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Lost in the Crystal Shaking Ring, on Monday evening, a will paper, containing a sum of money and a ring. The finder will be rewarded on leaving at the ADVANCE OFFICE.

Miramichi Advance.

CHATHAM, N. B., MARCH 10, 1898.

Pope Leo XIII and Arbitration.

The Roman Catholic Church, under the inspiration of Pope Leo XIII, proposes to consecrate the remaining days of this fast expiring century to special intercession on behalf of "peace on earth and good will among men." In the efforts it may make to attain this most desirable end, every church in Christendom will not only wish it God speed but give it their enthusiastic assistance to accomplish such a most desirable work. This is only one of the many measures for the good of humanity that Pope Leo has advocated and wished the nations of Europe to adopt, and it proves that he is not only the best but the greatest Pope that this century has produced. For many years his voice has been raised against war and in favor of arbitration. If the nations of Europe could be got to such a measure, it would be the most humane, civilized and progressive movement for the benefit of the human race that the Christian world has ever seen. If this peaceful method of settling national disputes were once firmly established, all differences between nations would be settled before a court established by themselves. Wars between Christian and civilized nations would cease and their governments would no longer be required, as a means of defence, to squander the substance of their people in military and naval armaments, to be used in shedding blood, destroying property and spreading devastation and misery where peace and happiness should dwell.

U. S. Senate Discussing Canada.

There was a lively debate in the United States Senate at Washington which lasted for several days but terminated on Friday last over granting right of way for railroads in the district of Alaska. During the discussion the old fisheries question played a prominent part and a clause intended to make Canada grant concessions which would kill the Canadian route was defeated by a vote of 34 to 16.

Managing Eastern Affairs.

Late European despatches state that eastern affairs are assuming a more menacing aspect between the British and Russian governments with respect to China. In spite of the protests of Britain and Japan, Russia has commenced the partition of China and the British papers of all shades of politics are asking the Government of Lord Salisbury what they intend to do about it?

The Fisheries of Canada.

The department of Marine and Fisheries has just issued its report of the fisheries of Canada for the past fiscal year. It is not only an interesting but a valuable publication as it contains an immense amount of information respecting the extent and value of this industry of the people of Canada. These fisheries which are not only on the sea coast but inland are the most valuable in the world and is one of Canada's greatest industries. While her deep sea industries extend over an immense sea coast line which covers a distance of many thousands of miles, her inland fisheries are presented in the innumerable lakes and rivers to be found in every province of the Dominion.

United States and Spain.

Maine was blown up in the harbor of Havana this feeling has been intensified all over the United States and if the investigating committee that has been appointed by the American Government to enquire into the cause of the disaster should report that it was the work of a mine or a torpedo, we would not be surprised if war were declared between the two nations almost immediately. There is not the least doubt that if hostilities are commenced it will result in Spain losing Cuba which is all that is now left to her of the extensive and valuable possessions she formerly held in America. It would not take the American regulars assisted by volunteers and the rebels now in arms in the island more than a couple of months to accomplish this work. If this should happen it is not at all likely that it would satisfy the Cubans who are desirous of having a little republic of their own established in the island; but no matter how much they may dislike the change they will have to submit to the inevitable. Let Cuba once come under the stars and stripes a great and wonderful change for the better would speedily take place. Persecution would stop and its inhabitants would have peace and enjoy a civil and political liberty to which they are at present strangers. In addition to this, trade and commerce would flourish and long before a score of years had passed, Cuba and its people, like the State of Louisiana, would be completely Americanized.

St. John Letter.

The report that the British flag has been planted at Summit Lake, Alaska, fourteen miles on the American side of the line is looked upon as a mistake. If the report is not a mistake the planting must have been done by some jocular miner, for Canada has all the screw she wants and there is nothing else about Summit Lake that can be utilized in any way. Since Canada owns the Klondike she is not likely to encroach upon her neighbors territory, especially upon any part of it that on all hands is conceded to be valuable. But the Yukon discoveries have done great things for the United States as well as for Canada. They have killed the "16 to 1" theory in that country and buried Mr. Bryan and his party so deep that resurrection is impossible. The friends of honest government in the

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