

News of the Week

A despatch from Sydney, New South Wales, says that Frank Butler, the Australian bush murderer, was executed Friday last. He confessed to having committed four murders.

Lieut. Hahnke, son of General Hahnke, and one of the Emperor's party to the Northland, left the royal yacht at Odde, Norway, and started on a bicycling trip. While descending a hill he lost control of his machine and was carried into the sea and drowned.

Sir Wilfred Laurier is to be the guest of the President of the French. He can make a speech in France that will please the crowd without saying his British oratory, he ought to be entitled in addition to the membership promised him in the House of Lords, to sit in the French Chamber as the Deputy from Torres Vedras.

The dead bodies of James Bedford and R. S. Collier, two American mining men, have been found in the mountain east of San Luis Potosi, Mexico. The men were on their way from that place to Matheus, a mining camp, when they were fired upon from ambush. It is believed the deed was done by former Mexican employees of the two men.

The greatest gold discovery in the history of the world has been made in the Klondike region, on British territory near Alaska. A party of 45 miners have brought back here over \$1,000,000 in gold dust. Men with the crudest of appliances have been taking out thousands of dollars daily. The recent boundary explorations have demonstrated that the new El Dorado is in British territory.

Lute advice received from Fabians says that an engine, passenger car and baggage trailer on the Munt Washington Railway were blown from the platform at the summit of the mountain. The train was carried down the side of the mountain and was destroyed. At the time of the accident there was no one on the train. The accident caused no interruption in the train service of the road, but the loss is heavy.

Floods, caused by the heavy rain of the past week, have done great damage in the southern part of Quebec. Many people are homeless, and much damage has been done to the early crops. The lower part of the town of the town of St. Hyacinthe has been flooded, and business is almost at a standstill. At Wickham, too, the business portion of the town is flooded. Communication with Richmond, Que., main line of the Grand Trunk system to Quebec is at present cut off.

In the London House of Commons Mr. J. A. Chamberlain, member for East Worcestershire, moved the second reading of the naval works bill on Thursday last. The revised estimates, he said, proposed the establishment of naval works at Dover to cost \$2,500,000.

There would be an accommodation for twenty battleships, besides smaller vessels. The Gibraltar harbor would be rendered absolutely secure and enlarged by 90 acres. A new dock would be constructed at Colombo, and naval barracks at Sheerness. The bill passed its second reading.

The customs port of Nelson shows the exports of one from West Kootenay during the last fiscal year to have been valued at \$4,841,459, over \$3,200,000 having been shipped in the last six months. About half of the total was from the Rossland mines, the balance being from the adjoining mines of Nelson, Ainsworth and Slocan. This record, highly satisfactory as it is in memory of what the region was twenty-four or even twelve months ago, promises to be eclipsed during the current fiscal year, and though, from the circumstances of development, much of the profit goes to another country, much will remain, and when smelting and reducing works are established in Canada the proportion will increase. There has been some money foolishly lost in the British Columbia mining country, but there will be many times the amount legitimately made. The cold facts of the trade returns show this.

The McLean Bank, pursuant to its usual custom, has secured through its agencies in Manitoba a large number of reports on the condition of the crops and agriculture along the lines of the Canadian Pacific, the Northern Pacific, and the Manitoba & Northwestern railways. The striking feature of the returns is the large increase in the acreage under crop, a matter that has been freshly commented on in the official bulletins and in the despatches from Manitoba. This increase runs from 5 to 33 per cent. and is calculated to average 20 per cent. for the whole province. There could be no better evidence sought of the confidence of the people who know the country in its capacity. They have seen it in good years and bad, and are prepared to invest their money and labor in it more and more, year by year. It is barely likely, however, that this year the increased yield will be equal to the greater crop area. The farmers have had some unfavorable conditions to contend with. Some of these are local, but some are general. Late frosts kept the wheat plant; dry weather resulted in short straw in some sections; hail and the gophers did mischief in others. The general result is that in a considerable part of the province the crop is from a week to a fortnight behind the average. It was comparatively early in the season, however (the 1st of July), when the enquiries were sent out. Favorable weather can do much to repair what is backward, and it is remarked that some of the correspondents noted that rain was falling when they were writing, and the succeeding warm weather has attracted general attention. It is not to be thought from what has been said that the backwardness is universal. About one-half of the reports anticipate average crops in spite of the less favorable conditions noted, and some look for yields of wheat as high as twenty-five bushels to the acre. A satisfactory state of affairs is noted in connection with live stock, cattle, hogs, etc., which, in eight reports out of ten, are stated to be increasing in number, and a more healthy sign it would be difficult to find. It is in keeping with the general remarks that the condition of the Manitoba farmer, since he has begun to practice economy, to buy for cash, and to avoid incurring heavy obligations, is improving year by year.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

FREDERICTON is to have a fire alarm system.

