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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Halifax dry dock is 165 feet longer than that at Esplanade, 34 deeper, 31 feet wide at the bottom and 14 feet at the opening level, and the great amount of rock excavation made it an unusually heavy undertaking. Nevertheless it cost \$150,000 less than the dock constructed by Larkin, Cassidy & Co. The contractors were probably satisfied with ordinary profits.

The advance in the price of wheat has for some time been anticipated and it has come in time to enable the farmers to profit by it. The prospects are that Canadian farmers will have large crops, for which, immediately after being harvested, they will be offered at a high price. They will be acting the part of wisdom in selling early. It is a mistake policy to hold. More is, as a rule, lost by a shortage and deterioration in quality than is gained in price by holding, even when prices advance somewhat; and when they fall losses on both accounts are sustained.

An important exhibition of improved grain binding machines was made the other day on the farm of Dr. Foke, near Joliet III. The Walter A. Wood Co. operated two machines which are radical improvements over old methods for harvesting the other kinds of grain of prairie grass. Both machines were successfully operated for several hours. It is expected that the use of straw and grain binding material will effect a revolution in the methods of harvesting grain, and will solve the problem of cheap wheat for the farmer.

The Ontario Government having looked into the working of the Septennial Bill, decided that their plan is unworkable, and the following order in Council is issued in the Ontario Gazette of Saturday:—Reference to the order in Council of the 12th June last, and upon consideration of the report of the Honorable the Provincial Secretary dated 21st July, his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, and with the advice of the Executive Council of Ontario, has been pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the Septennial Bill be revoked pursuant to sec. 10, ch. 29, R.S.O.

Both the London Times and the Daily News, of Saturday, published exhaustive reports by telegraph from Russia and India about the failure of the wheat crop. The results are more startling than was supposed. In the case of the failure of the crops throughout Great Britain, the Daily News admits that unless abundant grain is forthcoming from America, Europe will be on the verge of starvation before next harvest. The Russian Government has already taken the extreme step of prohibiting the export of all corn from Russia for the remainder of the year. Last year Russia sent nearly 4,000,000 quarters of wheat to England, nearly one-third of the entire wheat imported.

The World's Fair Commission on Ways and Means has decided to permit no more shows of the exposition grounds to which an extra admission fee will be charged. This disposal of the grounds of a large number of schemes, and places the Fair management on substantial ground from which there need be no retreat. The decision should be rigidly adhered to. It will relieve the directors of much anxiety, and the public will be assured that the enterprise is being managed in good faith and without resorting to the petty tricks that characterize the circus or agricultural horse trot. On admission fee of 10 cents, including the privilege of using it to see everything within the grounds, is a sufficient charge. More money will be made by adhering to that rate than can be accumulated in any other way. Moreover, it is the only honorable course to pursue. The committee has acted wisely, and nothing should induce it to reconsider its decision. —Canadian-American.

On the 21st of August the Act passed at the last session of the Legislature respecting the execution and completion of school attendance, came into force. This law requires that all children between the ages of eight and fourteen shall attend the public school for the full term, and failing to do so without satisfactory excuse parents, guardians and children are liable to prosecution. The provisions of the act are, in effect, an instruction to the school authorities, to see that every child under ten, three miles or more from school, is taken to school, if excused by a magistrate or principal, or has passed the entrance. A justice of the peace may grant a child six weeks of absence from school, if he is satisfied that the absence is for such cause as is required in the act, or in urgent and necessary household duties. In towns and villages the principal or trustee shall appoint trustees to enforce the act; in townships the trustees have this power, and if a child fails to attend within five days of notification by the trustee, proceedings shall be instituted against the parents. The penalty is a fine of \$10 to \$20 with the option of giving bonds for \$100 that the child shall attend school. Assessors who enter in a book, when making their assessment, the names and ages of all children of school age in the municipality, which will be compared with the school registers by the trustees. Corporations, officers or agents of corporations, neglecting to inform this act are liable to a penalty of from \$25 to \$50. Parents will do well to bear this fact in mind, and see that their children start school when the holidays are over.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The Public Business, as usual, completed, but Adjournment Bill a long way off.

MCGREEVEY RESIGNS.
OTTAWA, Aug. 19.—Parliament is not yet ready to take its holidays. Adjournment is not looked for before the end of next month. The legislation of a public character is now so well advanced that the end of the session should be in sight. Were it not for the scandalous proposals which occur in a week or ten days, but the scandals are not merely claiming attention; they are accumulating; every day brings its surprises, and both sides are having their periods of gloom in consequence. The end is not yet, and no member ventures upon predicting the date of adjournment.

A little over three months ago, the investigation into the charges made by Mr. J. J. O'Connell, M.P., against Mr. Thomas McGreevy, Sir Hector Langevin, and the Public Works Department was commenced by the Committee on Privileges and Elections. The evidence is now declared closed and today the addresses of counsel will be given. It is understood that Mr. Thomas McGreevy's counsel alone will claim the right of addressing the committee, and that Mr. O'Connell, on behalf of the Department of Public Works, and Mr. Gordon on behalf of Mr. Tarte, will put in factums, merely showing the bearing of the evidence on the various charges.

