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ONE OF THE FATHERS.

The statistical year-book of Canada received last week, gives the names and dates of births of five surviving "Fathers of Confederation." The volume went to press in March and already the list of five has been reduced to three. The death of Hon. William McDougall, who in his day held many important positions in the public life of the country, took place recently. He lived to the age of eighty-three.

It is not wrong to speak of the Newfoundland statesman as a father of confederation even though the colony which he represented never joined the union, and Sir Ambrose himself never became a Canadian. For as a matter of fact he was one of the men who met at Quebec in 1857 and drew up the scheme of union in the series of resolutions afterwards embodied almost word for word in the British North America Act. He and Sir Frederick Carter took part in the conference with the idea that Newfoundland had the same interest in it as the other British North American colonies.

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POLITICAL SPECULATIONS.

The New Freeman, whose political writer often makes a happy forecast of appointments, is informed that O. J. Le Blanc, M. P. for Kent, will be called to the senate. It is known to the New Freeman that the senatorship was guaranteed to Mr. Costigan before the last general election, but it is intimated that the legislation providing a pension for former cabinet ministers will be regarded as a satisfactory equivalent. With this arrangement, "it is satisfactory to Mr. Costigan," the New Freeman has no fault to find, though it contends that the Roman Catholics of the maritime provinces should still demand representation in the cabinet. By way of solving the personal problem the New Freeman says: "We could name scores of eligibles. We would rejoice in the selection of such a capable man as Mr. Richard O'Brien, the managing director of the Globe. Catholics are looking for grants among their own ranks when the question of parliamentary and cabinet comes up, while they are often found supporting pliancies who were not of their own faith. The bearing of this remark, as a celebrated character in fiction would say, lies in the application of it. But one is not quite clear how the guarantee of a senatorship to Mr. Costigan is met by a retiring pension, or why a journal which admires Mr. Costigan should be satisfied with such an arrangement. The New Freeman once had hopes that Mr. Costigan would be called to the Laurier cabinet. When that hope failed the guarantee of a senatorship succeeded, and at this latest meant that Mr. Costigan would still have a share in the government of the country. The pension gave Mr. Costigan a better income than a senatorship. If this income was the whole purpose of the argument in Mr. Costigan's behalf the settlement may be satisfactory, but if the purpose was to give the country the benefits of Mr. Costigan's services the pension alone does not seem to meet the case.

THE MEETING AT PORTSMOUTH.

There is no certainty that any treaty of Portsmouth will have a place in history. Whatever may be the powers of the plenipotentiaries as set forth in their commissions, they could not be invested with the full authority that their titles would imply. While the formal discussion goes on at a small dockyard town in New England the real communications are taking place between St. Petersburg and Tokio. The Japanese envoys are dignified messengers who have gone to Portsmouth with terms of peace from their government. They probably know to the last detail how far these terms may be modified, and if circumstances of doubt arise an interchange of cipher messages will clear up the uncertainty. The Japanese representatives are statesmen of the first rank, but they are only emissaries.

No less completely will the hands of the Russian envoys be tied. The limits of submission and concession are determined on the Neva. What these limits are will probably not be known for some days. Russia breeds skilful diplomatists, of a certain school. The art of concealment and of duplicity reaches perfection in Russian diplomatic intercourse.

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MR. BALFOUR IN A CONTRADICTION. Mr. Balfour is always described as a man of singular imperturbability. He won his first wreath of fame when as chief secretary for Ireland he refused to be disturbed by the methods of controversy and of obstruction then prevalent in the Nationalist ranks. Afterward he became eminent on account of other qualities and of the influential positions which he occupied. But Mr. Balfour's philosophical temper and temperament has always been an element of interest in British public life.

debate following the adverse vote on a motion of the Irish leader, the premier was vigorously assailed by two or three of the more violent opposition members, and of Mr. Churchill, who is fighting the battle of the opposition from the government side.

WOLFVILLE NEWS.

Recent Weddings in the Sister Province.

An Automobile Tour Through Annapolis Valley—Enjoying Sea Voyage to Australia

WOLFVILLE, N. S., Aug. 7.—On Tuesday morning a pretty wedding took place in St. James Church at Kentville, when Miss Gertrude King, eldest daughter of Captain King, was united in marriage to John Baker, a popular aviator of Montreal.

