

## MONTHLY RECORD OF CURRENT EVENTS.

—Formation of a Provincial Rifle Association of Ontario.

—Outrage on the U. States Consul at Havanah.

—Fresh disturbances in Crete.

—The lawyers and citizens of Aylmer have impeached Judge Lafontaine of forgery and incompetency.

—The *Gleniffer* has arrived at Montreal. For three consecutive years, she has been the first ocean ship in port.

—Death of Sir George Wetherall, who served in Canada during the rebellion of 1837-38.

—Mr. Cartier raised to the dignity of a Baronet of the United Kingdom.

—News received of the attempted assassination of Prince Alfred in Sydney, Australia, by a Fenian.

—Attempt to destroy Buckingham Palace with Greek fire. Arrest of two Fenians charged with the crime.

—Outrage upon American subjects in Menterez. The U. S. Government demands satisfaction from the Mexican authorities.

—Considerable disquietude in France relative to the new Army Bill.

—The great Annual Boat Race between the two principal Universities of Great Britain was won by Oxford.

—Mr McGee's funeral took place on the 13th April,—one of the grandest public displays ever seen in Canada.

—Grand review of British volunteers and regulars at Portsmouth. Nearly 40,000 troops under arms.

—Rev. Morley Punshon lectured in the Centenary Wesleyan Church at Hamilton, on the 8th of May, to 2,000 persons.

—The Disraeli Government sustained two decisive defeats upon the Irish Church Question.

—The safety of Dr. Livingston assured by a letter received over his own signature.

—Public meetings were held throughout Canada for the purpose of expressing sorrow for the loss of the late Mr McGee, and sympathy with his widow and family.

—Last naval engagement in South America. The Brazilian iron-clads pass the Paraguayan batteries, sustaining but a very trifling loss.

—Four Wesleyan Missionaries leave Toronto this week for the Sackatchewan. Their names are Revs. Geo. Young, G. R. Young, Peter Campbell and Geo McDougall.

—Mr. T. K. Ramsay has presented a petition for the impeachment of Judge Drummond, on causes of drunkenness, and fraudulent and malicious insolvency.

—The people of Texas have abandoned the culture of cotton and taken almost entirely to stock-raising. This year the hides will form the great article of commerce in that country.

—Vesuvius shows no signs of relapsing into a state of quiescence. The present eruption has continued longer than any recorded in modern times.

—Numerous complaints are made of the insufficient mucilage on the new postage stamps rendering an application of the brush necessary to make them stick.

—We regret to learn that H. M. S. *Constance* took fire in her coal bunk, on the 1st instant, in Halifax harbour. Considerable damage was done to the vessel.

—By the explosion of the propeller Governor Cushman at Buffalo on the 1st instant, eleven lives were lost. The jury investigating into the cause of the explosion find that the boiler was old and defective, and that this fact was known to the engineer of the boat.

—It is reported that an iron-clad Monitor for the Cretons is to be built in New York immediately. It will cost \$1,500,000.

—Velocipedes, with steel wheels, are now extensively used in Paris as a means of locomotion. At night, lanterns are attached to the front, so as to give warning of the approach of the traveller.

—Charles Dickens leaves New York for England. A grand banquet given by the Press of New York in his honor, on the 19th April.

—The Prince and Princess of Wales visited Ireland, and were most enthusiastically welcomed by the populace. The Prince was made a Knight of St. Patrick. Several Fenian prisoners released on promise of future good behaviour.

—We rejoice to learn that the Hudson's Bay Company has at last determined to re-convey to the Crown all the rights it enjoys over any part of British America. The amount of compensation to be paid the Company has not yet been announced.

The *Belleville Intelligencer* says, another bar of gold, weighing 6 oz. 14 dwts. Troy, was cast by Mr. J. T. Beil on Wednesday last, being the produce of ore from the Moria mine, reduced at Wallace's Mill at El Dorado. The value of the bar is \$158, and the average per ton \$5.80.

—A Paris correspondent writes as follows: Rapidity of printing has just been carried out in France to a degree far exceeding anything which has been accomplished in machine work, and outstripping the famous American machines, which were supposed to have realized everything attainable in the way of speed. M. Marimoni has put up in the new printing office of the *Petit Journal*, (a one cent daily paper), a marvellous machine of his invention, which prints 600 copies a minute. Four of these powerful machines turn out 144,000 copies an hour, the whole impression being 446,000 daily.

The Chicago papers state that satisfactory progress is being made with the tunnel under the Chicago river, and that next year will certainly see the work completed. Another tunnel is to be begun next year, and it is anticipated that in a few years there will be six or eight tunnels under the Chicago river and its branches. These streams run through the heart of the city, and at present are crossed by revolving drawbridges. The street and river trade are both enormous, and they constantly interfere with each other.

—MILITARY STATIONS.—After the summer changes, the Troops will be distributed as follows, when public works are suspended for the season:—

QUEBEC.—One wing 78th Highlanders, 53rd Reg't, from London; 2 companies Royal Engineers; 3 garrison batteries Royal Artillery.

TORONTO.—13th Hussars, headquarters and 5 troops; 2 field batteries Royal Artillery; 29th Reg't, headquarters and one wing.

LONDON.—One field battery Royal Artillery; 69th Reg't.

HAMILTON.—29th Reg't, one wing.

CHATHAM.—One company Royal Canadian Rifles.

Brantford, Stratford and Belleville not to be occupied by regular troops at present.

OTTAWA.—1st Rifle Brigade, 7 companies and headquarters.

PRESBURY.—One company Royal Canadian Rifles.

COBURN.—Three companies 1st Rifle Brigade.

KINGSTON.—Two garrison batteries Royal Artillery; Royal Canadian Rifles, headquarters and six companies.

MONTREAL.—Two troops 13th Hussars; two field batteries Royal Artillery; two garrison do.; 1st battalion of the 16th Reg't; 1st battalion of the 60th Rifles; 78th Highlanders, headquarters and one wing; 100th Reg't.

CHAMBLY.—Two companies Royal Canadian Rifles.

ST. JOHN.—One company Royal Canadian Rifles.

ISLE AU NOIX.—One Company Royal Canadian Rifles.

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