

THE WEEK'S NEWS

CANADIAN.

Near Wales, Ont., on Saturday afternoon, a man named Wert was run down by an engine on the G. T. R., and instantly killed.

Jessie Brown, aged eleven years, was accidentally shot dead by her brother Arthur, aged fifteen years, at Balmoral, Man., recently.

Mr. H. J. Ashman, auctioneer, of Montreal, who was charged with having set fire to his premises, has been honourably acquitted.

Mr. Robert Watson, Minister of Public Works for Manitoba, who was in Montreal recently, predicted a phenomenal crop of wheat for the autumn of 1893.

Mr. Thomas J. Bedford, sr., chief statistical clerk in the audit department of the Grand Trunk Railway, Montreal, is dead. He was fifty-seven years of age.

Executive Commissioner Larke, who has returned to Ottawa from the World's Fair, reports that the Canadian exhibit in all the courts will be complete in another week.

The Earl of Derby has received a letter from Lord Aberdeen, in which he speaks in appreciative terms of the reception tendered to him by the Canadians at the World's Fair.

In the imports and exports of Canada for the ten months of the current financial year there have been large increases over the amounts for the same period in the previous year.

Edouard Onelle, one of the oldest pilots in Canada, who was for 40 years in the employ of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company, died on Wednesday at Lachine.

No less than 34 pilgrimages to the famous shrine of Ste. Anne de Beaupre have already been booked by the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company for the present season.

A new publication has made its appearance in Montreal, entitled *La Croix*, which proclaims itself the champion of religion, and wages war upon imported and local Free masonry and impiety.

Miss Florence Shaw, special correspondent of the London Times, who is writing a series of articles on the English colonies, is in Montreal, and will spend several days there obtaining information.

Andrew Starr, an Indian residing near Selkirk, Man., was shot in the neck recently and it is said he cannot recover. He was just completing the loading of his gun when his child pulled the trigger.

Black diphtheria is making sad havoc in one family in Hull township. On Friday the seventeen-year-old daughter of Mr. Gilmour Woodburn died, a son died a week before, and another is now at the point of death.

Mr. Foster, Finance Minister, who was expected to open the Christian Endeavour Convention in Montreal in July, regrets that circumstances have arisen which will probably render it impossible for him to attend.

Dr. McCormack, of Guelph, Ont., received a dispatch on Sunday afternoon stating that his brother Mr. Albert McCormack, had been fatally shot in the breast at Salt Lake City, Utah.

Mr. Larke, Canadian Commissioner at the World's Fair, is endeavouring to arrange with the Dominion Government to have the commissioners from foreign countries now attending the Fair invited to make a trip through the leading cities of Canada this summer.

Dick Hughes, a worthless character living in Kalso, B. C., tried to commit suicide on Friday night by exploding a stick of dynamite under the pillow of the bed in which he and his child were sleeping. They were both seriously injured, but the child may recover.

Prince Roland Bonaparte thinks Montreal should have a free public library, and if the civic authorities undertake such, he promises to supply duplicates of rare volumes relating to early Canadian history and facsimiles of valuable documents from his own library.

The ladies of Winnipeg propose to present to the Princess May, on the occasion of her marriage to the Duke of York, a pendant maple leaf design of Canadian gold and studded with diamonds, with a gold cross-bar, on which the word "Canada" will be traced in diamonds.

According to advices received at the United States Treasury and State Departments one hundred and ten sealing vessels have left Victoria for Behring sea up to date. It is believed these poachers will make a rich haul of seals before the arrival of the American patrol fleet.

A report of the dividends remaining unpaid and unclaimed balances in the chartered banks of the Dominion for five years and upwards, prior to the 31st December, 1892, was issued yesterday. In 1891 the balances amounted to \$457,347; last year they amounted to \$427,931, a reduction of \$29,415.

Prof. Robertson, Dominion Dairy Commissioner, who has just returned to Ottawa from a trip to the Maritime Provinces, states that much interest is being taken in the dairy industry by the farmers of Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia, and that considerable progress in the establishment of cheese factories has been made.

Miss Bertha Summer, eighteen years of age, disappeared from her home in Kingston, Ont., several days ago. A search for her was made in vain. On Sunday a gentleman, while walking through a wood in the vicinity of the city, discovered the body of the girl. She had committed suicide by poisoning, and had left a note stating that she was tired of life. She was a sufferer from the grippe.

