

BORN
McGILL.—At Gloucester, on the 1st August, the wife of Mr. J. J. MCGILL of a son.
MAYTHORN.—At Acton, on the 21st July, the wife of Mr. Edward Mathewson of a daughter.

DIED.

CAMPBELL.—At the residence of her brother-in-law, Rev. A. Campbell, Stratford, Ontario, beloved wife of Joseph Campbell, of Newmarket, Ontario, died on the 21st July, at the age of 81. Mrs. D. B. of Toronto, in the 53rd year of her age.

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 1887.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Governor General has been invited and has consented to open the Toronto Industrial Exhibition on Sept. 6.

Toronto is no longer threatened by a water famine. The water in the reservoir has been steadily gaining for the past week.

Over two hundred members of the British House of Commons have signed the memorial in favor of the Canadian Pacific mail subsidy.

It is probable that the Quebec Legislature will be summoned for the dispatch of business in November. Mr. Mercier intends to return to the practice of holding autumn sessions.

The recently passed Crime bill is to be put into operation at once. Every county in Ireland is to be proclaimed and the law is to be enforced with firmness.

Mr. Powderly's temperance section in the new constitution which prohibits all drinking at meetings and entertainments of the order has been accepted by three-fourths of the Knights of Labor assemblies.

George S. Peters, United States Attorney for Utah Territory, has filed suit against the trustees and managers of the Mormon Church on behalf of the United States to dispossess the said Church and wind up its business.

The thistle is still an unabated nuisance in many of our rural districts, notwithstanding the Thistle Act. The Bruce Herald thinks that the farmers' institutes might profitably consider this evil and aid in enacting the law.

It is rumored that all the U. S. railroad lines that discontinued the sale of millage tickets soon after the passage of the Interstate Commerce act are soon to place them again. Although no date has been fixed, it is understood that such a step has been definitely decided upon.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie, the great American iron master and millionaire, who has been presented with the freedom of the city of Edinburgh, Scotland, in recognition of his handsome present to that city, said in his address among other good and practical things, that he "would as soon leave a curse as excessive wealth to a child."

The Canadian Pacific Railway has secured the Australian wool traffic, the importations hitherto being by way of San Francisco. The Canadian Pacific will take the wool directly to Boston. The steamships sailing from the western terminus of the Canadian Pacific are subsidized by the British Government, and thus have a great advantage over American steamships.

The French Minister of War has asked for more troops, and the Senate has complied with his demand by providing for the addition of eighteen regiments to the infantry and four to the cavalry branches of the public service. This would look as if all parties in France had come to the conclusion that the preservation of peace is extremely improbable, and that it is necessary to prepare for war.

It is reported that a petition for the repeal of the Scott Act, is in circulation in the country. They tried to repeal the Act once before, and got badly beaten. The repeal is less likely to pass than ever, consequently it would be very unwise to put the country to the expense of another election. Perhaps like the last petition, it will, at the last minute, be found to have something wrong with it, and will need to be revised on a Sunday before being sent to Ottawa. —Reformer.

The pecuniary loss sustained by the workmen in the United States by unsuccessful strikes is enormous. The shoemakers alone have lost more than \$5,000,000 in wages, the strike of the Chicago builders caused a loss to the strikers of \$2,500,000, the coke workers lost from a million to a million and a half. The strikes took a heavy burden on the labor organizations which had to contribute heavily to the support of the hands on strike. It is more than questionable if the benefits gained by strikes are at all commensurate with the losses that work people have sustained through them, and the hardships and the suffering of which they have been the cause.

It is reported that a number of Mormons are about to settle in the Canadian Northwest. Canada wants all the good immigrants that can be induced to settle in it, but in view of the trouble the people of the United States have had in suppressing polygamy in Utah the immigration of Mormons should be discouraged. Any attempt to establish polygamy in the Canadian Northwest must be met with the utmost severity by the Dominion Government. It will be much easier to deal with this evil at its inception than after it has become firmly established. The Mormons if they come must be taught to respect Canadian law—Star.

The lawless liquor sellers of Ontario have, within the past few months, made such flagrant, desperate and systematic attempts to break down the Scott Act that the ten thousand dollars voted by the Legislature at Toronto last session for the enforcement of the Act has been entirely absorbed. The Government of our sister Province, however, are determined to vindicate the sovereignty of law despite the pecuniary cost, or the efforts of the liquor traffic to undermine it, and they have set apart a further sum for Scott Act enforcement, of twenty-five thousand dollars out of the vote for unforeseen expenses. By planting themselves firmly as the champions of the law, even though frownd upon for so doing by Prof. Goldwin Smith and his followers, the Ontario Government are doing nobly service for the moral well-being of the whole Dominion, and their example is worthy the attention of the other Provincial administrations—Star.

METHODIST MISSIONARY INCOME.

The income of the Canadian Methodist Missionary Board for the past year has just been ascertained, although all the returns have not been received. The total income will be about \$200,000, an increase of about \$12,000 over the previous year. The Toronto District of the Toronto Conference contributes \$23,400, an increase of \$6,000. The Toronto Conference as a whole contributes \$46,000, an increase of \$6,000. The following conferences have increased their contributions by about the amounts named:

London, \$1,100; Niagara, \$700; Guelph, \$1,370; Bay of Quinte, \$70; Montreal, \$1,400; New Brunswick, \$600; Manitoba, \$1,100. Nova Scotia is about \$600 in arrears, and Newfoundland is \$600 behind.

