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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

We will commence the publication of the Major-General's report on the state of the militia next week.

On Saturday last a deputation from the City Council consisting of Aldermen Rowe, Bronson and Heney waited on the Minister of Militia, and asked the Government to erect a new drill shed for the accommodation of the volunteer corps of the city. They explained that the present building was totally unfit for the present requirements, and suggested that the corporation would be willing to bear half the expenditure incurred in the erection of a suitable building if the Government furnished the ground and the remaining half. They said some 71 acres of the By estate was now exempted from city taxation, by being leased to the Government for a rifle range. If the Government would cancel the lease for about forty acres of that plot, the taxes on it would be sufficient to pay the interest and sinking found on the debt necessary to be incurred by the city bearing one half the expense of the building. Mr. Vail said the Government were willing to furnish the required land and bear an equal share of the proposed expenditure, but he could not promise that they would cancel the lease of any portion of the Rideau rifle range until the matter had been laid before the annual meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association which will be held here on 1st of March next. The deputation then withdrew.

The Central Board of Examiners have concluded their labors in connection with the examination of papers of candidates for admission to the Military College at Kingston. Their report has been sent in to the Major General.

The Governor General's Medal was won by the Thistle Curling Club of Montreal, defeating the St. Mary's Club by four points.

Mr. Fuller, contractor for a portion of the Pacific Telegraph line, has arrived in Ottawa. He reports having constructed 355 miles of the line west of Fort Pelly bringing it within 180 miles of Edmonton. Operations are stopped for the winter, but will be resumed in the spring.

At a meeting of citizens (Toronto) held on Tuesday evening last, it was agreed to celebrate Dominion Day as a centennial in memory of the heroes and pioneers of Canada of 1776. It was also decided to ask all other Canadian societies to send delegates to the next meeting to be held on the first Wednesday in April.

It is already proposed to have a centenary celebration in Kingston in 1883, the anniversary of the arrival of the U. E. Loyalists.

The *Canadian News* understands that Mr. Adams, the late Secretary of the Canadian Agency General, is about to proceed to Ottawa, to represent a very influential political organization, which desire to enlist the colony in the measure it seeks to advance.

The Waterous Company, of Brantford, who sent one of their portable saw mills to the International Exhibition in Chili, have learned that it was awarded first prize and gold medal over five competitors—two from France and three from England. This is true "Canada First."

A sleeping car on the Harlem Railroad Extension was burned on Wednesday night last, and Mr. Bissell, the proprietor of the Sherman House, Chicago, and his son, perished in the flames. Ten other passengers are reported as badly burned. The accident was caused by the car running off a broken rail, followed by the upsetting of the car, which took fire.

Gen. Beauregard writes that "only immigration can give back to the white population of the South a proper and safe control of its public affairs, and enable it to restore Agriculture and commerce to their normal condition."

Gen. Caserta, with seven battalions and eleven field pieces, was routed near Vera by three Alfonsoist battalions.

The London papers have been authorized to state that there is no foundation whatever for the statements which have been made with respect to the marriage of the Princess Beatrice.

It is stated that Don Carlos and Lessaraga, with 24,000 men, without artillery or provisions, are refuged in the mountainous district of Amezcoas, endeavoring to gain the French frontier by way of Aldergues. Several divisions of the Royal army are marching against them.

King Alfonso, after inspecting the detached forts, is expected to visit Guetari and Iron. The Government has ordered the Northern Railway Company to reopen traffic immediately between Iron and Toloso.

The city of Monroe which was visited by a lively shock of an earthquake on the 20th which was felt distinctly all over the city. Houses were shaken, glass and crockery rattled, and people rushed into the street in great alarm. The congregation of St. Mary's while at mass, were panic-stricken and left the church without ceremony. The shock lasted several seconds.

The Russian troops, under General Scobly, entered Khokand on Tuesday, and were warmly welcomed by the inhabitants, who expressed great satisfaction at the announcement of the incorporation of Khokand with Russia.

The owners of the Italian bark J. Miller Capt. Del Bizzo, recently sued the Inman Steamship line for \$46,000 as compensation for their vessel sunk by the steamer City of Brooklyn off Fastnet, on Thursday night Jan. 8. Judgment was given against the Inman Company, with fourteen days stay of execution to allow an opportunity to appeal.

The Corporation of London have decided to give a grand fete of welcome in honor of the Prince of Wales on his return from India.

Telegrams from the north of Spain announce that the Royalists continue their successful progress. Gen. Primo di Rivora has occupied the Carlist forts in Navarre. The greater part of the Carlist artillery at Estella was captured. The Carlists had thrown a part of it over the precipices before the arrival of the Royalists. It is reported that Don Carlos fled into France last night. The Carlist resistance at Tolosa is expected to be short on account of the discouragement now prevalent among the Carlists. King Alfonso has gone to Azcoitia.

Official bulletins announce that the Alfonsoists captured twenty-three cannon in Estella. The Carlists sacked the city before the evacuation.

It is announced that the Vatican has informed Don Carlos that he ought to stop fighting, now that success is hopeless.

The Carlist cause in Spain may now be considered as hopelessly lost. Dorregaray is in France, and demoralization has almost completed its work in the ranks of the Pretender's forces.

The Greek Minister of Foreign Affairs has communicated to the Greek Legations of Europe the report of the Greek Consul at Zurich, Turkey, stating that notwithstanding the Sultan's former increase of tithes has been summarily demanded in the provinces of Epirus and Thessaly, and the evidence of Christians is still rejected in the courts. The recent trade remains a dead letter in these provinces.

The Roumania ministry have given a pledge to abide conscientiously by the rules laid down for Roumania's political position and conduct in the international treaties, and to regulate their policy accordingly.

The Austrian Government has requested Cardinal Ledochowski not to continue his journey through Galicia, and to avoid every demonstration which might appear to be directed against neighboring friendly Governments. The Cardinal, who is now in Cracow, will proceed to Rome direct.

The Reichsrath have passed the bill providing for supervision of monasteries and convents, in spite of the recently published protest of the Austrian Episcopate.