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A Delusive Law.

What the friends of the Scott Act could not believe possible and what was predicted by its opponents as the outcome of its being brought into operation in Northumberland has become a disheartening reality, and the sooner the people recognise and act upon the fact the better it will be for their interests.

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The St. John Centennial Exhibition. St. John is taking hold of the proposed Centennial Exhibition with its usual earnestness in such matters.

The Gilchrist Scholarship. A dispatch of 21st from Fredericton to the St. John Telegraph says, "The result of the examination for the Gilchrist scholarship reached here, to-day, by circular addressed to Dr. Jack.

Political Notes. If by bribery, knavery and cajolery the present Government can retain office, of course there will not be any change in the administration of affairs as long as such means are effective; and to the dishonor of our M. P.'s such means are all too strong.

Messrs. Morton (now Solicitor-General, and recently opposed to the Government) and G. Hudson Flewelling (Governor) were nominated in King's County on Wednesday of last week—the occasion of the election being the death of the late Solicitor-General Crawford, Mr. Morton having accepted the vacant office and being therefore obliged to seek re-election and a new member being required in Mr. Crawford's place.

The Kent election petition will be tried on the 28th inst., notwithstanding the resignation of Messrs. Wheten and LeBlanc. When we say tried, we mean that the Chief Justice will attend

to try it and the petitioner will insist upon his proceeding to hear evidence on the question of personal disqualification. To this the answer will probably be made that the Act does not provide for a judgment in the matter of disqualification unless a judgment be given at the same time on the question of the election, and that the members having resigned, the Court cannot make any order in respect to the election, and consequently, none on the personal matter.—Fredericton Herald.

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From what is known of Mr. Morton's legal attainments we should suppose he was a very unfit person for the situation, that is if more legal acumen is required than is necessary to draw the quarrel salary as it becomes due. He does very little court practice, and is in no way fitted to carry on an important criminal suit.

Hon. Mr. Mitchell's Position. At a lunch given on board one of the new Brazilian line of steamers at Montreal the other day, Hon. Peter Mitchell's name was coupled with a toast as one of the ex-Ministers of the Crown.

"Hon. Peter Mitchell, in replying, said since his name had been associated with the toast, he felt called upon to respond, though he thought it would have been better had Mr. Curran been given the duty, as he was an out-and-out supporter of the present Administration, which was not, being independent in his views, though supporting the present policy of the Government, which he thought was best for the material interests of the country.

Playing "Detective." THE CAMPBELLTON P. O. ROBBERY.—On Sunday night Detective Skeffington went to Newcastle and parties were sent out in search of the robbers. They were traced at Mrs. O'Brien's, on the railway, about ten miles from Newcastle, and are said to have crossed the river at Newcastle after dark on Sunday evening, and were seen by Thos. Coughlan, who noticed them going along the beach, and as he thought they were going away, he followed them, upon which they took to the woods. It is said that they were seen about Skeffington's mill at Nelson on Monday.

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unmanageable in heavy wind or sea. The steamer lost on 14th was the Asia, of the Great Northern Transit Company's line. She had taken the place of the wrecked Manitoulin, which was burned in the early part of the season on the route from Collingwood to Sault Ste. Marie. She left Owen Sound about midnight on Wednesday, 13th, with about one hundred souls aboard, the majority bound for the lumbering shanties. Shortly before noon on Thursday the terrible gale which swept over the country struck the ship, and after rolling heavily in the trough of the sea for about twenty minutes she foundered. A number of the passengers and crew took to the boats, only one of which is known to have landed. This boat contained the only survivors, Mr. D. A. Tinkins, of Manitowaning, and Miss Christy Ann Morrison, from near Owen Sound. Mr. Tinkins' account of the wreck is as follows:—I went aboard the Asia at Owen Sound about midnight on Wednesday. The steamer was crowded, all the staterooms being full, and many passengers lying on the sofas and the cabin floor. All went well until about 11 on Thursday morning, when the storm struck. I was in my berth at the time. My uncle, J. H. Tinkins, jumped up and said the boat was doomed. Dishes and chairs were flying in every direction. We left the cabin and found difficulty in getting on deck, the boat was rolling so heavily. I got a life preserver and put it on. The boat went into the trough of the sea and would not obey her helm. She rolled heavily for about twenty minutes, when she was struck by a heavy sea and foundered, going down with the engines working about half-past eleven. The Asia was making for French River, and had men, horses, and lumbermen's supplies for the shanties there.

