TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

There is a Cincinnati woman who faints away every time the fire bells ring.

A London West family named Milroy are in a pitiable state. The father is in bed a helpless invalid, while three of the children are down with diphtheria.

Frank Clark, who was injured in the recent accident on the Kingston & Pembroke Railway, is not expected to recover. Several ribs and his left shoulder are broken. He has a widowed mother.

Mr. Delaney, son of the Collector of Customs on Grindstone Island, went out in a boat on Wednesday and has not been seen since. The boat has been found, and it is feared its occupant is drowned.

A petition with 6,000 signatures attached, has been presented to the Government asking that an election for the repeal of the Scott Act shall be held in the United counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry.

A. L. Wilcox, for many years one of the most prominent Reformers of South Oxford, died rather suddenly at his home, in Woodstock, on Wednesday night of typhoid fever. He took an important part im municipal politics.

Miss Fraser, who has been living with her niece, Miss McGee, dressmaker, Imperial Bank Block, Woodstock, accidentally fell down stairs yesterday morning and was killed. Death, which was instantaneous, resulted from dislocation of the neck.

Two young Springfield girls, named Charlotte Atkinson and Edith McCauley, were taken to the county jail at St. Thomas last evening, having been committed for trial on a charge of larceny. The young prisoners, who bear a bad reputation, took possession of a horse and rig which was tied in front of a store, but were overtaken and arrested after a long chase.

Wm. Hetherington, a farmer near Springfield, while insane with drink on Wednesday, brutally beat his wife and then threw her into the well, after which, thinking he had murdered her, he attempted suicide by taking a dose of Paris green. The wife scrambled from the bottom of the well, which was six feet deep, and reached a neighbor's, where she lies under medical attendance. The dose did not prove fatal on the part of her husband, but he lies in a critical condition.

Lawrence Donovan, of New York, dived into the Thames from Waterloo bridge, London, yesterday afternoon at flood tide. The descent was only thirty-five feet, a mere trifle after having leaped from Brooklyn bridge, and but little sensation was caused.

One of the most interesting forthcoming books will be Grenville Murray's Memoirs by his widow. It will be very piquant, and include such episodes as Lord Carrington's horsewhipping of Mr. Murray and the causes of the essayist's attack on the Foreign Office.

The American Club was opened yesterday under distinguished auspices in Albemarle street, London. It is non-political in its basis, the primary object of the club being to foster the various interests of those who have been or are still connected with the western hemisphere.

Club accommodation in London increases by two thousand to three thousand persons per year, and yet the demand is unsatisfied. In the neighborhood of Piccadilly two handsome buildings are almost finished; a third, which will be frequented by Conservatives, is in Regent street.

Rumors are very unfavorable regarding the Crown Prince of Germany. Private reports affirm that the affection of his throat develops a cancerous tendency which is not yet pronounced, but is more than suspicious. His magnificent constitution begins to feel the effects of the continual drain upon his strength. The local disease seems to yield, then it breaks forth again. The most eminent medical men in London feel very doubtful about the result.

A plan has been submitted by Admiral Clone to the French Minister of Public Works for the construction of a bridge across the English Channel at Calais. The bridge is to be similar to the Niagara suspension bridge, and made of iron. There will be passenger-ways and a place for railroad tracks. The structure, if built, will extend from the Dover Heights to the hills at the back of Calais, enabling ships and steamers to pass underneath without difficulty.

It has been finally settled that the Prince of Wales is to arrive at Mount Edgcumbe from London on the evening of Monday, the 31st inst., and he will be the guest of Lord Mount Edgcumbe till the morning of Wednesday, November 2nd, when His Royal Highness will proceed in the Osborne to Falmouth; from there he will go the next day to Truro to attend the consecration and opening of the new cathedral. After the ceremony the Prince is to go to Port Eliot, where he will be the guest of Lord and Lady St. Germans till Friday afternoon, when he is to return to London on his way to Sandringham.

