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## CANADIAN.

In the late storm the schooner Meeker sunk in Lake Michigan and five men were drowned.

London is at the present time suffering from the outrages of a professional band of sharpers.

The first of the series of monthly cattle fairs established by by-law of county council, will be held at Meaford on Tuesday, the 10th inst.

A New Brunswick paper says, that the postage between Newfoundland and the Dominion is to be reduced from 12½c to 6c for letters of half an ounce.

On Saturday, the little daughter of Mr. Currie, of Everton, was burned to death, having set herself on fire while lighting a fire. She was only five years of age.

The body of Frederick Morris, a seaman belonging to the ship Electric Flash, was found floating in Halifax Harbour a few days since.

A cabin passenger on board the steamship St. David was found to be missing at sea on the 25th inst. It is supposed he accidentally fell overboard.

Capt. John Carter has been arrested at St. John's for forcing a seaman named Edward Ryan into an open boat and leaving him at the mercy of the waves thirty or forty miles from the nearest land. He was remanded.

Another of those sad shooting accidents, which have recently been so numerous, occurred at Southampton recently. A Mr. Scovelle was drawing his gun from under the seat of a waggon in which he was driving when it exploded and he was shot in the shoulder. He died in about four hours.

A seaman of the steamer Manitoban was drowned at Montreal on Thursday by falling from a plank he was standing on while painting the side of the ship. A jury subsequently returned a verdict of "accidental death."

A staff of forty of the Royal Regiment of Engineers arrived in the Scandinavian and will proceed, with Captain Cameron, next week to their work, which is to survey the boundary line between Canada and the United States from the head of Lake Superior.

On Friday a boy named Charles Perker picked up in the street at Montreal what he took to be a piece of sulphur and put it into his pocket. It proved to be sulphorous and it ignited, and the boy was so seriously injured that he lies in a precarious condition.

MARMORA. Sept. 3.—The by-law granting \$10,000 bonus to the Ontario and Quebec Railway was passed here to-day. Not one vote was given against it.

The police at Montreal captured a number of men on Friday in the act of stealing a portion of the cargo of a vessel lying at the wharf. It appears that they had previously removed a great quantity to Longueuil. The goods are a portion of the damaged cargo of the steamer Vicksburgh, wrecked in the Lower St. Lawrence recently.

About three o'clock on the morning of the 3rd inst., the tug Isabella, owned by Loub, Boulbee & Burk, lying at Athery wharf, Orillia, was discovered to be in flames, and was totally destroyed. Owing to the timely assistance of some men who arrived shortly after the alarm was given, she was pushed out into the lake, thus saving the greater portion of the village, which otherwise must have been consumed, owing to the connection between the steamer and the mills. The total loss is about \$8,000. She was insured for \$4,000.

On the 3rd inst., an inquest was held by Dr. Spohn on the body of Peter Desjardins, who was waylaid and killed at Tiny. It seems that there had been a bee of some kind, and after indulging in liquor both parties had a slight quarrel during the forenoon, and at night one of the parties waylaid and struck him on the side of the head, causing death. A post mortem examination being made, the skull was found fractured, and the brains badly injured. The jury found a verdict of wilful murder against Alexander Tedoucier. This is the first murder committed in Tiny.

A number of young Canadians who left Canada a few years ago to seek their fortunes in the big cities of the United States, are about to return home. Quite a large party of them will leave New York this fall. They find Gotham a place where young unmarried men of sober, industrious habits can make money, but a bad place to live in. They are coming home to settle in their native cities, satisfied that there is no place like Canada after all.

A most dastardly outrage was perpetrated

on the Chalk River some days since upon the property of a man named Keene, who came from England no great time ago and settled upon a farm in the neighborhood. He has since been subject to various persecutions in various forms. More than once his cattle have been mutilated and his property injured. The last outrage was a most abominable attempt to set his house on fire from the outside. Fortunately the crackling was heard by those within, and the fire extinguished, but a similar attempt was made on the two succeeding days. It is to be hoped that the miscreants will be brought to justice.

## AMERICAN.

Sir John Grant, Governor of Jamaica, is visiting New York.

The Rev. Mr. Spurgeon, of England, is expected to visit Brooklyn this fall.

The public debt has been reduced \$10,700,000 during the past month.

An Illinois girl has drowned herself because of warts on her hands.

It is said that there are 5,000 confirmed opium eaters in New York city.

A boiler exploded yesterday in the rolling mills of Brown, Bonnel & Co., at Cleveland. The fireman was instantly killed.

