

CANADIAN ITEMS.

Those Brookfield, of Halifax, has received the contract for the erection of the gas refinery works in that city, the sum being \$83,000.

The steamer Prince Alfred has been commencing making trips all winter from Victoria to Owen Sound, by way of the event in the navigation of that part of a Province.

There are rumours of a proposed amalgamation of the New Glasgow and Western Counties railway lines under one management, but nothing definite has transpired.

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THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Interesting Summary of News.

AT THE EMPEROR'S PARLIAMENT.—At a meeting of the Colonial Institute, of the Pall Mall, reported by the Standard, on Monday, Feb. 23, a paper was read in which he sketched a legislative council for the British Empire. He said that her colonies will either become more and more severed or more and more confederated, and he hoped for the latter eventuality.

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WINTER IN THE TROPICS.

A Canadian Hibernating in the West Indian Islands.

The Salt of the Ocean.—The Home of the Financier.—The Oceanic Woman, &c. FROM A CORRESPONDENT OF "THE MAIL."

MONTREAL, Feb. 24. A learned Nassanian told me that the Bahama is the home of the conch. I do not accept the statement, for the Bahama is not the home of the conch, but the Bahama is the home of the conch, but the Bahama is not the home of the conch.

An old reproach that made in the House of Commons are only for rich men will hardly be removed by an experience of electing under its latest aspect. The severe laws against bribery and treating may conduce to morality, and they must lessen the expense in many large constituencies.

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POISONED WITH ALCOHOL.

The Last Famous Murder Trial in England.

Annie Heolman's Terrible Death in a London Coffee House.—Her Lover's Pleas for Pity to Save Her Property.

London, Feb. 25.—After an exhaustive trial of nearly a week, the health of the poor girl, Fannie Matthews, who was yesterday convicted of manslaughter, before Mr. Justice Hawkins, in the Central Criminal Court, the jury finding that she had accelerated the death of her mistress, Miss Annie Jane Paine, by administering to her extreme doses of alcohol.

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RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

Over £500 was recently sent by Bishop Doane, of Utica, as Peter's Pence.

The English Wesleyans are getting up a thanksgiving fund, to which no less than \$1,177,825 has been promised.

The Cardinal Archbishop of Paris is poorer as temporal matters than the Bishop of Sodor and Man, the poorest of English Bishops.

Religion apparently flourishes in Leadville. The Episcopal parish there have offered Mrs. Lay, of Omaha, \$1,200 to sing for them a year, and her sister, Miss Spoor, \$800.

The Canada Presbyterian is suspicious of a certain class of revivalists. It says:—Professedly the revivalists have not recently been in their usual places for some of them, it must be acknowledged, have, to say the least of it, spoken and acted very unprudently.

The only cure for indolence is work; the only cure for selfishness is sacrifice; the only cure for timidity is to shake off the burden of doubt by doing Christ's bidding; the only cure for timidity is to shake off the burden of doubt by doing Christ's bidding.

Lord Adolphus Cecil, brother of the Marquis of Exeter, has been pronounced by Edinburgh, Ten years ago, when an officer in the 10th Hussars, he achieved considerable renown as a soldier.

Bandmann, the actor, and Pentecost, the revivalist, have been waging a warfare of personalities. Pentecost, in a sermon, denounced Bandmann as a hypocrite, and made the sweeping charge that all actresses were despicable.

Mr. Bright lately prepaid at a lecture in London by Mr. Dale on the rise of Ewald, a young man who had been expelled from Nonconformist opinion in England, and contrasted its influence with the rise of Ewald.

The difference between Monignor Capelle's view of the Church and the view of the Rev. Mr. Manning, the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster, is very great. The latter lives almost the life of an ascetic, contenting himself with the most brilliant dinners with a dry biscuit and a glass of water.

I honour the man whose ambition it is not to win laurels in the army, but to be a jurist or a naturalist, or a poet, or a commander, but to be a master of living well, and to administer the offices of the State with a cheerful and cheerful and happy disposition.

For some two months after the death of her mother Annie continued to be as cheerful and happy as ever. She was engaged in the study of the Greek Testament, and she was engaged in the study of the Greek Testament.

Samuel, one of the New Lebanon Shakers, was killed by lightning. Mary, a shaker spirit medium, says that she met him in the spirit world, and that she was the following conversation was held:—"Samuel, what in the world does this mean?"

The bells of St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia, were silenced by an injunction obtained by annoyed neighbours, and the Court of Appeals sustained the order. The church officers reply that the church bells elsewhere. In St. Louis a chime in the Congregational Church has been silenced by a similar injunction.

The Episcopal Diocese of Halifax at both services in his chapel on Sunday, called attention to the proposed legislation in the Dominion House of Commons to legalize marriage with a deceased wife's sister. The measure was, he said, opposed to the law of God, as distinctly shown in the Bible, and was calculated to do an immense amount of mischief.

At the performance of a marriage ceremony under the circumstances proposed by the Act would be a violation of the rules of the Church of England, and the clergy might be compelled by civil law, to perform such ceremonies, thereby breaking the rules of their own Church.

Oil at Ulver, Oberg, and Ollberg, in Hanover, and oil at Helle, near Heide, in Holstein, are announcements in the London papers. The Hanover wells near Lindenberg, and many other places, are already known to be rich, and Germany sees herself in anticipation supplying the world with oil.

The jury, after an absence of one hour and forty minutes, returned a verdict of manslaughter, and sentenced Paine to be kept in prison for the term of his natural life.