

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Subscribers remitting Money, either direct to the office, or through Agents, will find a receipt for the amount enclosed in their next paper. All remittances should be made payable to A. Milne Fraser.

Chief Justice Johnson of Montreal has been knighted.

The Si Plunkard Co. opened at the Academy last evening, and play again this and to-morrow evening.

The inquest on the remains of the victims of the Longue Point fire shows that seventy lives were lost.

Thomas Frame was thrown from a waggouette, a wheel of which caught in the car track on Barrington Street, and had his arm broken.

It is said that the vessels which have already sailed for the port of Quebec make up the largest fleet known for the past twelve years.

The steamer *Halifax* sails for Boston from Halifax every Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock A. M. instead of 10 o'clock as heretofore.

The receipts of the Inland Revenue offices at Toronto for the month of April were \$92,782.75, an increase of \$2,719.95 over the same month last year.

A despatch received by Mr. Geo. E. Boak says the schooner *Riversdale*, before reported ashore at Grand River, C. B., is likely to be floated after lightering.

Burglars jugged off the safe from the mounted police barracks in MacLeod last Tuesday week, carried it a quarter of a mile, broke it open and secured a thousand dollars.

On Tuesday some acid in the cellar of Hattie & Mylius' store on Hollis Street caught fire, but the firemen were quickly on hand and the blaze extinguished, the damage being small.

The will of the late Thos. Werkman, of Montreal, has been probated. His estate is valued at \$401,600. The special legacies amount to \$250,000, and his public and charitable bequests to \$151,600.

Our North-West Territories will hereafter be known as the Western Territories of Canada. The tacking on of the word "Canada" was necessary to distinguish the Canadian from the American Territories.

The Queen Hotel property on Hollis Street was sold by Sheriff Archibald on Tuesday and bought by T. R. Jenkins for the sum of \$27,480. It was sold subject to the lease held by Mary J. Sheraton.

An English syndicate is said to be arranging for the purchase of the cotton mills under the control of the Dominion Association, and it is reported that Mr. Gault, the president, has gone to England to arrange details.

After a violent gale of wind and heavy rain on Tuesday evening lasting till Wednesday morning the weather cleared, a genial warmth prevailed, and a perceptible hue of spring green pervaded the trees. Spring, we hope, has fairly come at last.

Rufus Somerby, manager of the "Japanese Village," is in town arranging for the appearance of his new, novel and unique entertainment, Mr. Somerby was in Halifax 26 years ago when he managed "the theatre of art" at the old Temperance hall.

The dearth of home news, consequent on the political occupation of our contemporaries, has continued during the week. We suppose every one will be as glad as we are that the elections are over, and that we may indulge a hope of the cessation of the extreme virulence of mutual party abuse.

The Parisian on her recent trip out ran on an iceberg off the Banks in a fog. She was going six knots. The vessel lay on her starboard side for about a minute and then recovered apparently without much damage. The firmness of the officers prevented panic. The great steamer also very nearly ran down a sailing vessel in the same fog.

On the eve of the election Premier Fielding was presented by the employees of the Province Building with a handsome portrait of himself, accompanied by an address which was read by Dr. Allison. The Premier made a feeling reply, and requested that the presentation be not announced until after the result of the election had been ascertained.

We have to acknowledge a well got up little volume of verse—"Fancies of Boyhood"—by Edward Blackadder of Wolfville. The poems and verses were all written, we are told, between the ages of twelve and nineteen, and are much what might be expected of juvenile essays in verse. The preface, however, as well as a certain facility in the verses, indicate some power of expression if the writer should be fully impressed with his subject.

We are in receipt of a booklet of some 70 pages—"Stray Leaves from the Book of Wonders"—by the late L. L. Davison, edited by Bau Zeene, with a preface by Earl Harlee, published at Wolfville. The title was, it seems, adopted humorously by way of a sort of anti-climax. The little work consists of a number of light sketches and verses, indicative of developing literary ability on the part of the deceased young writer.

The preliminary investigation in the case of Daniel Robertson charged with the murder of William Robertson, was concluded at Westville on Wednesday. Robertson was sent to the supreme court for trial. Both the deceased and the prisoner hitherto bore respectable characters. No motive is assigned for the crime except that the men were in liquor. Robertson is a young man of about 21 years of age and was to be married in a week or two. Deceased, it is said, was also going to be married shortly.

