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## WHICH IS TO BLAME?

Peter Wheeler the Bear River murderer was hanged at Digby last week. The people of Bear River were irate with the sheriff because he did not make the execution a sort of public festivity, and they came to Digby by the hundreds, to see Wheeler hung, or smash something. The sheriff got ahead of them, for he did his necessary but gruesome job—in the wee sma' hours of the morning. The daily papers vied with each other in giving details of the sad affair. It is far from cheerful reading, but of course appeals to the morbid and curious in human nature.

What Wheeler ate for his last meal, the color of his trousers, his socks, the nature of his last devotions, the expression on his face as the noose was put on his neck, his last utterance a second before the fatal spring, are all given to a sensation thirsting public.

It is uncanny reading, and it is unwholesome reading. They say, who know, that a long description of how a person jumped off Brooklyn bridge, has sent many a crank to trying his skill at the peculiar sport of bridge jumping. Reading of suicide has made weak minded people put an end to themselves. Reading of murders and murderers may have somewhat a relative tendency, among those of vicious dispositions.

Who is to blame for the sickening details of crime—the press, or the public?

Does the press furnish these details and is the public schooled to reading them, or does the public demand the size of the executioner's rope as a piece of high class journalism? There is something rotten—somewhere, in the state of Denmark.

## A WISE RESTRICTION.

Sir Oliver Mowat, Minister of Justice, has refused to confirm the Q. C. appointments made by the retiring conservative administration, and his reasons for so doing are given. He implies that the title is becoming altogether too common in this country, 481 Q. C.'s having been made in Canada since confederation. Had this latter batch been allowed, it would have added 176 names. In England there are only 217 Q. C.'s. Moreover, the minister thinks no further honours of this kind should be awarded, until the constitutional point, now being argued, as to the right of the dominion or the provinces to make these appointments, be settled.

Sir Oliver deserves praise for acting as he has done. If we wish to bring the honorable title of Queen's Counsel into disrepute and ridicule, there is no surer way to do so, than to confer it upon every student-at-law who has "stumped" the country in the interest of the winning party. There is nothing against titles, so long as they are conferred for worth and ability. When they are used as rewards for political heelers, a really prominent man is more honored without than with them. Once upon a time a J. P. was a man of some mark in the community:—now very few escape that honor.

There should be a limit to the number of Q. C.'s, and only really eminent lawyers should have the honor conferred on them. We laugh at the number of "honorables," and "colonels" and "doctors" across the border. Let us beware that title worship does not become as prevalent here as there.

It is said that the murderer in the Meadow Brook tragedy is likely to escape because the operation of the law was so tardy. As it did not occur within the Moncton limits, the authorities of that city would not move, and the county people state that such suits cost too much. This is indeed disgraceful. Our own county council is somewhat penurious, and there are instances where inquests would have been held, had not coroners, naturally, been averse to incurring the censure of the council. Better far to have too many coroners' inquests than too few. It is creditable to a county to err on the liberal side in the matter of such expenditure. We fear that the county of Westmorland is but a sample of other counties in the matter of allowing offenders against the law to escape, rather than spend a few dollars.

An official report regarding lunacy has been issued by the English government. It is found that there are nearly 100,000 lunatics in England and Wales. An exchange, after pointing out that heredity has something to do with lunacy adds:—"The next most important factor is the mental excitement which is a natural adjunct of keen competition in the race for wealth. Modern life is a constant struggle in which the strongest gain some gold, and the weakest perish miserably. Quietude and content are conditions of the past, everybody wants to move fast, they associate the accumulation of money with "progress," and their strongest

desire in life is to "get on." No wonder there are a hundred thousand mad people in England, and that in struggling for wealth so many become mad."

Sir Charles Tupper and Mr. Lister had a very wordy set-to in the Commons recently. According to certain government mouth organs Mr. Lister made Sir Charles "wriggle," and when Mr. Foster took a hand in the debate he was made "roaring, ranting mad." But, opposition papers say that Mr. Lister "withered" under Sir Charles' castigation, and that if he did not get roaring, ranting mad, he was decidedly vexed. What are we to believe? Cannot the government appoint a commission to ascertain who really did the "wriggling and the withering." Do party editors think the public swallow the ridiculous trash they pen about the debates?