Mrs. P. J. D. Edmonds, of Somerville, has gone on a visit to her friends in Boston.

Recent advice from Manitoba says that a consignment of flour has been shipped from Winnipeg for South America.

DELMAR J. VAIL, of Vermont, has been nominated by President McKinley as United States Consul at Charlottetown.

The Central boarding and livery stable was turned at Hamilton, Ontario, on Wednesday last. 42 horses, including those of the Canadian Express Company, were cremated.

The American edition of the Queen Victoria Jubilee book has been nearly all sold on advance orders by the Century Company. It is published at \$50 and \$15 a copy.

Reports from New South Wales say that the long drought in Australia will probably be much worse on sheep than that of 1895. A loss of about 25,000,000 is estimated.

An international conference on the seal question to enable experts of different countries to compare their views and arrive at an agreed estimate of facts will be held at Washington this autumn.

The Kolapore Cup competition was won at Rishley by the Victoria team on Friday last. The score was 751; the New Zealand team was second, with a score of 748; the Canadian team third, with a score of 735.

Mr. J. S. F. McElvray, who has been engaged for some years past in teaching leaves home today for Calgary. Mr. McElvray carries with him the highest esteem and good will of friends and acquaintances. We wish him every success.

SERGEANT Major Warburton, Col. Longworth, Charlottetown; Sergeant Seaman, Hunter River; Corporal Warren, Charlottetown; Corporal Hardy, York; Corporal Jenkins, Charlottetown, and Corporal Donahoe, Rosneath, arrived home from England last week.

While working in a mine at Bridgville, N. S., a man named Joseph Sutherland was seriously injured by part of the roof caving in. This makes the fourth disastrous accident in Pictou county within a few days, three of the victims being killed on the railway.

Mr. W. G. CUNNINGHAM of Antigonish, N. S. had a narrow escape from bleeding to death recently. He had a tooth extracted and was to be kept apparently as well as ever. Two hours later he woke up, having been bleeding all that time. The breaking of an artery was the cause.

The Medical Council of British Columbia, backed by the whole medical fraternity, is determined to resist the efforts of a mission organization, to bring in, as a doctor to the Japanese at Stevenson, an unqualified native practitioner. They declare that even the plea of mission effort must not serve as a pretext to override the law.

The following is the result of the drawing of prizes in connection with the Tea held at St. Margaret's on July 6th: Album, Alexander R. Robertson, Red Point; Right Day Clock, Donald A. McDonald; Clear Spring; Utensils, Joseph McPhee; Clear Spring; Lady's gold brooch given for nearest guess to number of beans in a bottle, won by Joseph McLeod, Cable Head; guess 1739, actual number 1732.

Mr. JOHN HUGHES, proprietor of the Dominion House, Emerald, met with a sad death Wednesday evening last. Mr. Hughes was driving a team loaded with lumber at the time and while trying to adjust a cable of lime fell off, the wheels of the vehicle, some suppose, passing over his head. When found in a hollow this side of the residence of the late Hon. Alex. Laird, by Mr. Patrick Keefe, Mr. Hughes was dead. He was 52 years of age.

A DESPATCH to the Boston Herald from Mexico, Maine, states that the body of James Robinson, or Robinson, of Prince Edward Island, who mysteriously disappeared from Ramford Falls, was found floating in a small river near the town of Peru on the 13th inst. One side of the man's face was badly bruised, and there was suspicion of foul play. It will be remembered at the time of the finding of the clothing Robinson's wallet was missing. Robinson has no friends, so far as is known, in this country. The body was buried by Perry authorities.

Mr. JOHN McCABE, a resident of Tyron, left his home on Friday, 9th inst at 10 o'clock a. m. Next morning a letter was found addressed to his brother, saying his health was bad and he was tired of living, including some directions regarding collection of debts due him. A search party went to work dragging the waters in the vicinity of Tyron but no trace of the missing man was found until Friday morning last, when the body was found in a hole below the surface of the water. There was no discoloration of any kind, the hands being found stiff in the pockets as though the unfortunate man had walked deliberately in. An inquest was held at Tyron on Friday afternoon, the jury returning the following verdict: "The deceased, John McCabe, came to his death by drowning while laboring under temporary insanity." Mr. McCabe was 35 years of age and unmarried.

Woman's work

Is never done, and it is especially wearing and wearisome to those whose blood is impure and unfit properly to tone, sustain, and remove the wastes of nervous tissue. It is more because of this condition of the blood that women get pale, tired, weak, nervous, than because of the work itself. Every physician says so, and that the only remedy is in building up by taking a good blood tonic, blood purifier and vitalizer like Hood's Sarsaparilla. For the troubles peculiar to women at change of season, climate or life, or resulting from hard work, nervousness, and impure blood, thousands have been relieved and cured.

