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### NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The sudden death is announced of Lieut. General the Hon. Sir James Lindsay, Military Secretary to the Field Marshal His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, Commander in Chief, who died at ten o'clock on Thursday night from an attack of aneurism of the heart, at Gremer House, Mitcham, Surrey, where he had removed for the benefit of his health.

We understand that Mr. P. O'Meara, of the Commercial Hotel, has been appointed Chief Messenger of the House of Commons, at a salary of \$1,200 a year.

A cable despatch says the following are the new members of the Great Western Railway of Canada Board:—Right Hon. Hugh Childers, a member of the Gladstone Government, Col. Gray, and Messrs. Beckwith, McMaster, Clarke, Bald, Maclare, and Still. The last three were members of the Investigating Committee.

A telegram from Rome announces that the Rev. Father Duhamel, of St. Eugene parish, has been appointed Bishop of the Diocese of Ottawa, and that the Rev. Father Racine, of Quebec, has been appointed Bishop of Sherbrooke.

A war of races, between the whites and negroes, has been going on in Kentucky for more than a week. Quite a number have been killed and wounded. The centre of the trouble is Lancaster, and 250 State troops have arrived there to preserve peace. At present a perfect reign of terror exists, and the authorities appear to have shown great slackness in quelling the disturbances.

We deeply regret to have to announce the death of His Honor Judge Armstrong, which occurred on the 4th at two o'clock. By this sad event Carleton loses an upright Judge and Ottawa a most honorable and patriotic citizen.

Riel was elected on the 3rd inst for Provencer by acclamation. Dr. Bown was nominated in Opposition, but through some informality the nomination was rejected. Dr. Bown's friends are confident they can defeat the election through the courts. The day passed off quietly, and there was no excitement.

The Montreal Gazette learns the following facts from Dr. Schultz, who has just arrived in that city from Fort Garry: The newly seated member for Marquette is Mr. Joseph Ryan, a promising young barrister from Kingston, Ont., who has been in the Northwest for several years, residing at Portage la Prairie in that country. He further states that the grasshoppers have all left, having destroyed one-fifth of the crops, but

leaving what will produce an average of twenty bushels to the acre. Thirteen hundred and fifty Mennonites had settled in Manitoba up to the 26th August, and six hundred more were en route for that Province.

The Steamship *Canadian* brought out on her last trip from Scotland several head of very fine cattle for Mr. Laurie of Scarborough. This gentleman is an extensive importer of live stock from England and Scotland.

The Kingston and Pembroke Railroad is ironed as far as Verona, and rapid progress is being made in the works of construction north of that point.

Capt. Summer, of the steamship *Indiana*, reports speaking the English ship *White Rose*, from Quebec, lumber laden, for Liverpool, on the 25th ult., in lat. 45, 25 n.; long. 43, 45 w. She was partly dismantled, having lost her fore and main top masts and jib-boom in a squall the previous night, and killing two men. The *Indiana* supplied her with provisions. A portion of the crew wanted to be taken off and were in a mutinous state. The ship was in good trim when last seen.

We are sorry to see that divorce cases are becoming too numerous in Canada, no less than three applications for bills of divorce are advertised in the *Canada Gazette* to be made at the next session of Parliament.

The Dominion Government intends to abolish the Marine School of Quebec, on account of the small attendance at it.

Several of the party of surveyors designated to explore the Peace River region have left Ottawa for the scene of their labors.

The contract for the grading of the branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway from Pembina to Fort Garry has been awarded to Mr. Joseph Whitehead, of Clinton.

The Governor of Kansas has called a special session of the State Legislature to devise means for relieving settlers who have suffered the loss of their crops by the ravages of grasshoppers.

The rain that fell on Tuesday last, was most opportune after the long protracted drought. The pasture being completely scorched by the excessive heat, and in some instances cattle have died from the want of water. The price of milk and butter as a consequence of this drought has materially increased. Rain is still much wanted, not only for the grass, but to put out the fires which are consuming everything before them.

The collector of Customs at El Paso, Texas, says there has been no rain in that part of the state for a whole year. Every thing is scorching hot and burning up. Many of the cattle have died of starvation.

A steamer leaving New York on Saturday, Aug. 28th, carried 75,000 lbs. of butter for the English market.

The *Manitoban* has been given to "understand that Ex-Attorney General Clarke intends to fix his residence at Chicago. He is said to have purchased a large house in the neighborhood of that city."

A cargo of Ottawa deals was shipped on Saturday, August 29th, direct from Montreal to the British Channel.

The Hon. Geo. A. Walkem, Attorney General and Premier of British Columbia, now in England, has been placed on the General and Special Committees of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, as a compliment to the well known artistic talents, &c., of that Gentleman.

It has been decided that George Brown shall row the match with Morris of Pittsburg, the contest to take place on the beautiful river Kennebecasis, New Brunswick, which enters the St. John through Kennebecasis Bay, a magnificent sheet of water eighteen miles long. It was on this bay, when

"Peacefully the Kennebecasis flowed,  
Through quiet woods and fields of golden grain."

on the 23rd August, 1871, that James Renforth, the champion oarsman met his death. The match is to come off on the 23rd. The St. John people are to pay Morris \$500 for rowing there.

A telegram was received on the 2nd from the North West Expeditionary Force, dated Old Wives' Creek, August 12th, reporting that the Force was then encamped there, about 480 miles from Dufferin. The horses were in very poor condition from insufficient pasture, bad water, and hard work; but the health of the men was very good. There had been a fight between some Blackfoot Indians and the Buffalo hunters. The Indians had been instigated, so the hunters reported, to make the attack by the American outlaws. The hunters state that the Indians number 500, and that they had been strengthening their fort at Bow River all the spring.

The forthcoming Irish American rifle match excites the greatest interest. The Irish team will embark on Sunday morning. The Lord Mayor of Dublin and Lady will escort them to Queenstown, and they will be accompanied to America by Viscount Moresene and Mr. Bagnall, as extra members of the team, also by several ladies and representatives of the Irish press.

The trial of Colonel Villette and other alleged accomplices in Bazaine's escape will begin on the 14th of September.