At the general meeting of the Royal Society in Ottawa, Prof. Ramsay Wright, of Toronto, asked the co-operation of the Royal Society in inducing the British Association to hold its 1895 meeting in Toronto. After a sharp debate, in which Dr. Bournot stated that Toronto deserved no favours at the hands of the Royal Society, a resolution was passed agreeing to Prof. Wright's request.

BRITISH.

The wedding of the Duke of York and Princess May of Teck has been fixed for July 6.

A London cable announces that James Gilbert, the dynamiter has been released from Portland prison.

A small black bug is destroying the corn crop in southern Chester county, Pa., and in Cecil county, Maryland.

Canadian cattle continue to be slaughtered at Liverpool, Glasgow, and Deptford in large numbers, but in no instance has suspicion of disease arisen.

Lord Randolph Churchill has made a most bitter attack upon Mr. Blake, who, he said, was a failure in Canadian politics, and then sought that last refuge of a destitute politician, the Irish party.

A dispatch from London says the Manitoba and North-Western railway has defaulted. Although this was not unexpected it may prove a serious blow to any new railway scheme in the North-West.

The Dowager Duchess of Sutherland has been released from Holloway prison, having undergone the six weeks' confinement to which she was sentenced for destroying a document in an impending will case.

It is understood in London financial circles that negotiations are in progress with a view to converting the Allan Steamship Line into a joint stock company, the capital necessary to carry out the plan to be privately subscribed.

The Central Committee of the English Conservative party are sending circulars to Conservative election agents throughout the country intimating that the next general elections are likely to take place in the autumn of 1894 or earlier.

UNITED STATES.

It is reported from Washington that Dr. McGlynn has gone to Rome.

The Minnesota Blast Furnace Company at Duluth, Minn., has assigned.

Three deaths from typhus fever were reported recently in New York.

Moses G. Farmer, of Boston, the widely-known electrician, died at Chicago yesterday morning.

An extensive and desperate gang of counterfeiters has been unearthed in south-west Missouri by Government secret service officers.

The window glass blowers of the Cumberland Glass Manufacturing Company of Bridgetown, N.J., have struck because they were refused ice water.

Miss Bertha Manchester, the daughter of a farmer living four miles from Fall River, Mass., was found murdered in the kitchen of the farm house yesterday.

Gill & Fisher, grain dealers, have exported to France one hundred tons of American hay. It is said to be the first shipment of United States hay to European markets.

Judge Lacombe, of the Circuit Court of New York, has decided that section six of the Geary law is ineffectual, because no provision is made as to how or by whom the order of deportation of Chinese is to be executed.

Rev. Dr. Briggs, at present on trial for heresy before the Presbyterian General Assembly in Washington, has been corresponding with Prof. Morris, of Lane Seminary, Cincinnati, concerning the best method of forming a new Church.

The World's Fair financiers claim that the exposition is now making money. The receipts are placed at \$16,000 a day. About 3,000 workmen have been laid off within the past two weeks, and the surplus is growing at the rate of \$5,000 a day.

Rev. James Bruce, D. D., of Andes, N. Y., has been elected moderator of the United Presbyterian General Assembly. Upon taking the chair he was presented with a gavel stone from a piece of granite from Mount Sinai by Rev. M. G. Kyle, of Philadelphia.

The United States Government will shortly issue an order forbidding the crossing of the border lines of the United States by the residents of foreign countries between the hours of seven in the evening and six in the morning to prevent the introduction of cholera and Chinese into the country.

A letter has been sent from the United States Treasury Department to the immigration inspector at Chicago informing him that under the Alien Contract Labour law no Canadian officers or seamen can be employed on vessels of the United States doing business on the great lakes.

F. B. Milburn, said to be a son of the blind preacher, for many years pastor of the United States House of Representatives, es, committed suicide in Chicago on Sunday by cutting his throat. He committed the act most deliberately after receiving a letter from his father refusing him any further remittances and denying him entrance under the paternal roof.

