

THE WEEK'S NEWS.

HOME.

An ice jam at Cremona, combined with the recent heavy rain flooded the village two to three feet deep on the level.

The Kingston School board have decided to admit free all children of Roman Catholic parents who are assessed as public school supporters.

A Mrs. Sophia Madaire, who died a few days ago at Deschenes, Ottawa county, was born back of Montreal in 1777, thus being 110 years old.

Ottawa is likely to prove a formidable competitor with Kingston for the possession of the proposed School of Practical Science for Eastern Ontario.

The Dominion Government have decided to introduce the three-wire electric light system for lighting the Parliament buildings at the ensuing session.

Only six miles of track laying remains to be done on the Canadian Pacific railway, Smith's Falls extension. Ballasting will be completed early in the spring.

Frontenac fishermen are agitating for the opening up for fishing purposes between June and September of the reserved waters between Wolf Island and Montreal.

Mr. Bennett, immigration agent at Brandon, Man., states that more settlers passed through his agency last year than in 1885, most of them being of a good class, and that all are well satisfied.

It is expected that the new military school in London will be completed and ready for occupation by July 1st. The school cannot be started, however, until Parliament makes an appropriation for it.

Sir John Lister Kaye has organized his syndicate for carrying out his scheme of model farms in the North-West, all the members being Englishmen. The capital stock of the enterprise is placed at \$6,500,000.

The late rain and thaw caused a serious freshet at locks 2, 3 and 4 in the old Welland canal, doing considerable damage to property at Port Dalhousie and carrying away about forty feet of a new embankment now being built.

Mr. Joseph Thompson, the backer of William Beach, the champion oarsman, has accepted, on behalf of Beach, Haulan's offer to row on the Nepean River instead of the Paramatta for \$500 a side and the championship of the world.

Thos. H. McDuffie, the Texan, who is charged with forging bank deposit cheques to the amount of \$4000 while in the employ of S. Lloyd & Co., of Dallas, Texas, has been committed at Toronto, for extradition. As he will not appeal, he will be taken back to Texas.

A large and influential deputation from Kingston and Eastern counties recently waited upon the Ontario Government to urge the establishment of a School of Practical Science in connection with Queen's University. Mr. Mowat promised to give the matter due consideration.

AMERICAN.

Several earthquake shocks were recently felt in Indiana and central Illinois.

It is reported that 131,000 men have been thrown out of work in the United States by strikes and other causes since January 1st, entailing a loss in wages of \$3,000,000.

The doctors are hopeful of the recovery of both the police officers wounded by the desperadoes who rescued the Cleveland fur robber. Large rewards are offered for their capture.

The bills appropriating twenty-one million dollars for the purchase of modern ordnance and the construction of coast fortifications have been passed by the United States Senate.

Just as Madame Patti was concluding her performance in San Francisco, a man in the gallery attempted to throw a lighted bomb at her. It exploded in his hand, however, shattering his hand and otherwise injuring him seriously. He was arrested and taken to the hospital.

Lient. Sealinsky's submarine dynamite cruiser, which is being built by the United States Government, at Philadelphia, carries a tier of 38-inch pneumatic bow guns, whose projectiles will be shells, each containing four hundred pounds of dynamite, and will have a speed of twenty knots an hour. The vessel is expected to be completed in five months.

FOREIGN.

The exportation of horses from Austria and Hungary has been forbidden.

Lord Harris succeeds Lord Dunsraven as Under Secretary for the Colonies.

Petroleum wells have been discovered at Houdeng-Goegnies, in Central Belgium.

Mrs. Henry Wood, the novelist, best known as the authoress of East Lynne, is dead.

Advices from Peking state the young Emperor has assumed the government of the country.

It is estimated that the expense of the Jubilee thanksgiving service in Westminster Abbey will be \$60,000.

It has been reported to the Associated Chamber of Commerce in London, that trade throughout England is improving.

The post office authorities are making extensive experiments with a view to connect the whole of Germany by telephone.

It is believed in diplomatic circles that Italy's defeat by the Abyssinians was brought about by Russian intrigue.

It is stated that the Abyssinians lost 3,900 men in the battles in which the Italian forces were defeated recently near Massowah.

It is reported in Constantinople that Sir Henry Drummond Wolff has submitted to the Porte a proposal to neutralize Egypt.

Enormous quantities of wheat are being exported from Odessa, in view of the possibility of the blockade of the Black Sea ports.

It is stated that France will not commence hostilities because of a superstition that the power that begins the next war will be defeated.

Dr. Windthorst, the leader of the Centre in the Reichstag, declares that the German armaments are for defensive and not offensive purposes.

It is reported Ras Aloula, at the head of 20,000 troops, has signed a treaty with other Arab tribes to tolerate no European occupation of the Soudan.

A cablegram says the Queen has consented to accept from the women of England the Jubilee gift of an equestrian statue of the late Prince Consort.

A report from Paris says Gen. Boulanger is regarded by the masses as the long expected liberator and that the whole country is anxious for revenge.

Traders from the interior of Africa report that Dr. Holub, the explorer, his wife and party who accompanied him, have been massacred by the natives.

Stories are again current in London, apparently without much foundation, that Ruskin's mind is giving way, and that he is about to join the Catholic Church.

Dynamite outrages were recently committed at Lyons and St. Etienne, in France. Three police officers were seriously injured and eight conspirators were arrested.

At the Imperial Institute meeting in London, Cardinal Manning spoke highly of the Queen, to whom, he said, we owed a greater debt than the historian could record.

An innkeeper of Vienna and his wife have been arrested for committing a series of murders extending over several years. The victims were wealthy guests at the inn.

At Tipperary a tenant named McCarthy was evicted. A mob subsequently demolished his house, declaring that they would not tolerate evictions in Tipperary in future.

