conduct the Young Men's Bible Class this evening at 8 o'clock in the new parlour. All ages are invited—young men especially.

A CHOICE HOG.—Mr. David Brown, of Little York, brought to market to-day a very choice hog, which tipped the scales at 682 lbs. and was bought by Messrs. Saunders & Newson, at 6 1/2 cents per pound.

EXPRESS.—The business of the Intercolonial Express will be resumed on Monday, 4th inst. Parcels to be despatched on that date must be left at the office not later than eight o'clock to-morrow (Saturday) evening.

HEAVY PORKER.—Messrs. Matheson, Toombs & Co. purchased a carcass of pork from Mr. Neil J. McNeill, of West River, to-day, which tipped the scale at 741 lbs. The price paid was 6 1/2 cents per pound.

COUNTY COURT.—The next sitting of the County Court of Queen's County will be held at Charlottetown, on Tuesday, the 26th of March, inst. The last day for issuing summonses for the March Term is Saturday, the 10th inst.

A SUCCESSFUL YEAR.—The Bank of British North America reports a net profit of £5,058 for 1888, and a dividend of 30 shillings per share, making a total dividend of 7 1/2 per cent. for the year. There is a balance of £1,407 and the reserve funds are now £250,000.

BAD ACCIDENT.—Rev. J. Bland, while descending from the pulpit of the Depot Church, Kingston, Ont., on Sunday last, fell, breaking his right leg at the thigh and dislocating it at the hip. He had only just recovered from an operation performed on the same leg in New York.

TO-NIGHT.—The Children's Carnival will be held in the Hillsborough Rink this evening. The doors will be open at 7.15 and skating will begin at 7.30, opening with the "Amazonian March." The "Twining of the Maypole" will take place about eight o'clock.

SOMETHING UNUSUAL.—An old subscriber sends the *Pictou Standard* the following item: Of three women living in one house in Elgin, Pictou County, there are three wives, three mothers, three mothers in law, three grand-mothers, two great grand-mothers, one daughter and one daughter in law.

NEBRASKA'S SEVERE WINTER.—A Loud City, Neb., despatch says that Charles Hunt and his son Edward, farmers, started for home last Thursday evening. On Sunday they were found near the house, the son dead and the father so badly frozen that he will be crippled for life. The thermometer registered 10 degrees below zero.

Literary and Scientific Institute.

Last evening, the Institute spent a very profitable time listening to and discussing Hon. D. Laird's paper on "The effect of forests on the rainfall."

The Y. M. C. A. Parlor was well filled with a select audience, and the learned lecturer was followed throughout with great attention, and frequently applauded.

After stating the composition of the air and the causes which bring about the formation of rain, and why it is that some countries are deluged with water while others are arid deserts where never a drop is seen, and giving statistics of the rainfall in various parts of the world, he came to the question at issue, and showed that the destruction of the forests of a country produced droughts. He instanced the Island of St. Helena, where the original forests were destroyed, and found that the rainfall, which before had been plentiful, almost ceased. They replanted the island, and have succeeded in bringing back the rains.

Experiments in France and Prussia, he said, prove that the evergreen forests have the effect of condensing the watery vapour in the air, and show a rainfall in the woods ten per cent greater than in the open plain. A dry champagne country has a tendency to dissipate any clouds that come over it by warming the air, and so making it capable of holding more moisture in suspension.

Another good effect of woods was that they retained the water that fell in them, to a great extent, protecting it from too rapid evaporation, and so kept the springs and streams supplied, which would otherwise run dry, as we see they have done very often, when the trees are all cut away.

The lecture was followed by a short debate, opened by the President, C. Palmer, Esq., and in which the following gentlemen took part:—J. Newson, D. McKenzie, Dr. Loeming, P. McCourt, F. W. L. Moore, A. E. Morrison, W. L. Cotton and R. Angus.

Mr. Laird was then tendered a cordial vote of thanks, and asked to allow his paper to be published.

Mr. A. A. Bartlett is to be requested to read his lecture, "The Conquest of Mexico," next week. If he is unable to comply, a paper on "The English Constitution" will probably be read by F. W. L. Moore.

—Mr. Gladstone, in a letter to the *Times*, says: "That paper's recent article on the Haverdon evictions was based upon the misstatements, and he complained of the failure of the *Times* to print subsequent explanations or make an apology. He requests the *Times* now, as an act of decency and justice, to print the explanations from the *Liverpool Post*, which, he says, will occupy less space than the original article. Mr. Gladstone continues, "You wanton intrusion on a private domain, so alien to the honorable traditions of the British press, has compelled me to be thus of recurring impertinence in troubling the public with my personal affairs." In conclusion Mr. Gladstone records his full approval of his son's proceedings.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

THE PARNELL AFFAIR.

