

BORN.  
PRINCE, in Georgetown, on Wednesday, 20th August, the wife of Mr. D. A. Pritchard, of a son.

JONES, at Guelph, on Wednesday, 20th August, the wife of Mr. H. D. Smith, of a son.

MARRIED.

TORONTO, MARCH 11.—Andrews' Presbyterian Church, Southgate, Miss. Alice, daughter of Dr. Bradford, was married to the Rev. W. A. Duncan, D.D., of the First Presbyterian Church, and of Huron, Halton Co., to Miss Jennie Price, daughter of Sainte Marie, Mich., formerly of Paris, Ont.

DIED.

DAVIS, at Guelph, Ontario, on Sunday, Sept. 12, Charles, 30 years, of Jonathan Davis, aged 53 years.

ANNA, in Georgetown, on Tuesday evening, September 1st, John W. Adams' third son, Thomas Adams, age 35, of Brampton, aged 35 years.

The Action Free Press.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1895.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The returns issued by the Board of Trade for August show an increase in imports of £2,072,147, and an increase in exports of £1,000,255 during that month, as compared with the corresponding month in 1894.

The Rev. Father Harrington, who has returned to Baltimore, from the interior of Alaska, says that the boundary claim is a most important one, and that if Great Britain wins her contention it will be of great advantage to Canada.

English farmers are protesting against the statement that they must buy the railways. Butter and cheese sold at Southampton are sent to London for £1.50 a ton, while for the same articles made in England the charges are £1.50 a ton. Imported butter is carried from Southampton for £1.25, and from Winchester, twelve miles nearer London, for £2.75.

Regarding the prospects of Canadian trade with Australia, George L. Lewis writes to the Department of Trade and Commerce that the small mill machinery of the colony is out of date, and must soon be replaced. He also thinks there is a good market for Canadian boots and shoes. He remarks that Canadian articles are now being sold in the leading Australian cities.

At last the dastardly St. Marc canal has been opened. On Saturday the Nogent Transportation Company's steamer *Hippolyte*, the newest Canadian built vessel was locked through. An excursion was arranged by that vessel from the Suez to Algiers Park and return, passing up and down through the canal, fully 700 people participating in the excursion. The gates and all the appointments worked like a charm.

Nelson's local option by law was ordered to be quashed by Judge Vaughan, at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, last week. The case is thus reported in the Toronto daily newspapers. Single Court, before Cambridge, J. R. Beaton and Township of Nelson, D. O. Cameron moved to quash a local option by law of the township of Nelson. No one for the township. Order made quashing the by law. Judgment reserved upon question of costs.

According to the report of the Superintendent of Insurance at Ottawa, which has just been issued in the completed shape of premiums last year \$6,711,369, the amount of Canadian business, which is \$9,256 less than the premium of 1893. There has been a great increase in the life insurance business. The new business taken last year aggregated \$19,522,237 which is greater than the business taken in 1893 by \$4,322,110.

CANADA COMPLAINS  
Requesting a Case Against the Suez Canal to submit Through London to Washington.

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—An Ottawa special to the *World* says: The Canadian Government is preparing a case in suit to Washington through the British Government, pointing out the disastrous effects the construction of the Chicago Canal would have on Canadian shipping. The Minister of Justice says the law of nations governs the Canadian case in the question.

It is conceded that the water level of the great lakes is likely to be lowered.

A Canadian engineer who is looking into the matter said to the correspondent today that the Government here expects that as the harbours on the American side of the lakes will be as injuriously affected as the Canadian harbours, the American points concerned will use their influence to prevent the construction of the canal.

DIABOLICAL BURGLARS  
Masked Men Torture a Farmer—The Man's Feet Roasted Until He Disclosed His Money

FRIDAY, Sept. 9.—Friday night three masked men entered the house of John Bullock, a farmer, in a remote village of Austria, and left in company with his fatherly family, sealed from Bullock for Canada. She was married to her late husband in 1875, and since that time has lived on the farm which she died. Like other early settlers she experienced many hardships in assisting her husband in clearing a home in the then unbroken forest, and often did she relate to her children some of the many trials of her pioneer life. Her husband, dying in 1874, left her a family responsibility which only a devoted and faithful mother could discharge.

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EDITOR'S TABLE

*Horizon*, of September 11, has eight fine photographs supplement devoted to two fine photos of *Falstaff*, III and *Defender* under sail, drawn by C. T. Chapman, and a striking woodcut illustration entitled "First Over the Line," drawn by T. de Thulstrup. Being printed on extra heavy paper and not accompanied by reading matter, these pictures are well suited for framing.

OLD LONDON FLOODED.

YESTERDAY, Sept. 8.—The most severe flood in years swept over London this morning. The water was high, and traffic was temporarily suspended. Many of the streets along the Thames were flooded, making passage through them impossible. As far as is known, there were no fatalities.

Nelson Kitter, a respectable farmer at Melville, was killed suddenly yesterday morning by cutting his throat. His body was found in a room in his new house. Temporary inquest "in the reason given, for the fact not

FIRE PROTECTION BY-LAW

To be Voted upon by the Property Owners on October 5th.

\$4,500.00 TO BE TOTAL COST.

Council met on Monday evening and the proceedings were adjourned promptly at nine o'clock, with Frank Farwell in the chair, and Commissioners Hayll, Williams, and Farwell in their places.

The Committee on Finance presented their thirteenth report recommending payment of accounts as follows:

R. D. Graham, auditor, \$1,000.00  
A. Stephenson, treasurer, \$1,000.00  
C. T. Chapman, printing and ad., \$1,200.00  
H. P. Moore, printing and ad., \$1,400.00

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