I saw three boats lowered. I was in the first boat, and about eight were with me at first. More got in till the boat was overloaded and turned over. Two parties were hanging on to my life preserver, which I displaced and I threw it off. I then left the boat and swam to the captain's boat, which was near by, and asked Mr. John McDougall, purser, to help me in. He said it was lit little use, but gave me his hand. When I got in there were eighteen in the boat I had left. I know nothing of the third boat. Our boat rolled over, and I remember missing poor John McDougall a few minutes after he helped me in. People were hanging on to the spars and other parts of the wreckage.

SUFFERINGS OF SURVIVORS. Our boat was full of water, and the sea was constantly breaking over us. One of the first to die on the boat was the cabin boy. He was lying and being supported by one of the men, when a wave washed him overboard. The next to go was a boat hand. He was near the gunwale, coughing badly, when he jumped out. I could see him paddling around. Our numbers were now reduced to seven, five of whom died before reaching the beach: Capt. Savage, who was the last to die; my arms about midnight on Thursday, Mr. John Little, of Sault Ste. Marie, the mate, McDonald, and two others, names unknown. The boat finally stranded near ten miles from Newcastle, and are said to have crossed the river at Newcastle after dark on Sunday evening, and were seen by Thos. Coughlan, who noticed them going along the beach, and as he thought they were going away, he followed them, upon which they took to the woods. It is said that they were seen about Skeffington's mill at Nelson on Monday.

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time Mr. Plimso's name was mentioned, and yet it is not when all things are considered.

Our reporter next called upon Mr. Barlow Cumberland, agent of the Company, for his views. But he had no views to unfold; he was reticent, and advised that Mr. Beatty, of Thorold, should be written to if full information were desired.

"Does your Company take the names of those to whom they sell tickets, Mr. Cumberland?" "No, no more than railway lines; why should they? If people would consent to pay a fair price for their passages the steamboat service would be better in every respect; but they do not, they even grumble at the present ridiculously low rates."

This being all Mr. Cumberland seemed inclined to say our reporter went once more among the skippers for information.

One of them said that if the hatches were well battened down and the engine-room protected from any sudden rush of water which might sweep the bulwarks away, less accidents would happen. When a boat is heavily laden and sailing on an even keel it is liable to settle down in the trough of the sea; when light, to be driven on in happy-go-lucky fashion, either situation being dangerous and requiring skill and dexterous management to overcome.

As regards the Asia, the following information has been obtained from Messrs. Risley and Menally, of the Steamboat Inspection office. She belongs, or did belong, to the Great Northern Transit Company, and was originally inspected by Mr. Risley, pronounced seaworthy, and chartered to ply between Windsor and Duluth, but was not authorized, on account of her space and equipments, to carry more than forty passengers or to sail on the Georgian Bay.

On the 24th of July last Mr. Beatty, of Thorold, general manager of the Company, applied to Mr. Risley for such an amendment of the charter as would empower the Asia to carry 150 passengers, while the company charter for the boat was leased requested about the same time that the Asia might be permitted to carry 400 passengers; Mr. Risley, according to the revised Marine and Fisheries Act, is empowered to grant authority to steamboat owners to sail on a different route from that described in their charter, but not to give authority to carry more passengers than the charter allowed, and he therefore wrote in reply that if the Company added a 17 feet yawl, 130 life preservers, and had a fire engine placed amidships he would forward their application to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, though certainly not for more than 150 passengers. It is just possible therefore that the Company took up for granted their application would be entertained and acted accordingly, which action was of course illegal, always supposing the report that about 100 people perished is found to have been correct. The Department has instructed Mr. Risley to employ a lawyer at once, who will initiate proceedings against the Great Northern Transit Company. So particular is the law on this passenger question that the charter of the vessel is required to be posted in the most conspicuous place on board, so that he who sails may read; but we need hardly say this is not always done; or that even the best regulated steamboats do not scruple in taking more passengers than the law allows. When the Company applied for the amendment they forwarded their charter to Mr. Risley; so that when the ill-fated vessel went down she had no posted in a prominent or other part of her, which was a gross CONTRAVENTION OF THE LAW.

The Asia was nine years old, and was an ordinary screw steamer. Her commander, Captain Savage, had twelve years' experience on the lakes.