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The Supreme Court.

THE CRIMINALS SENTENCED—COURT ADJOURNED UNTIL JULY 28TH.

The Supreme Court met Saturday forenoon, when the Chief Justice passed sentence upon the prisoners as follows: William Joyce. Three years in jail for breaking into the Century Company's store, in all six years.

Martin Power. Three months in jail for assaulting John Crowley, and six months for escaping jail.

William McCabe. Two years in Dorchester Penitentiary for assaulting William Ellsworth. Two years in Dorchester Penitentiary for entering Newson's store and stealing a bicycle therefrom, and three years additional for breaking into Sanderson & Co's store, in all six years.

After passing the sentences noted above the Court adjourned until July 28th, when the trespass case of Gillis vs. Martin will come up for trial.

THOUSANDS CELEBRATE

With thankfulness for restoration to health by the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Think of the vast army who have been cured by this medicine.

Men, women, and children, who have suffered the consequence of impure blood, Girty carry with him the highest esteem and good will of friends and acquaintances. We wish him every success.

Campaign Notes.

The heat of the weather keeps pace with the contest. In a few days it will be much cooler for the grits.

The reception and hearing gives to the conservative cause being held throughout the country are favorable indications of how the government has been "weighed and found wanting."

Grit politicians and potato bugs—old associates—are now warning the country districts. Where are the local Paris Green merchants?

Although the duck shooting season has not yet opened reports are rife that the Premier and his fellow "sports" have been seen travelling about with a large number of ducks. They were "black."

We have not space to give an account of the meetings now being held throughout the country. Suffice it to say that the good fight goes merrily on. In our next issue we hope to announce that the Peters party have been routed horse foot and "bottle."

We learn that the "grit executioner" is out canvassing and speaking at St. Peters. Archer found it altogether too "hot" for him.

Dunro the last six months the leader of the Grits has been absent from his official duties more than half the time. Let the people now give him "a well-earned holiday" and make it permanent.

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Is the price of perfect health. Watch carefully the first symptoms of impure blood, pimples, humors, and scrofula by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. Drive away the pains and aches of rheumatism, neuralgia, and stomach troubles, steady your nerves and overcome that tired feeling by taking the same great medicine.

HOOD'S PILLS are the best family cathartic and liver tonic. Gentle, reliable, sure.

A YOUNG man named W. F. Rose, while attempting to board a moving I. C. R. coal train at New Glasgow a few days ago fell off, the wheels passing over one of his legs below the knee. He died in a few hours afterwards.

WOOL WANTED.—An Sole Agents on P. E. Island for the celebrated Oxford, Nova Scotia Woolen Mills, manufacturers of the famous war well pure wool tweeds and homespun, we want as much wool as we can possibly get for the Oxford Woolen Co., and will give in exchange the highest market price, or any kind of goods in the store. Farmers bring your wool to us and get the best value obtainable, a full line of the famous Oxford tweeds in Stock.

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35c buys dress goods worth up to 50c. 50c buys dress goods worth up to \$1.00. \$2.00 buys goods worth up to \$4.15. \$2.75 buys goods worth up to \$5.25. 400 our best goods worth up to \$8.25. A few lines will be cleared cheap. Ladies' waterproofs at 23 per cent discount, blouses from 25c up. Straw hats, balance of our stock at 10c, 25c and 50c worth up to \$1.20. This big midsummer sale will continue for 10 days.

A new chance big bargain. W. A. WEEKS & Co., wholesale and retail.—St

A mighty midsummer clearance sale at Week's, beginning July 2, and lasts ten days you can have your choice from 70 pieces of dress goods worth up to \$30, 50c is the price at this sale. 50c buys our finest dress goods regular price up to \$1.00 per yard. This is a rare chance. Remember 35c. for dress goods worth up to 50c and 50c for dress goods worth up to \$1.00. Clearance of hats at 10c, 25c, and 50c for hats worth up to \$1.20. Blue, colored, velvet and lace caps, three prices, \$2.00 for caps worth up to \$4.15, at \$2.75 worth up to \$5.25, at \$4.00 our best worth up to \$8.25. Also 2% of all our stock of Ladies' waterproofs. Blouse sale till continues. Blouses from 25c up. This is a rare chance. See our advt.

Itching, Burning, Creeping. Crawling, or Stinging Skin Disease Relieved in Five Minutes by Dr. Agnew's Ointment.—Price 35 Cents.

Dr. Agnew's Ointment relieves instantly and cures tetter, salt rheum, scald head, eczema, shingles, blotches, and all eruptions of the skin. It is soothing and quieting, and acts like magic in all baby humors. Irritation of the scalp or itching during teething time. 35 cents a box. Sold by GEO. HUGHES.

