

very few of our young men who are enrolled as members of the organization. What the fate of Mr. Wallace's bill will be it is impossible to predict, but should it pass, the agitation would die out, and Parliament be relieved from an annual annoyance.

A bill has been introduced by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries to prohibit the deposit of sawdust in any navigable stream, and lumbermen are to be given a year to provide other means of disposing of it. The subject should have been thoroughly ventilated by a parliamentary commission before fresh legislation was entered upon. Senator Macdonald, of British Columbia, is to introduce a bill imposing two years' imprisonment and a fine of \$500 on Mormons who may indulge in a plurality of wives. We have hitherto failed to see why the law of bigamy should not suffice to meet the polygamous evil, but if special legislation is necessary perhaps the only drawback to the measure proposed is that the term of imprisonment is too short. The two ends of the Dominion are at all events in unison on the flour-duty question, the British Columbia members having memorialized the Government not to increase the present impost. The Government has appropriated \$25,000 for importing the finest barley from England for distribution among Canadian farmers at cost. This will ensure seed of uniform and guaranteed quality, and of the kind wanted in Great Britain. In committee of supply the Opposition scrutinized numerous items of Ridau Hall expenditure. Some of the criticisms were no doubt trivial, but it is the legitimate function of an Opposition, and is a valuable check on extravagance.

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.

Senator John Macdonald died at Toronto on Tuesday morning.

The Manitoba and Ontario legislatures opened on the 30th ult.

The Prince Edward Island Government was sustained in the elections last week.

The Halifax *Acadian Recorder* announced the seventy eighth year of its existence about a fortnight ago.

We have to acknowledge a very useful, large-sized calendar, containing an advertisement of the Fischer pianos, from the Halifax Piano and Organ Company.

John A. Fraser, M. P. P., and Dr. N. E. McKay, of Halifax, have been unanimously chosen as liberal standard bearers for Victoria in the ensuing local election.

Wm. J. McDonald, who was found guilty of sending poisoned candy to Mrs. McCrae, with the plea of insanity, has been sent to the N. B. Provincial lunatic asylum.

A six year old boy named Bonang, living in Dartmouth, was playing with a revolver last Friday and shot himself in the stomach, the ball passing through his body into the floor. He died on Saturday.

Judge Smith, of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, died on Saturday afternoon at the Queen hotel in the 64th year of his age. He had been in ill health for some time. The funeral took place on Monday.

The annual meeting of the W. C. T. Union was held last Friday afternoon, Miss Robertson, president, in the chair. Reports were read and adopted and officers for the ensuing year elected. The meeting was an interesting one.

Hattie & Mylius opened their new branch drug store at the corner of Morris and Pleasant Streets on Saturday. It is handsomely fitted up, and as it is the only drug store in the south end of the city will no doubt prove to be a most desirable acquisition.

Charlottetown is having a poisoning sensation. Mrs. J. M. Sutherland, who has been ill for some time past, instead of becoming better under the doctor's treatment became worse, and on having the medicine analysed the doctor found arsenic in it. A Mrs. Weeks who left Charlottetown on Saturday has been arrested at St. John on suspicion.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the Infants' Home was held on Monday. Rev. A. Simpson presided. The report for the year was read and adopted and officers elected. The report shows that there remained in the Infants' home on the 31st December, 1888, 17. Received during 1889 50. Adopted, 11. Died, 9. In the Home on the 31st December, 1889, 47.

W. S. Symonds, of the firm of W. S. Symonds & Co. iron founders, died very suddenly at his residence in Dartmouth on Saturday last. Mr. Symonds was out on Friday, but complained of feeling ill, and went home early. During the night he was seized with paralysis of the heart and died about 4 a. m. Mr. Symonds was the last of five brothers, all of whom died suddenly. He leaves a wife but no family.

The Y. M. C. Association held its thirty-sixth annual meeting last Friday evening, the president, J. C. Mackintosh, in the chair. The several sub-committees presented their reports. There are now 583 names on the membership roll, 61 of which were added during the year. The president, J. C. Mackintosh, was re-elected by acclamation and six vice-presidents and a general committee of thirty-two were balloted for.

The annual meeting of the Sailors' Home, Seamen's Rest and Seamen's Friend Society was held in the Home on Thursday night of last week. Mr. J. C. Mackintosh occupied the chair, and a number of prominent citizens had seats on the platform. The reports for the past seven months were read and adopted, and a number of ladies and gentlemen appointed to be a Board of Directors for the ensuing year. The reports show a large amount of work

done by the several committees. During the past seven months 373 merchant seamen and 450 men-of-war sailors have boarded and lodged in the home. The work carried on by the ladies has been very successful in making the home attractive, and tends to elevate the sailors, morally, socially and spiritually.

The U. S. Senate has passed the direct tax bill.

Dr. Edward McGlynn is critically ill with bronchial troubles.

Geronimo, the great Apache warrior, is now teaching a Sunday School class and posing as a "heap good injun."

English syndicates have invested the modest sum of \$205,000,000 in the various branches of American industry since May, 1888.

Four women, three children and five men were burned to death and one woman and three men were seriously injured in a fire in Boston on Sunday. A man who lived in the house saw three men quarreling about midnight and one threw a lighted lamp at another. This was the cause of the fire.

John Kunze, the Cronin suspect, now on \$3,000 bail, walked into Judge Clifford's Court on the 31st ult. with his attorney and demanded a new trial in accordance with Judge McConnell's decision. The State attorney was not ready to go on with the trial, and the case was continued to next term.

The house of Mr. Tracy, Secretary of the United States Navy, at Washington, was completely destroyed by fire on Monday morning. Mrs. and Miss Tracy were burned to death, and Secretary Tracy was rescued in an unconscious condition. A French maid named Josephine lost her life. The fire is supposed to have been started by the woodwork taking fire from the heated furnace pipes.

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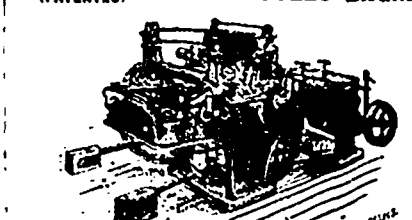
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