Perhaps people would not indulge in these silly, ignorant speculations as to the marriage between one of the Prince of Wales' daughters and the Czarewitch, or one between Prince Albert Victor and one of the daughters of the Emperor of Russia, if they were aware, first, that the Czarewitch, who is now 19, is so weak both in body and mind that there can be no question of his marriage with anybody; second, that the second son, the Grand Duke George, is only 16; third, that the Grand Duchess Xenia is in her 13th year. Russia has benefitted so much during the last sixty years by her family friendship with Prussia that one cannot doubt that in due time the Emperor Alexander will endeavor to strengthen the bonds which unite him with Berlin by another alliance with the Hohenzollerns. He would gain absolutely nothing by increasing his connection with England.

None of the Italian immigrants from the steamship Alesia, quarantined at Hoffman Island, have been taken sick with cholera since Monday, and the quarantine officials are satisfied the contagion has been conquered.

The Mayor of Guelph was authorized by the Council on Monday night to sign the contract with the Gas Company for lighting the streets with electric light.

F. Mallet, aged 6 years, was sentenced to three hours' imprisonment in the lockup by Police Magistrate White at St. Thomas yesterday morning for throwing stones at passing trains, and James Patterson, aged 8, was locked up for six hours for dropping an iron hoop on a passing train from a bridge overhead.

Messrs. Noonan and Bajus, of Kingston, will build a new steel steamer during the winter to ply between Kingston, Ottawa and Montreal. She will run fourteen miles an hour.

The Kingston assessor finished his work yesterday. The increase in value of assessable property over last year is 303,225. The population has increased 400 during the year, and is now 16,216. There are 176 houses in course of erection.

An employee of the M. C. R. shops at St. Thomas named James Volet was caught in a pulley yesterday morning, whirled around in mid-air for some seconds and then thrown violently to the ground, sustaining serious injuries, besides a number of flesh wounds. His recovery is doubtful.

Lizzie Bloss, a young woman who came to St. Thomas from London, Eng., some months ago, on Saturday evening at a grocery store in the east end of St. Thomas, while waiting during a passing rain shower, formed the acquaintance of a sailor from Sarnia, aged 40, who gave his name as William Hearn. As they recited their past experience each to the other a mutual affection sprang up, resulting in a marriage certificate being purchased, and in an hour from their first meeting Rev. Dr. Archibald, of Knox Church, had made them one. They took rooms at the City Hotel, where they remained till Monday morning, when Hearn induced his wife to raise $5 on her jewellery at a second-hand store, and securing her trunks under pretence of taking them to the station preparatory to moving to Sarnia, decamped. Lizzie's father, who is a street preacher from London, Eng., is well-known in St. Thomas, where he has spent the summer, and but a few days since left for Whitby, where his other daughters, who are most respectable young women, reside. One is a cadet in the Salvation Army of that place.

The coroner held an inquest yesterday on the body of Mrs. Vaillancourt, aged 57, wife of a laborer at Charlesbourg, Que., who was found dead in bed last Friday. She had been a paralytic for twenty-three months, never having been out of bed in that time, and had not been fed since the preceding Wednesday week. She had died of filth, starvation and neglect. Her body was covered with vermin. Her husband was arrested, and is now in jail.

The new Methodist Church in the West End of London is an immense cathedral-like stone building in classic architectural style, and is considered the handsomest chapel in the city.

The Odessa garrison has been reduced to its normal strength. The reduction has caused surprise, and is regarded as proof that Russia has abandoned the idea of armed intervention in the Balkans.

Advices from Bajaur, Afghanistan, say that Omera Khan recently defeated Abu Bakar, son of the Ahkound of Swat; that the Ameer requested the chiefs of the neighboring tribes to punish the victor, and that the whole of Bajaur has risen against Omera.

Mark Twain is now residing at Buckenham Hall, near Norwich, which he has taken for a year, and is equally enjoying himself yachting on the Norfolk Broads, entertaining a party of Dutch friends and editing his "Library of Wit and Humor," upon which he has been engaged for some time.

The London *Times* yesterday discussed at length the value of the Canadian Pacific route to the east. It has a long article from a correspondent dealing with the chief advantages of the route and tracing the history of the movement to obtain an Imperial subsidy. According to the *Times* fully one-quarter of the £45,000 which the Imperial Government are contributing will be placed on the navy vote as a subvention for Imperial steamers for use in war times.

