

NEWS OF THE DAY.

CANADIAN.

Six miles of the Red River Valley railway have been laid with rails.

The discovery of rich gold ore on Sulaiman Island is reported from Rat Portage.

Pitcher, the bank defaulter of Providence, was arrested at Montreal Tuesday night.

The Governor General is expected to visit Manitoba and British Columbia next fall.

A Montreal grocer named Donnelly was fatally shot by a neighbor's boy on Monday.

Crop reports received from all parts of the North-West indicate magnificent prospects.

The Supreme Lodge of the Knights of Pythias decided that no coloured man can be lawfully admitted to any lodge of the order.

A manor is current in Winnipeg that a syndicate of American capitalists has been formed to construct a number of branch lines in Manitoba under the Railway Act.

It is understood that the period of residence required for candidates for cadetships in the Royal Military College of Canada has been reduced from five to three years.

The excitement still increases at Rat Portage over the rich finds on the Ontario Mining Company's claim. Old and experienced miners say it is the biggest find in the world.

Attorney General Macdonald has instructed the Montreal Police magistrate to institute proceedings against *Le Monde*, for publishing an advertisement of the Louisiana State lottery.

A party of French priests from the Province of Quebec arrived in Winnipeg to investigate the progress made by members of the French nationality who have settled in Manitoba.

The Manitoba Government say they will give Brandon connection with the Red River Valley road and will also have a road built to the Souris coal fields if the C. P. R. does not build one.

The St. Catharines tailors have been ordered out on strike by the Knights of Labor. All have obeyed except some girls, who remain at work, as they have no complaint to find with their employers.

Dr. Lavell, Warden of the Kingston penitentiary, traces the starting point of most of the criminals under his charge to the obedience to parents, bad company, and neglect of Sunday observance.

Elevator capacity in the North West will be immediately increased by the Canadian Pacific railway and by private enterprise to the extent of 3,000,000 bushels, so as to be ready for this season's grain.

The man who this other day, pathetically bade good-bye to America and swam across the Detroit River to Canadian territory, has been sent to Sandwich goal for fourteen days as a vagrant.

The Germans of Toronto attended a memorial service for the late Emperor Frederick in the Lutheran church Sunday morning. The preacher paid a glowing and touching tribute to the memory of the late Emperor.

The petrified granite trees in the quarry belonging to Alderman Gildersleeve, of Kingston, are attracting a good deal of attention, and many of the Ontario Governments are interested in the discovery.

Rev. Father Gendreau has been commissioned by Sir John Macdonald to visit the North-West and British Columbia and enquire into the condition of the Catholic Indians and to ascertain the cause of their present unpopularity.

In connection with the Murray manslaughter case being tried at Port Huron, two Grand Jurors were arrested on a charge of perjury, they having sworn that they were present when Young was killed, while the record of the case says that they were at the time over a hundred miles away.

A syndicate of American capitalists, headed by the directors of the Northern Pacific railway, is to take hold of the Red River Valley and to connect it with the roads, which with a connecting link built from Winnipeg to Portage la Prairie will form a strong line in competition with the C. P. R.

The Pullmans have purchased the entire sleeping car system on the Baltimore & Ohio railway.

President Cleveland has accepted the nomination of the St. Louis Democratic Convention.

The Duke of Marlborough is to marry Mrs. Hamersley, a rich and charming widow of New York.

The old Grant homestead near St. Louis, has been sold to satisfy a mortgage held by W. H. Vanderbilt.

Mr. Blaine has telegraphed Gen. Harrison from Scotland congratulating him on his nomination and wishing him success.

The little boat, the Dark Secret, with its solitary passenger, Capt. Andrews, left Nantuxet on Saturday morning for England.

The announcement is made from Washington that the same regulations for seal fishing will be enforced in Behring's Sea this season as during former years.

William Patterson, a coloured man, who was hanged at London, was hanged for ten minutes in torture before he died, and four minutes after the drop fell he spoke.

A small Skye terrier in Cincinnati displayed a heap of good sense at that city the other day. While prowling around his hair caught fire. It was slowly burning and the dog was about to be turned into a roast when a house burst. The people saw it and made a rush for the stream, into which it jumped, extinguishing the fire.