Sir Charles Dilke has been left by a cousin the sum of £140,000. The cousin believed Sir Charles to be an innocent man and altered his will in his favour after the trial.

In view of the Emperor William's desire for rest on account of his old age, Prince Bismarck has issued a notice, requesting the people to abstain from noisy ovations on the Emperor's birthday.

The Prince of Wales has notified the Governors of New South Wales and Victoria that neither he nor the Princess will be able to visit Australia this year on the occasion of the centenary celebration.

During the month of January there were 700 personal applications at the Government Emigrants' Information office in London, and 19 per cent. of those who applied were seeking information about Canada.

The Servian Government has discovered a conspiracy among Bulgaria refugees in Serbia to invade Bulgaria. The plan was to cross the frontier between Pierot and Nisch simultaneously with an invasion from Dabroja. Measures have been taken to prevent the carrying out of the plot.

At the dinner given by the Associated Chambers of Commerce in London, Sir James Ferguson, under Foreign Secretary, stated that the Government had no information to justify the statement that the probabilities of war had increased. There was absolutely no great cause for war, neither was there such irritation or tension as to render war inevitable or even probable.

The inhabitants of Baku, the centre of the great Russian petroleum fields have been much alarmed over a subterranean explosion which shook the houses and caused considerable damage. At the same time a volcano burst on Lakbatan, ten miles from Baku. For two nights the volcano threw a column of fire and mud 350 feet high, illuminating the country for miles. The mud emitted already lies from 7 to 11 feet deep over a square mile of territory.

The Italian commander at Massowah reports that Ras Aloula has summoned the Italians to quit all their advanced posts, and to limit their occupation to Massowah. The Abyssinians hold Salimber, an Italian engineer, as hostage. The latter was threatened with death, and begged the Italian commander to come to an agreement with Ras Aloula. The commander replied that he was unable to do so because the Italian forts were intended for the protection of the caravans, and he was ready to resist the Abyssinians.

THE FIELD OF INDUSTRY.

The Russian government is about ordering a large number of repeating rifles from Connecticut, and an order for 6,000 Remington guns has just been increased to 11,000.

Since the holidays 3,000 salesmen, women, cash girls and boys have been discharged in the stores of New York and Brooklyn, and they have no prospects of employment until the next holidays.

An electric railway manufacturing company, with a capital of \$1,000,000, has just been started at Portland, Me.

The carpet trade is beginning to give evidence of life. Buyers have waited for a long time to see if last season's prices would prevail this year. Textile manufacturers entertain very bright hopes for the future.

Plate-glass is in good demand, and factories are overcrowded with orders. The green glass workers are still out, and will be assisted by the knights. Stocks of shades and globes are light. New designs are soon to be brought out.

French and German clothing manufacturers expect to do a large business in clothing with Japan. The empress recently placed an order for \$200,000 worth of fashionable European clothing with French and German manufacturers.

The government has \$20,000,000 worth of tools, hardware, nails and stuff of that kind. Among them are 48,568 augers and bits, 29,542 screws and 146,385 files. There are 1,200 tons of cast and wrought iron, and 159,600 pounds of old copper. Much of this material is lying loose around the yards.—American Paper.

The Chicago & Northwestern Railway company has established a mutual guarantee fund. The cost of insurance ranges from sixty-five cents per \$100 the first year to fifty cents the fifth year. It is a very successful and satisfactory system to the employees, and it will probably be extended to other roads.

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Every steam boiler, for whatever purpose employed, ought to be opened, cleaned, thoroughly examined and tested, at least once a year.

To soften wrought iron, heat to a low red heat, and cool it in soft soap; then reheat to a low red, and let it cool in lime. This makes wrought iron very soft.

If you are tall, light of weight and narrow of chest, your chances of dying of consumption are favorable. Live outdoors all you can and take care of your health.

Sawdust thrown on a circular saw table will render the hauling of heavy planks quite easy. The grains act as small rollers and reduce friction.

To make papier-mache for fine, small work, boil clippings of brown or white paper in water, beat them into a paste, add glue or gum, and size and press into oiled molds.

Where there are several boilers in a battery, each boiler should be provided with a separate steam gauge, which should be connected to the boiler direct, and not with the steam-pipe.

A fire under a boiler should not be hurried too much, but should be left to gain its full strength slowly. This is done easiest by putting in only a small quantity of fuel at a time.

An excellent lubricant that will not corrode brass and will last for weeks is made of one part of melted India rubber (not vulcanized) and two parts of common vaseline.

Carbolic acid is now recommended for moistening the tools with which metals are worked. The efficiency of the grindstone is even said to be increased by the use of acid. The dark and impure acid can be used for this purpose.

A good moth powder is made of ground hops one drachm, Scotch snuff two ounces, camphor gum one ounce, black pepper one ounce, cedar sawdust four ounces; mix thoroughly and strew among the furs and woolens to be protected.

M. Lostat, a French contractor, preserves wood of all kinds by piling the wood in a trench or trough, covering it with quicklime and sprinkling with water. The lime-water not only preserves the wood from decay, but makes it harder and stronger.

Furniture needs cleaning as much as other wood-work. It may be washed with warm soapsuds quickly, wiped dry and then rubbed with an oily cloth. To polish it rub with rotten-stone and sweet oil. Clean off the oil and polish it with chamois skin.

To keep postage stamps in the pocket or memorandum book without sticking, a Canadian post-office clerk advises people to rub the sticky side over the hair two or three times. The oil of the hair coats the mucilage and prevents it from sticking.

Locate the steam-gauge in a good light and keep its face clean, so that it will not require an electric light, a step-ladder and a telescope to tell where the needle points. Have it tested occasionally, that you may know if it is in proper working condition.

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