

## NEWS OF THE WEEK.

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The Local Legislature will probably be prorogued on Tuesday next.

A branch of the Dalhousie Alumni Association is about to be formed in New Brunswick.

The *Pictou Standard* states that the alleged scandal in Pictou has no foundation in fact.

The *Emerald* and *Partridge* did not leave for Newfoundland last week. Their departure was postponed.

On Tuesday next a chamber music concert will be given by the Leipzig Trio in Orpheus hall. It will no doubt be largely attended.

The next flag ship for this station is to be the *Hercules*. She is a second class ship, armoured, 20 guns, tonnage 8,680, horse power 8,500.

Commissioner Adam Brown arrived from Jamaica on the *Alpha* on Saturday last. He expects the exhibition to be fruitful of good results for Canada.

The Bavarian Lager Beer Brewery, J. Lindberg, proprietor, is prepared to supply Pilsen beer for use in private families. Telephone No. 705. See advertisement.

Mr. Tarte made his charges against Mr. McGreevy and Sir Hector Langevin in the House of Commons on Monday. Sir Hector and Mr. McGreevy denied the charges.

Mr. J. Ewing, who distinguished himself at Vancouver by refusing to drink the Queen's health, is, after all, nothing but a consular agent of the United States, and will probably be promptly removed from his position, without any red tape. The opinion in Washington is that Mr. Ewing is an ass.

A nine year old boy named John Morrow was killed by falling under the wheels of a street car near Hurd's lane on Tuesday afternoon. The little fellow was leaning over on the front platform to look at some boys on the rear platform, and loosing his balance fell under the car, and was so badly crushed that he died early in the evening.

A young man named Lucious Alward was shot at Woodstock, N. B., on May 7th, by the town marshal, who took Alward for one of a gang of toughs. The ball lodged in the young man's stomach, and he is in a precarious condition. The idea that policemen and constables have a right to shoot any one at sight ought to be speedily removed.

A beginning is to be made in manual training in Halifax. The special committee on manual training has recommended that the school board send the supervisor to see schools of this class in the United States, and thoroughly acquaint himself with the methods, courses of study, cost of materials, etc. The recommendation was adopted and the committee authorized to carry it out.

Both the Dominion and Provincial Legislatures have been applied to for a new railway charter. The railway is to be built from Sydney to Louisburg, C.B. It will run over the International Company's line to Bridgeport, thence to Glace Bay, Caledonia, Ontario Mine, Blockhouse and Gowrie Mine and Louisburg. It is said the C. P. R. is looking towards Louisburg. The incorporators are Sir Donald Smith, Charles Archibald, L. E. Baker, Hugh McLennan and J. S. McLennan. It is expected the railway will be completed to Cow Bay this summer.

The murder of Carrie Brown in New York in the regular "Ripper" style about two weeks ago created an excitement that has not yet calmed down.

The convention of the Episcopal church in the diocese of Massachusetts have elected Rev. Phillips Brooks, of Trinity church, Boston, to the office of bishop, to succeed the late Bishop Paddock.

The bill for the suppression of the wearing of tights by women on the stage in Minnesota, was shelved by a decisive vote just before the close of the legislature. And the survival of the fittest, as somebody says.

Forrest fires in Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and Michigan have done terrible damage. In one place in Pennsylvania seventy men narrowly escaped with their lives while fighting the fires, and at another eighty men were burned to death.

A Maritime Province Club has been formed in Boston with Dr. R. H. Upham as president. The objects of the club are literary, social and charitable, and all natives of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and P. E. Island and their descendants are eligible for membership.

There is a vast accumulation of matters requiring attention from the State Department just now, and Secretary Blaine will probably be a very busy man during the summer. The recent events in the Chilean situation have added to the complexity of affairs and there is now a long docket of unsolved diplomatic problems as follows:—The Italian and Bering Sea complications; the Canadian reciprocity and Newfoundland fisheries negotiations; the Chilean troubles; the Spanish agreements; the Venezuela treaty; the Haytian coaling station; the refusal of China to receive their Minister; the trouble over the failure of a consul at Victoria to toast the Queen, and quite a number of minor matters, including the claim of the Barrundia family.

J. J. Dukes, a wealthy planter of Americus, Ga., is on trial charged with resisting the will of God. Mr. Dukes' plantation adjoins the old Andersonville stockade. He is a member of the hard shell Baptist church. Two

months ago he began the erection of a \$10,000 house, which he finished by the erection of a lightning rod over it. His co-workers in the church viewed with alarm this heretical performance and besought him to remove the offending rod. The whole congregation, headed by the pastor, called upon him and labored to convince him that he should not resist the will of God by a vain device to keep off such electric bolts as He might send that way. Failing to move Mr. Dukes, charges were preferred against him of having resisted the divine will, and the trial is now in progress.