What is the matter with the old 67th battalion? Is it cashiered? The 71st are to drill this season, but the 67th has been so long retired, that probably it hardly knows, if it has an existence or not. Yet, it was quite a corps in its day. If it is not to drill, why not have it "superannuated" at once?

Some people are haunted by the fear of being buried alive. A physician, Dr. Carl Barnes says that the X ray affords a sure test as to whether death has taken place, or not. He asserts that the ray will not penetrate the hand of a dead person.

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THE DISPATCH casually happened in, and found the handsome show room filled with pretty and useful vehicles. A handsome job is just completed for Fred Moore. It is a double seated cut under Surrey, full leather extension top, with comfortable lazy back seats, finished in blue cloth. An attractive job, it is. Another pretty affair is a coming with oak top, the wheels and frame being painted in black with red stripe. There is a grand display of road wagons, of various designs. A two seated American wagon, with shifting seat, very convenient for a family may be secured at a bargain. Particular attention is due to some second hand wagons which have been fitted up to look as good as new. A handsome Blackstone, double seated, finished in blue cloth, full leather top, with complete mud fenders, is waiting for some man with sense, who knows a bargain, when he sees it. Hurry up, or the procession will leave you!

## To Depose The Sultan.

News from London says: "It is reported that the powers are seriously considering the question of deposing the Sultan. It is added that important developments are expected from the probable action of the Sheik Ul Islam, whose fiat is necessary for the legal removal of the Caliph. In consequence of the receipt of a peremptory British note, the Sultan of Turkey has issued an irade ordering that the expulsion of Armenians from Constantinople be stopped. The popular feeling of indignation excited by the cruelties of the Sultan against the Armenians and the Christians in Crete will shortly find voice in a series of mass meetings that have been summoned in Birmingham, Manchester and other large cities in England. This feeling is not confined to England, as is evidenced by the fact that a large meeting to denounce the massacres in Anatolia and Crete, and to call upon the powers to put an end to the misgovernment of the Sultan, was held in Berlin yesterday, and further meetings for the same object will soon be held in other places in Germany.

In Paris a number of Armenian students make a tour of the newspaper offices and appealed to the editor to arouse the sympathy of the nation for their suffering and despairing countryman. The students were generally advised to keep quiet until after the visit of the Czar to Paris. They were told that after the Czar had left Paris indignation meetings would have a prospect of success. A few days ago Mr. Gladstone was requested to address a mass meeting to be held at Liverpool for the purpose of condemning the Sultan of Turkey for permitting the massacres of Armenians. In reply to the request Mr. Gladstone has written a letter in which he says: "My opinion of the great assassin and of the disgrace the European powers have allowed him to bring upon them are well known to my countryman, but I do not think that benefit would accrue from my taking part in meetings, however valuable and even obligatory such meetings may be for those still engaged in the active duties of public life."

## Rubbing It In.

Never use a liniment for rheumatism, says a high medical authority. Don't rub it in—drive it out. Take something that removes the acid poison from the blood—take something that will improve your digestion, and build up the body to the perfection of robust health. That "something" is Scott's Sarsaparilla, a remedy that obtains the best results in the shortest time. \$1. of all druggists.

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## No. 1 Caught at Last.

Boulogne, Sept. 13.—Tynan, the notorious "Number one," has been arrested here on a Scotland yard warrant which was issued in 1882. Tynan arrived in Europe by landing in Genoa in August. He proceeded from there to Paris, where he remained for some days consulting with a number of members of the dynamite faction of the Irish party. He has been travelling under the name of George Gordon and other aliases. When he arrived in Boulogne on Friday evening and put up at the Hotel Folkestone, where he did not hesitate to expound his Fenian views. His movements had been watched from the time he had arrived in French territory. The local commissary of police, together with an English detective, burst into his room at 4 o'clock in the morning. The detective held a loaded revolver to his head and threatened to shoot him if he resisted. Tynan admitted his identity. Incriminating papers and a large sum of money were found in his possession. The prisoner was lodged in a cell in the Boulogne police station and he will be arraigned in the morning with a view to his extradition to England.

The warrant on which the arrest is made charged that the prisoner was concerned in the murders of Lord Frederick Cavendish, chief secretary, and Mr. Burke, under secretary for Ireland, in Phoenix Park, adjoining the vice regal lodge in Dublin on May 6, 1882, and with the manufacture of dynamite bombs for use in England.

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