A secret conference of German Socialists, lasting three days, has been held at St. Gall, Switzerland. Eighty delegates were present. The police were completely hoodwinked and had no knowledge of the meeting until after its adjournment. Reports were read showing that since the previous conference the Socialists of Germany have spent 170,000 marks, of which 100,000 marks were used for election expenses and 50,000 marks for defending members who have been prosecuted.

There is no foundation for the report of a separate establishment for the Princess Beatrice and Prince Henry next year. They will continue to reside with Her Majesty, who cannot bear to be separated from Beatrice. The Princess thoroughly understands all the Queen's whims and is well versed in the perplexing court technicalities of which Her Majesty is so tenacious. The Princess Beatrice has far more influence than any of her brothers or sisters, except the Prince of Wales.

The steamship Alesia, which brought the cholera-stricken passengers to New York, yesterday came up from quarantine to her Brooklyn pier. Two more deaths from cholera occurred among the passengers of the Alesia at Swinburne Island yesterday morning and two more will die before night. No new cases are reported.

The mail carrier on the road to the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad was stopped by four armed and masked men in a lonely spot about fifteen miles from Fort Apache, Ariz., on Monday. The robbers at once rifled the pouches and carried off money order remittances, then compelled the carrier to wait fifteen minutes while they escaped to the mountains.

The National Farmers' Alliance began its seventh annual convention in Minneapolis yesterday morning, with 50 delegates present from Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Dakota. The Secretary reported a thousand more alliances added since the last session, and there are now 600,000 members in all. The southern alliance has been invited to send delegates and a move for consolidation of the two will be made.

News was received in London that the Sultan of Morocco, who has been critically ill for some time, is dead. His 16-year-old son took the oath of office on his father's corpse and has assumed the Government. He has appointed his favorite uncle Grand Vizier. England has made a proposition to the Powers that they all send men-of-war to Morocco to protect their respective subjects there. The French ironclad Courbet has been ordered to proceed to Tangiers. The Paris *Temps* states that a complete *entente cordiale* exists between France and Spain regarding Morocco. Two Italian war ships have been ordered to Morocco. Extensive preparations are being made at Tarifa for encamping Spanish troops.

At Savannah, Ga., 5,700 bales of cotton in the hold of the British steamship Naples are on fire and the ship is being flooded.

A Washington despatch says the Alaska sealing question will not be referred to any commission.

An investigation made at the instance of the Department of State shows that no infectious disease exists among animals in Nova Scotia. The Treasury Department has therefore revoked its instructions of the 10th ult., prohibiting the landing of animals and hides from that Province.

President Wright, of the Chicago Board of Trade, struck another blow at the bucket shops yesterday. The Commercial Quotation Company, which operates tickets in connection with the Postal Telegraph Company, was denied the privileges and quotations of the Board, and the tickets were stopped. The reason for this action was the belief that the Quotation Company was aiding bucket shops as against the Board.

Marie Antoinette's famous necklace of pearls, which went round her neck in 16 strings, is now for sale at the shop of one of the principal jewellers in Berlin.

United States ladies who are contemplating matrimony, and especially those of them who are no longer young, are inclined not to like the new marriage license law, because now their ages are published in the newspapers. There is a penalty attached to the violation of the law by giving incorrect answers; but where is the man who would not, if occasion seemed to require, take off a year or so at the request of his inamorata?

Sir George Stephen will leave for England early in November to arrange for the building of three powerful steamers to run on the Pacific Ocean between Vancouver, China and Japan. The steamers will be about 4,000 tons burden, capable of steaming eighteen miles an hour.

The customs department at St. Thomas yesterday seized the St. Thomas consignment of Louisiana lottery tickets for the drawing which takes place on the 13th inst., and are holding them pending instructions from Ottawa.

Reports from the back townships of Hastings state that the bush fires have been extinguished by the rains. A very large amount of damage has, however, been done, several settlers having lost their all, and few have escaped without considerable loss.

Messrs. Hepburn & Coughell, proprietors of the Port Stanley Gravel road, while standing in one of their gravel pits on Thursday were suddenly engulfed by the caving in of the pit, and it took an hour to dig them out. They escaped with a few bruises, but the waggon beside them was broken to splinters.

