

FIFTH YEAR.

GENERAL GORDON'S LETTERS. Publication of the Official Correspondence Between Gordon and the British Government.

A FIRE DAMP EXPLOSION.

Kills Twenty Men in a Pennsylvania Mine. USTONTOV, Pa., Oct. 27.—An explosion of fire damp occurred at the mine of the Youngtown coke company, four miles from here, between 4 and 5 o'clock this evening.

THE REFORM PARTY'S MISTAKE.

To the Editor of The World. Sir: The death of Mr. McCulloch of Hamilton suggests to me a pertinent question: How is it that David McCulloch, a man who has written in favor of protection to Canadian industries, and who were all advanced liberals, could not stop in the reform party? I have never yet been able to see how it would have been impossible for them to have continued in the reform ranks.

ANOTHER OPEN WITHIN.

Claims Loss of Life on the Canada Southern. NIAGARA FALLS, Oct. 27.—About 8:30 last night a terrible railroad accident occurred on the Montreal and Toronto line, four miles west of the cantilever bridge on the switch gear.

THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

Claims Against the Northern Railway—Resolutions Proposed. It was nearly 4 1/2 when Aid. Elliott put in an appearance and enabled Chairman Smith to announce that there was a quorum of the legislative committee, there then being present Aid. Smith, Lobb, Blevins, Maughan and Elliott, as well as Mr. Maughan, assessment commissioner.

HOME FOR ENGLISH SERVANTS.

A Meeting at which the Desirability of Establishing a Home for English Servants. A meeting was held in the parlors of St. James' school house yesterday afternoon to consider the desirability of establishing a home for the reception of young women sent out from England as domestic servants, and procuring suitable situations for them.

LOCAL NEWS PARAPHRASED.

\$13,026 was struck off the assessment roll of St. John's ward. Firemen have not yet been furnished with their annual wages. The question of changing the ward divisions has been allowed to stand over.

FRANCE AND CHINA.

Atrocities by Chinese Soldiers—Places of Worship Destroyed—Renouveau. HONO KONO, Oct. 27.—African say that the Roman catholic priests under French protection at Siatow were ordered to leave by the Chinese authorities. When those at Chao Cho Fu had left the place the Chinese soldiers went to their houses and destroyed everything they could.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

The bark Fleeting has arrived at San Francisco from the Arctic. It reports 117 whales taken by the crew. This is a very large catch. Sunday was the nineteenth day of the great drought at Mobile. A general rain, extending as far north as Tennessee, is now falling.

PROPOSED EXHIBITION IN CANADA.

On the Twentieth Anniversary of Confederation—Montreal Wants to Be the Chosen Place. M. P. Perrault, secretary of the Canadian commission at the Philadelphia and Paris exhibitions, has taken steps to bring about an international exhibition in Montreal in 1886, the 20th anniversary of confederation.

DOMINION DASHES.

Winthrop is overrun with lawyers. First snow fell at Port Arthur on Wednesday. Ex-Speaker Currie is advocating the Scotch act for Walland. The Rathburn company has the contract for supplying the new division of the Great Trunk railway with ties.

ATTEMPT ON THE KING OF BELGIUM.

Brussels, Oct. 27.—Intense excitement prevailed here Saturday when it became known that an attempt had been made to poison King Leopold II. on Tuesday last. As the king was returning from Laken, a village two miles distant, by a carriage, he was surrounded by a mob of about 200 persons.

THE ZNOB EXPEDITION.

SIMLA, India, Oct. 27.—The Znob valley expedition was attacked by 500 Kharapath in an strong position. The latter were defeated with a loss of 50 men.

LOGAN RECOMMENDS PROTECTION FOR THE WEST.

CHICAGO, Oct. 27.—In reply to an invitation of 500 ex-confederate soldiers of Rockingham county, Va., to address them on the political issues of the day, Logan says he regrets exceedingly that he cannot comply with the request.

THE SCOTT ACT.

Its Main Classes Banned Down Into Short Space. "What territory is a city or county, or any group of them taken together. The act says that the word 'county' includes every town, township, parish and other division of municipality, except a city, within its territorial limit, and also any union where units for municipal purposes.

THIEF OF THREE HUNDRED BOLLERS.

DETROIT, Oct. 27.—Albert Winters, widow of Windsor, was engaged yesterday in the act of securing about \$300, at a window in the street, when her daughter rushed in and told her the house was on fire. She went to the window and ran up the money in a drawer, and then returned to her room.

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