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A DELICATE QUESTION.

Lady Dundonald did not accompany her husband when he came to Canada to command the militia, nor has she ever come to this country during the two years Lord Dundonald has resided at Ottawa.

This is of course nobody's business but that of the lady and gentleman immediately concerned, and would not have been referred to here but for the observations of a military friend of Lord Dundonald's who in an interview with the Toronto News said:

"Personally, Lord Dundonald has my sympathy. He has been compelled to live here without his wife, which is a decided inconvenience. I understand that Lady Dundonald is senior in rank to Lady Minto, and so could not be expected to live in Canada to take inferior rank."

Most people in Canada who gave the matter any thought, believed that the reason Lady Dundonald did not come to Canada was because she was attending to the education of her children at home, but the indiscreet friend of her husband quoted above, lets in new light on the subject. It appears that social considerations have prevented her residing at Ottawa. In the old country, the Dundonalds rank above the Mintos, so this gentleman says, and it would be utterly impossible for Lady Dundonald to come to Canada and take social precedence after Lady Minto. Now that the public has the explanation it can commiserate the distinguished Lady for inability to come to Canada, and the loss she has sustained in not having had the pleasure of residing among us for the past two years. It is true that her noble husband evidently thinks Ottawa is rather a barbarous place of residence; he complains of the lack of courtesy among the people with whom he has been associating, so perhaps it is just as well that his wife has not been compelled to move in such circles, much less take social precedence in rear of the governor general's better half.

Perhaps some day in the dim and distant future, Canada, and especially Ottawa, will become sufficiently civilized to properly receive the sprigs of English nobility who come over to this country to draw good salaries and teach the government how to perform its duties, but in the meantime we shall have to ask our distinguished patrons to bear with us until we learn something.

It may be added that the government in making its next selection of a commander-in-chief, will have to be very careful in seeing that the proper table of precedence is observed. In taking this precaution it may be necessary to make a thorough search of Burke's peerage and other similar publications, but rather than exclude the future commander's wife from the privilege and pleasure of a residence in Canada. His Excellency's advisers will doubtless be quite willing to undertake the delicate but necessary duty of hunting up pedigrees in the old country. The results of a clash in social precedence of our distinguished visitors from across the seas is too terrible to contemplate, and to save the constitution and the country the government will be bound to take the precautions we have indicated.

VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS.

The letters written by a prominent citizen of Fredericton, and published in this paper, discussing the need of an efficient sewerage system in Fredericton, and outlining a plan for the instalment of such a service, have attracted a great deal of attention, and it is hoped will arouse the citizens to a full realization of their needs in this direction.

One correspondent has dealt with the subject in a most intelligent and exhaustive manner, his only inducement being the feeling that the time has arrived when we should place our city in a position to be free from the reproach of unsanitary conditions.

Our correspondent has dealt with communication mentions an obligation he is under to the Herald for furnishing him with an opportunity of discussing sewerage, but the obligation is certainly on the other side. The thanks of both the Herald and this community are due to our correspondent for the pains he has taken to investigate the matter and to give the result of his study to the public, which we have no doubt as sincerely appreciates the service as we have the opportunity of furnishing our readers with such valuable contributions.

A PUBLIC DUTY.

The citizens of Gibson, anxious to protect themselves against the future ravages of fire, are talking over various ways of accomplishing that object. The feasible plan would appear to be the erection of a stand-pipe, which could be supplied with water from the hills, and would provide sufficient pressure for fire as well as domestic purposes. The people of the village cannot move too soon to secure the protection demanded. A few years ago nearly the entire place was wiped out by a conflagration that destroyed well up to a hundred buildings, and since that time there have been several smaller fires. The place is absolutely at the mercy of fires, and the men of the place owe a duty to themselves and their families which can only be discharged by providing an adequate system of fire protection.

REIGN OF TERROR.

A serious condition of affairs exists in St. John. Incendiaries are abroad in the city and within the past ten days half a dozen fires are believed to have been set by fire bugs. A conflagration that raged for some hours early Sunday morning destroyed half a dozen buildings, and seriously threatened other parts of the city. There is a considerable of a panic in the city and every effort is being made by the police to discover the perpetrators of the crime. Some twenty-five years ago Fredericton had a similar experience with fire bugs, and it became necessary for the citizens to form vigilance committees and assist the police in watching for incendiaries.

The Tory newspapers are taking sides with Lord Dundonald, but so extreme a partizan paper as the St. John Sun is compelled to admit that it does not believe thoughtful persons will say that it was either prudent or proper for Lord Dundonald to break out as he did.

Nova Scotia is getting an unenviable reputation for murders. Two

that occurred since Saturday are recorded in our columns, and it is scarcely a week since a like crime was committed not far from Kentville.

Earl Grey who is to succeed Lord Minto as governor general of Canada, is both wealthy and distinguished. He came of good stock, from men experienced in the science of government. His grandfather was that Earl Grey, prominent in the late Queen's councils in the thirties, and has already served as a colonial governor in Rhodesia. His near relationship to Lady Minto will also serve as a favorable introduction to the Canadian people.

DEATH CAME SUDDENLY.

Resident of Kingsclear Found Dead This Morning.

Anthony Gallagher, a farm laborer, who for some time past has made his home with John Kelly, a well known resident of Kingsclear, dropped dead this morning while working in the barn. The deceased had complained of feeling unwell during the past few days but it was not considered serious. He arose at the usual hour this morning and did not complain of being unwell. He ate his breakfast and about 5.30 o'clock started to the barn to feed the horses. Mr. Kelly went out shortly after and found the unfortunate man lying dead on the floor.

Heart disease was supposed to be the cause of death. Deceased was 76 years of age and previous to working for Mr. Kelly was employed by Mr. Camber, at Springhill. He was looked upon as honest and industrious and was unmarried. He leaves one brother who resides at Kingsclear.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon, interment to be made at Springhill.

Exciting Experience.

A down town shoe merchant had a rather exciting experience on Saturday night. He drove out the Hanwell road to Long's Creek to enjoy a day's fishing and although he considered himself perfectly familiar with that section of the country, when he prepared to return to the house in the evening realized to his dismay that he had lost his bearings and wandered aimlessly about for many hours until almost exhausted. A searching party set out with horns and after a hard search through the woods found the wanderer at an early hour Sunday morning.

Speedy Trials Act.

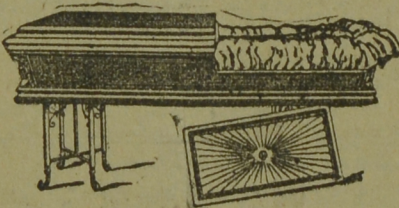
Charlie Loy, the Chinaman who was sent up for trial by Judge Marsh on the charge of stealing from Fred Wong, was taken before Judge Wilson this afternoon and pleaded not guilty. He elected to be tried under the Speedy Trials Act on Thursday next. Mr. J. H. Barry appeared on behalf of the crown.

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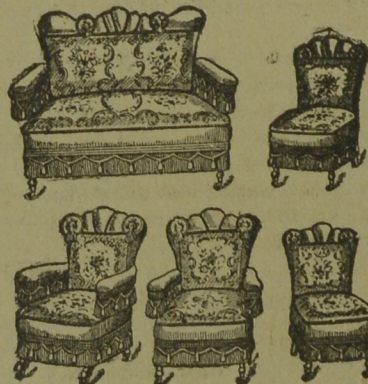
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