MR. WILSON'S BODY NOT YET RECOVERED. Diver Has Been Sent For—Believed Party Had to Cross Lake to Go to Work.

The Frederick Gleason says: The body of Alexander Wilson has not yet been recovered. A telegram to that effect reached the Gleason at noon today from G. E. Howie, who is at Long Lake, the scene of the accident.

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ACETYLENE EXPLOSION.

Two Buildings Were Wrecked and Many People Injured, Some Dangerously, in Caledonia, Ont., Saturday Evening.

CALEDONIA, Ont., Aug. 6.—At 8.00 Saturday evening a heavy explosion occurred in the bakery of A. E. Jones. The entire front of the building, also that of Geo. E. Culp's jewelry store immediately adjoining, were blown into the street. The Bell telephone office was located within the former shop, and it was known that a large number of people had been within at the time of the explosion.

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CANOE WITH SAIL UPSET IN LAKE.

MARY TUCKER HAS BEEN FOUND.

ROCHESTER, N. H., Aug. 6.—Miss Mary A. Tucker, the Providence school teacher for whom persistent search has been made since her disappearance from Camp Ospee a week ago last Tuesday evening was found this afternoon in the woods of South Lebanon, Me. She was greatly exhausted and emaciated, but her pulse was strong, and hopes are expressed by her attending physician that she will recover.

THE CONDITION OF THE WOMAN WHEN FOUND WAS PITIFUL. Her clothing was soaked and her feet swollen, while her limbs were badly emaciated. Her hat was pinned to her waist, and a fact that has not yet been explained is that she had upon her feet a pair of new black high lace shoes instead of the low tan shoes that she wore when she disappeared from Camp Ospee. Where she obtained them has not been learned.

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CLEMENCIA GONZALES, OF CENTRAL AMERICA, RESTORED TO HEALTH. PE-RU-NA THE REMEDY.

Miss Clementina Gonzales, Hotel Provenca, Guatemala, C. A., in a recent letter from 377 Cleveland Ave., Chicago, Ill., writes: "I took Peruna for a worn-out condition. I was so run down that I could not sleep at night, had no appetite and felt tired in the morning."

"I tried many tonics, but Peruna was the only thing which helped me in the least. After I had taken but a half bottle I felt much better. I continued its use for three weeks and I was completely restored to health, and was able to take up my studies which I had been forced to drop. There is nothing better than Peruna to build up the system."—Clemencia Gonzales.

Address The Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, Ohio, for instructive free literature on cataract.

I. G. R. FIREMAN KILLED. Was Sleeping Beside the Track and Started by Noise Jumped Up as a Train Was Passing.

MONKTON, N. B., Aug. 7.—The Maritime Express coming down this morning killed a man named Harriman, who was lying asleep alongside the track.

The engine passed without striking him but the noise of the train appeared to have partially aroused him and he rolled over and was struck by the baggage car.

Harriman was a fireman on a working train but how he came to be asleep on the track is not explained.

RICHIBUCTO. A Brown County girl recently sent 50 cents to a Chicago advertiser for a recipe to whiten and keep the hands soft. She received the following reply: "Scrub them three times a day in a dishwater while your mother rests."

MONKTON, N. B., Aug. 6.—Information has been received here of the death in Malden hospital of Annie Sturhardt, a chorus girl, of consumption of the brain from blows supposed to be a case of murder. Miss Sturhardt is said to belong to Monkton, but enquiry fails to locate her. The only family of that name who ever lived here was Charles Sturhardt, an Englishman, painter by trade, who worked for a time in the I. C. R. shops here, but left ten or twelve years ago and was last heard from in Halifax. Sturhardt's wife died while he was in Monkton, and he has several children, but enquiry here fails to locate the present whereabouts of members of the family.

FOR SAFETY OF RAILWAYS. OTTAWA, Aug. 5.—The board of railway commissioners will shortly consider a new scheme for extending its usefulness in the interests of transportation.

PARADOXICAL. Smith—You remember Muggins, who used to bore us with his long winded stories? Jones—Yes. What of him? Smith—He was arrested yesterday for being short in his accounts.

TO CURE HEADACHE IN TEN MINUTES use Kumford Headache Powder, 10 cents.

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Recent Events

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