

FRANCO-PRUSSIAN WAR.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—Queen Victoria has written an autograph letter to the King of Prussia...

LONDON, Oct. 25.—The Times has a special despatch from Berlin stating that the latest negotiations for peace have come to naught...

LONDON, Oct. 25.—The town of Schlestadt capitulated yesterday to the besieging forces after a severe bombardment.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—The town of Metz continues to make slow progress. Bazaine ignores the French Provisional Government in his communications.

LONDON, Oct. 26.—The Pall Mall Gazette of last evening announces that a meeting between Thiers and Bismarck has been arranged...

LONDON, Oct. 26.—The telegraph lines have been disrupted by the recent storms, and the Government is just getting through from Londoners as follows:

LONDON, Oct. 26.—The extra edition of the Monitor contains a decree for the issue of a loan of 250,000,000 francs on Thursday...

It is confirmed that Garibaldi has successfully attacked the Prussians at Novara.

Advices from Marcellles show that disorders are still prevalent here.

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A Balloon Battle.

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Loss of the "Cambria."

LONDON, Oct. 22.—The total loss of the steamship Cambria is fully confirmed, and there is little to give hope that passengers who had taken to boats have escaped.

Other less fatal but still serious marine losses are reported this morning, many of them on our own coast.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Bees for sale.—Alex. Marsh. Just Road.—I. French. Strayed.—Wm. Trench.

The York Herald.

RICHMOND HILL, OCT. 28, 1870.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.

We are glad to learn that the officers and managing committee of the Mechanics' Institute in this town are making active preparations for their winter campaign.

The first Re-Union of the season is to take place on Tuesday Nov. 8th, in the Temperance Hall; and, judging from the array of amateur talent secured, the coming entertainment promises to be one of the best yet offered to the public.

Our Institute is still in a very prosperous condition, and stands high as ever in popular favor. Although the membership tickets are raised to a dollar, the number of members is already nearly equal to that of last year.

Indeed we do not see any cause of objection, as the price now charged for membership is only equal to the majority of Institutes in Ontario, and much below many others.

Beside this consideration, one dollar a year is not a large sum to invest in sustaining a society which conduces to the benefit of a whole neighborhood, by providing harmless entertainment in the shape of re-unions, lectures, discussions and a good supply of the best standard and periodical literature of the day.

Since the receipt of the Government grant, the Library Committee have enlarged the library by the addition of a number of excellent scientific and historical works; they have also added several new magazines, making altogether a large amount of choice reading accessible every Wednesday evening to each member of the Institute.

In order to give our readers in this locality an idea of the reading matter available, irrespective of other inducements to become members of the institute, we subjoin the following list of magazines:

Atlantic Monthly; Blackwood's Magazine; Cassell's Magazine; Canadian Illustrated News; Canadian Literary Journal; Chamber's Journal; Dominion Monthly; Edinburgh Review; English Mechanic; Family Herald; Harper's Magazine; Leisure Hour; London Illustrated News; London Journal; People's Magazine; Quiver (The); Sunday at Home; Temple Bar; Young Englishwoman; and Young Ladies' Journal.

THE WAR NEWS.

Very little of interest has transpired between the French and German armies for some days past. The Prussian forces are still gaining ground. At Paris the military remains much the same.

The Prussians have the city thoroughly invested, and they threaten to bombard it on the 29th. An important advantage has been gained by them through the taking of Schlestadt, a fortified town in the south east, near the Baden frontier.

A large number of cannon, and two thousand prisoners were captured. England has received but very little thanks for her effort a few days ago to negotiate for peace between the belligerents.

The French press and people attribute her generous and humane efforts, to be done in the interests of Prussia, rather than those of humanity. Contrary to report, the Empress Eugenie has taken no part in these negotiations.

Orleans is occupied by a force of 25,000 Germans, and it is said that a large French force is advancing to drive them out, if they are able. The veteran, Von Moltke, instead of being on his way to Germany in a lead coffin, has completed his seventieth year, and has received the congratulations of the King and all the officers of the army.

In some parts of France, the Republicans are in open rebellion against the Government of "National Defence." Another "Maid of Orleans" has sprung up at Tours, who is said to be causing great excitement among the French soldiers.

The "Canadian Illustrated News" is to hand, displaying the usual energy of the publisher in endeavoring to make this paper the best on this continent.