THE ANNUAL PRESS EXCURSION.
The Newspaper Men of the Province, With Their Ladies, Away on a Picnic Outing.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Press Association was held in the parlor of the Royal House, Toronto, on Tuesday, August 2d, and at 8 p.m., for the transaction of business in the interests of the Association.

The annual trip will be via Northern Railroads to Gravenhurst, and all around Lake Simcoe, at the corner of the Town of Barrie, a delightful steamboat trip on Lake Simcoe down to Peninsular Park.

The party left Toronto at 5:15 p.m., on Friday evening for Barrie, where they remained until yesterday afternoon, returning to the hotel, at the corner of the Town of Barrie, a delightful steamboat trip on Lake Simcoe down to Peninsular Park.

The programme for the remainder of the week is as follows:—This evening leave for Orillia; arrived at this point the steamer Orillia will be ready to convey the members and their ladies to Strawberry Island, two miles distant—a charming summer resort—where the second night and a portion of the following day will be passed. After viewing the principal places of interest in Orillia, under the direction of the municipal dignitaries, the party will go to Gravenhurst, and there embark for Port Carling, the central distributing point for the three lakes, from whence boats run in all directions every four hours each day. Rest and recreation can be obtained for such period as may desire, with privilege of returning via same route or by way of Parry Sound and Georgian Bay.

Mr. A. P. Cockburn, manager of the Orillia and Nipissing Navigation Co., has kindly given instructions that all boats of the line can be freely used by members of the party in all directions while they remained in that district. This ensures the utmost freedom of travel to all parts of the charming lakes of Muskoka, and will be of great pleasure to the many happy "cutters" of the press party.

Upon the grain (B), all over the two periods, the average animal entered with 1,847 and came out 1,871 lbs.

Upon bran (A), all over the same periods the average entry was 1,330 and the closing weight 1,382 lbs. per head.

These brief statements of the whole experiment are so astonishing that recapitulation in another form is desirable.

Group I, a grain began at 1,834 and closed at 1,860, having increased only 26 lbs. per head in 33 days. When changed to bran the average animal increased from 1,860 to 1,883 lbs. in 35 days.

Group II, on bran started at 1,800 and closed with 1,861, thus increasing 61 lbs. in 61 days.

Altogether, then, there has been a mean daily per head increase, from all sources over the period, of over one (1.00) pound to the live weight. Grain gave a daily rate of two-thirds (.69) of a pound, and bran fully a pound and a-half (.15) per head daily.

Animals were in good health and had no trouble except one that blotted thrice when open bran, and hence would be an item asking for credit to that ration.

We have never had the same experience with a lot of stock. During the last eleven years with us the average daily increased, except by many kinds, of feed has been: 203 lbs., the lowest, 1,670, the highest 2,70.

Besides, on almost as exactly similar ration to this grain (B), we have obtained in past years a mean of 2.25, so that we are in trouble in having to account for the unusual circumstances of the general bed of grain, without reference to the specialties mentioned. One thing is evident in this experiment, namely, that the conduct of each group has been very uniform, but all over there was a decidedly under-average rate of cattle. Quality was wanting in the majority, and a few were hearty feeders. Nevertheless there was uniform feeding, and so far as regards agents for experimentation the conditions were precisely alike, with the reflection that treating such a class of animals to a variety of things would most likely be better for them, as against any kind of food in abundance.

The nutritive ratio of the diet 1.64, which, though not always necessarily the best evidence of the feeding value, is a guide, and indicates in this case that the hay and roots with the bran was about 12 per cent. richer than the other ration. The two may be placed for all practical purposes at equal market value, and thus we have an increased interest in the competition.

We have the copy of the prize list, and the independent and pure in sentiment.

With the exception of the first, the copy sheet and we look for it every week.

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THE VERDICT CONFIRMED

By William Brown, C. E., Professor of Agriculture.

In previous years we have tested the value of different kinds of grain separately in the fallowing of stores, but never bran thoroughly against any of them, or a mixture of them. The prominence now given to the bran of wheat in feeding milch cows decided the experiment reported in Bulletin xii, and in association with it we conducted another last winter with exactly the like kinds of food, in fattening store stores.

Eight animals were thus handled, being Short Horn grade steers two years old, three only of which could be held for their kind, and the others but very ordinary specimens. They were got in October, 1886, and put up to good stall after passing through and improved, being printed most of the time. The Action Free Press has been a valuable source of information to us, and makes it easy to keep up to date with the latest news.

Among the newspaper men, who appear to be having a good time of it, the value of their time is

Mr. H. P. Moore, of the Action Free Press. He has just communicated the accomplishment of his task to us, and makes it easy to keep up to date with the latest news.

Make Its Characteristics More Prominent

TORONTO FAIRY GLORY.

The Action Free Press has celebrated its third anniversary by giving a special number and much improved form. The Fairways was one of the most popular and brightest issues of the year.

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