Burglars infest the Cunard docks at New York. On Friday a great quantity of silk was stolen to the tune of \$3,000.

There is a woman in Williamsburg who is so pious that she won't use any but a religious newspaper for her bustle.

Quackenbush, of Hackensack, put a bullet through his head because a lady named Campbell refused his offer of marriage.

The whaling barque Millwood has been lost. She was valued at \$26,000; insured for \$21,000. The crew and cargo were saved.

One of the New York papers speaking of the Abyssinian expedition, informs its readers that "that war made Sir Robert Napier Duke of Magdala."

It is estimated that four cabin passengers and eleven steerage passengers on the Brienville are missing, together with a number of the crew.

A girl named Catherine Griffith was burnt to death on Thursday in consequence of having committed the common and fatal error of pouring alcohol on to a fire in order to make it burn.

A negro named Saunders has been arrested by William Mills, a detective of the Hackensack, N. J., Protective Association, upon suspicion of having been engaged in the Baltimore bank robbery, which occurred last June.

In New York, on Wednesday the 28th ult., John Borsch, a German, 67 years of age, committed suicide by shooting himself. Antoine Herming, a German butcher, committed a similar act on the same day in another portion of the city.

Mr. Howard, whose wife was drowned by the disaster to the Metis, arrived at Sharon Springs, N. Y., on Monday night at ten o'clock, and discovered that he had the wrong body. It has not yet been ascertained how the mistake occurred. Howard returned to Watch Hill.

Mr. Cox, Secretary, and the clerks of the British and American mixed claims commission, are engaged in picking up papers in a case before that Commission, and will leave here on Wednesday morning for Newport, R. I., where the Commission will hold its sessions for some weeks.

Fresh trouble is threatened in Utah by the descent by the police on a disorderly house at Salt Lake City. Furniture was destroyed to the value of \$10,000, and a considerable amount of money and jewellery taken. Much hard feeling prevails. Threats are made to institute committees and destroy Young's and other polygamists' houses.

The Germans of New York celebrated the anniversary of the battle of Sedan on Monday with various festivities. The following was sent by cable to the Emperor William:—"The German Landwehr Verein of New York celebrates the glorious day of Sedan, and hails William, the victorious. (Signed), Beho Spryler, President."

A large party of New York and Brooklyn roughs left Jersey City on the 7.20 p.m. train on the Erie railroad yesterday, and it is supposed their object was to witness the prize fight between Edwards and Chambers, which

takes place on Wednesday the 4th inst., at a locality at present unknown, but is supposed to be somewhere in Canada.

In Louisville, on Monday afternoon, in the Rotunda of the Galt House, Colonel Blanton Duncan interrupted a conversation between Gen. Geo. A. Custer and Dr. J. M. Kellar, a prominent physician of this city. A sharp conversation ensued, in the course of which Duncan declared he had been offered \$500,000 by the Greeley party to break up this convention. Custer responded that the other party must have offered more; that he could prove that Duncan had said that the whole thing was a bargain and sale, and that if he was to be sold, he would sell to the party that would pay the highest price. Duncan responded that Custer's informant was a liar. Dr. Kellar said, "I am responsible for the statement," and he demanded a retraction. Duncan refused, when Kellar struck him violently in the face. Duncan reeled, but did not fall, catching by a chair, with which he attempted to strike Dr. Kellar. Several blows passed, when parties separated them.

Delegates from New York arrived to-day, and took up their quarters at the Galt House. A band of music from Philadelphia also arrived to-day.

The Capitol, of Washington, on Sunday, contained articles based on one from the New York Sun, reflecting on Judge Louis Dent and General Dent in the matter of the appointment by the President of Wm. J. Farrard as Consul to Callad, and of J. H. Writly as Commissioner to settle the claims of citizens of the United States against Peru, and charging that certain monies were paid to the Dents for their influence. This morning Judge Dent visited the Capitol office, and on enquiring for Mr. Reed, one of the editors, was directed to his room up stairs. Calling Mr. Reed's attention to the article to which reference is above made, he asked who the author was. Mr. Reed replied that he was responsible for it, whereupon Judge Dent pronounced it false, and called upon Reed to defend himself. Then raising his walking stick Judge Dent struck Mr. Reed several times over the head, breaking the cane. Reed by this time was on his feet, and seizing the Judge, a scuffle ensued for possession of the cane or a remnant in the hands of the latter. At this juncture some of the staff of the paper who were down stairs, hearing the noise of the scuffle, came up and separated the combatants. Officer Roundick being near at hand was called and took the assailant into custody, and filed an information in the police court, charging Dent with assault and battery on Henry Reed. A hearing was postponed until to-morrow, Dent entering into personal recognizance in the sum of \$200 for his appearance to answer. Reed received two scalp wounds and a cut near the left eye. The above is the history of the case.