Among its illustrations are: "The late Gen. Robert E. Lee"; "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy"; "The Horse Ring of the Provincial Exhibition"; "Gen Von Werder"; "The late Dr. Syme"; "Lake Neppigon"; the War, &c.

New Goods.—Mr. Isaac French advertises that he has the largest and best stock of crockery, Groceries, Wines and Liquors, on Richmond Hill. Mr. French sells his goods at very reasonable prices, and keeps his stock always fresh. Try him.

Mazzini has been set at liberty by the Italian Government.

NORTH-WEST EMIGRATION AID SOCIETY.

This society was formally organized and the officers elected in August last. Its objects will be best explained by quoting section 5, article 7, of the Constitution on the duties of the Executive Committee.

"It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to procure and direct the publication of information as to the best and cheapest routes for Emigration to the North West; to make arrangements with Railway and Steamboat lines for a system of through tickets for passengers and freight; to encourage the formation of Emigration Companies; to appoint proper agents en route; to establish Branch Associations throughout the Dominion; to communicate and make arrangements with the General and Local Governments for the prompt settlement of emigrants upon lands in the North-West; and generally, to take such measures as may be lawful and expedient to accomplish the objects of the Society."

The Committee at its first meeting, among other matters, directed the Secretaries to address a communication to the Dominion Government for the purpose of ascertaining, if possible, the land policy adopted or in contemplation for the new Province, and particularly whether squatters would be recognised as entitled to pre-emption in respect of lands taken up by them in the same manner as in the United States.

The letter was addressed to the Minister of Agriculture and Emigration, and was in the following terms:

"Toronto, September 22, 1870. 'The Honorable the Minister of Agriculture and Emigration, Ottawa.

"Sir,—We are instructed by the Executive Committee of the above Society to communicate with the Dominion Government to ascertain officially the land policy adopted or to be adopted in the new Province of Manitoba, and in the North-West Territories of the Dominion. We are unable at present to give any definite information to numerous applicants who desire to emigrate to, and settle in, that portion of Canada. The chief point upon which inquiries are made, are: First. What quantity of land may be settled upon? Second. Will he be entitled to a free grant, and if so, upon what conditions? or will the Government demand any, and what price per acre? Third. Have any Townships been surveyed for settlement? and if so, in what localities? Fourth. Until surveys are made, will immigrants settling on unoccupied lands obtain thereby a prescriptive right to purchase, or to a free grant?"

"It would be very satisfactory to the Society and intending settlers to know whether any organized system of transport via Lake Superior, Rainy Lake, and Lake of the Woods, has been adopted by the Government, or is in contemplation for the accommodation of emigrants next Spring.

"We beg to enclose for the information of the Government a copy of the Constitution of the Society. Numerous applications have already been made at the Society's Offices for information of the character mentioned above, and we are instructed therefore respectfully to request an early reply.

"We have the honor to be, Sir, Your very obedient servants, 'HUGH SCOTT, 'JOS. E. McDUGALL, Joint Secretaries."

The following is the reply of the Minister of Agriculture and Emigration. It will be seen that the Dominion Government has not yet decided upon any land policy for the North-West. This is much to be regretted, as a season has been lost by the delay:—

"DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Ottawa, 25th Sept., 1870. 'GENTLEMEN,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 22nd inst., inquiring on the behalf of the North-West Emigration Aid Society of Canada, in reference to the land policy adopted, or to be adopted, in the Province of Manitoba and in the North-West Territories of the Dominion.

"It is impossible at the moment to answer the inquiries put by your letter, otherwise than by a reference to the assurances given on behalf of the Government when the Manitoba Bill was under discussion in Parliament, to the effect that every practicable effort will be made by a liberal land policy and otherwise, to further the development of the resources of Manitoba and the adjacent territories. The whole question of the best means to be taken to this end is still necessarily under consideration. But as soon as possible after the Government shall have received such reports from the Lieutenant Governor as may enable it to act in the most important matter, with the requisite amount of local information, it will not fail to make public its policy, in respect to the various matters to which your letter inquires.

"I have the honor to be, Gentlemen, Your obedient servant, 'CHRISTOPHER DEXTER, 'Minister of Agriculture."

The above is part of a circular received from the Secretaries of the above Society, its formation may be the means of doing an important part for intending emigrants, and spreading information as to the country that may lead to an immense influx of settlers. The balance of the circular, which we have not published, seems to us to be of no public interest. We learn that "rejoiced William" had a hand in getting it up, and only embodies the venom of the disappointed. We feel satisfied that the Canadian Government will introduce a liberal land policy for Manitoba as soon as practicable. At present emigrants must be guided by the law applicable to the case. Some good men have connected themselves with the Society; but if they hope for success, let them avoid political humbugs, and make the best of the means at their disposal.

