

DOZEN.

ALAN—In Kitchener, on Thursday, 11th Oct., the wife of a man of means, Mrs. Alan, was found dead in her room. Her husband, Mr. Alan, is dead.

HUNTER—In Napanaway, on the 11th inst., the wife of Archie McNaughton, of a daughter.

MATTHEWS—On Saturday, 11th Oct., the wife of L. H. Matthews, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

CAMPBELL—Harrison, the home of the Rev. Dr. Campbell, on the 11th inst., Mr. John Campbell to Miss Bertha Hustler.

LAWRENCE—In Brampton, at the 11th inst., Mr. W. A. Christie, a seven weeks old bride, of Blomfield, was found drowned.

ROBERTS—In Bradford, on Wednesday, 11th Oct., Mr. John Lamb of Limelawn, to Miss E. Swanson.

THOMAS—At Rockwood, on Wednesday, 11th Oct., Rev. P. Baker, Norman Alex. Thomas, to Miss Annie Thompson.

TOWNSEND—At the home of the bride's parents, Trelawny, on the 11th inst., Mr. Townsend, to Miss Minnie Wilson.

DIED.

PENWELL—In Rockwood, on the 22nd inst., James Penwell, aged 70 years.

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1894.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

One effect has come from the new tax on inheritances in England. Instead of bequests, gifts are being made while the donor is alive. Lord Ducie, for instance, has just sent a check for £500 to the Gloucestershire Infirmary, "saying that his will contained that bequest; but that he preferred to save the charge made by the State."

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The apples which Ontario has become famous for sell down in common estimate as less than an average crop this year. The yield over the province is very unequal, being quite liberal in some orchards, only moderately good in others, and below the latter rating in the majority. Much of the defect is to be charged to the long drought. In this neighborhood the crop is hardly up to the average either quality or quantity.

In 1869, the year of the opening of the Suez Canal, the tonnage of ships entered at Hong Kong was 2,500,000; three years later it had risen to 3,800,000; last year it was 7,177,025; the total tonnage entered and cleared in 1893 was 12,700,000. These figures find us in the list of the ports of the British Empire, though London and Liverpool can it probably close. Fifty years ago, when coded to England by the treaty of Nanjing in 1842, it was a desolate island.

The success of blood as a cure for diphtheria in many cases in which it has been used has assured the British Institute of its value as a preventive medicine. That arrangements are being made to supply the serum at six pence per dose against a surcharge of one per dose. The emulsion serum, for Joseph Lister, will supersede the preparation of the serum for the institution in order to insure purity. It was used among the children of the poor.

Patriotism in Japan animates all ranks of the people, the mercantile, priests and navy, contribute their mite to the war fund, while the nobility and the ladies of the court, with their wives and other attendants with their own hands hot and other arrangements for the wounded. This patriotic spirit invites the admiration of all the world except China, and may not be without appreciation even in those topaz and insensible land, which has the best of reason for being interested in it.

The Executives of the Dominion Alliance have drawn up the following declaration to be signed and published in every newspaper in the House of Commons. They are as follows:

"We are in favor of the immediate and total prohibition of the liquor traffic. If elected to the House of Commons, will you support and vote for a prohibitory liquor law?" Will you co-operate with other members of Parliament who favor prohibition, to secure the introduction and enactment of such legislation at the earliest opportunity?

Europe is being held in a state of suspense now, on account of the illness of the Czar of Russia, whose death would affect any movement. At present the relations of Russia and England are a little strained, but it is generally considered that the death of the Czar will materially affect England, from the fact that the Czar has been instrumental in making a much more friendly relation for England than does the present monarch, while the breach between France and Russia will become wider. Germany will also share the good graces of tsarist Russia.

The weekly average price of wheat fell below 20 shillings a quarter in England during the week ending September 12, and the circumstances are so exceptional that the London Economist calls special attention to it. The average price was 18d a quarter. No such record of cheapness has been made since the sixteenth century, with which of course comparisons would be very natural, owing to the different relationship there exists between the value of money and the value of commodities in general.

The weekly average of 1743 and 1744 is given at 26s 1d, and it is possible there was a week or two in those years when the weekly average was nominally as low in proportion to the price of other articles. The lowest weekly average recorded from 1816 to 1823 inclusive is 24s 3d for the week ending March 18, 1803, previous to which, within the period named, it was only once under 20s, and on that occasion the price was 27s 1d.

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TALK OF THE DAY.

AN EPITOME OF THE WORLD'S DOINGS DURING THE WEEK.

MR. PRUDDE, the distinguished English historian, is dead.

MR. J. MCGREGOR, of Bentick, broke his neck by a fall the other day.

FORTY-PATRON judges have been organized in Muskoka and Parry Sound.

MRS. W. A. CHRISTIE, a seven weeks old bride, of Blomfield, was found drowned.

MR. ROBERT TURNER, of Bradford, cardiac oedema on Friday with fatal result.

THE BANK OF BRITAIN is said to have lost £20,000,000 by irregularities during the recent revolution.

A YOUNG WOMAN calling herself Miss Eaton, of Toronto, has been victimizing many Buffalo people.

JOHN WORNARD was found guilty of murder at the Chatham Assizes for the killing of John Radcliffe.

A SPECIAL SECTION of the Japanese Parliament has decided to prosecute the war with all vigor and took steps to raise the necessary funds.

THE PROVINCIAL PLoughING MATCH is to be held on the farm of Mr. Whiting Milliken, at Niagara-on-the-Lake, on the 10th November.

THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE has taken action in the Escraper Court against contractor St. Louis in connection with the Curran bridge.

MR. JULES WHITE, of Paris, was run over by a Grand Trunk freight train and killed. He was 80 years of age, and an old servant of the Grand Trunk.

DEPUTY CHIEF INSPECTOR nearly 3,000,000 bushels of wheat were shipped east from Winipeg, about 1,000,000 bushels for the Gloucestershire Infirmary, "saying that his will contain that bequest; but that he preferred to save the charge made by the State."

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THE APPRENTICE has become a four year old daughter of a farmer living near Fontham, was outraged and murdered on Friday, her body, several wounds, was found concealed under a pile of leaves.

AT PRECOCITY last Thursday Miss Maggie Caprice, while sweeping the house, removed a loaded gun. The trigger caught in her dress and the result was to shoot her 5-year-old brother in the face, killing him almost instantly.

ACTION SCHOOL BOARD

SECRETARY INSTRUCTED TO RE-ENFORCE THE PRESENT STAFF OF TEACHERS FOR 1895.

A MEETING of the school board was called at 8 o'clock on Monday evening by the chairman, T. H. Harding, for the transaction of general business.

The members present were Messrs. T. H. Harding, Geo. Hynds, James McLain and Robt. Wallace.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The Committee on finance presented their fourth report, recommending pay increase for teaching accounts.

ELECTRIC DRILLING Soil and sapropelic pump at school.

DR. C. R. COOK, medical service at school.

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