## FOREIGN.

A further advance of two shillings a ton has been made on Forest of Dean coals.

A despatch from Bombay reports that cholera is raging at many places in India, and that numerous deaths occur daily.

A crisis has occurred in the Bavarian Ministry and the members have tendered their resignation to the King.

The payment of the instalment of five hundred million francs of the war indemnity has already been effected by France.

Lydia Venables, who, as already described in these columns, wilfully murdered her daughter, was sentenced to death on the same day and in the same court as the above.

It is thought that in consequence of the high price of agricultural labor in England, farmers will lay out more land in grass, and that the number of cattle will increase and that meat will be cheaper.

The coming of age of Lord Clifton, son of the Earl of Darnley, was celebrated at the family seat, Cobham Hall, with great magnificence on the 21st ult. and succeeding days.

The festival of the three choirs will be held this year in Worcester Cathedral. Mendelssohn's *Elijah*, Handel's *Samson* and *Alceste*, Hummell's *Mass*, and other well known compositions will be given.

The court-martial sitting at Versailles for the trial of Communists has passed sentence of death upon Lefradevis and Cluseret by reason of their contumacy in refusing to appear and answer the grave charges against them.

Col. John A. Contun, of Bellevue, Viscount of the island of Jersey, has just received the honor of knighthood. He has served many years with distinction in the British army and fought in the American war of 1813.

A Manx fisherman lately incurred a penalty of £1,000,000 by bringing 60,000 herrings into port and letting them go bad before selling them. The magistrates, however, contented themselves with a fine of £10.

The dead body of a French Communist named Arthur Bernard, was taken out of the Millwall Docks, on the 21st, with his head so badly battered in that the surgeons have no doubt whatever that he was murdered.

The body of a young girl named Elizabeth Clipp, aged 13 years, was found in the Regent's canal, London, on the 18th inst. There was no evidence to throw any light on the subject, and the jury returned an open verdict.

A number of Mosquitoes made their appearance in a corn-field at Brasted in Kent, where some harvesters were at work. A number of women and children soon found to their cost the nature of the insect. They had probably as not unfrequently happens, come off some ship passing up the Thames.

A Mr. Johnson of Leeds, was to swim from Dover to Calais on the 23rd ult weather permitting, a distance of twenty-one miles. He was not to leave the water, but might take refreshments on the way if he wished. He was to be closely followed by steamers in case of accidents.

It would seem that in heavy storms at sea iron ships are inferior to those built of wood. Of forty-two Atlantic steamers lost at sea between the years 1841 and 1872 thirty-eight were of iron and four of wood. Of the line of iron ships running into the St. Lawrence and Portland, nine were lost between 1857 and 1864; and five iron sailing vessels, all built in Great Britain, and sent to sea in 1865 and 1868, have never been heard from.

An inquest has been held at the Hanwell Lunatic Asylum respecting the death of James Macdonald, a man who was killed on the 15th of August in a combat with another patient named Charles Wormond. Evidence went to show that the deceased died from concussion of the brain in consequence of being thrown violently upon the ground by his antagonist in the scuffle. The jury returned a verdict of "death from misadventure."

A man named James Daniel Rogers, aged 37, a barber, was put upon his trial at the Central Criminal Court, on the 29th ult., for the murder of his wife at Bermondsey on the 17th June. The chief evidence against him was his own little girl, who saw him standing over her mother's body with a razor in his hand. He was acquitted on the ground of insanity, but ordered to be detained during her Majesty's pleasure.

A series of experiments have been tried at the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, with the Gatling gun, at present the only mitrailleuse in the English service, to ascertain the value of the arm as an auxiliary to that of artillery, or infantry, or both. It seems that their use is likely to be restricted to boats and fortresses where the length and breadth of the space to be swept lies within narrow limits and heavy fire has to be concentrated on one spot. They do not appear to be able to compete with artillery on open ground as shell and shrapnel are more efficient.