The Local elections on Wednesday passed off quietly and resulted in the return of the Fielding Government by, as far as we can judge at the

time of going to press, a decreased majority. All lovers of good government will rejoice at this, as the former Liberal majority was decidedly too large for the comfort of the Liberal party, or the chances of the Opposition in thwarting unwise measures. Below we give a list of the candidates on both tickets. Those marked thus * both sides concede are elected. Those marked thus ? are still in doubt:—

County	Liberal	Liberal-Conservative
Annapolis	—Hon. J. W. Longley * H. Harding Chute *	C. S. Harrington, Q. C. Benj'n Starratt
Antigonish	—Hon. A. McGillivray * C. F. McIsaac *	J. J. Cameron, M. D. Arch'd McPhee
Cape Breton	—Joseph McPherson * Angus J. McDonald *	Wm. McKay, M. D. Colin Chisholm
Colchester	—F. A. Laurence * Geo. A. Clarke *	Wm. A. Patterson Israel Longworth
Cumberland	—Thos. R. Black R. L. Black Indt.	Geo. W. Forrest * Wm Oxley *
Digby	—E. E. Tupper * A. M. Comeau * Hogan German	R. G. Munroe Danl. LeBlanc
Guysboro	—James A. Fraser A. J. O. Maguire O. S. Weeks	A. F. Cameron * Hamilton Morrow *
Halifax	—Hon. W. S. Fielding * Hon. M. J. Power * Wm. Roche *	Hugh McD. Henry, Q. C. Patk. O'Mullin J. J. Stewart
Hants	—Allen Haley Archd. Frame	T. B. Smith * Adams McDougall *
Inverness	—Hon. D. McNeil ? John McKinnon ?	Angus McLennan, M. D. ? John McKeen ?
Kings	—Alfred P. Welton * John E. Starr	Barclay Webster * T. R. Harris
Lunenburg	—Hon. C. E. Church * John D. Sperry *	Chas. A. Smith Jas. F. McLean
Pictou	—John Yorston Jas. D. Macgregor *	William Cameron ? Chas. E. Tanner *
Queens	—R. Drummond A. M. Hemeon * Rd. Hunt *	Alex. Grant * L. S. Ford C. A. Bowlby
Richmond	—Joseph Matheson * Capt. Abram LeBlanc *	David A. Hearn Roderick Ferguson
Shelburne	—Hon. Thos. Johnson * W. F. McCoy, Q. C.	A. K. Smith Chas. H. Cahan *
Victoria	—John A. Fraser * Norman E. McKay, M. D. J. J. McCabe Indt.	J. L. Bethune, M. D. * McLeod Indt.
Yarmouth	—Albert Gayton * William Lav *	Jacob Bingay Mathurin D'Entremont

William Starnicker was discharged last week from the penitentiary at Empire, Ga., after having served 16 years of a life sentence for a murder of which he is just discovered to be innocent.

A farmer of Bentleyville, Pa., his wife and son were found murdered last week. The murders were supposed to be due to the foolish craze of keeping large sums of money in the house, as the murderers are thought to have secured about \$8,000.

We are indebted to Prof. F. C. de Sumichrast for a list of the Canadian Club of Harvard University, which is notable for having appended to the roll of present members a long list of Canadians who have attended that seat of learning during the present century. The lists from Nova Scotia are very lengthy.

Tremendous efforts have been made by the Louisiana State Lottery Company to bribe the State Legislature for the extension of the Company's charter. They have offered \$1,000,000 a year for 25 years. The fact speaks volumes for the mischievousness of the Company, but Governor Nichols is understood to be resolutely opposed to renewal, and will veto the bill if passed by the Legislature.

Two Mormon elders, who have been prospecting for converts in Vermont, have been well served out. They had proselyted eight young women, among whom was the daughter of a man named King, and the wife of another man. These persons with several of their neighbors pursued the Mormons, and, capturing them, tied them to trees, and after stripping them flogged them unmercifully. They then loosened them and began firing on them. The Mormons ran into the swamp and have not been seen since. The young women were taken home and every one of them was well switched, their parents making each one whip the other. The community has been intensely excited over the event, as there is no doubt the elders perished in the swamp.

A sculling match has been arranged between Peter Kemp and William O'Connor, the Canadian oarsman.

Striking riots were rife all last week among miners and others in Spain and Portugal and among various classes in Hamburg. Collisions had occurred with some loss of life and injury to many of the rioters.

Ex-King Milan of Serbia is having a lively time at the hands of Queen Natalie, who is showing him up in every possible public manner, including a serial story in which his adventures with a new Nana are given at length with no reticence as to names.