Miss Jennie Newell, twenty years of age, employed for some time past as a domestic servant in several of the hotels at Niagara Falls, N.Y., threw herself into the river at Prospect park on Sunday night. She was observed and rescued. It was subsequently learned that she was about to be a mother, and she confessed that having lost her situation, and being repulsed by her relatives, she had determined to end her life.

GENERAL.

The Czar and his suite are in Moscow.

A death is reported from Asiatic cholera in Hamburg.

Repeated earthquakes are doing great damage to property in Thebes.

Hamburg was supplied on Monday for the first time with water from the new filter beds.

Fifteen thousand prisoners, exclusive of women and children, are awaiting despatch to Siberia in the prisons of Moscow.

Pope Leo yesterday, in an address to the Visconte Vogue, affirmed his views in favor of the French republic and of Democratic institutions.

A private letter received in Montreal from Paris states that the operation undergone by Mr. Chapleau has not been as successful as expected.

The duplicate cable of the Central & South American Telegraph company between Salina Cruz, Mexico, and Chorillas, Peru, has been completed.

Countess Marie Keischich, wife of an Austrian army officer, has been arrested for conspiring to murder her six-year-old twins, children of a former husband.

During a bull fight near Madrid on Monday, a crowd of men invaded the ring and worried the bulls. Two young men were gored to death, and many others were injured.

A special despatch from Vienna states that Austria succeeded during the past three months in obtaining gold to the amount of \$57,000,000, principally from the United States.

The Spanish Government is uneasy over the agitation in the Province of Navarre against the Government's taxation estimates in the new budget and against the Local Administration bill.

Twelve young noblemen have been arrested by the Austrian Government at Baje Peninsula, in Istria, for high treason, charged with conspiring to separate Trieste from Austria and annex it to Italy.

The Berlin newspapers concur in declaring that the awards at the Chicago World's Exposition are valueless, since the Fair Committee refuse to give an international complexion to the system of awards.

Herr Miquel, the Prussian minister of Finance, expresses the opinion that the rejection of the Army bill by the Reichstag would again decrease the respect of foreign countries for the power of Germany, and increase the danger of war.

An English officer who has just arrived at Simla from the Pamirs says the Russians had prepared for the arrival of sixteen hundred troops at the Murghabi fort and he believes more Russian troops will be moved through the Oxus valley during the summer.

An ex-Prussian officer who, on the close of the Franco-German war, emigrated to the United States and amassed a small fortune, was, on his return to his native land, arrested and sentenced to six months' imprisonment on a charge of having left the army without obtaining official permission.

A despatch from the Hague says that Queen Wilhelmina is rapidly developing symptoms of consumption, and that the Queen Regent, who is now in the country with her, and the royal physicians fear the worst. In the event of her death the Nassau-Orange dynasty would become extinct.

PETROLEUM FOR STEAMSHIP FUEL.

Results of the First Transatlantic Trial Considered to Augur Complete Success.

The new steel tank steamship James Brand, Capt. Harding, the first vessel ever to cross the Atlantic driven by steam generated by petroleum instead of coal, arrived at Philadelphia recently from Dartmouth after a passage of sixteen days. While the results obtained were not altogether favorable, they were sufficient to convince the engineers and officers of this vessel that in the course of a short time petroleum fuel for steamships will soon be used.

For the first three days the steam was made through the burning of the petroleum, and the undertaking worked most successfully until the new machinery became somewhat deranged. After this coal was used as fuel during the balance of the voyage. No difficulties were met with that cannot be overcome, and immediately on her return to England she will be taken to the shipyards again to undergo some slight alterations.

The new ship is owned by A. Stuart of London, who is also the managing owner of a large number of the tank steamships engaged in the bulk oil trade. In the event of the petroleum fuel proving a success after further trial, he will introduce the same system on board all of his vessels. The Brand is the object of much interest and has been visited by a number of marine engineers. She is 3,780 tons register, 345 feet long, 43 feet beam, 29 feet deep, and is supplied with powerful triple-expansion engines. Her voyage throughout was a stormy one.

