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Dominion Elections.

The Dominion elections are fixed to come off on or about the 14th of September. This being the announcement made by governmental papers it is supposed to be correct, and now, we shall doubtless see something like additional energy infused into the controversy, which is now assuming a definite shape.

It is almost a settled fact that Mr. McCrory will be the Reform candidate, and the Conservative man who aspires for honour at the elections has not yet been brought before the public.

The Acton News, a few weeks ago gave its readers a list of names of probable candidates, who would run on the Conservative ticket.

The names are W. Clay, John Barclay, D. B. Chisholm, William Laird, W. C. Ratty, Dr. Freeman, Henry Foster, John Murray, and W. Kearns.

Lord Dufferin Visits the Eastern Provinces.

On Monday the Earl and Countess of Dufferin commenced a tour through the Eastern Townships to bid their good-byes to the people of that section who have not so far been the objects of many vice-regal visits as older more favored localities. The good men and time—and they are all so—will, it is scarcely necessary to say, visit with each other in doing them honor and in testifying to our departing Governor not only their attachment to British institutions, but the high respect which they entertain for the statesmen who, during the last six years had been the honored representative in Canada of Her Majesties the Queen.

The Eastern Question.

According to report, the Eastern Question, is destined in its solution, which would seem to have been seriously commenced, to bring about a variety of startling changes.

Among these an Anglo-French protectorate of Egypt and Syria is talked of, as not improbable, in which event the Suez Canal question might be expected to be satisfactorily regulated.

Great Britain, if anticipated, will receive a further cession of territory in Asia Minor, and Austria may not, probably assume the protectorate of Roumania.

Further, an understanding is reported between Austria and Turkey upon the occupation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the former, which engages to prevent any future alliance between Mussulmans and Christians, even if necessary, during Russian occupation.

Indeed the understanding between Austria and the Porte is looked upon as a guarantee by Austria of the integrity of the European possessions of the Porte.

This as to Great Britain, an action outside of diplomatic commission is about to issue to inquire into the advantages and expense of the Euphrates and Tigris routes of railway, while lines of railway are projected between the sea of Marmora and Aleppo, and between Alexandria and Dugda. As a consequence temporary remarks:

"The times are propitious in England for undertakings of this kind. The acquisition of Cyprus is of no mean trade significance. To fit it and keep it as a naval station will make a large demand upon the productive resources of England. To fit the valley of the Euphrates for a high road to India will make a load fall upon her iron works and machine shops. In fact the industrial interests of England have been heartily enlisted by her Premier on his side of this great question. The men engaged in these interests are well aware that the new Turkey will require a supply of the metals and wares of England in such numberless forms as will not fail to produce the effect of mitigating her present commercial depression. So that in a material as well as political sense, the Government is likely to strengthen its hold upon the people in its Asiatic policy."

His Excellency, the Governor General has received from England His Majesty's gift of £10,000 for the construction of the Kent gate at Quebec.

Reports have been received from Cyprus saying that the reports of the unhealthiness of the island have been exaggerated, and that malignant fevers are rare.

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Editorial Notes.

A change of Ministry has occurred in Hayti, and general uneasiness prevails in the Republic.

An attempt is about to be made to submit the Temperance Act of 1878 in the county of York, N. B.

A great part of the historic town of Kars has been destroyed by fire, caused by an explosion in the mines.

The Bill providing for the closing of public houses in Ireland on Sunday passed its third reading to the House of Commons by 73 to 22.

Some of the Manchester Radicals propose to nominate Miss Helen Turner for Parliament at the next general election, and thus practically raise the question of women's rights.

The sentence of death passed upon the Ayers—father and son—for the murder of the Beyans on Manitoulin Island has been commuted to ten years' penal servitude in each case.

The difficulties between the Great Western and Credit Valley Railways as to the disputed crossing near Woodstock appear to have been settled, as work on the line of the latter road has been resumed.

The woman-suffragists have gained an important victory in New Hampshire, the bill allowing women to vote in school meetings having passed the House of Representatives after previously passing in the Senate.

Captain Valler Railway.

The late Mr. George Lavelle has been successful in his mission to England to raise money to complete the Credit Valley Railway. He has telegraphed that Saunders Brothers have arranged credit and have purchased 16,000 tons of steel rails with fastenings to finish the line to St. Thomas, Elora and Orangeville, and have also arranged for rolling stock.

This is subject to the return of the existing arrangement would content the Juntas, and might possibly bring them to their senses.

Another violent rain and half storm, accompanied by heavy winds, swept over the Lower Lake region and Atlantic States on Thursday night and Friday morning.

Orillia and Barrie suffered especially, but considerable damage was done throughout the two counties of Simcoe and Hastings, while Wentworth, Middlesex, Peterborough, Prince Edward, and Frontenac had their share of the tornado. Through

out the states of New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New Hampshire the storm was generally felt. In Northern New York rail road and telegraph communication was interrupted; and many high roads were impassable. In Connecticut several lives were lost, and throughout the whole area of the storm, the crops have suffered severely.

THE BARRIE REGATTA.

Hanlan won the Professional Single Scull Race.

Wallace Ross Second, Hosmer Third.

The Barrie regatta has been a most pronounced success in every respect. The morning of the 12th broke as fresh and fair as ever down, the western sky bright blue and cloudless, and the eastern flushed to the zenith with purple and orange, and flecked with bright specks of golden fire. The bay was like a great mirror, with no ripple to break the beautiful reflected picture of sky and landscape that lay far down beneath its gleaming surface. At half-past six o'clock the whole surface of the course was broken up with patches and streaks of ripples to an extent that unmistakably told of a seething breeze. At nine the bay was almost calm again, but as the forenoon advanced the breeze increased again, and continued to blow pretty strongly till the time for starting the great single scull professional race drew near.

An east wind sprang up in the forenoon, and about noon it was accompanied by rain and hail. By four o'clock, however, the water was considered calm enough to permit the start of the race.

SCORER SCULL RACE.

This race was for skiffs, eighteen feet long and under, two miles with a turn. The following crews came to the starting bows: Harry Humphreys and R. Remondson; Thos. Sauter and W. G. Cuthbert; Arthur Humphreys and William Birney; and Wallace Ross and Geo. M. Hosmer. The Humphrey-Remondson pair came home easily winners, and a lively race took place between the other two for second place, but Sauter and Cuthbert took it.

SECOND DOUBLE SCULL RACE.

The starters were John Haslett (a younger brother of the champion) and Frank Adair, of Toronto; the Gaudreau brothers, of Aylmer; Harry Humphreys and Remondson, of Toronto; and Riley and Partner, of Collingwood. The Haslett Adair crew came in first, Gaudreau second, and Riley and Partner third. The Humphrey-Remondson crew broke a rowlock, and of course dropped out.

ROSS-DAULAN RACE.

The salmon fishery on the Fraser River is in full activity. The canning of this fish is a new industry to British Columbia, and so far has proved successful. Nearly 2,400 men are employed at the eighteenneries at present on the Fraser, and the river presents an unusually busy appearance. Day and night the fishing boats have their nets spread, and some very successful hauls have been obtained. Chinese labor is largely employed, the Indian part of the work being mostly done by Mongolians. Salmon fishery bids fair to become one of the principal industries of British Columbia.

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