Fred, the 11-year-old son of Mr. John Glen, of London, left his home two weeks ago yesterday, and has not since been heard of by his parents, who are almost distracted with anxiety and grief. The lad, who calls himself "Billy Norton," is light-complexioned, and when he went away wore chequered pants—red and black—a skull cap and an overcoat.

The Windsor authorities announce that they will enforce the saloon closing next Sunday and prevent the disgraceful scenes enacted a week ago, at which time a crowd of thirty Detroiters made the town howl after they had filled up on the liquor which was dispensed freely over every bar. Windsor has not been scandalized so in a long time.

Dr. Labarge, medical health officer, shows that vaccination is on the increase in Montreal. Four hundred vaccinations were performed during the last month. Dr. Labarge stated that the prejudice that existed against vaccination was certainly on the decrease. During the whole month there were only three refusals. Several actions will shortly be instituted against parties for resisting the law.

Mr. J. D. Raymond, who was United States Consul in Ottawa about twenty years ago, was found dead on Thursday morning in McCrady & Sons' tannery at Brockville, in which he was employed. A bullet hole was found in his side and death had evidently taken place early in the night. It is not believed that he committed suicide, but how the shooting occurred is unknown. The family of the deceased live at Ogdensburg, N. Y.

John F. Morrison was found guilty of bigamy at the Assize Court at Ottawa on Saturday morning. Sentence was deferred.

Colonel Oliver, commandant of the Royal Military College at Kingston, whose ten years' term of service has expired, will retain the position till the end of the current college term.

General Lord Alexander Russell, commander of the British troops at Halifax, and Lady Russell were in Montreal on Saturday on their way home after their trip to the Pacific Coast.

Mr. Johnston, a Westminster butcher, was thrown out of his rig on Saturday on Wellington street, London, and seriously hurt. The accident was caused by the horse running away and colliding with a post, badly smashing the vehicle.

A man named Laverdiere, a saddler, 23 years of age, was accidentally shot and killed yesterday afternoon at Levis, Que., in a bush between the two forts, by a companion named Montminy, who was partridge shooting and did not see the deceased. Montminy immediately gave himself up to the police. He bears a good reputation. Deceased had been but four months married.

The total amount of contributions received and promised for the Imperial Institute is $400,000.

The Duchess of Cumberland has been removed from the asylum where she was confined to a villa at Pensung.

About 7 o'clock on Wednesday evening last a Mornington farmer left Spahr's Hotel, Linwood, with a double waggon, in which he had a grist and a barrel of salt, for his home near Carthage, about eight miles distant. About three hours afterward word was brought to the village that he had driven or allowed his team to run into a gully beside the turnpike, whereby his waggon was upset and he had been instantly killed by his head coming under the hub of the waggon wheel.

The Austrian Crown Princess Stephanie, it is reported, has obtained a permanent separation from Prince Rudolph, and has gone to stay with her parents in Belgium.

The Sultan of Morocco is not dead. A despatch received in London from Tangiers says it is officially announced that His Majesty's condition is better than it has been for some days.

Twelve peasants who left Pilesti, 65 miles northwest of Bucharest, to destroy the wolves which infest the district, were overpowered by the beasts and seven of them were devoured. The remaining five escaped badly mangled.

The London Radical clubs are making arrangements to hold a general meeting to urge another trial of the Chicago Anarchists and to consider the advisability of sending a delegation to America to speak in behalf of the condemned men. Several Radical clubs at meetings yesterday adopted resolutions condemning the sentences.

The Berlin police have relaxed their efforts to stop the sale on the streets of extra editions of newspapers. The decree prohibiting their issue has not been withdrawn, but extras are allowed to be sold. The absurd tyranny of the edict was admitted by the Government organ.

The Russian *Invalid*, the organ of the War Office, says Ayoub Khan has reached Ghazni. His influence has so seriously affected the situation in Afghanistan that the Ameer's position in Cabul has become one of extreme difficulty, and he evidently has doubts of ultimate success, for he is sending his treasures and valuables to Khana-I-Bad.

The Conservative Committee of Parliament refuse to accept Col. Hughes-Hallett's resignation as a member of the House of Commons. The feeling against the methods pursued by the *Pall Mall Gazette* in attacking him has plainly assisted the Conservatives in the resolution which they have adopted. Capt. Selwyn writes repudiating all responsibility for the statements made by the *Pall Mall Gazette*.