Capt. Harding, in speaking of the voyage stated that had they had sufficient oil to have lasted throughout the voyage, and barring the slight derangement to the machinery, the trip would have been made in twelve days. For three successive days the oil was used with wonderful results. The only difficulty experienced was with the flames beneath the boilers, which could not be properly regulated. For some reason, the flames burned very low, while at other times they burned too brightly. A proper regulation of this, he thinks, is all that is required to tender this new and economical undertaking a success. Capt. Harding is positive all the difficulties brought out in the experience of this voyage will be overcome on the return of the ship to the builders. The Brand will return to England with coal as fuel.

A Pacific Cable.

Apropos of the interest which has been aroused in Australian matters since the announcement has been made that the direct service has been inaugurated, recent advices from the Antipodes indicate a disposition on the part of some of the Australian Governments to welcome commissioners from Canada to discuss closer trade relations, as well as united action in reference to a Pacific cable which Mr. Sanford Fleming has so much at heart. It will be remembered that five years ago a commission of the kind was appointed consisting of Sir John Abbott, Mr. Adam Brown, ex-M.P., and Mr. Parmelee, Deputy minister of Trade and Commerce. The deputation, however, did not leave Canada, and shortly after it was named devices were received stating that the question of federation in Australia was then becoming a live issue, and that it would be well to defer sending the commission until it was seen what the outcome of the confederation conference might be. By some people it might be considered that the appointment of a commission to visit Australia this year would be ill-timed in view of the present crisis in Australia, but on the other hand it has been suggested by a gentleman who takes a deep interest in the expansion of Canada's trade that this would be the most fitting time to send such a commission, inasmuch as the Australian Governments would be glad to take council and advise with the representatives of a sister colony.

Wanted a Cheap Funeral.

William J. Macdonell, who died in Toronto on March 4, leaving an estate of \$44,151.04, drew up a peculiar will previous to his death. He directed that his funeral expenses be not more than \$10 and added: "This can be easily accomplished in manner following: Any carpenter can make a plain box of rough boards. This will be sufficient for the purpose of a coffin. Some of the men who hang around the corners seeking jobs can carry this box with its contents down stairs. Let an express wagon be hired in which to make the final journey." The property was left to Samuel C. Woods, sole trustee and executor, to be sold and disposed of to about 160 different parties. None of the amounts exceed \$50.

SPORTING EXPERIENCES.

"And just now happened the only happening that I am ashamed of, showing conclusively that too much larking is not safe on a wheel. Our rule of the road is exactly reversed in Ireland—one passes on the right and meets on the left. I had schooled myself to be careful, and had never made a mistake so far; but whether it was the fun, or the pace, or the last cup of tea I know not. Certainly this time I did forget, and made a rush at the lessening space on the left (for the good inspector was carefully giving us lots of room on the proper side). There was a shout from Tim and a prance of the spirited horse, a wobble of the wheel, a lurch and a crash, and I and the wheel in a tangled mass on a cruel heap of broken stones. 'I've killed the lady!' shouted the inspector, scrambling down, while the orderly ran to the horse's head and Tim wheeled back. They lifted me out, and then Tim dragged up the wheel. Such a wheel! Anyone who has seen a pneumatic wheel wrecked can understand how it looked, and how I laughed! We were two miles from Kilkenny, so the inspector took me up beside him, and the orderly led down the back seat, and Tim carefully handed him up the unfortunate wheel, wavy in the tire and crazy in the spokes—a veritable 'drunk and disorderly' in the charge of the police!—'Through Erin Awheel,' by Grace E. Denison, Outing for June.

"There is neither need for nor sense in taking gun or rifle into the woods at a season when the law forbids its use upon birds and animals certain to be seen. Many an otherwise honest camper has become a lawbreaker simply because a gun or rifle was within easy reach at the wrong moment. Take all the fishing tackle you may desire, but leave the firearms at home until the proper time for them arrives. 'But we might see a bear!' a camper exclaims. Well, suppose you do see a bear? It won't hurt you, and you won't see it long after it sees you; nor is there glory of much worth in killing a summer bear in poor coat and of no earthly use. 'But we might see a—' Yes, exactly! I'll finish it for you. The word was stopped just in time. The fact is, you might see a moose, or a caribou, or a deer, or grouse, or duck, or any one of the animals or birds which the law of the land, of honor, and of common sense forbids you to meddle with for a reasonable time. And, furthermore, my friend, if you should see one of these creatures you'd promptly try to 'plug it,' and that is precisely what you have no business to do. 'Lead us not into temptation' is good, and 'Don't lead yourself into temptation' has also certain merit of its own; so why not make a sure thing of it by leaving the tempters behind, so they can tempt you?' —[Ed. W. Sandys in Outing for June.

