

THE VERY LATEST NEWS. LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

CAUGHT FROM THE WIRES AND CONDENSED FOR BUSY READERS.

Baron Nordenskiöld intends making an expedition to the North Pole.

Work on section D of the new Welland canal contract has been completed.

Mr. Blain is reported to be threatened with pneumonia, the result of a severe cold.

Numerous arrests of socialists have been made at Hamburg, Stein, Konigsberg and other cities.

The St. Lawrence at Montreal continues to fall gradually, still favoring lessening the danger of floods at that city.

Consignments of fresh salmon from British Columbia are being received in Montreal over the Canadian Pacific railway.

Cal. King-Harman, conservative member for the Island of Theodos division of Kent, has been appointed under-secretary for Ireland.

The Canadian Pacific railway company will hold its annual meeting in Montreal on May 12, at which a number of important subjects will come up for consideration.

Miss Wolfe, of New York, bequeathed \$500,000 to Grace church. The remainder of the estate, except the bequest to the Metropolitan museum of art, is to be divided among seventeen heirs at law.

The whiskey men in the state ex-committee met at Dallas, Texas, with closed doors. It has leaked out that they are debating whether they shall make a local fight or merely organize for a state contest.

A copy of the declaration between Great Britain and Austria for the admission into the latter country, duty free, of commercial travellers' patterns and samples has been received by the dominion government.

The Canadian gentlemen cricketers leave Toronto on June 29th, and on that day and the day following will play the gentlemen of New York at Seabright. On Dominion day they will be entertained at dinner, and on the following day they sail for Dublin.

Feeling a threatened massacre of Europeans in Paris, and in view of the demand of Great Britain for the settlement of an old claim, the French government has ordered a man-of-war to proceed to Port au Prince.

A fire in the office of the New York Zoology this morning did damage to the amount of \$2,000. The building, not the damage to the paper by the total destruction of the apparatus by which 100,000 copies are mailed daily, is almost incalculable.

An early settlement of the difference between the hospital committees of the Hamilton and Toronto hospitals is being had over the appointment of a resident physician is anticipated. It is suggested that the position be offered as a prize, to be competed for by the students in all the Ontario medical colleges.

The law passed by the Kansas legislature which is intended as a backbone to the present prohibitory law in Kansas, the wholesale dealers complain of a falling off in trade. In Kansas city, it is understood, the result of the law is the same. The Kansas trade being virtually killed.

It is understood that the government has decided to take extensive precautions immediately to prevent the introduction of Asiatic cholera into the dominion during the coming summer. The Washington authorities have been aroused to action by the probability of an outbreak in the southern states, and the dread disease has reached Central America.

The anti coercion meeting, to be held in Hyde park, London, on Monday, promises to be the largest ever held in London. Gladstone has written a letter to the miners in the north of Great Britain, urging them to ring the death knell of a coercion measure which, he says, if it passed, will be the first bill ever passed by England against the wish of Scotland, Ireland and Wales.

Customs officials on the borders have received new strict orders from the department at Ottawa in relation to the examination of the baggage of passengers coming into Canada by railway from the United States. The new regulations are strict as to the baggage of passengers on American holidays at Sandy Hook, with regard to steamship passengers from Europe.

News has reached St. John, N.B., that the fishing corvet Vigilant, when sailing out of Beaver harbor a few days ago, sighted an American fishing vessel in the three mile limit and evidently after battle with Mr. Colt. The vessel was a fabrication. My relations with Mr. Colt were of the pleasantest nature throughout the entire trip and nothing occurred to mar the friendly feeling that existed between us. When Mr. Colt and I parted we did so as best friends. My only reason for leaving him was that I fulfilled the engagement I entered into with the Dauntless' owner and there was no reason for my remaining aboard any longer. The trip across was the worst I ever witnessed on the coast. This was a month from the time we left New York until after we dropped anchor in Cork harbor. Captain Samuel says the Coronet was much the better boat and the Dauntless was fairly outwitted.

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LANDSOWNES TENANTS. MINUTE DESPATCHES.

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An agitation has been started in Winnipeg in favor of running the street cars on Sunday.

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GOSSIP FROM OTTAWA. RUMORS ABOUT THE SENATE LEADERSHIP.

The Government Celebrations—Appointments in the "Gazette"—Notes About Them.

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