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CANADA.

Dr. Peirson has been appointed Medical Health Officer in Brantford. Seventeen additional letter boxes will be erected in Hamilton.

Work on another new bridge at Niagara Falls will be begun immediately. There was a white frost in Winnipeg Wednesday night, but no damage was done to the crops.

At Port Dalhousie a bonus of \$6,500 to the Toronto Rubber Shoe Company was carried on a popular vote.

Mr. R. F. Hollermann of Brantford, says there will be a partial failure of the honey crop this year.

The date of the autumn military camp at Kingston has been changed from September 14th to September 7th.

Ex-Mayor Drennan has been appointed City Clerk of Kingston, after a deadlock in the Council lasting several weeks.

Mrs. George Hudson and four children were burned to death in a fire that destroyed the family residence at Rapid City.

The Ottawa city bakers have raised the price of bread one cent a loaf, so that the four-pound loaf now costs eleven cents.

Mabel Pierce of Brockville will probably lose the sight of one eye as the result of an accident with a pair of heated curling tongs.

It has been decided to allow hotels in Guelph to sell liquor till 11 o'clock at night.

Mr. Fred. C. Wade of Winnipeg has been appointed Registrar and Clerk of the Supreme Court for the Yukon district.

Mr. Robert Meighen, President of the Lake of the Woods Milling Company, estimates the wheat yield of Manitoba at 22,000,000 bushels.

Mr. W. Hale, of Hamilton, whose skull was fractured, spine injured and shoulder dislocated in a bicycle accident a couple of months ago, is recovering.

Winnipeg civic estimates for the current year amount to \$522,802, and in order to keep the tax rate down a number of civic officials have been dismissed.

The Midland Town Council has passed a resolution urging the Ontario Government to make a law that timber cut upon Crown lands shall be manufactured in the Province.

Mr. G. C. Cunningham has resigned the management of the Montreal Street Railway to take charge of the Birmingham Tramway Company, and Mr. F. L. Wanklyn of Toronto will succeed him.

The coroner's jury in the Orr murder case at Galt, Ont., on Friday found a verdict of wilful murder against James Allison, the hired boy. The jury stood twelve for and three against the verdict.

Brockville Town Council is seeking by petition the co-operation of different municipalities throughout Ontario for legislation making it within their power to inflict hard-labor punishment on tramps.

Mr. A. W. Ross, ex-M.P., for Ligar, referring to the mining boom, says the prospects for the future of British Columbia are excellent, and he expects it will at no distant day be the most important province of the Federation.

Mr. George Johnston, the Dominion Government statistician, has compiled figures which show the rapid rate at which the great lakes are being depleted of fish. The annual catch by Canada and the United States is seventy thousand tons.

John Arnold was instantly killed, and his companion, the fourteen-year-old son of Mrs. Fred. Fitzmartin, probably fatally injured while driving over a railway crossing near Napanee, their rig being struck by a train.

It is probable that the new Government telegraph line to the Klondike will be constructed entirely through Canadian territory. In this case the length of the line will be fifteen hundred miles, and the cost of construction about two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

Mr. Sifton, of the Department of the Interior, has decided to inspect the position of affairs on the Pacific coast in connection with the great rush which is being made to the Yukon. He will accompany Major Walsh and party as far as Tagish, and see them well started on their way to the interior.

A large quantity of dynamite and giant powder, stored at Reeb's lime quarry, near Port Colborne, exploded, doing considerable damage. Fortunately it occurred at an early hour and no one was hurt. Mr. Foster's glass factory was levelled to the ground. Mr. Rebb's limekilns were badly damaged and his barn burned. Buildings in surrounding towns shook as if they were about to fall, and much glass was broken.

GREAT BRITAIN.

A dozen cabs driven by electricity have been placed on the streets of London.

The prospect of settling the great engineering dispute in England appears to be as remote as ever.

The British Board of Trade report shows a considerable falling off in the number of bankruptcies last year.

The son of the late Sir John Millais the former president of the Royal Academy, will shortly publish the life of his father.

Sir Louis Davies, addressing the London Chamber of Commerce, uttered a warning against the indiscriminate rush to the Klondike gold fields.

Scotland Yard is keeping a strict watch on the arrival of foreign Anarchists, as it is rumored that there is to be an active continental Anarchist plot, with England as the basis of operations.

The crowd of night-seers at Marien-

bad so press about the Prince of Wales whenever he appears on the street as to cause his Royal Highness extreme annoyance.

