

NEWS OF THE DAY.

CANADIAN.

Woodstock is to have electric light. Lord Stanley desires to pay a visit to Kingston at an early date. Two bucket shops have been started in Montreal in defiance of the law.

Mr. T. M. Wells has completed a clay model of the bronze statue of James W. Marshall, to be erected on the spot where gold was first discovered in California. It is of colossal size, and represents Marshall clad in a miner's dress, holding a nugget in his right hand and with his left pointing to the spot whence it was taken.

FOR AND ABOUT A BIRTHDAY. On this, thy birthday, my dear friend, What is the wish to thee I'd send? That earth may be a garden fair, Wherein bloom only flowers rare?

And she not send some of them to her schoolmate for a present? There seemed to be no objection, so she sent the butler down to the bank with orders to pick out a pretty case of spoons.

A School of Alligators. We had reached the San Juan river, and following its course for a rapid ride of a dozen or more miles, came to a series of wide, low bays, or lagoons, which set back from the river in some places for miles.

AMERICAN.

The citizens of Canton, Mass., are alarmed over an epidemic of typhoid fever. Senator Hoar made a long speech in the United States Senate bitterly attacking the Fisheries Treaty.

FOREIGN.

The Emperor of Brazil has quite recovered from his illness. The Boers are said to be anxious to fight Great Britain again.

ABOUT QUEENS.

Queen Elizabeth of Roumania is intensely musical, fond of dancing, and has written a ballet. Elizabeth of Austria has developed an unfortunate skin disease, and wears a veil continually.

POINTERS FOR MOTHERS.

Never tickle a child, it is dangerous, and reduces vitality. Any unnatural emotion must be avoided. The more quiet and free from excitement a little child is kept the better for the child's health, strength, and mental vigour.

Life in the Bahamas.

Sponging has all the attractions of a gambling adventure. Should the cruise be successful, the profits are large; enough money may be made in a short time to insure the enjoyment of months of idleness.

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A Two-Foot Sea-Serpent.

A sailor, just arrived from Central American waters, brought a curiosity in the shape of a snake to the Academy of Sciences. The acquisition is a veritable sea serpent, according to the statement of the local scientists.

A Panther's Embrace.

Short savage roars broke upon my ear, mingled with the wild shouts of the natives, who were evidently being chased by the now furious beast.

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