EGYPTIAN NEWS. Cairo, Sept. 21.—Repeated conversations with representative men of all shades show that the country is divided in opinion and sentiment as follows: 1st—the fanatical and effeminate of the Elahzar sectarians are sulky and defiant except in the presence of the British soldiers, who seldom penetrate into the purely Arabic quarters. Yesterday the sectarians spread a report that 5,000 Russians were on their way to Egypt to drive out the English. These sectarians need an iron hand. Examples should also be made of a few of the Ultra-Nationalists who are hand in glove with the sectarians. 2nd. The moderate Nationalists only fear that the English will allow too soon, leaving them at the mercy of the thiefing, communistic city rabble instigated by the sectarians. 3rd. The ignorant, glib-tongued masses whose political aspirations are limited to the minimum of taxation are delighted that all is finished. Europeans are coming into the villages to buy cotton. The cheerful readiness with which the 4,000 soldiers at Tanta surrendered to General Alison with only 500 Gordon Highlanders, proves the joy of the fighting men to return home. The negroes under Abdallah Pasha surrendered Damietta somewhat reluctantly. The opinion of the enlightened classes here is that England is morally bound to establish a strong government.

Examination of the treasury at Cairo proves that about £200,000 sterling have been taken by Arabi Pasha, of which £18,000 have been discovered at the war office. It is probable that other deficits will be found in the department of the interior.

Madrid Sept. 21.—A member of the Madrid Government says that Spain was solicited by Austria, Germany and Italy to join the European concert when the Conference meets to discuss the English proposals for the settlement of the neutrality of the Suez canal and the conditional self-government under the suzerainty of the Porte. Those Powers with Turkey and Russia desire to find a Latin or Mediterranean nation to counter-balance the evident French sympathy with the British policy. The Madrid Government will be in the Conference decidedly averse to any solution that might increase the British preponderance in the Mediterranean. Public opinion in Spain is unanimous against the British power, which the Spaniards consider dangerous for their policy in Morocco. As long as England holds Gibraltar she will find them ready to unite with the Eastern powers against her influence in Europe and the colonies.

Never before has public opinion shown so energetic and bitter hostility to any European nation. Besides, the Court and the Government think the opportunity excellent for Spain to resume her place among the great powers. (The above is probably the invention of some enterprising correspondent, as Spain is not so silly as to pose as one of the "great powers.") She was so many years in putting down her own little Cuba's rebellion that she can now only be laughed, at as a great power. EDITOR.

Alexandria, Sept. 21.—Letters received at the palace state that two nights ago a procession paraded through Cairo shouting

"Allah protect Arabi! Allah destroy that Christian Mohamed Tewfik!" The Khedive has appointed a special commission to enquire into and prosecute authors of outrages committed here in June last. The commission is composed of four Europeans and three natives and is under the presidency of a native. The foreign consulates will be represented at the sittings. These representatives may make communications, but will have no vote. The Khedive has also appointed a similar commission to sit at Tanta to investigate into crimes committed in other parts of Egypt during the rebellion.

The report telegraphed from Cairo that Abdallah Pasha has been shot by his own soldiers is not confirmed. A train of immense length arrived here yesterday from Cairo, bringing several thousand natives, whom it is alleged Arabi forced to leave their homes.

London, Sept. 21.—The Telegraph's Cairo correspondent says Arabi asserts all his acts were done at the instigation of the Khedive and Sultan, and that he was unable to restrain the Egyptian army from fighting. His pay office has been searched and important documents found. Thirty fanatical sheiks have been placed in custody in the citadel. Ahmed Rifaat Pasha, who was appointed Governor of Alexandria some weeks ago, and removed because of the objection made to him by Europeans, has been again appointed Governor. The Khedive appointed Osman Galeb Pasha Prefect of Police of Cairo.

The Daily News' Cairo despatch says: People here are preparing for the illumination in honor of the Khedive's return. There is not a single sign of dissatisfaction. The city is fast filling up with returning refugees. Only one regiment, said to be cavalry, which is in Upper Egypt, remains faithful to Arabi. Arabi shares his prison with Mahmud Fahmy, who is his chief engineer and military adviser. Arabi is suffering from fever and diarrhoea. Crowds surround his prison to ascertain if he will be retained a prisoner, but no one is allowed to see him.

of old iron for the N. S. Forge Co., from the S. S. "Atlantic," wrecked near Halifax, in 1873.

Henry Ward Beecher says of dancing: "It is wicked when it is wicked, and it is not wicked when it is not wicked. In itself it has no more moral character than walking, wrestling, or rowing."