THE ENGLISH PRESS CENSURES THE "TIMES."

Some of the Comments.

LONDON, Feb. 28. The London journals now turn around and read the *Times*. When the special commission reports the result of the Parnell investigation to the House, the obligation of silence will cease and a debate will begin which is likely to have the most important results. The *Daily News* says "The *Times* tried to destroy Parnell. Parnell has destroyed the *Times*. Never again shall any man who respects himself read its base accusations, without a smile of languid disgust. The *Times* is no representative of the English press. We do not hesitate to say that no other English paper would be capable of engaging in the abominable traffic which has led the *Times* to such a dismal depth of infamy."

Mr. Smith has withdrawn the pamphlet on Parnellism and Crime from his book-stalls. The *Standard*, referring to the collapse of the *Times*' case with regard to the forged Parnell letters, asks why Parnell did not take the means himself to prove that the letters alleged to have been written by him were forgeries. "He would thus," the *Standard* says, "have saved himself, the public and Parliament from all trouble, anxiety and suspense. As he refrained from pursuing this course, he compelled the public to draw its own conclusions, and if the inference has been so injurious to him, fairness compels us to state he has only himself to blame."

DOMINION PARLIAMENT

Summary of Proceedings.

OTTAWA, Feb. 28. The Speaker took the chair at 3 o'clock, when several petitions were presented and read.

Adam Brown moved that his bill for the further prevention of cruelty to animals be again considered in committee on Monday. Mr. Tisdale moved in amendment that bill be considered six months hence. He made this amendment, he said, so that the House could dispose of the bill once for all.

The House then divided on Mr. Tisdale's amendment. The result was a tie; ninety-one on each side. The Speaker voted nay, so as to keep the bill before the House.

The House divided on Mr. Brown's motion that the bill be considered in committee on Monday next, which was carried by 96 to 92.

Two bills from the Senate were introduced by Sir John Thompson, an act permitting the conditional release of first offenders in certain cases, and an act relating to bills of lading.

Hon. John Haggart introduced a bill to amend the act respecting the postal service. The second reading of the anti-combine bill being called, and Sir John Thompson asking that the bill stand.

Mr. Clark Wallace asked if, in view of the fact that the Government would take Thursdays after this in addition to the present Government days, it would be promised that the Bill would be reached.

Sir John Thompson said he would promise that if the House so desired the bill would get its second reading in time.

A similar promise was made with respect to Mr. Purcell's bill for the protection of railway contractors' employes.

Sir John Macdonald moved the adjournment of the House, as he said there would be a long sitting to-morrow night in order to reach a vote on Mr. Laurier's resolution. House adjourned at 9.50.

News from Toronto.

TORONTO, Feb. 28. Watters' bill to confer parliamentary suffrage on widows and spinsters, was defeated in the Legislature by 56 to 72. The vote in the legislative assembly against woman suffrage is generally regarded as a crushing blow to that movement. Leading men on both sides voted against it.

The Toronto branch of the Irish National League has called the following to Parnell: C. S. PARNELL, House of Commons, London, Eng.

"Toronto branch of Irish National League congratulates you and your colleagues on your triumph."

Small pox has broken out in a rural district in Elgin County, and steps have been taken to isolate the place and extirpate the disease.

Prof. Young will be honored with an academic funeral, which will include a procession of teachers, students and graduates of the University of Toronto, and will start from Convocation Hall, in which the services will be held.

The *Globe* mentions the name of Prof. Watson of Queen's in connection with the vacancy caused by the death of Prof. Young.

Principal MacVicar, of Montreal, has a letter in to-day's *Mail* on the Jesuits, advocating an appeal to the sovereign under the pressing belief that the Queen's Council would disallow the act.

Dr. McVicar also declares that the Protestant committee would be acting in direct opposition to those they represent is the \$60,000 share is accepted.

The Prime Minister Resigns.

ROME, Feb. 28.

Prime Minister Crispi has resigned in order to avoid an inevitable hostile vote on the Government measure providing for additional taxation. Such vote would have rendered it difficult for Crispi to form a new cabinet. It is expected that King Humbert will ask Crispi to re-form the Ministry. Several present members of the Cabinet will be retained and others chosen from the part of the left.

Suppressing the League.

PARIS, Feb. 28. The Government has decided to suppress the Patriotic League. Several arrests have already been made on the allegation that they were disrespectful to a commissary of police. It is believed that the suppression of the Patriotic League is the first of a series of steps to suppress Boulangerism under the pretext of discovering the organization of the League. The Chamber of Deputies to-day adopted an expression of friendly sentiments towards Russia.