Mr. Gladstone is ill.

The report of a revolution in Costa Rica is confirmed.

Business in Moscow has been almost paralyzed by the wholesale expulsion of the Jews.

In the House of Lords on Tuesday Lord Knutsford's coercive bill relating to Newfoundland passed its third reading.

A Rome correspondent says it is reported Minister Porter will shortly vacate the United States legation there, leaving the secretary in charge.

Lord Lansdowne leaves India in October. The Marquis of Lorne will succeed him in the vice-royalty. The Princess Louise will go out with the Marquis.

Information has been received to the effect that friendly Manipuris have captured the Regent and that the Senaputy (native Commander-in-Chief) has yielded.

The Berlin correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* says that the Marquis Di Rudini, the Italian Premier, has signed a treaty renewing the Dreibund for five years.

Captain Verney, M. P., sentenced to one year's imprisonment for attempting to procure a governess for immoral purposes, was on Tuesday expelled from the House of Commons.

The most reverend William Connor Magee, D. D., Archbishop of York, died on May 4th. He had only been appointed Archbishop of York in January last. The cause of death was la grippe.

The Catholic papers in Rome have opened a fund to repair the damage caused in the Vatican by the recent explosion. A Frenchman who has refused to reveal his identity has subscribed \$20,000.

Lady Dufferin, encouraged by the success of her book upon India, is going to publish shortly a work entitled "My Canadian Journals, 1872-3." We are at last to know what Lady Dufferin thought of us.

Advices from Cape Town say great excitement prevails, and it is thought there will be a conflict between the British troops and the Boers over the action of the latter going into South African Company's Territory.

Lord James Edward Sholto Douglass, brother of the Marquis of Queensberry, committed suicide on May 5th by cutting his throat with a razor. Lord Douglass was born in 1855, and married in 1888 Mrs. Hennessy of Kensington Court, London.

At the Parliamentary election on May 7th in the South Dorset division, Brymer, Conservative, defeated Edgcumbe, Gladstonian, by 40 votes, the poll standing, Brymer 3,278, Edgcumbe 3,238. The election was held to fill the seat left vacant by the death of Lieut. Col. Hambro, Conservative.

Sir Charles Tupper has been appointed director of a water works and gas works securities corporation that has just been organized in London with a capital of £2,000,000. The object of this new corporation is to buy up water works and gas and other works of the kind in Canada and the United States.

The Prince of Wales presided at the opening ceremonies of the Naval exhibition at Chelsea on May 2nd. One of the most interesting features of the exhibition is a full-sized model of Nelson's famous flag ship *Victory* furnished throughout with guns and accoutrements of Nelson's day. The exhibition is said to be unique and interesting. The profits are to be devoted to various naval charities.

Each of the large hospitals in London has an average of one hundred cases of influenza. There are signs of a continued increase of the epidemic. Several more members of Parliament have been attacked. Six of the usual occupants of the Treasury Bench were absent to-day. Prince Christian and Count Hatzfeldt, the German Ambassador, were unable to attend a dinner given this evening. The Duchess of Marlborough, Justice Power and a host of public officials are among those affected.

The Mexican consul at Tuzaltenengo says that the lives of Mexican citizens in that section are unsafe. The hatred between the Mexicans and Guatemalans on the frontier is intense and all efforts of both Governments to establish a better feeling have proved unavailing. The small-pox epidemic in Guatemala and Salvador is increasing. It is reported that prominent persons in Guatemala are selling their property and leaving that country, fearing a crisis is not far distant.

The latest development of the Chilean difficulty is the attempt of the insurgent vessel *Etata* to obtain supplies at a South Californian port, and was there seized by the U. S. authorities. The *Etata*, notwithstanding the fact that a prize crew of one man was placed on her, steamed away, and at latest reports the U. S. war-ship *Charleston* was in pursuit of her. Some people are asking what shall the harvest be, but it is unlikely that any serious trouble will ensue between the United States and the Chilean insurgent party. It is said that President Balmaceda has solicited the good offices of Brazil, the United States and France in an effort to restore peace.

We call special attention to the quality of Flower and Vegetable Seeds advertised in another column by Buckley Bros. As they import their Seeds direct from the best Seed-men in the world they are sure to give satisfaction.