"Let the boy fish, boat, canoe, swim and tramp through the woods on exploring trips to his heart's content; go with him if possible, and encourage healthful exercise and observation as much as possible, but don't teach him, nor allow him to acquire, unlawful and inhuman tricks. Upon nearly every one of furred or feathered things seen during June and July depends a family of helpless lives, which may be doomed to the miseries of slow starvation by one thoughtless shot.

"The boy with the firearm sees a bird and says, 'Watch me plug him,' and if the aim prove true the boy thinks he has done something clever, and most likely his fond father tells him that he has so done. In reality he has broken a law, and probably sounded the doom of half a dozen wretched fledglings hidden in a nest near by. Men will cheerfully give up a handful of dollars for the privilege of drinking in the wondrous melody from the trained throat of a Patti and go into raptures over the sweetness and the elevating influence of perfect music; yet the same men will blithely murder a poor little feathered Patti, and still forever life and song such as no Patti ever aspired to—in fine, destroy what the concentrated brains and skill of the world cannot replace. And for what purpose? Simply to gratify a taste for the shambles, or to 'show off'—to prove that an eye can glance along a bit of iron or steel truly enough to insure the planting of a nugget of lead within the limit of a poor, unsuspecting creature's body—to kill a beautiful, happy bird. It is not right to slay without good reason; it is doubly wrong to kill a bird during the breeding season. Slay the oyster-patty if you must slay something—it can be replaced—but let the feathered Patti live in peace." —[Ed. W. Sandys in Outing for June.

Dr. Wild at Detroit.

Rev. Dr. Wild, of Bond St. Congregational Church, Toronto, may be erratic in his views, but at any rate he has most pronouncedly the courage of his convictions. A Sunday or two ago he preached at Detroit and in the morning concluded the service by praying for the Queen and her family. In the evening he went yet further and begged the congregation to join in singing our great and glorious national anthem. At first his hearers were dumbfounded and then it dawned upon them that it was but a compliment to a visitor they were asked to pay and that in the hymn itself there was nothing that an American might not sing as well as an Englishman. Slowly the grand old air began to rise and then louder and louder grew the sound until the windows of the sacred edifice fairly rattled. It was a bold thing for the doctor to ask an alien congregation to do and in many places would have caused not only a hubbub in the church, but would probably have led to dissensions. While, therefore, we can admire the doctor for his unflinching loyalty and patriotism, there is yet room for doubt whether his action was altogether wise.

Montreal is making strenuous efforts to ensure adequate accommodation for the approaching Christian Endeavour Convention to be held in that city. So far as bill-letting and feeding the thousands which will be present those having the matter in hand are succeeding admirably with their arrangements. The Witness, however, is quite apprehensive that the convention will be thrown into absolute confusion by the incapacity of the street railway company. The Witness says that "those who cannot daily walk considerable distances, say two or three miles, had better not come at all, for with the best of arrangements it would be impossible to accommodate twenty-seven thousand people within any limited radius of the meeting centre."

THE WORLD'S FAIR.

Celebration of Her Majesty's Birthday at the White City.

A Remarkable Assembly—Representatives Present From Canada, Australia, India, Ceylon and Other Portions of the Great Empire—The Union Jack Cheered to the Echo.

The world of wonders gathered in this White City of the Columbian Exposition was not enough to make Canadians forget the celebration of their Queen's birthday. Two o'clock on that afternoon there was seen one of the most remarkable spectacles this aggregation of singular sights has afforded. From the flagstaff of the Canadian Pavilion as well as from that of Victoria House opposite, and New South Wales adjoining, India just beyond and elsewhere throughout the great park where Britains had a house to fly it from, floated the grand old banner that