Mrs. Thomas A. Temple, of Lancaster, St. John, has produced a plaster of Paris bust of the late Governor Wilnot, which is highly praised by those who have seen it, and pronounced a capital likeness.

The corporation of Quebec has been commended by the Superior Court to pay twelve hundred dollars and costs to a man named Martin, who was severely injured by a defective sidewalk, which broke under him.

Cetewayo told a Temperance deputation who waited on him in London, that if the English will only keep alcoholic liquors away from his frontier, the Zulus will be sober. They have no distilleries in their country.

Queen Victoria sent a yoke of Spanish oxen to a cattle show on the Isle of Wight. They were richly caparisoned, and were led into the judge's arena hitched to a decorated wagon. They were not entered for competition.

A North Carolina man has invented a folding barrel or hoghead for use in transporting dry materials. The heads may be taken out, the staves rolled together, and the whole thing made barrel shape again with a few quick motions.

The Green Ribbon Army, is the latest rival of the Salvation troop. The first meeting was held in London at the beginning of this month. It is a branch of the temperance "League of the Cross," and is presided over by Cardinal Manning.

The pillars in front of Mr. James Gordon Bennett's Newport residence have been ornamented with bronze owls. They are really gas lamps, the light streaming from their eyes, having a weird effect. There are six of them, two being placed at each entrance.

Murphy disturbed a meeting of the Salvation Army at Oldham, England. Private Kershaw, a muscular exhorter, accepted the challenge to go out and fight. The encounter was a protracted and desperate exhibition of pugilism, but the sinner was whipped.

Two boys, sons of Mrs. George Hopey, of St. Martins, St. John Co., were playing with a loaded gun on Tuesday last week, when they carelessly allowed a twig of a tree to catch the trigger of the gun, fatally discharging the contents into the stomach of the eldest boy.

Robert Murray, Intercolonial R. R. car inspector, while standing on the railway track at Richmond (Halifax), Thursday evening last, was struck by a flat car and terribly mangled, lying in twenty minutes after he had been employed on the railway some twenty years.

On Wednesday evening of last week Henry McAndrews, of St. John, while running along the top of a train of freight-cars, which were being shunted at Sussex, fell between two cars and was run over by the moving train. Both arms were severed from the body and the unfortunate man died at an early hour next morning.

A Toronto despatch says that James Shipp, a passenger in the "Asia" who got off the vessel at Owen Sound, and who speaks of overhearing a conversation between the Inspector and the captain, has arrived in the city. He says he heard the Inspector tell the captain that the "Asia" was unsafe and would never reach French River.

Owing to the reduced state of the home garisons it has been decided to draw one battalion of infantry permanently from Nova Scotia, and the 1st Battalion Royal Munster Fusiliers is not to be replaced at Halifax, which will in future be held by one battalion of infantry, three battalions of Royal Artillery, and one company of Royal Engineers.

Mr. Gladstone is still guarded by a special police force, two of whom accompany him in his walks through his grounds and elsewhere. Hitherto his bodyguard have been provided simply with the ordinary baton, but since his recent arrival at Hawarden the authorities have furnished the men with revolvers and twenty rounds of ammunition each.

The ferry boat "Richlieu," running between Cognac and Montreal, blew up on Monday 18th, causing four deaths and the wounding of several others. The water jacket around the boiler had corroded and her apparatus only a short time ago, and the question is now raised, what is the good of inspection?

Intelligence has been received at St. John's, Newfoundland, of the landing at Jackson's Arm on the north-west side of White Bay, of a company of French marines who hoisted the French tricolor, and erected temporary monuments bearing the insignia of France. The British North American squadron has left for the scene to investigate the matter.

At their beautiful home in Vermont, Ohio, ex-President Hayes spends most of his winter reading and writing in his library, and Mrs. Hayes delights in looking after her poultry yard and elegant flower garden that adorns the lawn. They usually have some friends or relatives living with them and transient visitors and sight seers are always cordially welcomed.

An accident occurred on the Windsor and Annapolis R'y., on Wednesday morning, 20th, whereby George Bowers, a freight porter, was jammed between the baggage and postal-cars of an express train, sustaining injuries which resulted in his death. A young man named McLean met with a similar mishap and had to have his leg amputated. Cows on the track were the cause of the disaster, the engine and train being thrown from the rails.

