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BIRTHS.

8th, at 47 St. James

ohn, N. B., to the wife

bls, a daughter.

St. John on 5th Feby, at

venue, to the wife of M.

a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

NCIS—At the parsonage

in street Baptist church,

by Rev. Dr. Gates, Wm,

and M. E. Francis, all of

CHERON—At the residence

of L. Bleskey, Feb. 1,

erry, Frederick P. Leard,

B. C., and Jennie A. Mc-

Wheaton Mills, West-

DEATHS.

On the 7th inst., at her

David street, Eliza, wife

of Mrs. Mary E. Barker,

the late Judge Barker,

aged Feb. 7th, aged 63

At Bay Shore, Lancashire,

Feb. 6th, Jane Dellah,

aged 40 years, daughter of

the late James Bettinson,

this city, on Feb. 3, ac-

27 years, son of Robert

et Clarke, leaving a father-

and three sisters to

On Feb. 5th, at 7th St.,

aged 73 years, of

leaving one son and one

mourning their loss.

Suddenly on Feb. 5th,

aged 74 years, at 1 St.,

St. Jos. A. Demmiston, in

of his age, leaving a

four children to mourn

On this city on Feb. 4th,

aged 85 years, in the 58th year of

rederickson, after a short

et Louise, daughter of

Edward Levin, of St.

the 24th year of her

this city on February

and N. Knight, aged 73

On the eighth instant, at

reet, North End, Marlan

in daughter of Patrick

Mullaly, aged sixteen

Woburn, Mass., on Feb.

McLean. Burial in Wo-

Island papers copy.

Randolph, St. John, on

6th, Neil Miller, aged

of pneumonia, on Feb.

late residence, 203 Duke

Andrew Nesbit, in the

in the age.

Roxbury, Mass., on Feb.

beloved wife of Thomas

herly of this city, leaving

and three sons and one

mourning the loss of a kind

wife and mother.

Accidentally drowned in

on Saturday, Feb. 4th,

aged 32 years, eldest son of

the late Margaret Wil-

ANDS ON HER HANDS.

Ont., Feb. 8.—A peculiar

a Canadian woman as-

ding role, came to light

divorce court yester-

years ago Mary

Thomas, was married

Rice in that city. Three

couple removed to De-

rice soon afterward de-

in order to make a

self and child Mrs. Rice

ding house, which prov-

venture. In 1900 the

ad again, having heard

first husband in near-

east November Rice and

he met face to face in

the former explained

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husband, and will pro-

an absolute decree

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## A NARROW ESCAPE.

Dr. Matthew's Close Call While Fossil Hunting.

He is a Son of Dr. George Matthew of St. John—Perils of the Desert.

The following article from the New York Sun will be of unusual interest to the people of this province, and particularly of St. John. The Dr. Matthew mentioned is a son of Dr. George Matthew of the St. John Custom House.

While the work of adding new specimens of stuffed animals, shells, fossils, etc., to the American Museum of Natural History, at Seventy-seventh street and Columbus avenue, is going on all the time, it is little known that Dakota and other Western States, and go to show that thousands of years ago animals roamed there the like of which are now either extinct or are found only in the tropical jungles.

Some of the most valuable fossils of extinct and prehistoric animals were found in the course of the past summer and fall in Wyoming, Montana, South Dakota and other Western States, and go to show that thousands of years ago animals roamed there the like of which are now either extinct or are found only in the tropical jungles.

Since June five expeditions have been sent out by the staff of the museum to the Western States. All were successful in obtaining many strange and uncommon fossils.

The parties that go on these trips are usually made up of four or five persons—an expert scientist, two assistants, a cook and a teamster. They choose as their hunting grounds the arid and rocky Bad Lands, which are found here and there in that vast region between the Mississippi River and the Rocky Mountains.

With an outfit consisting of a tent, hammocks, a strong two-horse team, two saddle horses and camp utensils, a camp is made near the grounds where the fossils are most common.

The Bad Lands are usually elevated tracts, varying from fifteen square miles to a much greater area, and destitute of all vegetation. The soil is almost entirely rock, and is worn throughout in huge gulches by the action of water torrents. It seldom rains in these regions, but when the sky does pour forth its waters it comes in the form of cloudbursts, giving birth to streams that rapidly grow into rushing torrents, which in turn cut their way through the forest, leaving gorges, ravines and gullies in their wake.

It is such places as these that fossils are found. The bones, harder and more tenacious than rock, protrude into the air after the rock and sand in which they have been imbedded is worn away. The phosphate of lime contained in bone turns them blue, and thus the eye is assisted in distinguishing them from the surrounding objects.