Coughs, colds, sore throat, asthma, bronchitis, and all lung troubles are quickly cured by Haygard's Pectoral Balsam.

A MIGHTY Midsummer Sale

Weeks' Big 10 days Clearance

Dress Goods, Capes, MILLINERY.

The Jubilee is over. The superabundance of loyalty sentiment has spent itself. Queen Victoria has lived thro' it, and so have we. We come back to every-day business again with more vim than ever to serve you to our mutual interest. Commencing Friday, July 2nd, this big midsummer sale begins.

30c. For Dress Goods 80c. Worth up to

50c. For Dress Goods \$1.00 Worth up to

At 35 cents we offer three thousand two hundred and fifty yards of all kinds of Dress Goods, Black and Colored Cashmeres, Serges, fancies and plain, bought from best English and French makers. At this big midsummer sale 35 cents for goods worth up to 80 cents includes evening Dress Goods, Light Colored Cashmeres, Crepons, etc., etc. At 50 cents up to \$1.00 the choicest Dress Goods in our stock, nearly all this season's importations. Plain, Fancy and High Colored Goods. This is one of the rarest offers we have ever made to the buying public.

Ladies' Straws and Millinery—10c. for hats worth up to 40c., 25c. for hats worth up to 60c., 50c. for hats worth up to \$1.20. All shapes—Sailors, Flops, Black and Colored fancies. All must go.

Black and Colored Capes—Velvet and Lace Capes. Every Cape but 5 new this spring, at \$2.00, worth up to \$4.15, at \$2.75, worth up to \$5.25, at \$4.00, best, worth up to \$8.25.

Ladies' Waterproofs—Best English makes, 20 per cent. discount off every garment.

Our big sale of Ladies' Blouses will still continue. Blouses from 25c. up. Discounts on high priced Blouses. Big midsummer sale from July 2nd to 12th.

WEEKS & CO.,

The Peoples' Store—Wholesale and Retail.

A U. S. warship arrived in this port today.

Mr. JOHN BELHAM, better known around town as "Johnny get your gun," was found dead in his room on Monday morning. He is supposed to have taken poison, as a dish containing Paris Green was found near by.

CHARTOWN PRICES, JULY 20

Beef (quarter) per lb.	\$0.04 to \$0.05
Beef (small) per lb.	0.05 to 0.10
Butter (fresh) per lb.	0.18 to 0.19
Butter (salt) per lb.	0.16 to 0.17
Cheese (lb.)	0.12 to 0.14
Cultery, per bunch	0.02 to 0.03
Chickens (lb.)	0.30 to 0.35
Olden, per lb.	0.03 to 0.05
Calf skin (trimmed)	0.07 to 0.08
Eggs, per doz.	0.8 to 0.10
Flour, per cwt.	0.45 to 0.50
Fowls, per pair	0.60 to 0.75
Geese, per pair	0.90 to 1.10
Ham, per 100 lbs.	0.30 to 0.35
Hay, per 100 lbs.	0.50 to 0.60
Hide, per 100 lbs.	0.10 to 0.15
Lamb, per lb.	0.08 to 0.09
Mutton, per lb.	0.06 to 0.07
Pork, per lb.	0.08 to 0.09
Mangles, per lb.	0.12 to 0.14
Oatmeal (black oatmeal) cwt	0.60 to 0.70
Oatmeal (white oatmeal) cwt	0.60 to 0.70
Oats, per 100 lbs.	0.22 to 0.25
Pork carcasses	0.5 to 0.55
Potatoes, per bushel	0.20 to 0.25
Sheep, per pair	0.70 to 0.80
Swamp (per load)	1.50 to 2.00
Turkeys, per pair	0.10 to 0.15

Sir L. H. Davies, the Canadian minister of marine, who was summoned to London in connection with the Behring Sea seal controversy and the Belgian and German trade treaties, said to the correspondent of the Associated Press recently: "Since my arrival I have conferred with John W. Foster, the United States special Commissioner, on the sealing question, and with the British Colonial Office. The latest phase of the matter is a proposal emanating from the United States Government that the American, Canadian and British seal commissioners should meet this autumn, return to the sealing grounds, and in conjunction with officials specially representing the Governments concerned, consider the situation in the light of the latest facts collected by specialists. This plan was submitted by Mr. Foster only a few days ago. Nothing can be done this season, and Great Britain has decided that there is insufficient data to justify any change. The fact is that the Americans have never loyally accepted the Paris award, and have never accepted the fact that the sealing herd, as a herd, is not more than ours. It seems that their movement now more or less controlled by the idea of getting the Paris award altered. From the evidence which I have examined, I am strongly of the opinion that, if the interests of the sealers themselves are to be regarded, they cannot stand a further loss of right."

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See our Women's Shoes,

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