The death of Dr. Pusey, the great non-trinitarian, has called forth extensive obituary notices in all the leading newspapers of England and America. He was born in the year 1800, and had therefore reached a quite advanced age. He was son of the late Hon. Philip Bouverie (half-brother of the first Earl of Bandon), and assumed by Royal license the name of Pusey. His mother was Lady Lucy Sherrard, daughter of the Earl of Harborough.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Oddfellows began its annual session at Baltimore on Monday. Twenty-one Grand Lodges and twenty-six

Grand encampments represented the progress of the order during the past year. The reports were highly gratifying. The lodges numbered in membership 467,000, an increase of 19,000. Encampment members 81,000, an increase of 11,000. Total relief, \$1,811,000. Total revenue, \$4,855,000.

The Toronto Globe referring to the "Asia" disaster says if the report be true that the firm owning the ill-fated Manitoulin an Asia substantially the same with the Georgian Bay Transportation Company, which owned the Asia, which foundered with the loss of all on board three years since, the presumption of something wrong in the character or equipment of the vessels is still further strengthened. A searching enquiry is to be made into the loss of the Asia.

The output of coal for this year in Nova Scotia will far exceed that of any previous year. The sales in 1881 were larger than ever before, being over a million tons, while under the reciprocity system they never reached more than two-thirds of that quantity. But the prospects for the year already past, exceed by about 25 per cent that of 1881. The prospects are that there will be sold in 1882 over one million and a quarter tons of coal, or nearly double the sales four years ago.

Some persons who do not respect old age, have made fun of the "Charybdis" and never heed its warning. The old war ship, nevertheless, is going to sea this afternoon if the fog does not obstruct her way. A collision with the fog on a day like this might prove fatal to the aged craft. It would not be safe to let her go alone so the Government steamer "Newfield" will accompany her—perhaps too her escort to Halifax where she will be handed back to the generous donors.—St. John Globe of 20th.

Mrs. Jas. Trainer of Mill Cove, P. E. I., was accidentally poisoned the other day. Mr. Trainer had bought by his wife's request a mixture of rhubarb and magnesia for her, and at the same time bought a quantity of arsenic in order to poison rats, and put the packages in different pockets. When he got home at 11 p. m., he hung up his coat and went outside. While he was gone one of the children put her hand into a pocket of the coat, took out a parcel and took it to her mother, saying, "there is the medicine father bought for you." The mother took some of it, mixed, and drank it. The package proved to have been arsenic, and the mother died in a few hours.

It is related of a Black Hills miner who had discovered a big thing, that he went to a party in Denver to have a drawing made of the site and its surroundings, and was asked, "Do you intend to work this mine?" "No, I guess not." "Will you go East and form a stock company and sell out the shares?" "I think I will." "Then what you want of me is a sketch showing the mouth of your mine worth about \$300,000 worth of silver ore piled up around it. When you get to Chicago you can get an artist there to put in a river and a railroad track, and if you go as far east as Boston it will be the duty of the artist there to put three steamboats on the river, two trains on the railroad, and surround your mine with a town of 600 inhabitants?"—Wall Street News.

A Montreal despatch of Saturday last says,—A lawyer named Lanctot entered the circuit court here yesterday, in a state of drunkenness, and when ordered to leave by Judge Rainville, of the superior court, who presided, refused. An officer of the court was ordered to remove the offender, when the latter assaulted him by hitting him in the face. The court told the drunken scamp it would deal with him when sober. The fellow then called the judge a liar, and repeated the offensive expression a second and third time, with a profane adjective before this. This morning the offender presented himself, and made an humble apology to the judge, alleging as an excuse that he was drunk when he acted so blackguardly the previous day. The court merely censured him, neither fining nor committing him for contempt.

Hanlan published the following challenge in the Toronto Globe of 16th:—To the Sporting Editor of the Toronto Globe: Sir,—As neither Wallace Ross, Charles E. Courtney nor George W. Lee has accepted my challenge to row each a race for \$2,500 a side, two months from signing articles, two weeks before each race, I now accept Wallace Ross's challenge to the world to row a race for \$2,500 a side and the championship. As I have been unable to do any training this season, I shall require two months from signing articles to get in trim for the match. I will be willing to row on any suitable course between Washington and New York, or to the 26th inst., to arrange details. (Signed.) EDWARD HANLAN.

Hanlan says that if a match can be arranged he will make such arrangements as will enable him to leave his business and go at once into active training. Ross has gone to Portland, Me., to meet Hanlan, and make arrangements for the match.

A terrible suicide was committed at Woodstock on Sunday 17th inst. by Sad