A SCENE IN CHURCH.

Emma Abbott, the Actress, Defends Her Profession.

A Nashville, Tenn., despatch says: McKendree Church, the leading M. E. Church of this city, was the scene of a sensation today. The pastor, the Rev. W. A. Chandler delivered a very severe and bitter sermon on the subject of the theatre. Miss Emma Abbott occupied a seat in the rear of the church, and at the conclusion of the sermon arose and in a short speech entered a protest against the very general character of the pastor's denunciation. It produced the greatest sensation and has since been the one source of conversation in the parlors, in family circle, upon the streets and in the public places. Many members of the church uphold the pastor, but many others commend the course of Miss Abbott. Her appearance showed much suppressed indignation, but her words were very clear and distinct and were heard by all present. She declared the minister's charges unfounded and said that her life was as free from blame as that of any living woman. In all the operas of the past week to which the minister referred there was no impure or improper thought. The great lights of the stage, such as Jenny Lind, Modjeska, Albani and countless others had been good women, model wives and mothers. She defied any one to say that aught had ever been said against the fair fame of Emma Abbott. There was considerable applause at the conclusion of her remarks. Before it subsided, Mr. Chandler answered that he could not answer the lady because she was a lady.

Couldn't be Worse.

"Never marry a widower," was the advice of a young matron to a friend.

"But you married one. Why?"

"It's bad enough to have to hear about your husband's mother's cooking, but to have his first wife's biscuits thrown in your face every morning is simply unbearable."—*Tid Bits.*

—The life of Dr. Morley Punshon, which is to be published shortly in England, will be brought out at so high a price (12s. 6d. sterling) that it is probable no special Canadian edition will be issued. The details as to Dr. Punshon's life in Canada were supplied by Dr. Reyner, his son-in law. Efforts were made by several Canadian publishing houses to arrange for a cheaper special edition for Canada, but without success.

Mother (reading)—"France uses peat for fuel." Child (listening)—"What did they burn him for, mamma?" "Burn who, Bessie?" "Why, Pete."

The Toronto sugar combination collapsed yesterday and the Montreal Retail Grocers Association passed resolutions strongly denouncing the one existing in that city.

Woman (to tramp)—Don't you ever take a bath? Tramp (sadly)—I ain't got money enough, ma'am, to buy a bathing suit.

Miss Jessie (to ancient admirer, who always dropping in)—"Ah, good morning, Mr. Wilson! Grandmama will be delighted to see you. You will find her in the library across the hall."

A minister asks, 'Why do the wicked live?" We don't know sure why they do, but we might suggest mildly that if the wicked didn't live it would be a cold day for the ministers.

Advices received at Simla state that the force which captured the camp of the notorious dacoit leader Bokshway and killed him was composed of mounted infantry, under the command of Major Harvey. Ten of the followers of Bokshway were also killed.

A Parliamentary return just published shows a further adoption of continuous brakes on British railways. Of the ten different kinds of brakes in use only four meet the Board of Trade requirements. Of these 52 per cent. are fitted to the engines and 54 per cent. to carriages and other vehicles. Of the brakes not complying with the Board of Trade condition 40 per cent. are applied to the engines and 32 per cent. to carriages and other vehicles. At the present rate of progress, by June of next year, every kind of railway rolling stock will be provided with some sort of continuous brake.

JAILED FOR LIFE.

A Brute Gets a Life Sentence at Chatham for an Atrocious Crime.

