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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The Dominion Rifle Competition, will come off at the Rideau Range on the 15th September and following days. It is expected that His Excellency the Governor General and Lidy will be present. The programme is a much larger one than in former years, the total sum offered in prizes being over \$4,000; besides two valuable prizes just received from J. H. Stewart, Esq., Optician, London, England, consisting of a Field Glass and Telescope, both superb instruments—they will be included in the revised list which we will publish in our next.

On the 27th August a man named Cochlan, while attempting to cross the tramway bridge crossing the Canal from Parliament square to Major Hill, was overtaken by the cars laden with earth, and to save himself from being run over jumped on the side railing. He had just reached the top when he lost his balance and fell over—a distance of thirty feet. He was picked up senseless, and on examination it was found there were no bones broken, but it was feared that his internal injuries were of a serious natue and would likely prove fatal. Dr. Robillard had him removed to the General Hospital.

Ottawa and vicinity was visited on the 23rd and 24th by pretty sharp frost—the grass being quite crisped by it.

A union has been consummated between the New Connection and United Wesleyan Methodists of Canada.

A special police force has been organised at St. Andrews, N.B., to guard against incendiarism. Would it not be well to organize a similar force in Ottawa to guard against burglary?

The model of a new machine is on exhibition at profito, which the inventor claims will manufacture 28,000 pressed bricks daily.

The steamer City of London, on the 21st, took fire at Collin's Inlet and was burned to the water's edge. A deckhand was burned to death; all the passengers were aved but some lost everything. They were in bed at the time of alarm and jumped on the wharf in their night clothes. They were conveyed the following day to Owen Sound by the Steamer Silver Spray.

Several United States contractors are in Winnipeg for the purpose of contracting for the Pembina branch of the Pacific Rail way.

Professor J. W. Dawson, of Montreal, has been elected one of the two Vice Presidents of the American Association for the Advancement of Sience.

The Sunday Times is now blended with the Ontario Workman which his a respectable sized Sheet, printed in the quarter form.

Attorney General Clark claiming damages against the United States Government, for the brutal assult made on him in the city of St. Paul in the Spring of the year, and lays is claim at \$50,000 He is likely to be remunerated, but whether to the full amount demanded is not so sure.

It is said the peach crop in Niagara County promises to be so heavy that the growers of the luscious fruit are rigorously prosecuting the thining process—and where they neglect it the branches perform the work by Treaking from the weight of the fruit.

The Manitoban Government have taken steps toward instituting an inquiry into the Gordon affair.

The first execution of a criminal for a capital offence in the Province of Manitobatook place on the 26th August at Winner neg

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A despatch from Fort Grrry, 22nd inst. gives the following item of news:—Engineers for the location of the Pembina Railway branch passed Pembina this morning on the steamer International, which will be commenced by the first of September, simultancously at both ends. Variours forms of typhoid fever are prevalent here, and a large number or deaths have already occurred. Drs. Schultz and Brown leave here to morrow for Montreal.

The dry house of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway was burned on the night of the 27th ult. loss \$300,000.

The war of ruces in the Southern States is likely to be a protracted and bloody one. In Kentucky several fights have taken place between the Whites and the Blacks, and a number of lives lost on both sides.

A Nashville despatch, (Tennesseh) dated August 26th, says a number of negroes at Pickettsville, Gibson County, threatened a riot last Saturday and Sunday, manifesting a strong desire to kill two or three of the citizens and fire and sack the town. Yester day sixteen of the ringleaders were arrested and taken to Trenton gool for safe keeping. About one o'clock this morning seventy-five or one handed masked men entered town and demanded and compelied the sheriff to deliver up the keys of the gool. They then

took sixteen negroes from the prison, and after killing four and mortally wounding two rode off with the remaining ten and are supposed to have killed them. Nothing has been heard of the parties since they left."

Another despatch from Louisville, Ky., August 25th says.—"The United States Marshal and Governor Leslie have held a consultation and the state militia and the U.S. troops will act together in arresting contending parties. This morning all was quiet at Lancaster, but state troops remain to insure order. Forty-five of the rioters have been arrested."

The New York Herald's correspondent reports Robert Toombs as saying, "I shall never acquiesce in the 14th and 15th amendments, and I never shall tolerate the damnable doctrine that there can be good government where negroes participate in shaping public policy."

The Irish rifle team which is to participate in the International shooting match at Cree tmoor, will sail for the United States on the 5th Sept.

By the burning of Morley's stocking factory at Nottingham, 500 persons are thrown out of employment. The loss is \$500,000.

On the 24th Aug., a fire broke out about midnight on the docks in Southampton and raged violently for several hours. All the shipping in danger of destruction was moved to a place of safety and the flames were confined to the workshops of the Royal Mail Steamship Line which were destroyed. Many workmen were deprived of situations by the fire. A large number also lost their tools.

Sydney Dobell, the well known English writer is dead.

Advices from Hong Kong, of the 21st ult. State that a very severe typhoon occurred at Nagasaki on the 20th. Great damage was done to property on shore, and the Shipping. A considerable number of natives lost their lives.

On the 22nd ult., the Shore end of the United States direct cable was laid at Cahirtween, on the Irish coast, 121 miles north of Valentia.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company proposes to adopt a rule requiring either the captain or the first officer of their steamers to be on deck during the night, and thus, if postible pervent an occurrence of disasters.

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