

BORN.

McArthur—Born, on the 21st inst., Mrs. McArthur, in Erin, on Wednesday, 20th inst., the wife of Wm. McArthur, of a son.

MARRIED.

McLaughlin—At the residence of his brother's widow, Rev. Mr. MacLellan, in Erin, on Saturday, 20th inst., Mr. MacLellan, in Erin, on Saturday, 20th inst., the wife of Wm. MacLellan, of a son.

DIED.

Bryant—In Esopus, on the 21st inst., Mrs. Bryant, aged 66 years.

Wright—In Esopus, on Friday, 20th inst., Mrs. Wright, aged 70 years.

Norris—At Norval, on Saturday, May 21st, Mrs. Norris, wife of John Norris, aged 60 years.

The Acton Free Press.
THURSDAY, MAY 20, 1895.
NOTES AND COMMENTS.

It was now freely predicted that there will be a general election in Great Britain during July. On all sides it is admitted that Lord Lansbury's Government is in a minority, and the very atmosphere of the election campaign foretold the coming disaster to the liberal party.

New Zealand is already noted for its many novelties in legislation. The latest is a clause in its local option bill providing that every man convicted of being a habitual drunkard shall be photographed at his own expense, and every publication in the district in which he lives supplied with a copy.

The spectacle of Uncle Sam rushing off to Bellingham to call off his dogs of war in other words to inform his patrol vessels as to the danger of interfering with the armed Canadian sailors, is not one to make the country proud of the representatives who threw out the award at Washington a few weeks ago. *Canadian American.*

Lord Lansbury had introduced a bill in the House of Lords to authorize any judge who has been a member of the Supreme Court of Canada or of any one of the Australian colonies to become a member of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. The salaries of such judges, under the bill, are to be paid by the colonies.

The Earl of Merton, Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada, has been made a Knight of the Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St. George; Mr. Schulte, Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba, and Mr. Joly, ex-Prime Minister of Quebec, Knights Commanders of St. Michael and St. George, and Mr. Milne, Collector of Customs at Victoria, C. B., for services in connection with the Bering Sea negotiations. Dr. W. H. Kingston, of Montreal was also knighted.

An English agricultural correspondent referring to the crop outlook says. The weather now is hot and sunny, after a period of east wind which kept crops from growing at all rapidly. Now the only thing needed is a good downpour of rain, which the grain crops on light soils need badly, while the pastures also want a good soaking to make them produce an abundant hay crop and plenty of feed. The wheats remain in this condition longer than they are only just recovering from a sickly yellow condition, and most plants are either gappy or weak in appearance. The wheat crop must be below average in area and yield alike. All other crops promise to do well if rain comes soon enough. No rain of any consequence has fallen for nearly three weeks, and at this period of the season the crops, most of which were sown late, cannot get along without it.

The Farmer's Advocate contains a strong protest against the selling of potash in the form of ashes to the farmers and gardeners of the United States. In some form or other, either we or our children must restore this potash to the soil, and with the rapid development of fruit growing in Ontario and other provinces this becomes all the more imperative. One of the greatest needs of our orchards is potash, but until the "old potash" goes his rounds, trading on him for a few bars of cheap, yellow soap for bushes and bushels of ashes, a species of short sighted barter that has no redeeming feature.

In the year ending June 30, 1894, Canada export ed \$57,654 worth of the pot and pebbles, and \$52,110 worth of unrefined ashes, or a total of \$109,764, representing a vast quantity in bulk. It is to be wondered at that our neighbor, the *New York Farmer*, should exclaim: "Why in the world Canada permits this wholesale drain is something that baffles the wits!"

A despatch to the New York Herald from Berlin says, Germany has refused to co-operate with Russia in forcing Japan to withdraw her troops from Corean territory. The Times London cable states that the report that 30,000 Russian troops have entered Korea is credited there. According to German information, Russia has embarked upon no less an adventure than seizing Manchuria and Corea for herself, and it is suspected from various indications that she is in close alliance with China on the whole subject. The correspondent adds: "All this points to a situation in Corea graver than that which was opened by the Japanese declaration of war last August. Even if the German papers have no official information, their guess that Germany has already pulled out of the combination is a shrewd reflection of the inevitable. All Germany's commercial interests will be up in arms in a day or two at the threatened prospect of Corea and the Gulf of Pei Chi Li being in Russian hands."

At Old Bailey Court, London, on Friday day, a verdict of guilty was rendered by the jury against Oscar Wilde and Alfred Taylor, charged with immoral practices and composing indecent literature. The presiding judge gave the bravest sentence possible, viz. two years at hard labor in prison, and expressed regret that the law would not allow him to give a heavier sentence. The court room was densely crowded at the time of the trial, and when the verdict was given, there was general approval. There are others implicated in the affair, but have left the country for a time at least. The punishment Wilde is sentenced to undergo is the severest known to the law. It practically means a continuous period of solitary confinement for the two years' term of his sentence. Regular "goat birds" always prefer five years of penal servitude to two years' imprisonment, owing to the easier conditions of the former. Wilde will not be permitted to see any visitor for three months, but by exceptionally good conduct he can secure a slight reduction of his sentence.

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