

BORN.  
MAN: At Thorburn, on Tuesday, July 16th.  
NEW: Mrs. MacLean, a son.

MARRIED.

LAURENCE—At the residence of the bridegroom, 984 North Twenty-eighth Ave., Dundas, N.Y., by Rev. C. M. Dewey, on Aug. 1st. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Adler.

DIED.

CAGAN: At London, Ont., on Sunday, July 21st. Rev. Thomas Clegg, aged 80 years.

HORN: At Galt, Ontario, on Saturday, July 27th. James Robertson, aged 70 years.

PANSON: At his residence, Pittsburg, near Pittsburgh, Pa., on Friday, July 26th. K. Panson, aged 65 years.

MCLELLAN: In newspapers, on Tuesday, July 23rd. Mrs. James McLean, wife of James McLean, who died at the residence of his son in N.Y., Mr. Wm. McLean, on North Avenue, New York, on July 19th.

GARRETT: On Friday, July 26th, at the residence of his son in N.Y., Mr. Wm. McLean, on North Avenue, New York, on July 19th.

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TUESDAY, JULY 26th, 1900.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Judge Taft has been sworn to act on behalf of the Governor-General during the latter's tour of the Dominion. The Hon. William Mulock is also formally called to administer the new department of labor created under the conciliation bill of the past session.

The numerous requests that the Immigration Department at Toronto, has received from Ontario Farmers in search of hired men shows great scarcity of farm laborers throughout the Province. Farmers are offering \$25 a month for periods of two or three months, and \$30 a month for four months.

The Ontario government will probably have a much greater revenue this year from succession duties than was anticipated. The estimate was \$175,000, and actual \$120,000 have been collected. The Christie, Hallam and Alcock estates in Toronto will yield at least \$75,000.

The good condition of the pastures is mainly due to a large flow of milk, and the number of cattle is now increasing in volume. The quality of the butter is generally very good. Considerable exports of butter are now being made. The cheese markets are generally steady.

In the belief that an open alliance with Great Britain would be an advantage for the United States, it has been formed in Philadelphia composed of many men powerful in the financial and political world, who pledge themselves to work for such an alliance. The organization is known as the "Trans-Atlantic Hierarchy of America."

A question of considerable importance to the liquor traffic is about to be tested in the courts of Quebec. It is whether the great capitalist power can be given the power to limit the number of hotel licenses issued in the cities of the province, as was done by recent license act amendment. The effect of that limitation this spring was to ruin many houses.

President McKinley has listened to the appeal of the Chinese Government, transmitted by Minister Wu, and has signified his willingness to mediate between the Imperial Government and the powers, but only upon conditions which first must be met by the Chinese Government. These conditions are that the Chinese must open up the means of free communication and of rescue.

The Minister of Agriculture has written to the agents of the various steamship lines having regular sailings between Canadian ports and Great Britain, as to the providing for ventilation of the holds for the carriage of apples and cheese. He is anxious to improve the ventilation so as to carry off the heat generated during the process of ripening and curing, and has authorized the payment of \$100 towards the initial expense of fitting up each approved steamer, after the vessel has made three voyages.

The census of the United States has been counted and, except in some remote districts, the returns have been sent to the census at Washington. It is likely to be some weeks yet before the figures are added up. Meanwhile there are many predictions as to the population the census will show. Millbank, the great English statistician, places it at 76,000,000; Prof. Prichett, president of the National Institute of Technology, at 77,472,000, while the secretary of the Treasury, Department estimated to be 77,000,000. In 1870 the population of the United States was 33,520,711; in 1880 it was 50,155,780, in 1890 when the last census was taken, it was 63,622,500.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Biz Alphonse Pollard, speaker of the House, is still very weak but improving.

David Darrow, of Grey County, was killed yesterday near Hart Portage on Tuesday.

General Curtis, aged about sixty years, was killed by Michigan Central train at Frankfort, Mich., on Wednesday.

It is reported that a number of cotton mills in England will be closed temporarily owing to the disturbance in China.

Major General O'Grady, the new commander of the Canadian militia, will reach Quebec on Saturday and Ottawa on Monday.

John Williams Hart has challenged the Kingston Times to prove its falsehoods regarding his relations to the Sheriff of Frontenac.

Magistrate Plain and Jardine at Repentigny say that an additional bar erected for the winter business of Dunham Day was not fair to the lower class.

Military orders could provide for a battalion of Mounties to be sent to Toronto, an authorized addition of 2,000 men to the military strength of the Dominion.

Many cases of enteric fever and smallpox are reported at Nome Harbor, Alaska, and the question of sanitation has assumed a serious phase, owing to the stranglehold of insects to that place.

Friendship you mean the greatest love, the greatest usefulness, the most open communication, the noblest sufferings, the severest truth, the heartiest laugh, and the greatest union of minds of which brave men and women are capable.—Jersey Taylor.

To the hungry we breed dry.

THE WAR NEWS.

Latest Reports Say the Foreign Ministers in China Are Safe.

Boers Still Aggressive.

in South Africa.

WAH IN SOUTH AFRICA HAS COST \$200,000,000.

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