

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A school teacher at Leavenworth, Kansas, has resigned his position because all the pupils carry revolvers. He feels that it is a work of supererogation to teach the young idea of that town how to shoot.

From May 1st to September 14th fifty cases of infraction of the South Act were tried in Renfrew county. Out of that number forty-one convictions were secured, and fines to the amount of \$1,600 collected.

The Sunday Globe, of Hartford, Conn., printed a story charging that Fumbo was purposely put in the way of the train by which he was killed by Barnum's direction. Barnum has instituted a suit for libel against the Globe. Damages are set at \$50,000.

Hon. Wm. McFarlane, Mr. Wm. Gooderham, Mr. John Macdonald and Mr. Cook-shut, of Bradford, have each given \$500 toward the \$15,000 required for the new building of the Bible and Tract societies on Yonge street, Toronto. Over half the amount has been subscribed.

During the session recently ended about \$175,000 were spent on the Dominion Senate. Throughout the whole session of nearly six months' duration this body sat just 87 days. The average time of each day's sitting was under two hours. Yet for their labors the venerable Senators were voted \$1,500 each and mileage. Thus the Senators cost the country over \$2,000 a day for every day this ancient institution was convened, and over \$1,000 an hour that it remained in session. Every one of the 78 Senators received \$17.21 per day, or \$8.62 for every hour that he was in attendance. And what has the Senate to show for its session's work? Nothing accomplished, nothing done. True, the Senators made an effort to destroy the Canada Temperance Act, but did not succeed.

The independent press, which was vilified to such an extent by Mr. Gardiner of the Hamilton Times, by Mr. Cameron of Lucknow, and another delegate from Cobourg, at the young Liberals' convention, is, as a matter of fact, voicing the opinion of the country. The Montreal Star, the World, and the Telegram of this city, the Week, the Boboogon Independent, Grip, and a number of the country weeklies, are speaking out the truth, irrespective of party advantage. And it is they who are gaining the public ear. The editorials in the independent press are scarcely read except by their partisans, and never believed. We are glad to notice that the Montreal Witness is fast coming into the ranks of the independent press. May their number gain in strength.—Toronto World.

SENTENCED TO BE HANGED.

Wandering Spirit will be put to death on November 27th.

BATTLERS, N. W. T., Sept. 24.—The trials of several of the Indians who participated in the late rebellion were concluded before Judge Rouleau to-day. Considerable interest has been manifested in the proceedings from first to last, and the court-room has been crowded by residents of Battledore and vicinity, many of whom have known the prisoners intimately for years past.

Wandering Spirit, the murderer of poor Quinn at Frog Lake, who, after a desperate attempt to commit suicide at Fort Pitt, expressed a wish to recover that he might tell all he knew, acted during the whole of his trial in a way that showed his disgust for Big Bear and those whose feet led them to recommend a surrender to the police. When the prosecuting counsel asked for the sentence of the court on him he rose and listened to the words that condemned him to the gallows without the movement of a muscle. After referring to the fairness and impartiality of the trial Judge Rouleau sentenced the prisoner to be hanged on the 27th of November.

Eight others were sentenced to various terms in the penitentiary. They are: Fair Sky Thunder, fourteen years. Calling Bull, ten years. Little Wolf, ten years. Old Man, six years. Straight Man, six years. The Gopher, four years. Little Runner, four years. Lazy Man, two years for stealing and arson.

The settlers express the wish generally that Wandering Spirit's execution take place at the scene of his murders. Its effects on the Indians in that district would be far greater than if he were hanged here.

BATTLERS, N. W. T., Sept. 26.—The trials of four more of the Indians concerned in the rebellion were concluded yesterday as follows:

Dreary Man, Charlebois and Bright Eyes were charged with the murder of Casey Squaw. The two former were found guilty of murder and sentenced to be hanged. Bright Eyes was convicted of manslaughter, his sentence being twenty years' imprisonment in the penitentiary.

Louison Mongrand, charged with the murder of Mounted Policeman Cowan, was found guilty, and also sentenced to be hanged.

The date of execution in all three cases is the same as that fixed in the case of Wandering Spirit, namely, the 27th of November.

ANOTHER VICTORY.

Majority for the South Act in Peterborough County, Over Four Hundred.

Peterborough, Sept. 24.—The South Act was tried in the county of Peterborough to-day by about four hundred majority. W. G. Fox, of Toronto, conducted the campaign for the temperance party and Prof. Richardson for the opponents of the measure.

HOME FROM CAMP.

Our Canadian Soldiers Return Home on Sunday After Two Weeks of Exhausting Drill.

DISMISSED TUESDAY EVENING.

The review of all the battalions in camp at Niagara took place last Friday, and on Saturday morning the whole camp was in confusion, preparatory to leaving for home. The first corps to leave the ground were Hamilton Field Battery and the 20th Lorne Rifles of this county. Our boys crossed the lake to Hamilton, thence home by the N. & N. W. and G. T. railways, arriving here at 6 p.m. They marched to the drill shed, presenting a fine soldierly appearance, and were dismissed. On Tuesday evening the members of Acton Company marched at the drill shed to receive their pay, after which, headed by their cornet band, they marched to the town hall to participate in a banquet kindly prepared for them by the ladies of the town, superintended by Miss Nellie Allan. The spread was an excellent one and defied not a little credit upon Mr. T. Statham, the caterer.

