

GIRLS IN CAPTIVITY.

Missionary's Daughters in the Hands of Natives.

LONDON, Wednesday, March 22.—The correspondent of the Chronicle at Liverpool says he has received from a usually reliable informant in Sierra Leone a communication declaring that there is strong reason to believe that the daughters of an American missionary, who was killed in the late uprising at Mendu, was carried into the interior, where they remain in the hands of natives. The girls were 18 and 16 years old. Their father was killed outright by the natives, and their mother was outraged and horribly tortured before she was finally killed. The bodies of the missionary and his wife were found but nothing could be learned regarding the fate of the girls until now.

The authorities at Sierra Leone are reticent regarding the matter, but they have repeatedly instructed officers operating in the interior to use every possible means to learn what became of the girls and to offer rewards for their discovery.

THE APPOINTMENT OF SECONDS

Suggested by Baron Russell Before War is Interred Upon.

LONDON, March 22.—At a meeting held in this city in support of the peace conference, Baron Russell, of Killowen, lord chief justice of England, delivered a speech, in the course of which he said that the only hopeful sign of a desire to substitute arbitration for war were at present to be found in this country. He added that he looked for success in the direction of the Czar's suggestion that in quarrels between nations the system adopted in duels should be followed—that is that each party to a dispute, before a second, should have to appoint a second. Thus, time would be given for reflection, and the intervention of two independent friendly powers would tend to prevent an outbreak of hostilities.

Baron Russell was careful to make an allusion to America, but it was evident that the desire of the meeting was that the United States should be Great Britain's second should ever the occasion arise.

ESTEEMED EXCHANGES.

Moncton Times: Sir Wilfrid Laurier, it is said, has a new story entitled "The Losers Win," based on the prohibition plebiscite. It is certain of a large sale in Quebec.

Ottawa Journal: Mr. Bell, the Liberal member who spoke first in Parliament yesterday, dilated upon the economy of the Laurier administration, but the queer thing was he forgot to give credit where the chief credit for Liberal economy is perceptible, "namely the Dominion Senate."

Montreal Gazette: It is painful to hear Mr. Bell, M. P., speaking from the Liberal side of the House of Commons, with a Liberal Government's brief in his hands, almost refer to the people of the United States as "selfish, grasping, and on the lookout for a hard bargain." It looks as if the chief possessor of the sunny smile had found the loved American heart intractable.

Difference Between Them.

A story about Gladstone and Disraeli has been going the rounds in various versions. A Conservative member of Parliament is said to have stated in an epigram his opinion of the comparative merits of the two statesmen as follows: "I prefer our second to your lunatic." Now comes Mr. Bosham-Carter, who says he heard the remark when it was first made. It was addressed to the well known Liberal, the late T. B. Potter, and was made by Mr. Bremley Davenport, "the best ideal of the Tory country gentleman." What he said was: "Your leader is a dangerous lunatic; mine only an unscrupulous rogue."

ONTARIO'S MINERALS.—Gold production in Ontario in 1898 amounted to 16,07 ounces valued at \$271,906. This is against \$190,244 in 1897. The estimated fine copper produced in 1898 is 8,373,590 pounds, and of fine nickel 5,467,690 pounds. The value computed at the selling price at the works is: For copper, \$263,080 and for nickel, \$514,220, or a total for both metals of \$782,300. In 1897 the value of copper was \$300,067, and nickel, \$359,651, making a total of \$659,718. The product of pig iron for 1898 is 48,253 short tons, valued at \$540,789. This industry gave employment to 130 workmen, whose earnings for the year were \$61,476.

A FATAL FIRE.—One evening last week an exploding lamp set fire to the house of John Moore, at Hutchinson, Kansas, and his five children, from 3 to 12 years of age, were burned.

LEO XIII'S POEM.

Translation of Latin Hexmeter Verses by His Holiness.

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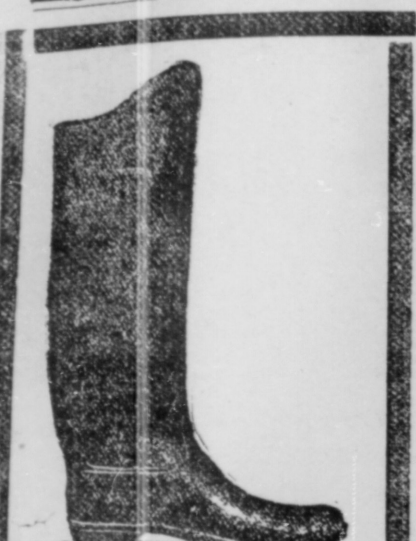
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