"SONGS OF SCOTLAND."

We have great pleasure, this week, in announcing that Mr. Angus Fairbairn, an eminent Scottish vocalist, will give one of his entertainments in our Village, on Tuesday evening next, the 1st proximo, in the Temperance Hall. Mr. Fairbairn has lately arrived in this country from London, England, where he enjoys the reputation of being one of the most popular vocalists in the Kingdom.

He will be assisted by the Misses Bennett, Miss Bessie Fairbairn, Miss Kate Roberts, and Mr. J. McIntyre. The party has given several entertainments in Toronto, and the towns east, of which the press speak with enthusiasm; and we are confident, therefore, that Mr. Fairbairn and party will render their programme (which is a good one), in the best manner. Tickets for the concert should be secured early; they may be had at the HERALD Book Store.

RE-UNION.—The Maple Mechanics' Institute purpose holding the first Re-Union of the season on Monday evening, the 31st inst., in the Masonic Hall, Maple. As usual the programme will include vocal and instrumental music, readings, recitations, &c. Doors open at 7 P.M.; performance to commence at 7:30. Admission 10 cents; members free.

AUCTION SALES. FRIDAY, October 28.—Important Sale of Farm Stock, Implements, &c. on lot 57, 1st Con. Markham, near Richmond Hill, the property of Mr. Frederick Paige. Sale at 12 o'clock. J. Gormley, Auctioneer.

FRIDAY, October 28.—Credit Sale of Farm Stock, Implements, &c., on lot No. 6, rear of the 6th Con. Vaughan, the property of Mr. John S. Kaiser. Sale at 11 o'clock, A.M. H. Smelser, Auctioneer.

SATURDAY, Nov. 5.—Auction sale of dry cord wood, on lot 35 1st con. Markham. 100 cords or more of maple, beech and elm, in lots to suit purchasers. John Langstaff, pro rector. Sale at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, November 11.—Credit Sale of Farm Stock, Implements, &c., on lot 1, 5th Con. Whitechurch, the property of Mr. Wm. Smith. Sale at ten A.M. sharp. J. Gormley, Auctioneer.

* * Parties having Sale bills printed at this office, will have a notice similar to the above, free of charge.

There is little reason to doubt that the chief cause of General Robert E. Lee's death was suppressed and protracted grief at the unfortunate condition of his country. The physician who attended him in his last illness thus speaks of his death in a letter to his brother in New York:—"We consider his protracted grief at the condition of his country and the continued suppression of his strong feeling the chief remote causes, and excessive fatigue and mental application the immediate cause of congestion of the veins of the brain; and though not producing apoplexy, of which there was no evidence (he moved almost every muscle to the last hour), this congestion caused most serious loss of nervous power and resulted in lesion of the substance of 'the brain itself.'"

This extract expresses, in a few words, the almost sublime character of the departed hero. He was, indeed, one of the great ones of the earth, and deserved to share in a better fate than that which befel the country he loved so dearly and so well.—Leader.

HYPOCHONDRIASIS is one of the most difficult to treat successfully of all nervous diseases. Reasoning with nervous or h. psychodriasis and insane persons rarely proves serviceable. The mind cannot be overcome while the nervous system is irritable. In many instances the derisive laugh at the unfortunate, or the more temperate appeal to the reason, is absolutely injurious, by exciting further irritation in the mind of the sufferer, who thinks his advisers either unfeeling or incredulous towards his complaint. Under the use of Fello's Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites, there is no longer necessity of resorting to such treatment.

Price \$1.50 a bottle; 6 for \$7.50 Sold by apothecaries and by F. Candill & Co., wholesale agents, Montreal.

At the Captain court-martial on Sept. 30th, Mr. Nathaniel Barnaby, President of the Council of Construction to the Navy, was examined at great length. He regarded the introduction of masts into low free-board turret ships as an element of danger. This view was endorsed by Mr. Reed, late chief constructor, in a paper read at the Institute of Naval Architects when the designs for the Captain were presented. The large area for sails was particularly noticed. When witness visited Bikenhead he observed the increased weight of the ship, and Mr. Reed called Mr. Laird's attention to it. Mr. Reed regarded the responsibility of the design and construction as devolving on Captain Coles and Mr. Laird. Subsequently Mr. Laird gave evidence to the effect that the Admiralty were responsible for the design of the Captain.

