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TAXATION NO CONSEQUENCE. The valued Telegraph is replete with information on the subject of federal taxation.

At the present time it is futile for the Sun to be figuring up percentages of taxation when the people are prosperous and trade is flourishing.

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the present premier at the Champ de Mars meeting: Henceforth there will be neither liberal nor conservative, only the great national party, composed of the old liberals and the old conservatives.

The execution of Louis Riel is an outrage to justice and humanity, and an outrage to our nationality, and that the ministers and the French Canadian journalists who are responsible for this execution are deserving of public reprobation.

The organization of this so called National party was a great political success. It made Mr. Mercier premier of Quebec province.

The opportunity which Sir Wilfrid grasped had been rejected by Sir Adolphe Chapleau. He refused to lead an agitation in honor of rebellion, or to make a martyr of a double traitor who was also a cold-blooded murderer.

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The St. John Globe finds great comfort in the statement of the Toronto Globe that the Intercolonial should not be run as an ally to the Grand Trunk. Mr. Gillis would apparently like to be further pressured on that point.

New York city is supposed to have a population of 3,437,302, making it easily the second city in the world. The census enumerators find that the old city of New York has 2,050,000.

The Sun offers congratulations to Mr. Fred Cook, its Ottawa correspondent, who has been elected to the supreme presidency of the Sons of England.

FURIOUS STORMS. Preceded by intense heat and darkness in Wisconsin.

OSHKOSH, Wis., Aug. 20.—A terrific storm struck here this afternoon. Crey's store on Main street was wrecked, and several other buildings were badly damaged.

SHEBOYGAN, Wis., Aug. 20.—A terrific wind storm struck this city this afternoon. Several houses were blown down and a number of persons are believed to have been crushed under the ruins.

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 20.—A telephone despatch to the Evening Wisconsin says the storm at Sheboygan wrecked eight buildings, including the Crocker car factory, the brewery of the Conrad Schrier Co., Kilmall's brick yard and about 200 houses.

WOODSTOCK. Two Ladies Thrown from Their Carriage and Somewhat Injured.—Horse Killed.

WOODSTOCK, Aug. 19.—Mrs. James Harvey, wife of the chief of police, and Mrs. Wm. Blake were out driving yesterday evening with Mr. Harvey's team. While driving along Broadway some boys threw firecrackers in the road, which, exploding, frightened the horse so that he ran away, overturning the carriage and throwing the two ladies heavily to the ground.

FOR LIFE! Verdict in the Notorious Kentucky Murder Trial.

Nobody Believed the Jury Would Agree in Finding Powers Guilty.

GEORGETOWN, Kentucky, Aug. 18.—"We, the jury, find the defendant guilty, and fix his punishment at confinement in the penitentiary for the rest of his natural life."

GOOD NEWS FROM INDIA. LONDON, Aug. 20.—The vicerey of India, Lord Curzon, of Kedleston, telegraphs that the heavy general rainfall has continued in most of the affected tracts.

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BOSTON LETTER. There is Little New in the Political Situation.

Deaths of Former Provincialists—General News—The Lumber and Fish Markets—The Weather.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) BOSTON, Aug. 14.—From 68 on Saturday last, the uncertain memory was this morning down to 65, thus burying over-hersted humanity with a life and death certainty from one extreme to another.

There is little new in the political situation. The anti-imperialists are still hammering away at President McKinley and making things as unpalatable as possible for the Boston last week and attempted to stir up enthusiasm among the regulars of his party.

The police of Woburn are endeavoring to identify the body of a man found in the woods near there on Friday last. From appearances the man was a colored man, and was written: "Mrs. Powers, and the pocket contained a small note, on which were the words: 'Halifax, N. S.'"

The following from the provinces were in the news recently: In the Maritime Provinces, J. C. Robertson, E. P. Hammond, J. A. John, J. M. Gould and Mrs. Gould, and J. D. Davidson, were in the news.

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THEY SAW A BALLOON. Still Another Andree Story Reaches Vancouver from the Far North.

Indians Claim They Saw the Strange Visitor on Mackenzie River.

(Vancouver Colonist, Aug. 11th.) The steamer Tees, which arrived yesterday morning, brought a belated report of the sighting of a balloon—presumably that of the missing Andree and his companions—near the mouth of the Mackenzie river in the winter of 1899.