The Recent Railway Accident.

TORONTO, Feb. 28. The railway accident of the Southern Division of the Grand Trunk Railway, at St. George, near Paris, is to-day the theme of much public discussion. The bridge was never suspected of being unsound. It was an iron one of trestle work on stone piers and the general opinion is that a broken axle caused the destruction. Nine persons were killed and a large number severely injured.

His Appointment Confirmed.

LONDON, Feb. 28. Sir Julian Pauncefote's appointment as British Minister to the United States is semi-officially confirmed.

Weather Bulletin.

TORONTO, March 1.—10 a. m. Moderate winds; fair, mild weather.



- Courtald's Crapes.
- Balmoral Crapes.
- Crape Cloths.
- Black French Merinoes.
- Black French Cashmeres.
- Black Hindoo Cashmeres.
- Black Henrietta Cloths.
- Black Serges.
- Black Dress Cloths.
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- Crape Fringes.
- Dull Jet Trimmings.

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Popular Orchestral Concerts

Y. M. C. A. HALL,

Tuesday, 5th of March.

Particulars will be given shortly. feb13

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MILK COW FOR SALE.—A choice young fresh-calved Cow, large size, of Ayrshire and Jersey breeds. Enquire at this office. mch1-31 pd

WANTED.—A Girl for general work. Apply to Mrs. W. H. STEWART, Cumberland St. mch1-14

WANTED.—A Girl for general housework in a small family. Good references required. Apply to Mrs. HAZEN, at Mrs. Young's, Fitzroy Street. 31-mch1

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.—An experienced Saleswoman. References required.—BEER Bros. 21-mch1

NOTICE.—A party from the country is desirous of purchasing the Stock and good will of an established Boot and shoe Store centrally located in Charlottetown. Address "T." EXAMINER office, stating cash value of Stock and rent of Store. All communications strictly confidential. 21-feb23

PANT MAKERS WANTED at D. A. BRUCE'S. 14-feb26

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.—A smart Parcel Boy. Must have good references as to character.—BEER Bros. feb27

WANTED.—A Girl for general housework. Apply to Mrs. DAVID SMALL, Poyvaal St. feb27-61 eod

WANTED.—For breeding purposes, a good, sound, young Mare, from 3 to 6 years old, to weigh not less than 1300 lbs. State price, age, color, weight, breed, etc. Address, J. F. CUNNINGHAM, Antigonish, N. S. pd 14-feb23

WANTED.—For a Dry Goods Store in the city, an experienced Milliner. Address "Merch." P. O. Box 328, stating experience and wages wanted. 41-feb23

OVERSEERS WANTED EVERYWHERE at home or to travel. We wish to employ a reliable person in your county to tack up advertisements and show cards of Electric Goods. Advertisements to be tacked up everywhere, on trees, fences and turnpikes, in conspicuous places, in town and country, in all parts of the United States and Canada. Steady employment; wages \$2.50 per day; expenses advanced; no talking required. Local work for all or part of the time. Address with stamp, EMORY & Co., Managers, 241 Vine St., Cincinnati, O. No attention paid to postal cards. 161-feb19

TWO LET.—On or before the 1st May, that new Double Tenement House, with Stables attached, on the corner of Hillsborough and Easton Streets. For terms apply to Mrs. J. PATON. feb17

JAS. PATON & CO.

From Now until the First of April we will offer

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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.

OUR REASONS for selling the above at such low prices are:—1st. We have always made Special Reductions to Cash Customers at this season of the year. 2nd. Our Store is Headquarters for these Goods, and we do not want one yard of last year's Carpets to remain over for the coming season; and we want to still further demonstrate the undisputed fact that OURS is the LEADING CARPET HOUSE ON THE ISLAND.

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From 15 to 33 1/2 per Cent. Discount.

My Whole Stock of Dry Goods, &c., will be offered at the above Discount for Cash,

Comprising Black and Colored Dress Goods, Velvets, Plushes, Velvetens, Silks, Satins, Trimmings, &c., &c.

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.

SALE POSITIVE, and will continue until the whole is disposed of.

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If the spring is backward, we are forward; if the season is late, we are on time with the finest quality, newest style and lowest price in ENGLISH AND AMERICAN HARD AND SOFT FELT HATS.

As "The Wonderful Cheap Man" has, for the past eight years, taken the lead in this line, we are bound to hold our past reputation, and keep the style up, quality forward, and price down. Come down and see the boys, and if you forget the name ask for "The Wonderful Cheap Man."

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