It is said that the richest gold mine in the world is situated about 150 miles from Sitka, in Alaska. The mine produces \$75,000 worth of gold in a month, and experts say that there is enough in sight to furnish this amount for 400 years. One-half the mine was originally purchased for \$650, and is now owned by Senator Jones, of Nevada.

Prince Bismarck is suffering from rheumatism.

It is reported that the czar, while en route to Copenhagen this summer, will visit Emperor William.

A vessel, believed to be an emigrant ship, foundered off the Cape of Good Hope and all hands were lost.

The Committee of the Austrian Delegation have adopted a military credit of 47,000,000 florins.

A Galician church was struck by lightning on Sunday and three persons being killed and a hundred injured.

Emperor William's speech in the Reichstag has created a favourable impression both in Berlin and Paris.

Mr. Taine's health is greatly improved, and he has resumed his work on the History of the French Revolution.

Letters received from the Congo country state that Major Bartlett's force has suffered severely from lack of food.

Rumors of the report of the arrival of a white Pasha, supposed to be Stanley, in the Bah-el-Ghazal province.

A feeling of great uneasiness prevails among the foreigners in Corea, on account of the threatening attitude of the Japanese.

The town of Sundsvall, on the Gulf of Bothnia, the centre of the timber trade of Sweden, has been almost destroyed by fire.

A thief entered the apartments of the Crown Prince of Sweden in the hotel at Zurich on Saturday night and stole jewellery worth \$100,000.

Bishop Cox, of New York, who went to Paris expressly to confirm the Hierarchy, preached in the American church in that city on Sunday.

The London press generally welcome the Pacific character of Emperor William's speech, but the *Standard* and *Star* consider permanent peace impossible while all nations are preparing for war.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

A HOG OF A HUSBAND.

Not a day passes but some amusing incident occurs on the street-car that relieves the general monotony of a ride in one of these modern conveyances. Yesterday afternoon as a Bridge road car was coming up Lake avenue, the driver stopped on being signaled by a young man on a crossing far from Driving Park avenue. The young man was accompanied by a rather pretty young woman who was dressed in a light, modish attire and carried a fashionable parasol. The young man jumped aboard the car first and rushed inside, securing the only seat vacant, leaving the woman to stand by his side. He was soon giving up his seat to his lady, but he did not do so, and she, after standing awhile, holding on to a strap, concluded to have a seat anyway, and without a word of warning, plumped down on the lap of her escort, saying as she did so, "I'm as tired as you are, darling, and you've got to hold me tight. I can get a seat." He gave a grunt of the head, and told her in English that she could stand or sit on the floor for all he cared, but he wouldn't hold her.

At this several male occupants of the car offered their seats to the young woman, but she declined their offer and said: "He's doing almost as well as I have to do now as he is married, and I will sit where I am." The passengers were up to this time silent, but the young man, who was now seated, remarked, "the car will be thrown from the track unless we stop laughing so hard."

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CARACAS AND ITS CLIMATE.

A Gentle Land Which Every Prospect Pleases.

By WILLIAM AGNEW PATTON.

The traveler is most agreeably surprised on his arrival at Caracas to find a large and well-appointed hotel, much superior in its arrangements and appointments to the average hotel of the same class in any of the United States. It is well ordered in all its details and purposes, agreeably neat and clean, and is pervaded, moreover, by an atmosphere of cordiality and respectability.

Like all the larger houses in the city of Caracas, the hotel is a fine specimen of the architecture of the country. It is a large and comfortable building, with a fine view of the city and the bay.

Living as they do in constant fear of earthquakes, although there have been few of these calamitous visitations of late years, the inhabitants of the Venezuelan capital do not fear lofty dwellings or public buildings that by the slightest disturbance of the earth would certainly be thrown down.

During the night of the 10th of January, 1892, a severe earthquake occurred, which was felt throughout the city. The earthquake was not so violent as the one of 1812, but it was nevertheless a severe one, and it was felt throughout the city.