The news is given in a letter written by a miner at Fort Yukon to a friend at Selkirk. The letter was shown to Fred Harrison of Montreal, who copied it and forwarded its contents to Victoria. The letter said: "I think you were right in what you said about Andree. A short time ago some Indians arrived here from the Mackenzie, and I learned from them that a balloon was seen to land near the mouth of that river during the winter before last. Some men landed from it and made a camp. They remained a short time and then got into the car. They then threw something out, the natives said, on to the ice, and the balloon rose into the air. It was some time before the natives were afraid and did not visit the camp. The natives who came here (Fort Yukon) did not see the balloon themselves, but were told of its coming by people living to the northward of them. I could not find out anything about the matter at all."

Mr. Harrison, who is bound to Dawson, says in his letter that he will make every endeavor to ascertain the truth of the story of the Indians, and if possible learn more.

It is considered not at all improbable that the Indians may have given out this report in the hope of getting a reward, for some months ago notices were sent to all the northern trading posts and freely circulated in the Northwest, from Lyaun Canal to the Arctic, in which a reward was offered by the Scandinavian government for the information of the lost party.

Stocky's brother, whilst hunting musk oxen last summer, came across a party of four white men shooting deer. A party of Eskimos who were approaching at the time did not see the deer, and thought the white men were shooting at them. They therefore drew their bows and arrows and shot two of the whites, killing them on the spot. The Eskimos, and it is not known if they escaped or not. Stocky's brother saw the poor fellows lying dead, with arrows through them. One was a middle-aged man, short, broad and stout; the other was a young boy, the elder had on a knickerbocker suit, with striped stockings; the younger had on a cloth suit, and they both had on cheese-cutter or badge caps. The Eskimos wanted the Stocky's brother to go back with them, as there was a big round thing in the north full of tobacco, clothes, ammunition, etc., but he did not go. He, however, brought in two wolf-skin carpets and a part of the dress worn by Eskimos in the Far North, just to prove that he had been as far as he said. I have reported this to the commissioner.

SIXTEEN TO ONE. (Manitoba Free Press.) The following explanation of the meaning of 16 to 1 is given by the Democratic National Convention at Kansas: A gold dollar weighs 23.22 grains, the remainder being alloy. A silver dollar weighs 412.5 grains, of which 336.94 is pure silver, the remainder being alloy. Thus the pure silver in a silver dollar weighs about sixteen times as much as the pure gold in a gold dollar, and this is the meaning of "16 to 1." The proposal to adopt the free coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 is a proposal that any owner of gold shall be authorized by law to coin and return to him one dollar for every ounce of gold he brings in, and that the legal tender for payment of all debts, public or private, in silver, shall be a dollar (and the dollar itself under free coinage) would be worth, at the present price of silver, not far from fifty cents in gold.

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Sample portraits are now on public view in the Sun's business offices. Call and see them. Sun Printing Co., St. John.

CAPE BRETON. Isolated Through the Action of a Severe Electrical Storm.

HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 19.—Eastern Nova Scotia is isolated through the action of a severe electrical storm affecting the telegraph. There has been no communication between Halifax and Sydney, C. B., since evening. The weather was threatening all day. The air was cold with an occasional rain drop and low barometer reading. The forecasted storm is approaching from the east. The overland cable from Sydney to New York was the first to shut down, as the cable instruments are especially sensitive. All wires being closed, it is not possible to learn anything of the intensity of the disturbance, only the erratic behaviour of the instruments indicate the presence of heavy lightning.

IMPROVED P. E. I. HOGS. (Charlottetown Guardian.) That the farmer's of Prince Edward Island are beginning to realize the importance of having an improved breed of hogs is fully exemplified by extracts taken from a letter written by J. W. Calbeck of the Brookside farm. He says that his farm has had a most successful season's trade. In fact he could not supply the demand for stock of hogs. Every consignment reached its destination in safety and in a condition that has given good satisfaction to the purchaser. Orders have been received in the United States as far as Suffolk, Virginia. The consignment sent there has given good satisfaction. The purchaser writes that out of twenty hogs he lost all with cholera except the two Yorkshires received from P. E. Island. Another consignment as soon as the weather gets a little cooler.

A special to the Chicago Times-Herald from Walsh, Ind., says: "Remissible grain dealers from all parts of the state have collected statistics showing the total yield of wheat in Indiana for the present year to be the smallest for many years, not exceeding 5,000,000 bushels against 18,000,000 to 40,000,000 for several years in succession prior to 1899. The crop is a practical failure, there being but little more than enough grain raised for seeding."

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Together With Correspondence from Exhonorables.

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The railway annual picnic at St. August 25th.

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