

THE WEEK'S NEWS.

CANADA.

Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain is at Quebec.

Hamilton retail grocers have organized an association.

The price of wheat in Manitoba averages 80 cents a bushel.

Three young men were drowned on Monday near Sundridge.

Bishop Farand, of Athabaska, died last week at St. Boniface.

The Earl and Countess of Aberdeen left Ottawa on Monday for British Columbia.

Coal dealers in Toronto on Wednesday advanced the price of coal 25 cents per ton.

Begin & Co., boot and shoe manufacturers, of St. Roch's, Quebec, are reported to have failed.

Hon. D. A. Ross has been sworn in as President of the Council in the Quebec Cabinet.

Taxes to the amount of \$1,671,807 have been collected in Toronto in two instalments this year.

The English farmers' delegates at Salt Coats, N.W.T., and they are greatly pleased with the country.

The Gloucester fishing schooner Davy Crockett has been seized at Souris, P. E. Island, for illegal fishing.

The military authorities at Halifax decided that last week's mimic attack proves the forts to be impregnable.

Mr. R. M. Meredith, Q.C., London, has been appointed Vice-Chancellor of Ontario, to succeed Justice Proudfoot, who retires.

The Locomotive Works at Kingston have received an order from the Canadian Pacific Colonisation Co. at Queenstown for ten of the strongest Mogul engines.

Mr. Locker, dairy expert for the Canadian Pacific Colonisation Co. at Queenstown was found dead on the prairie near Gleichen, N.W.T.

The body of Dr. Ebersohn, who was drowned in Rideau lake, has been taken by body-snatchers from the grave where it was interred in Kingston.

Bryce Douglass, a British shipbuilder, who was at Ottawa a day or two ago, submitted a proposal to the Government in regard to the Atlantic mail service.

The Governor-General and party left Quebec on Monday by the Intercolonial railway for a trip through the Maritime Provinces. They will be absent from Ottawa until the end of October.

Capt. Watts of the patrol boat Keevatin, lost on Lake Winnipeg, has arrived at Selkirk. The mounted policemen were drowned, one of whom was a son of Mr. Murphy, a Toronto lawyer.

Sir Hector Langevin was in Montreal on Monday on his way back from the Northwest. He spoke of the wonderful progress made by that country since his last visit, twenty years ago.

Hon. William Macdougall returned on Monday to Ottawa from Cobourg, where he recently met with a severe accident. His health is improving, though he still suffers from the strain and bears traces of his confinement.

A meeting was held in Toronto the other day for the purpose of forming an association to advance the mineral interest of Canada, and a strong committee was appointed to report on a scheme to aid in the mineral development of the country.

A deputation waited upon Sir John Thompson last week and urged that in purchasing tobacco for the Indians the Government should purchase only tobacco manufactured from Canadian leaf, in order to encourage the growing of tobacco in Lower Canada.

A little boy had one of his feet caught between a plank and a rail at a crossing in Toronto the other day. A woman seeing the dangerous position he occupied held him down till an approaching train had passed over one of his feet, doubtless by her presence of mind saving the boy's life.

Sir George Baden-Powell, who has returned to Ottawa from a visit to the phosphate fields of the Du Lievre district, says the resources are splendid, but the high prices demanded for the claims will retard the development of the mines and drive capitalists to seek investments in Spain or elsewhere.

A young Englishman named Thomas Veitch, left Fenelon township, Ontario, nearly a year ago for Australia via San Francisco. His mother in England has written to friends in Fenelon asking as to his whereabouts. Inquiry shows that he never sailed from Fenelon, and fears are entertained that he has met with foul play.

Three members of the Alpine Club of Paris, France, have returned to Ottawa from a trip to the Rocky Mountains. They succeeded in taking observations from the summit of Mount Sir Donald, at an altitude of 11,000 feet, and ascertained that the mountain is 400 feet higher than set down in the Dominion Government Survey reports.

A deputation of Montreal citizens, headed by Major Grenier, waited a day or two ago upon Premier Mercier and Provincial Treasurer Sheehy for the purpose of asking the Government to reduce the number of liquor licenses in the city, of which there are nearly a thousand. Mr. Sheehy wanted to reduce the number of licenses, but increase the amount, so that the revenue would not suffer.

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At the trial of the arrested Nationalists at Tipperary last week there was a considerable struggle between the police and the crowd, caused by the court house doors being closed on the latter.

In Newark, N.J., three children of John Keene died of diphtheria on Saturday and on Monday. Two more are dying. Keene, while crazed with grief, fled from home, went to New York city and committed suicide there.

Judge Tynes, the Assistant Attorney-General of the United States Post-office Department, says the legislation which he contemplates putting in motion against the Louisiana State Lottery will also apply to Church raffles.

UNITED STATES.

The population of Detroit is officially placed at 205,669.

Heavy rains have damaged the cotton crop in the Memphis, Tenn., district.

The population of San Francisco is 297,000, an increase of 61,031 since 1880.

The steamship Majestic made a trip from Queenstown to New York in 5 days 21 hours and 20 minutes.

Texas fever is proved to have existed in several herds of prize cattle at the late Detroit fair. A bull valued at \$2,000 died.

Mayor Gleason, chief executive of the Ohio branch of the National League, says the League in America is practically disbanded.

The western coal agents in New York on Monday decided to advance prices 25 cents per ton at Buffalo, and 15 cents at Chicago and other lakes ports, on October 1.

IN GENERAL.

The owner and crew of an English cutter have been massacred by the natives of New Guinea.

The Turkish newspapers have been forbidden to comment on the affairs of the churches.

It is stated the Crown Prince of Roumania will shortly be betrothed to Princess Victoria of Wales.

The Swedish elections for members of the Reichstag are going strongly in favour of the free trade party.

The damage by floods in the department of Ardeche, France, alone amounts to 50,000,000 francs.

Several extra steamers have been chartered to take goods from France to America before the McKinley bill comes into force.

In a duel at Hatzburg, Germany, last week, between Lieut. Blietstasser and Lieut. Garner, the former was killed. The duel was the result of a quarrel.

Polish journals say that during the recent Russian military manoeuvres 400 soldiers were thrown into the water and drowned by a bridge breaking down.

Herr Soneberg, a Socialist, has been sentenced to three months in prison at Berlin because he remarked that Emperor William would in time become a Socialist.

Referring to the recent scandals involving members of the German aristocracy, the *Kreuz Zeitung* says the nobility must lead a better life if they do not wish to provoke the masses to revolution.

It is stated that Germany instead of entering into a war of reprisals with the United States over the McKinley bill will adopt a scheme to lessen the cost of living to the masses by higher imposts on the moneyed classes.

The Society of German Wine-Growers have sent a memorial to Chancellor von Caprivi declaring that the McKinley bill will ruin the export trade with America, and asking whether it is possible to obviate this by diplomatic means.

The Italian government has been informed by several prefects that there is apprehension of trouble in their provinces owing to the large numbers of unemployed workmen, who live in the utmost misery. In some towns the men have become troublesome and demand work.

SHOOTING DEER.

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