EVERY earnest glance we give to the realities around us, with intent to learn, proceeds from a holy impulse, and is a song of praise.

To be independent of external circumstances is the first step toward the enjoyment of life.

News Summary

The amount of Government specie captured at Stresbourg is estimated at £400,000. Late advices from South America show that a revolutionary crisis was impending at Montevideo.

The Pekin authorities appear to make no sincere efforts to bring the tien-tsin murderers to justice. During the past few days no fewer than 700 Frenchmen, fleeing from their country, arrived at Jersey.

For some time past the Cologne Gazette has had two sides completely filled with lists of dead and wounded. The commander of the British squadron at Civita Vecchia, obeying home orders, has saluted the Italian flag.

The present North German constitution will probably form the basis for the reconstruction of the empire. The account of the Duchess of Hamilton's visit to the Emperor of Napoleon has been authoritatively contradicted.

The Emperor of Austria, to give fresh guarantees for the indivisibility of Bohemia, has resolved to be crowned King of Bohemia. The ex Queen Isabella of Spain has settled near Geneva. She has a fine residence near the lake. The Prince de Joinville is in Geneva.

The rinderpest is still spreading rapidly throughout Belgium, Holland, and Prussia, all efforts to prevent its ravages having proved ineffectual. The Crown-Princess of Denmark, daughter of the king of Sweden, gave birth to a Prince on the 27th ult., at Charlottenlund Castle, near Copenhagen.

Strasbourg was stolen from Germany by a surprise on the 28th of September, 1870, and was regained in honorable warfare on the 28th of September, 1870. The steamship India, the Anchor Line, of landed 290 Papal Zouaves at Liverpool on Oct. 14th. They were taken aboard at Genoa. Most of them are Canadians. They will be sent to their homes.

A London firm has contracted to supply a house in Paris with six thousand mourning bonnets and sixty thousand yards of crape, within the next fortnight, and at Berlin the orders given are far greater.

A fire occurred on Oct. 15th, in the rigging shop of the Messrs. Laird, at Liverpool, which, before it was subdued, destroyed property valued at £10,000 sterling. One thousand operatives, male and female, are temporarily thrown out of employment.

The crater of Vesuvius begins slowly to be re-animated. A small internal aperture on the north east throws out at intervals smoke with ashes, and at times also fire. A part of the last cone has broken down. These are the preludes of fresh eruptions.

Accounts from Poland state that restlessness is manifested there, and that the Polish garrisons are being increased. In Siberia too, according to the Eastern Journal, disturbance has broken out requiring the active interference of the Russian troops. That Russia is increasing her armaments, may be a consequence of these two causes within her own frontiers.

Prince Salem, who shared the Emperor Maximilian's captivity in Mexico, fell at St. Privat. On his right arm being shattered by a shot, he picked up his fallen sword with the left and continued the attack. Another shot in the arm he disregarded, until he was mortally struck on the chest. "Have we conquered?" he asked a clergyman who stood by his couch. "Yes." "Then all is well; comfort my wife," were his last words.

FRANCE has often been in a tight place, but just as often has a deliverer appeared and released her. Genevieve saved Paris when the Parisians were on the point of setting fire to the city, and the peasant girl of Domrepy

"That whitest lily on the shield of France With heart of virgin gold," proved a victorious host in herself and drove the bowmen of Kent back to Calais. In 1789, when she was pressed hard on all sides, there came a star from Corsica, and her star was once more in the ascendant. To-day she is prostrate, mangled and wounded almost to death; with her armies cooped up and demoralized; with her capital apparently doomed to destruction, and with 700,000 Germans on her soil. But a deliverer appears in the south, a giant from across the Atlantic, bearing in one hand a copy of the constitution of the Irish Republic, in the other a trusty blade that will one day flash for Erin in the smiling valleys of Munster, and on the frontiers of British America. He is the future President of the United States, the illustrious martyr to Saxon oppression, the modern Shan Van Vogh, the popular lecturer, the champion fanatic—George Francis Train. Hear him speaking through the cable to his friends in the Bowery:—

MARSEILLES, Oct. 21.—I have just addressed an immense audience. France forever! Vive la republique universelle et fenievre! GEORGE FRANCIS TRAIN.—Telegraph.