The Pacific Mail Company received a cable despatch to-day from Yokohama, via Hong Kong, announcing that their steamship America, from San Francisco August 1st, arrived at Yokohama on August 24. The same night she was burned to the water's edge. The passengers and crew were saved. Hon Kong treasure, amounting to \$400,000 is still on board. The vessel is the newest of the Company's steamships. She was built in 1869, and is valued at \$1,000,000. The Company are their own underwriters.

A special despatch to the *Daily Telegraph* states the King of Abyssinia has sent an ultimatum ordering the Egyptians, who threaten to invade the country, to retire for Bangor. The Egyptians refused, and continued their advance. Several Abyssinian chieftains had already submitted to the invaders. A despatch from Massowah, Abyssinia, says if Munzinger Bey, commander of the Egyptian army, gains the first battle in Abyssinia, he will advance as far as Adowa easily. The frantic Mussulmen are expected to rise against the Christians in case of the success of the Egyptians. The Abyssinian army is at Houtogen, two thousand strong, awaiting orders, Munzinger Bey is at Forfield and his camp is behind Keron.

## PHILADELPHIA FIREMEN.

The latest bloody event in a notorious Philadelphia vendetta is thus described by the papers of that city:

"Another chapter has become added to the recent bloody affairs which have occurred in connection with the old town volunteer fire companies Moyamensing Hose and Hope Engine Companies, and also another sequel to the celebrated Brooks Association case. James Dougherty, who figured so prominently in that terrible transaction, in connection with Hugh Hara, has paid a terrible penalty for his misdeeds. About 8 or 9 o'clock in the evening, Dougherty, who was a member of the old Moyamensing Hose Company, in company with James Kane and a party of four or five others whose names are not yet known to the police, were drinking in a beer saloon on Sixth street, below Catherine, when a discussion arose regarding some old questions about the celebrated Hope and Moyamensing Fire Companies, and high words ensued. About half-past nine o'clock Dougherty left the saloon and started for his home, corner of Godey and Catherine streets. When he reached the corner of Godey and Catherine street, and was almost at his own door, he was attacked by a gang, who, with oaths, knocked him down, swearing they would murder him, and one of them, with a knife, cut a terrible gash in his abdomen, severing the entrails, and almost cutting the stomach out. With an endurance remarkable in the highest degree, he staggered up the street to the house of a Mrs. West, No. 806 Godey street, and rapping hurriedly at the door, demanded admittance. An immediate response was made. As the door opened, he rushed in, crying, "Save me, save me. They have murdered me." He then staggered through the sitting-room and into the yard, where he fell helpless. The ruffians who had stabbed him, not content with their bloody work, followed close at his heels, and, with oaths, demanded admittance, one swearing that he would murder that man. Alexander West, son of the old lady, hurriedly closed the door to bar the entrance of the murderers, and in so doing forced his mother out on the pavement. The ruffians, with oaths, brandished a knife and told the old lady that if she squealed a word they would murder her, at the same time giving her a violent kick, which sent her reeling against the side of the house. Baffled in pursuit of their prey, the assassins turned their attention to the question of escape, as the entire neighborhood was becoming rapidly aroused by the tumult. Young West went into the yard where Dougherty lay, procured some blankets and a cot, upon which he placed the dying man. He then opened the door, and a large number rushed in.

A messenger was immediately despatched for Dr. Gilbert, who arrived in a short time after, and upon an examination of the wound, said that there was no hope. He (Dougherty) replied that he was aware of it, and expressed a desire for a priest. Revs. O'Sullivan, of St. Paul, and Isalier, of the Italian Church, were at once summoned. Ald. McCrosky was also sent for, and Dougherty was asked to make an *ante-mortem* statement. To the surprise of every one he refused to say a word in response. The physician and alderman asked him if he was aware he was going to die, and he replied that he was, but that he had no statement to make. The police were soon on a hunt for the murderers, and searched all the neighboring streets and alleys, but the assassins had made their escape, and no trace of them was to be found. The beer saloon where the trouble originated was visited, but Haddon, the proprietor was very reticent. However, the police succeeded in obtaining the name of James Kane as having been the man who inflicted the fatal blow. Kane lives at 921 Washington avenue, and is a well-known downtown desperado. Officers at twelve o'clock visited his residence, and arrested him. They found him in bed, much under the influence of liquor, and very excited. He denied stoutly any complicity in the terrible transaction, but was taken into custody. Mrs. Ella Ollie, who lives on the corner of Godney and Catherine streets, and who was an eye-witness of the murder, identified the murderer, saying, "That is the man." Kane is about twenty-two years of age and married. Dougherty died in a few hours.