

THE WEEK'S NEWS.

HOVING.

Arrangements are being made to settle a number of Crofters' families near Wollsey, N. W. T., next spring.

The vessel seized at Rimouski a few weeks ago for smuggling liquor has been ordered to be confiscated with all her cargo.

Mayor Howland, of Toronto, has accepted an invitation to deliver an address in Steinway hall, New York, on December 13th, on the Sabbath and temperance.

Navigation of the St. Lawrence is about closed for the season. Ice is forming fast in the harbour at Quebec, and the last steamer will leave that port on Friday.

Diphtheria is alarmingly and fatally prevalent in Montreal. Last week thirty-two deaths from that disease occurred, and the death rate shows no signs of decreasing.

During the ten months of the current year 16,286 immigrants have arrived in Manitoba and the North-West Territories, 6,222 more than the total immigration for the whole of last year.

Five applications for divorce are already in for next session of the Senate. Twenty-two divorces have been granted since confederation, sixteen from Ontario and six from Quebec.

At a meeting of the Trust and Loan Company of Canada, held in London, Eng., the finances of the company were declared to be in a very satisfactory condition, and a dividend of 6 per cent. was declared.

It is announced that Lord Lansdowne will be succeeded as Governor-General by Lord Stanley of Preston, now President of the Board of Trade, and that Baron Henry de Worms will take his place with Cabinet rank.

During the past season a total of 365,000,000 feet of lumber has been cut by the different firms at the Chaudiere, about fifteen per cent. less than the cut of 1896, which, however, was the largest for twenty years previous.

During October goods to the value of \$10,841,511 were exported from the Dominion. The total value of the goods imported during the same month was \$8,465,706, of which \$5,253,150 were dutiable goods for home consumption, the duty collected amounting to \$1,700,000.

AMERICAN.

A rabid circular urging preparations for "the revolution" has been prepared by the Anarchists of Chicago for distribution among the workmen of that city.

It is estimated that 9,400 miles of railway have been built in the United States during the ten months ending October 31, and that the capital involved in the work has been \$200,000,000. The greater proportion of this new mileage is located in the West. Dakota, for example, has 688 miles and Kansas, 1,691.

FOREIGN.

It is stated that Queen Sophia of Sweden, who is fifty-one years of age, is insane.

The Government have decided to prosecute Messrs. Mayne and Sheehy, Nationalist members of Parliament.

Lord Mayor Sullivan has received seven summonses for publishing in the Nation the proceedings of suppressed branches of the league.

The feeling between Russia and Germany is very strained, and it is reported Russia is massing large bodies of troops on the German frontier.

One hundred and thirty of the Gweedore tenants have been reinstated. Their arrears of rent have been reduced £2,500. There is great rejoicing among the tenantry.

The Crofter movement for the extermination of deer on the Isle of Lewis collapsed on the appearance of a force of police, and troops have been sent to prevent a renewal of the trouble.

At a military banquet in Warsaw General Gourko said unless the Almighty had allotted him a very brief span of life he would again lead his officers to the field as he did a decade ago.

A resident of Breslau has written to the Emperor offering his own larynx as a substitute for the Crown Prince's, if the surgeons are willing to perform the operation of transplanting it.

A writ has been sworn out by Mr. Mandeville against the governor of Tullamore prison for assault, the charge being based upon the treatment he received at the time his clothes were taken from him.

An explosion took place in a cellery in Aberdare, South Wales, Tuesday morning while 560 men were in the pit. Of this number 220 escaped through an old working, and though the others have not yet been rescued it is hoped they are still alive.

Mr. Michael Davitt, in a speech at Carlisle declared that the Irish alone could settle the land question with the landlords. He hoped support would be withheld from any Land Purchase scheme proposed in England, even if suggested by Mr. Gladstone himself.

D. McNamara, a shopkeeper at Ennis, has been sentenced to a week's imprisonment for selling copies of *United Ireland*, of which Mr. Wm. O'Brien is editor, and the selling of which has been proclaimed. This is the first instance in which a person has been prosecuted for selling newspapers.

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A would-be masquerader accosted a factory girl on the streets of Augusta, Me., the other evening and wanted to go home with her. She said that he might, and then carefully led her escort into a water tank that was sunk in the ground. She stood and laughed at him as he crawled out, wet as a drowned rat, and sneaked off.

Temperance Teachings in the Schools.

A large deputation from the Toronto W. C. T. Unions, accompanied by representatives from several of the other temperance organizations, waited on the Minister of Education recently for the purpose of receiving explanations as to the position of the subject of scientific temperance instruction in the Public Schools as affected by the new regulation about to be issued by the Education Department.

In answer to questions, the Hon. Mr. Ross stated that the subjects of temperance and hygiene are placed on the programme of studies, and the teacher is under the same obligation to teach scientific temperance as he is to teach any other subject.

That the trustees have no power to omit any subject from the school curriculum prescribed by the department. The regulation never intended that any subject prescribed by the trustees, nor is it intended that scientific temperance be omitted.

That if the inspector reports that scientific temperance instruction is not taught as it should be in any school the grant would certainly be withdrawn.

That the subject of scientific temperance will not be placed on the list of departmental examinations for Public School pupils, but every certificated teacher must pass an examination in scientific temperance knowledge, whether he be a teacher for Public or High Schools.

That an authorized temperance text Book will be placed on the list of books to be used by the pupils in the Public Schools.

That it is the duty of the inspector to report upon everything affecting the efficiency of every Public School in their district. There is no means of knowing the regulations are complied with except by those reports. Should an inspector complain in the matter of temperance, and should the complaint be good, the grant would be withheld.

That the subject of scientific temperance will be as compulsory as reading or other studies.

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- 5, 6, 7.—Three fine-toned ten-stop cabinet organs..... 700
- 8 to 15.—Eight gentlemen's solid gold stem-winding and stem-setting genuine Elgin watches..... 750
- 16 to 28.—Thirteen ladies' solid gold stem-winding and stem-setting genuine Elgin watches..... 1,170
- 29 to 40.—Twelve quadruple plate silver tea sets, six pieces..... 780
- 41 to 70.—Thirty gentlemen's solid coin silver hunting case watches..... 900
- 71 to 100.—Thirty gentlemen's solid aluminum gold watches..... 600
- 101 to 135.—Thirty-one solid quadruple plate cake baskets, elegant patterns..... 525
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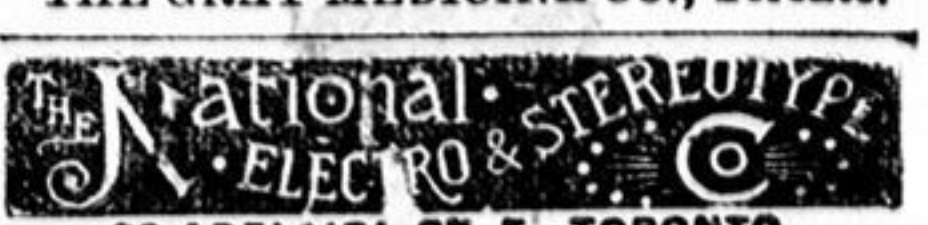
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