MARRIED. ROBINSON.—JACKSON.—On the 26th inst., by the Rev. James Dick, Mr. C. Robinson, to Miss Elizabeth Jackson, both of the Township of York.

MACKIE.—BAYER.—On the 26th inst., by the same, Mr. Alexander Mackie, to Miss Mary Ann Bayer, both of the Township of Whitechurch.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Flour, Wheat, Spring Wheat, Barley, Pease, Oats, Hay, Straw, Butter, Pork, Wool, Apples, Potatoes.

Special Notices.

JEWELRY! JEWELRY!

For Sale cheap, at the HERALD OFFICE.

BOW BELLS FOR OCTOBER,

Arrived at the Herald Book Store.

EVERY WEEK, OCTOBER,

Arrived at the Herald Book Store.

COLLARS AND CUFFS

THE LATEST STYLES, AT THE HERALD BOOK STORE.

MISCELLANEOUS BOOKS

SUITABLE FOR PRESENTS AT THE HERALD BOOK STORE.

POLITICAL WORKS

OF THE DIFFERENT PARTS, AT THE HERALD BOOK STORE.

NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA

Richmond Hill Station. Change of time taking effect May 2, 1869:

Table with 2 columns: Direction and Time. Includes Going North, Going South.

MAILS MADE UP AT THE RICHMOND HILL POST OFFICE.

Until further notice, the mails will be closed at this office as follows:

MORNING.

Table with 2 columns: Mail Name and Time. Includes Northern Mail, Southern Mail, Mail for Almiria.

"Cashel" 11.00 A.M. "Gormley" on Tuesdays "Headford" & Fridays. "Victoria Square" & Fridays.

EVENING MAIL.

Table with 2 columns: Mail Name and Time. Includes Southern Mail.

N.B. REGISTERED LETTERS will require to be handed in 15 minutes before the time of closing.

BRITISH MAILS

Are closed at Toronto as follows:

By Cunard Line, every Monday, at 10 A.M. By Bremen Line, every Tuesday, at 11 A.M. By Canadian Line, every Thursday, at 10 P.M.

N.B. Letters for despatch by these lines of Steamers, should be so marked.

The rate on Letters for the United Kingdom (via Quebec in summer, and Portland in winter), is now reduced to 6 cents per 1/2 oz. weight. If sent via New York, it will be 8 cents per oz. These rates apply only to prepaid letters; if sent unpaid, or insufficiently prepaid, there will be a fine of double the amount of deficient postage.

A. FEEFY, Postmaster. Richmond Hill, Nov. 29, 1869.

New Advertisements.

Bees for Sale.

THREE SPLENDID HIVES OF BEES, and a number of empty hive Hives, for Sale. Apply to ALEX. MARSH. Richmond Hill, October 27, 1870.

Strayed

FROM THE PASTURE OF THE Subscriber, Lot 45, 1st Con. Markham, Richmond Hill, on Thursday or Friday last, a Fat Cow; color red and white. Any person returning her or giving information as to her whereabouts will be rewarded.

WM. TRENCH, jun. Richmond Hill, October 27, 1870. 639 3

Astray.

CAME INTO THE PREMISES OF THE Subscriber, south half of lot No. 24, 2nd Con. Vaughan, on Monday evening last, Four Swans. The owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses and take them away. JAMES KIRKLAND. Vaughan, October 27, 1870. 640-3

Found

ON RICHMOND HILL, ON THURSDAY, the 13th inst., a small sum of money. The owner is requested to describe property and pay for advertisement. Apply at the HERALD OFFICE.

Apprentice Wanted.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY, AS AN Apprentice to the Printing Business, a strong active boy of fair education. Apply at the HERALD OFFICE.

REMOVAL.

H. SANDERSON & SONS, PROPRIETORS OF THE RICHMOND HILL DRUG STORE.

Have removed to their new and commodious building on the corner of Yonge and Centre St. East, and would return their thanks to the public for past patronage, hoping to merit a continuance of the same. They have greatly enlarged their old stock and have now on hand a good assortment of

Drugs, Painis, Perfumery, Chemicals, Oils, Toilet Soaps, Medicines, Urushies, Fancy articles, Dye Stuffs, Patent Medicines, and all other articles that Druggists generally.

* * Physicians Prescriptions carefully compounded, and all orders attended to with care and despatch.

Farmers and Physicians from the country will find our stock of Medicines complete—warranted genuine—and of the best quality. Richmond Hill, Nov. 25, 1869. 593.