

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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The Liberal.

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ANOTHER BATTLE.

Until yesterday, nothing of importance had reached us from the North-West since our last issue, which could be looked upon as reliable. It is true many reports came in day by day from this troubled district, but of such a contradictory character, that they could not be depended upon. The telegraph wires had been cut, so that no entirely trustworthy news had been received from headquarters for several days. A report sent from Humboldt went to show that General Middleton's forces were encamped only three miles from the scene of the battle of Fish Creek, which took place nearly two weeks ago. It had also been stated, and many papers disseminated the news, that a general uprising of the Indians had taken place along the North Saskatchewan to the west of Battleford, but it was hoped the startling information would not be confirmed. However, the monotony—if such it can be called—has been broken, by a despatch giving an account of a desperate battle which took place last Sunday between Colonel Otter's forces and the Indians on Pound-Maker's reserve.

The Colonel with his force of about 300 men, made up of North-West Mounted Police, B Battery, the Ottawa Sharpshooters, part of C Company, and one or two Companies of the Queen's Own, marched from Battleford, and made an attack on the dusky warriors, who, with their force of about 600 strong, retaliated, and kept up the firing for about six hours. As at the last battle, our troops acted magnificently under a heavy fire, and showed much skill, although fighting on a strange ground and against a force of two to one.

The loss of our volunteers is said to be eight killed and twelve wounded; that of the rebels about one hundred killed, and wounded.

Considerable anxiety had been for some time felt over the non-arrival of the steamer Northcote, but she arrived at Clark's Crossing on Monday with her guns, ammunition and supplies for General Middleton, and it is more than likely we shall hear of this brave commander making use of his Gatling gun before many days shall have passed by. If killing a large number of those miserable, benighted Indians of the North-West constitutes a victory, then Colonel Otter is entitled to that honor, but when it is remembered that the blood of several of our best and bravest stains the prairie, we are pained to think it is a victory dearly bought. Sad it is, when a nation spills the blood of a foreign foe, but ten times sadder when we hear of Canadians rising up against Canadians.

We fear the worst is not yet passed, but hope for the best, feeling assured our brave soldiers will do their duty, and that sooner or later the wrath of justice will fall on those in whose power it was to prevent this frightful insurrection.

ARBOR DAY.

It is to be hoped that a large majority of the schools in the Province will take advantage of the recommendation of the Minister of Education, and observe Friday, May 8th, as Arbor Day throughout Ontario. In our neighboring Republic, the United States, much attention during the last few years has been paid to the beautifying of school grounds by the planting of shade trees, and to the cultivation of summer flowers. The study of Botany has been found to be a useful and interesting subject, and if children are encouraged to take part in the actual work of tree-planting, it will be a valuable help towards their education. School life both among teachers and pupils is often said to be uninteresting and monotonous, and this no doubt is rendered so by the fact that they are dealing with that which is not of a practical nature.

All instructors, in order to be successful must teach their pupils to observe closely, to think keenly, and to make good use of what they have acquired, and if they are able to show them the direct result of their labor they will find their work to a greater extent lightened.

We have heretofore pointed out that the Ontario Government, sev-

eral Township Councils, and others are showing by their exertions that something must be done to act as an equivalent for the natural forests which once graced the land, and if the good work continues to be carried on, in a few years the result will begin to plainly show, and will be a lasting moment to leave to future generations.

J. H. Earl, West Shefford, P.Q., writes: I have been troubled with liver complaint for several years, and have tried different medicines with little or no benefit, until I tried Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, which gave me immediate relief, and I would say that I have used it since with the best effect. No one should be without it. I have tried it on my horse in cases of cuts, wounds, &c., and I think it equally as good for horse as man.

News of the Week.

Col. Ouimet is confined in the hospital at Calgary.

The Emperor William will be asked to act as arbitrator between Britain and Germany.

Father Tourmand, a Roman Catholic Priest of Batoche, was accidentally killed a few days ago by the halfbreeds in the rebel camp.

General Grant has so far improved in health as to resume work on his book, which he has been preparing for some time.

At the criminal assizes on Friday, John Wiggins and Robert Franks were convicted of conspiracy to stuff a ballot box at the late mayoralty election in Toronto.

The Reformers of Toronto have called a mass meeting in Shaftesbury Hall for Friday evening, to consider the Franchise Bill, now before the Dominion Parliament.

A rebel newspaper has made its appearance in the city of Montreal, which sneers at the loyalists sent to the North-West. This paper compares Louis Riel to the late Sir Geo. Cartier.

On May 1st the Scott Act went into operation in Oxford, Simcoe, Dundas, Stormont & Glengarry, Bruce, Huron and Dufferin, Ont.; Yarmouth, N. S., and Arthabaska and Stansfeld, Quebec.

Samuel Jones, the pedlar, who, at the criminal assizes on Saturday, was sentenced to a month in jail for indecently assaulting a girl eight years of age in Whitchurch, has since been fined \$5 and costs for selling without a license.

The session of the House of Commons at Ottawa, in committee on the Franchise Bill, which began at three o'clock on Thursday, lasted for fifty-one hours. The subject of debate was the clause which is to give votes to all Indians, whether Christian or Pagan, civilized or barbarian.

An order to indict Ed. C. Hall, of Markham, who is charged with libelling G. R. Vanzant of the same place in a communication to the Markham Star, has been granted by Chief Justice Wilson. An investigation was held on the 29th of April before a Bench of Magistrates at the Court House, Toronto, but Hall was acquitted, it was alleged, owing to the fact that justices of the peace were induced to sit on the case and decide in his favor. The case will come up before the Grand Jury.

A deputation of citizens waited on the Ontario License Commissioners on Saturday in reference to the make-shift alterations being made to some of the groceries to provide for the separation of the sale of groceries and liquor. They stated if liquor was sold by a number of grocers who had made alterations to their premises, it would be merely an evasion of the law. The commissioners, who had granted no shop licenses yet, stated that it was their intention to see that the law was strictly carried out.

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JEFFERSON.

From our own Correspondent.

Since last writing, our Burgh has been pretty lively. Business has been, and is now, on the increase.

The farmers in this locality are working long hours to get in their crops, as the season is late and there is not much time to be lost.

The upper "Dominion House" has received their new spring goods, and are doing a good business at present.

Mr. J. Hodgins, of Bond's Lake, has left for Collingwood, where he intends remaining through the fishing season. He has purchased a boat from a Toronto firm at a cost of \$130, and has manufactured netting to the extent of 700 yds., and expects to make a profitable season's work.

Mr. Jos. Mortson has removed to his farm at Bond's Lake, and Mr. C. Creasor has occupied the dwelling here vacated by Mr. Mortson.

The lake is now clear of ice, and is in good condition for boating, the water being unusually high this spring. I understand there is some new boats to be launched very soon.

Mrs. Jas. Glancy, of this place, has been seriously ill this last few weeks, but is now recovering slowly.

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