

News Summary.

By direction of President McKinley the customs tariff regulations have been amended so as to permit foreign vessels to load and clear for the United States.

The coasting schooner Margaret was crushed in the ice off St. John's Monday night, and it is feared that her crew of four men, all brothers, perished.

The case of the Queen vs. Thomas Donnelly, charged with assaulting Chief of Police Tingley, of Moncton, on April 22nd last has resulted in Donnelly getting two years in the penitentiary.

The British government has officially demanded of the Chinese government satisfaction for the recent attacks made by the rebels upon the British authorities in the Kau Lung extension of Hong Kong.

Two of the New York gas companies have reduced the price of their product to sixty-five cents a thousand feet. It is not yet known whether the step is the beginning of a war or a voluntary getting down to a basis of reasonable profit.

A London despatch of May 3rd says: For the first time in the history of the Canadian Pacific Railway the stock of that company sold above par. To-day sales were made on the London stock exchange at 101 1-2.

Helen Kellar, the wonderful deaf, dumb and blind girl, is learning to ride a tandem bicycle. Miss Kellar is very enthusiastic over her new experience, and as in everything she undertakes has thrown her whole heart and soul into the wheel. It is probable that she will take many rides during the summer.

The Parrsboro Leader has been informed by one of Parrsboro's largest lumber shippers that at least 35,000,000 or 40,000,000 feet of deals will be shipped from Parrsboro this season. "The price," it says, "is considerably in advance of that of last year, and there seems to be good reasons for the anticipation of a fairly prosperous summer's trade."

Atlanta is one of the most progressive of the Southern cities, and since the war a great many Northern people have settled there and gone into business. Yet Atlanta is so saturated with hatred for the negro that a Baptist minister who had the temerity to denounce the recent savage proceedings at Newman has had his church despoiled and his life threatened.

A cyclone struck Kirksville, Mo., on Thursday evening. A path a quarter of a mile wide and as clean as the prairie was swept through the eastern portion of the city, and four hundred buildings, homes and mercantile houses were levelled to the ground in scattered ruins. It is expected the dead will number between fifty and sixty. At Newton, forty miles from Kirksville, twenty-seven persons were killed.

Ibrahim Ali, whom General Lord Kitchener sent upon a mission to Ibrahim's uncle, the Sultan of Darfour, has returned to Cairo. Ibrahim Ali found upon reaching Darfour that his uncle had been deposed by Ali Dinar. The latter, on the appearance of Ibrahim Ali, turned out his troops and routed the escort of General Lord Kitchener's envoy, numbering 150, of whom 120 were killed.

Rev. Dr. Charles A. Briggs, who was disciplined by the Presbyterians for heresy, preached in Trinity church, Boston, on Sunday. He has sought to be ordained to the ministry in the Episcopal church, not without opposition of some of the members of its clergy, but it is understood that Bishop Potter will confer upon him priest's orders. Dr. Briggs resigned from the Presbytery of New York a year ago.

According to Alaska advices, a syndicate of eighty-six aliens who were excluded from Atlin has been formed to bring suit against the Canadian government for \$15,000,000. Damages are claimed for property loss by the exclusion of the plaintiffs from the famous mining district. Each alien claims \$175,000 damages as a fair estimate of the profits they would have gained by the development of their mining property.

At a meeting in Grand Rapids, Mich., on Tuesday, of the National American Woman's Suffragist Association, Susan B. Anthony was elected president, and Alice Stone Blackwell recording secretary. A colored woman from Michigan offered a resolution demanding that colored women in the south be permitted to ride in the same cars with white women. Laura C. Clay, of Kentucky, attacked the resolution as an insult to southern white women. After a warm debate the resolution was thrown out.

The Boston Herald says: Professor Carmichael, the expert appointed by the committee in charge of the liquidation of the Electrolytic Marine Salts Company, has submitted a semi-official report of his experiments. So far as the Jernegan process is concerned the professor does not hesitate to say in substance that it is a fake. He admits that it is possible to find traces of gold in the accumulators devised by Jernegan, but these traces are so vague

as to be hardly worth mentioning except as a scientific fact. There is so little gold to be found that it would not pay to operate the plant upon that system.

The largest estimate of the Klondyke gold yield this season ranges from \$20,000,000. The Klondike Nugget of April 8 says: "The output has now been more than doubled, and it is now probable that the royalty will this year be paid on more than \$8,000,000. Exemptions and evasions will give about double that amount as the production of the territory for the year ending in the summer of 1899. The primitive methods used in working the claims make it very unlikely that the wash-up will give more than from twelve to fifteen millions in the outside." As compiled by the Midnight Sun, the season's yield will be nearly \$20,000,000, distributed among the various creeks, including branches, as follows: Eldorado, \$5,500,000; Bonanza, \$5,000,000; Hunkers, \$3,000,000; Dominion, \$3,500,000; Cold Run, \$300,000; Sulphur, \$500,000; Quartz, \$250,000; Eureka, \$250,000; all other creeks, including Stewart's, over \$1,000,000.

A Section Foreman.

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From the Watchman, Lindsay Ont.

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The Treasury of Religious Thought for May, 1899, begins the seventeenth annual volume of this well-established periodical for "Pastor and People."

Its frontispiece is an excellent portrait of that distinguished leader of religious and economic thought, Rev. Washington Gladden, D. D., of Columbus, O., whose sermon on "The Imperialism of Christianity" is both able and timely.

"Is the Bible an Inspired Book?" is an able article by Rev. Robert Wilson, D. D., of St. John, N. B. The "Names of Note" include this month Dr. Gladden, Gen. O. O. Howard, and Rudyard Kipling. The "Movements among the Churches" are described, as usual, by Prof. Chas. H. Small, of Springfield, O.; Prof. Theo. W. Hunt, of Princeton, has an essay on "Robert Southey"; President Barrows, of Oberlin, has the second part of an article on "A Good Service"; Dr. Hallock, of Dorchester, gives the "Prayer-Meeting Topics" as usual; and the minor departments, though crowded by the many full and able articles are well maintained, as usual.

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