Capt. Kane, who won high praise for bringing H. M. S. Calliope out of Samoa harbor during a hurricane in 1889, has resigned on account of ill-health.

The suggestion is regarded favourably to create the Duke of York Prince of Ireland, and to make that title a permanent one for the eldest son of the Prince of Wales.

The Queen, accompanied by Princess Beatrice will proceed to Balmoral this week, where she will take up her project of providing pensions for widows who are seventy-five years of age and upwards.

Admiral Sir John Arbuthnot Fisher, Controller of the Admiralty, has been appointed to command the North America and West Indies station of the British fleet, to succeed Vice-Admiral Erskine.

Captain Bate has presented to the Duke of York a handsome volume of Canadian jubilee stamps, on behalf of the Post-Office Department of Canada. The Duke is an ardent philatelist, and expressed himself as delighted with the gift.

The firm stand taken by the Marquis of Salisbury in refusing to allow Turkey to retain the indemnity until the Greek indemnity is paid is embarrassing the powers. They are anxious on the one hand for a settlement of the question, and on the other they do not relish the idea of yielding to the dictation of Great Britain.

UNITED STATES.

Pig iron has been raised at Cleveland from 9.35 to 9.50 per ton.

Secretary Sherman has sent a message of condolence to Spain.

A Spaniard named Roderigo gathered gold dust worth \$9,000 in two weeks in Plumas county, Cal.

The Michigan Car Company, of Detroit, has received an order from the C. P. R. for 500 freight cars.

The King of Siam says the United States cannot be seen properly in less than six months, and he hopes to visit that country in 1899.

Seats on the New York Stock Exchange are now quoted at twenty thousand dollars, and those who think of selling are holding for an advance.

Hail fell near Pueblo, Col., on Wednesday. Property of the Denver & Rio Grande Railway was badly damaged.

It is reported from San Diego, Cal., that the British flag may be hoisted over Clipperton Island, although it is supposed to belong to Mexico.

It is reported in New York that the business of the Steinway Piano Company, New York, has been sold to an English syndicate for six million dollars.

Schlatter, who is known as the divine healer, has married Mrs. Margaret Ferris, widow of the builder of the Chicago wheel. Her relatives were much opposed to the match.

The operators of the Pittsburg district coal mines have decided to obtain Pinkerton detectives to protect their non-union workmen, and a serious conflict is regarded as inevitable.

A coroner's jury at Chicago has returned a verdict of wilful murder in the case against James Frawley, the Chicago saloon keeper, formerly of Chatham, Ont., who shot his bartender.

Justice Stephen J. Field, of the United States Supreme Court, has been thirty-four years on the bench, having been appointed by President Lincoln in 1863. He is now eighty-one years of age, and has no intention of retiring.

Assistant Secretary Havell, of the United States Treasury Department, says that the discriminating clause in the Dingley Tariff Act is not intended as a revenue creating clause, but is aimed against the Canadian railways.

Canada's proposition for carrying the mails one round trip a month between Dawson City and Dyea, in the Klondike district, was formally accepted by acting Postmaster-General Sheltenberger, on behalf of the United States.

Secretary Sherman has replied to Japan's note regarding the annexation of Hawaii. Mr. Sherman maintains the right of the United States to annex the island, but he guarantees that the rights of Japan will be safeguarded. The tone of the reply is very friendly.

James Elbert, an Anarchist, arrested as a supposed Anarchist in Pittsburg, on Tuesday, fought his way with a razor through 15 policemen, seriously injuring five; jumped 30 feet from a window of the police station, was shot, then clubbed into insensibility. He will recover.

The reports of business in the United States, indicate in some directions at least a fair increase in the volume of trade. Stocks and produce are advancing, in spite of occasional sets back. There is an increasing demand for money, and the outlook is encouraging. Wheat has advanced considerably and corn steadily in price, and indications point to a still further advance. Prices all round show an upward tendency. In dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, etc., the demand is large.

GENERAL.

Signor Costa, Italy's Minister of Justice, is dead at Rome.

It is asserted in Vienna that the Czar declines to receive Prince Ferdinand because of the quarrel with Austria.

There is great excitement in Constantinople, and a general feeling prevails that the bomb outrages of Wednesday will be repeated.

Thirty-five thousand British troops have been massed on the Afghan frontier of India, and the suppression of the rising is assured.

The French Government is making overtures to the United States for a reciprocity treaty under the terms of the Dingley Tariff Act.

The Porte is alarmed at the state of anarchy existing in Turkish Kurdistan, and has ordered a general mobilization in the Vilayet of Bagdad.

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