"For a thousand years Has braved the battle and the breeze." British subjects from all quarters of the globe were meeting in the headquarters of the greatest colony of the Empire to celebrate the 74th birthday of Victoria, Queen of Great Britain and Ireland and Empress of India. That so many men of so many climes, so many races, so many countries, so many colors, so many languages and so many religions should meet here in Chicago in an alien land, to pay homage to a common sovereign and to cheer one flag was one of the grandest tributes a worthy woman ever won. Bunting had been gallantly festooned about the large reception room and the Canadian pavilion and flowers from the unrivalled Ontario exhibit in the horticultural hall lent their light and cheerful effect to a charming ensemble. Senator Perley, commissioner from the Northwest Territories, was chairman. Colonel Sadler, British consul at Chicago made the opening address after

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN"

had been sung. G. R. R. Cockburn, M.P., honorary commissioner for Canada, made a clever speech. Dr. Renwick, commissioner for New South Wales, Australia; Messrs. Griminton and Pillery, commissioners from Ceylon and India spoke spiritedly. They were followed by Gobind Pershad, a Brahmin priest. Clothed in the robes of his religious office and speaking in his native tongue the pundit was a picturesque figure in this gathering of the races. In the absence of Mr. Nicholas Awrey, M. P., Ontario's Commissioner, whose arrival from Toronto was delayed until night by a late train, Mr. A. H. Pettitt, Superintendent of Ontario's fruit exhibit—which, by the way, it is more and more evident, will win the World's prize for the immense variety, general excellence and artistic arrangement that makes it such a good advertisement of the leading province of Canada—said some neat things that caught the attention of the audience. Mr. Starr, Nova Scotia's Commissioner, spoke for the people from down by the sea; the Rev. Leonard Gaetz, of the North West Territories, brought the risible faculties into play by laughable references to his numerous family; and Mr. I. S. Larke, executive commissioner for Canada, made a capital speech in one of his happiest vein. Several national airs were played on a piano of Canadian make, and accompaniments rendered to Rule Britannia and the national anthem by Mrs. Geddes. At the conclusion of the speaking light refreshments were served from the landing of the stairway from which spring two pair of stairs leading to the offices of the different provinces, the smoking room and ladies' reception room in the second story of the pavilion.

At night the grand banquet at the Virginia hotel on the north side of the river, given by the

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commissioners, was a fittingly splendid social function with which to close the day. The Hon. Walter H. Harris, the British commissioner, was chairman. There were present representatives of all the countries exhibiting at the fair, distinguished citizens and visitors to Chicago. The decorations were very fine. An orchestra discoursed music while the elaborate menu was discussed. The post-prandial exercises were of an exceptionally high order of merit. Mr. Larke, as Canada's commissioner, had a seat of honor on the left of the chair, and between Carter Harrison, the Mayor of Chicago, and Director-General Davis of the exposition commission, who proposed the toast of "Our Hosts," coupling with it Mr. Larke's name. The gifts of speech, which are so well-known by the people of Ontario as that gentleman's chief accomplishment, came in good stead upon this notable occasion, and he fairly excelled himself in felicitous expressions.

There were also present from Ontario Commissioner Awrey, Henry Wade, Dr. S. P. May, Toronto; A. H. Pettitt, Grimsby; John Cameron, "London Advertiser"; Alex. Pirie, Pres. Can. Press Association; Mr. Massey, Toronto; C. W. Young, "Cornwall Freeholder"; T. J. Bell, Dundas; F. Howard Ames, Whitby.

C. W. YOUNG.

Filtering A Fog.

A London fog is worse than "a darkness which may be felt" for it is loaded with filth. Sanitary engineers have been battling with it for many years, trying to prevent its foul particles from invading the House of Commons. One night two years ago they succeeded in conquering it.

Outside the fog was so dense that the lights twinkled like half-extinguished matches. Inside the House the air was clear and pure, as it is on a starlit night.

One who was curious to see the process by which this transformation had been effected would have been taken downstairs, far beneath the feet of the unsuspecting members, and shown a vast layer of what looked like cotton wool dragged through the Thames mud and sprinkled with ink.

A few hours before it was a mass of virgin-white wool, six inches thick, and extending over an area of eight hundred feet. Through this bed the air from the outside had been driven by the force of a steam fan, and then, purified, allowed to enter the House of Commons.

The bed of wool served as a filter, and the filth deposited therein was a startling sight, but one that attested the triumph of the sanitary engineers.

Soldiers of the Italian army are allowed cigars as part of their daily rations.