To any one who is not a scientist, fossil hunting would be the dreariest and most monotonous work. Provided with a small pickax, two feet long, a canteen of water and a midday lunch for hours without finding a trail of a bone. A week's work may meet with no success, but usually it succeeds sooner or later in finding the object of his endeavors. His pick is then brought into use, and the rock soil encasing the fossil is broken so that the bones can be removed. If he sees traces of other fossils he continues to break the rock until sometimes whole skeletons, often of hitherto unknown prehistoric animals, are exhumed. So the work goes on, with varying success. At night he returns to camp, either happy or disappointed.

The first expedition that left here last summer was in charge of Bond Brown of this city. The party went to the southwestern part of South Dakota, just south of the Black Hills, in search of fossil marine reptiles, Mosasaurs and Plesiosaurs, which inhabited the great inland sea that once spread over the centre of North America from Canada to Mexico.

These Mosasaurs, better known as Great Sea Lizards, attained sometimes the length of thirty feet or more. They had short necks and bodies, but long flippers and tails. Plesiosaurs were longer animals. They are supposed to have resembled in a measure the Mosasaurs, but their necks were long and their tails short.

In this expedition several Mosasaur skeletons were found, and also the nearly complete skeleton of a Plesiosaur. The second expedition which left New York this summer was also in charge of Mr. Brown. This time a search was made in Montana for the remains of the gigantic Dinosaur, a reptile thought to be the largest animal that ever existed. Some of them were seventy feet long, of enormous size and possessing a long neck and tail, four massive legs, a small head and inferior brain. A petrified thigh bone of one of these creatures is on exhibition. It is six feet long and weighs 400 pounds.

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## CONSERVATIVE ELECTED IN WRIGHT COUNTY.

J. M. McDougall Has Substantial Majority—A Severe Rebuke to the Laurier Machine—A Great Surprise.

OTTAWA, Feb. 13.—Wright county, P. Q., which three months ago elected Sir Wilfrid Laurier by over a thousand majority, today returned the conservative candidate, J. M. McDougall. His majority is 99 with two places to hear from, which may slightly reduce it. The town of Hull, which in November went liberal by 700, today gave a conservative majority of 24.

The result is a severe rebuke to the Laurier machine and coming as it does after the Ontario election and the Quebec cabinet crisis, does enormous harm to the premier's prestige, especially among the French of Quebec, who have been taught to consider the liberal leader inviolable. Not only was Mr. Devlin, the defeated machine candidate, thrust upon the constituency by Laurier, who personally requested all his supporters to vote for him, but several members of the cabinet have

taken a vigorous part in the campaign. Two cabinet ministers spoke at Devlin's closing meeting Saturday night. Government money was also plentiful. Altogether the result is a severe rebuke to the methods by which the liberals have held Quebec and an indication of growing popular feeling concerning those methods.

Coustaean, the independent liberal, polled 430 votes in Hull to 802 for McDougall and 768 for Devlin, but was soundly supported throughout the county, which in many places getting no votes at all. He will lose his deposit.

HULL, Que., Feb. 13.—With five places to hear from, McDougall, conservative, has a majority of 177. These five places are: Crank gave Laurier 127. As it is not expected they will give Devlin anything like this, McDougall's election is considered sure by at least 75.

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## QUICK WORK.

Two Officers Arrest Eighteen Men After Interrupting a Cocking Main—The Justice Held Court in the Barn.

YORK, Me., Feb. 12.—The interruption of a cocking main followed by a fist fight between the participants and two sturdy officers during which eighteen men were placed under arrest and subsequently fined by an impromptu trial justice court convened in the cock-pit, was the unusual proceeding that happened just before midnight last night at York village.

It was Sheriff George O. Athorne of York Co., accompanied by a single deputy, George Preble of this town, who forced an entrance into a barn at York village, where a cocking main was in progress. At the intrusion some sixty men made a rush for the sheriff, who had taken his stand at the main entrance, the only exit. Athorne, who is a giant in physique, stood his ground, and, not having time in which to draw a weapon, struck out with his fists and in as many minutes had knocked down and rendered helpless eight men, placed handcuffs on two others, while eight more surrendered.

In the meantime the others present at the main had crawled through two small windows and attacked Deputy Preble who had been stationed at the rear guard outside. Preble closed with his assailants, but was overwhelmed and finally rendered temporarily insensible by a blow with a club. Athorne, who had been summoned by Sheriff Athorne, summoned Trial Justice A. B. Cole, who had been waiting in the vicinity, and the latter entered the cockpit and announced that the laws of this state do not permit the holding of court on Sunday, and the proceedings were necessarily expedited. Court convened at 15 minutes before 12 o'clock, and was declared adjourned at 1 o'clock.

Sixteen of the prisoners, all of whom gave fictitious names, pleaded guilty to being present at a cocking main, and were fined \$5 each. Two others, who pleaded not guilty, were held for a further hearing. The court then issued warrants for ten other men whom the sheriff claimed to have recognized in the crowd, and adjourned. The laws of this state do not permit the holding of court on Sunday, and the proceedings were necessarily expedited. Court convened at 15 minutes before 12 o'clock, and was declared adjourned at 1 o'clock.

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