MCGREEVEY TO BE REARRESTED.
Thomas McGreevy did not put in an appearance in the House of Commons yesterday, and an order was issued for his arrest. There was something very business-like and commonplace in the proceedings which ended in this important step. First the clerk read the order of the day, in which it was stated that Mr. McGreevy was to appear in his place in the House at 10 o'clock. Then the speaker inquired whether the member was in his place. There being no answer, the speaker related the steps that had been taken to notify Mr. McGreevy of the order. The Minister of Justice immediately moved that he be taken into custody by the sergeant-at-arms. The motion was carried without a word of discussion. The latest development in the case is the statement of the clerk of which there is no doubt, that McGreevy has sent in his resignation as a member of the House. This, however, will not relieve him of his obligation to appear, or purge himself in his contempt, for he was ordered to appear and to explain not his own breach of the independence of Parliament Act, but to answer to the questions he refused to answer before the Privileges and Elections Committee.

MR. HUTTON'S RESIGNATION.
Hon. J. C. Hutton when seen by a reporter the other day refused to confirm or deny the rumor that the resignation of Sir Hector Langevin was made at his request. "That is a matter of private matter for the Cabinet and cannot be discussed with everyone." In conclusion the Premier said, "The question of the innocence or guilt of Sir Hector is now before the committee and must be left there. No man of honor would attempt to prejudice the case."

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Sir Hector's resignation of his portfolio in the Dominion Cabinet as Minister of Public Works is the subject of much comment, not only by the press, but in political and colonial circles generally. "The Canadian Gazette," of London, Eng., in an editorial entitled "Canada's Humiliation," applauds Sir Hector Langevin's action in resigning his seat in the Cabinet, but regrets that he had not resigned before he would thus have realized much compensation. His resignation at the present time is more forced than voluntary.

MR. CAMERON'S RESIGNATION.
Mr. Cameron (Huron) has given notice that he will ask the government to institute criminal proceedings against Sir Hector Langevin, one of the contractors of the Kingston graving dock for fraud, forgery or any other criminal offense for signing the name of Andrew G. Bancroft, a fictitious person to a cheque of the department of public works, for signing the name of said fictitious person to a tender for the construction of said dock, for signing the name of said fictitious person to letters to the said department or does the attorney-general of the Dominion intend to do so or instruct any other person to do so.

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Senator Poirier has given notice that he will call attention to the propriety of amending the act respecting the Senate and the House of Commons, so as to prohibit from sitting any person who is a shareholder of any incorporated company holding any contract with the government or receiving or having received any subsidy from the government of Canada.

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Senator McInnes has given notice that he will call the government's attention, in view of the irregularities and violations of the Civil Service Act recently discovered, to the intention of the government by commission or otherwise, to take such steps as may be deemed necessary to secure the better administration of the civil service, and to prevent the recurrence of similar irregularities.

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It is understood that formal permission will be given in a few days by the Minister of Militia for the organization of the 18th Prescott battalion in practically defunct, all the arms and accoutrements being in store, and it is proposed to reconstitute the battalion, leaving room for the new regiment to be formed in the Queen City. It will be composed of six companies. Whether the new battalion will bear the number of the 18th or the 48th, which was disbanded some years ago, has not yet been decided.

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Mr. Davin moved for papers relative to the case of the North-west settler, J. J. Grant, who, upon abandoning his home-stead, sold his house to Hon. Edgar Dewdney, who was then Lieutenant-Governor. It was remembered that on a former occasion Mr. Davin charged that Mr. Dewdney, against whom he has a long-standing feud, had taken advantage of the settler's circumstances to obtain his house for \$500 when it was worth \$1,000. He showed the attack last week. Hon. Mr. Dewdney replied, as on the former occasion that he only bought the property at the earnest solicitation of the settler, who was in urgent need of money, and he produced a letter lately received from Grant, in which the latter expressed surprise that Mr. Davin should have made the charge reported, as Mr. Dewdney had not only befriended him when no one else would, but had given \$500 when he asked for only \$250.

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The case-overseer, Mr. W. H. McKeown, representative, has for some time had on the order paper a resolution asking that a reward be offered for the invention of the best and most satisfactory self-selling compound and that the Government have a test and report made on the invention. This resolution has been withdrawn, giving his reasons. He pointed out that even were such an invention approved and adopted

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TALK OF THE DAY.

As a result of the World's Fair during the week.

Mr. McKee, M.P. for Cape Breton county, returned to town yesterday after a two weeks' visit to the Caledonia coal mines, Little Glance Bay, N.S., of which he is manager. Mr. McKee says the indications are that the output of coal in Cape Breton this year will be greater than in any previous year, all the mines being taxed to their utmost capacity. The output from the island alone will be in the vicinity of 1,000,000 tons, as against 900,000 tons last year. The coal that is being mined is of the best quality, and it is quite within the estimate to say that when the St. Lawrence canal has attained a uniform depth of 14 feet the bituminous coal of