A last (Wednesday) night's Chatham despatch says: At the Assizes here to-day George Hewell (colored) was tried on the charge of criminal assault on Mrs. McLean. The evidence on the part of the Crown showed that a most atrocious crime had been committed. Mrs. McLean is a very delicate young woman, the wife of a respectable farmer, and had been recently confined at the time of the offence. The perpetrator of the outrage called at her house, she being alone, and asked her for a drink and a piece of soap. She complied with his request, and as she took the cup from him he rushed upon her, choked her and threw her upon the floor, where a desperate struggle ensued. He flourished a knife and threatened to kill her if she screamed. After a lengthy struggle, her clothes being torn, her breasts bleeding and her eyes blackened, the villain accomplished his purpose, she being then in a semi-unconscious condition. He took her by the shoulders and placed her in a chair, threatening her life if she gave the alarm. She identified the prisoner as being the person. Other witnesses proved that he was in the neighborhood of McLean's house. The prisoner was undefended, and his defence was that he was not the person who committed the offence. The jury after retiring ten minutes returned with a verdict of guilty. His Lordship, in sentencing the prisoner, dwelt upon the heinous character of the crime. He sentenced him to imprisonment for life in the Kingston Penitentiary. The prisoner is a hard-looking character, and it is said hails from Alabama, where he claims he was connected with some travelling show. The prisoner did not evince much emotion when being sentenced, though it was seen he was much surprised at the summary way in which Canadians get rid of monsters whose conduct renders them unfit to be at large. The sentence was a just one, and it was with difficulty the constables kept the large audience in court from expressing their approval of it in a decided manner. Mr. Lister acted for the Crown.

He Didn't Get Away.

"You never drink or smoke, do you, George, dear?" she said. "You know I could never marry a man who drinks and smokes." George, in a broken-hearted tone of voice, admitted that he did smoke and drink a little and turned to go. But a pair of white 27-year-old arms were about his neck in a moment. "Never mind, George," said the girl; "perhaps my wifely influence will induce you to give them up."

Got His Money's Worth.

"Where did you go this summer?" asked one business man of another.

"We boarded in the country."

"Expensive?"

"Not very. We got a good deal for our money. My wife got the malaria and I got the rheumatism. My boy Jimmy got his leg broke and little Mamie got poisoned with ivy. And all we paid was $10 a week apiece."

The Nautical Society of Hamburg has offered a prize of 500 marks for the best essay on the use of oil in calming the sea.

The dairy show now proceeding at the Agricultural Hall, Islington, includes 70 Ontario cheese. Some are excellent specimens and are highly spoken of.

The Spanish Government has issued a decree forbidding foreigners to make topographical studies near the Spanish frontiers. No surveyor or engineer will be allowed to make notes even in behalf of private employers.

Advices from Zanzibar state that the news of Stanley's expedition has spread among the tribes near the Albert Nyanza. King Mivanga, who is still fighting the tribes inhabiting the country south of the Albert Nyanza, sent messengers to Emin Bey to obtain information regarding the expedition. Mivanga seeks to win the support of Emin Bey. The approach of Stanley will therefore tend to pacificate Uganda. Emin Bey has sent two squads of ten men each to meet Stanley. One squad will go to the southern shore of the Albert Nyanza and the other to Mhagi, a military post which Emin Bey established at about the middle of the west shore of the lake.

Two hundred of the poor, homeless, unemployed persons who sleep at night in Trafalgar square, London, yesterday paraded in a body through the principal streets in the West End. They carried a black banner, bearing in white letters the inscription: "We will have work or bread." A large force of police, mounted and on foot, accompanied the procession, which eventually returned to Trafalgar square, and with the followers attracted held a meeting. The orators described the hardships of those whose only resting place in London at night is in a public square and declared that the only means they had of drawing the attention of the public to their condition was by such demonstrations as they had just made. The meeting adopted a resolution to reassemble in the same place next Monday, and to continue to parade daily until relief is afforded.

A despatch from Hurley, Wis., says the story about the finding of the bodies of seven men behind a cabin there is a hoax.

Messrs. Putman and Angell, Secretary Bayard's coadjutors on the Fishery Commission, are in Washington consulting with the Secretary.

The revenue cutter Richard Rush arrived at San Francisco yesterday from the Arctic Sea. She reports that during the season she has seized twelve sealing schooners with a total of nearly 7,500 skins. The Russian authorities have seized three sealers on the Siberian Coast, one American, one British and the third nationality unknown.

A terrible accident occurred at Rencoke's mines at Dillonville on Saturday evening resulting in the instant killing of one man, three others being fatally and twelve seriously hurt. The cause of the explosion was an accumulation of of bituminous coal, dust supplemented by several simultaneous blasts which were fired as usual when each shift leaves the mines. In this instance the blast had been premature, and a number of mines were in close proximity to the explosion, not fewer than sixty men being in the mine at the time.