In the course of the evening the volunteers were informally addressed by Rev. Stacey, Rev. Cameron and Fogot, and Col. Allan. The boys were the recipients of much praise for their very satisfactory progress in drill during their two weeks in camp, for their good behavior and careful appearance throughout. The Colonel repeated the compliments passed upon the 20th by Gen. Sir Fred. Middleton, and said much to encourage the boys in their efforts.

CAMP NOTES.

There were altogether about 2,000 men in camp, including red coats, rifles, cavalry and artillery.

The rubber blankets supplied by Col. Allan to his men added greatly to the comfort of the latter, and the boys are loud in their praises for the colonel's foresight.

The camp just closed has been without doubt the most satisfactory in its results of any that has ever been held here. The men, of whom the majority were recruits, appeared to be a more intelligent lot of fellows than usual.

The weather could not have been better; two or three nights were, perhaps, rather chilly, but each man had two blankets, and with a good heavy overcoat had no complaints to make on this score. Only on one afternoon did it rain.

When the pay-parade took place Lieut. Col. Denison, D.A.G., complimented Lieut. Col. Allan on the fine appearance of his men, whom he pronounced a "fine lot of young fellows, just the kind for the North-West, if any more troops should be required there."

Acton Company was the best that had turned out here for a number of years. Since the company has been brought up to its old time standard, we would like to see more interest taken in the matter. The boys might just as well have a weekly drill as not. We understand that Drill-Sergeant Buckley would willingly continue his instructions.

One of the heroes of Batoche was included in Acton Company, in the person of Corp. Wm. Blyth, Rockwood. Billy was a great hero in camp, and the boys listened to many a well-told story respecting his experience at the front last spring.

At Batoche he had his water bottle shot off, and a bullet passed through his tunic. Our boys had a Crimea veteran for cook, Chas. Dunne, and he served up the soup in regulation order, and in most palatable style. Charlie was connected with the regulars in England for over twenty years, and was for many years a member of the Royal Artillery. He has seen active service in the Crimea, in India and in China. He arrived in Acton about a year and a half ago, and has since made his home with Mr. M. Lamb. The boys have any amount of good words for the rations prepared by Charlie.

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SMALLPOX IN MONTREAL.

Three Thousand Cases in the City This Week.

The mortality from the smallpox epidemic is increasing, the deaths in the city alone last week, up to Saturday evening, being 245, and in the suburbs 75, making an aggregate of 320, of which 318 were French-Canadians, and seven English.

About ten o'clock Monday night an anti-vaccination mob from the east end took possession for a time of the city. The police showed the utmost incapacity throughout. The rioters were all French-Canadians, and they, despite the police, broke the lamps on the Champ de Mars, and also in the city hall. Then they went singing down to the Herault office and broke the windows there and attempted to get to the editor, but the printers were already for the mob. The police were helpless, and their cowardice is condemned on all sides. Two of the ringleaders have just been arrested, named Moreau and Belas. Six of the rioters were wounded.

New Dep. Attorney General.

Mr. E. F. B. Johnson, barrister, Guelph, has been appointed Deputy-Attorney-General for Ontario. The appointment was unsolicited by Mr. Johnson and was consequently a great surprise to himself and friends. The Mercury says:—

"Mr. Johnson, by indomitable energy and the possession of rare talent united to a large measure of legal force, has raised himself to the front rank of his profession, so that his practice had become a very extensive one, involving close attention to his office duties. The position is one of high legal importance and requires a constant application to the study and research of the law, so that in reality Mr. J. is but removing to a wider professional sphere."

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CABINET CHANGES.

Reconstruction of the Dominion Government's Cabinet.

OTTAWA, Sept. 25.—The following cabinet changes have taken place.

To be minister of railways, Hon. John Henry Pope, minister of agriculture, vice Sir Charles Tupper, resigned.

To be minister of agriculture, Hon. John Carling, postmaster-general, vice Hon. John Henry Pope.

To be postmaster-general, Hon. Alex. Campbell, minister of justice, vice Hon. John Carling.

To be minister of justice, Hon. John S. D. Thompson, one of the judges of the supreme court of Nova Scotia. The cabinet under the new arrangement will be composed as follows:

Premier, president of the council and chief superintendent of Indian affairs, Right Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald.

Minister of finance, Sir L. Tilley. Minister of railways, John H. Pope. Minister of agriculture, John Carling. Minister of justice, John S. Thompson. Minister of customs, Mackenzie Bowell. Minister of public works, Sir Hector Langevin.

Minister of marine and fisheries, A. W. McLellan. Minister of militia, Sir A. P. Caron. Postmaster-general, Sir Alex. Campbell. Minister of inland revenue, John Costigan.

Minister of the interior, Thomas White. Secretary of state, J. A. Chappleau. Without portfolio, Senator Frank Smith.

HAVE YOU

Hot and dry skin? Scalding eruptions? Swelling of the ankles? Vague feelings of uneasiness? Frothy or brick-dust fluids? Acid stomach? Aching joints? Cramps, growing nervousness? Strange soreness of the bowels? Unaccountable languid feelings? Short breath and pleuritic pains? One side headache? "Bouts" of "the blues"? Fluttering and distress of the heart? Abnormal and toxic casts in the water? Fiftal rheumatic pains and neuritis? Loss of appetite, flesh and strength? Constipation alternating with looseness of the bowels? Abundant pale, or scanty flow of dark water? Chills and fever? Burning patches of skin? Then

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