THE HERALD

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ALL matter for publication in the HERALD should be in this office by noon on Tuesday. Persons wishing their advertisements changed must give us Saturday forenoon.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

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DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

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When the House met Wednesday Sir John Thompson moved that when the House adjourned on Friday it stand adjourned until the Wednesday following, and when it adjourned on Wednesday it stand adjourned until Friday following, thus leaving Wednesday and Friday of this week for business. The House then went into committee on the criminal law amendment bill. Several clauses were passed after some verbal amendments had been made. After recess the House again went into committee on the criminal law bill. A few more clauses of the bill were passed after which the committee rose and reported progress. Supply was next taken up. Every item was discussed, and numbers of questions asked by the opposition, which had little or no bearing on the subjects. It was apparent that the opposition had prepared for another night's obstruction, and on the item of $6,000 for a new Post Office at Laprairie, Hon. Mr. Foster moved that the committee rise and report progress without passing the item. The House then adjourned.

The criminal law amendment bill was taken up in committee, after the House met Thursday. The whole afternoon, and after recess until shortly after nine o'clock, was spent in discussing the measure and making a few changes in clause 122. Clause 125 was allowed to stand without any debate. This is the clause over which there was a big discussion in committee. It makes spreading of false news an indictable offence and liable to one year's imprisonment. Supply was then taken up, and the obstruction tactics of the opposition began again. The item for a post office at La Prairie was again taken up, but it was not passed until a few minutes to twelve. The obstruction continued on the same lines on the following items; and at 4 o'clock Friday morning Cartwright, who had charge of the opposition, offered to pass all the Quebec items if the one then under discussion, viz: the West Farnham post office, were allowed to stand until concurrence. Hon. Mr. Foster, who was leading the government forces, said that after all the obstruction which had taken place this was unreasonable, but if the Quebec items and the following Ontario items were passed, he would consent to adjournment. No arrangement could be arrived at, and the discussion, or rather the obstruction, proceeded until 10 o'clock a. m., when on the arrival of Sir John Thompson and Hon. Mr. Laurier an arrangement was made, and the House adjourned. The whole delay is attributed to Cartwright. The opposition got a tremendous sickener though. Hon. Mr. Foster had made up his mind to secure the passage of a certain number of items in the estimates, and he succeeded in having his way. The Grits were a pretty limp looking crowd Friday.

Supply and public works estimates were again proceeded with when the House met Friday afternoon. A discussion took place on the Ontario public buildings items, and while it was pretty much on the same lines of the debate which concluded at 10 o'clock, it was not of the same obstructive character. Soon the house set down to business and fairly good progress was made with the estimates, all the Ontario, Manitoba and British Columbia items being passed. The House adjourned at 10 o'clock.

NOTES.

A. R. Dickey and Hugh John Macdonald introduced W. F. McLean, M. P. for East York, Friday. It was the case of two graduates of Toronto University introducing a brother graduate.

Mr. Sproule has given notice of a motion for the abolition of Hansard.

Exports continue to show an increase, being $11,983,000 for the ten months over the same period last year. Imports show an increase of $314,000. Duty decreased $2,641,000.

The names of Judges Tait and Routhier will be recommended to Parliament as commissioners to investigate the Caron charges. Judge Routhier is the one who dismissed the suit against Pacaud.

The report of the Civil Service Commission to be presented to Parliament, has its recommendations divided into two heads. First the appointment of a permanent Civil Service Commission whose duty it will be to test the fitness for office of candidates, with full power to enquire into and report upon the state and management of public business and the official conduct of public servants. The report also recommends the adoption of the English principle of appointment by open competition, that the age limit at which a person may enter the service be twenty-five, instead of thirty-five, and that no new office be created without the sanction of Parliament. The report further recommends that the maximum salary of Deputy Head be increased from $4,000 to $5,000, and that the maximum salary of first class clerks to be hereafter appointed be $1,600 instead of $1,800; of second class clerks, $1,200 instead of $1,400, and third class clerks, $800 instead of $1,000.

The mysterious disappearance of an Arabian pedler named Geo. Tarrio, a resident of Amherst, N. S., is causing anxiety among his friends. Since leaving Yarmouth about three weeks ago for there, via St. John, no further tidings of him have been heard. On leaving Yarmouth he had in his possession about $150 in cash, besides a large quantity of jewellery, and no cause can be assigned for his delay. It is thought he has met with foul play on the road.

THE RELIGIOUS CENSUS.

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The Episcopal church has decreased in New Brunswick and P. E. Island, but has a remarkable increase in British Columbia.

The Presbyterians have lost in the eastern provinces to gain in Manitoba.

The percentages of religions are;

Roman Catholics	48 17
Methodists	17 96
Presbyterians	14 98
Anglican Church	.13
Baptist	6.32
Others	4.63

The following statement shows the strength of the principal religious bodies in 1881 and 1891:

	1891.	1881.
Catholics	1,990,465	1,791,982
Methodists	847,469	742,971
Presbyterians	756,199	676,165
Church of England	644,198	574,8 8
Baptists	303 749	296,5'5
Lutherans	63 960	46 350
Adventists	6 355	5,211
Brethren	14,639	8,831
Congregationalists	28,155	26,900
Disciples	12,793	20,193
Jews	6,411	2,393
Pagans	26,709	4,473
Protestants	12,216	6,519
Quakers	4 638	6,553
Unitarians	1,772	2,136
Universalists	3,196	4,117

The Lutheran increase is due to the influx of Scandinavian immigrants.

In St. John city there are 4,084 Baptists, 7,337 Roman Catholics, 5,597 Anglicans, 3,606 Methodists and 2,948 Presbyterians.

In Halifax there are 9,804 Baptists, 15,658 Roman Catholics, 9,984 Anglicans, 3,996 Methodists and 4,877 Presbyterians.

C. P. R. EXCURSION TO THE WEST

The C. P. R. has arranged four cheap round trips from the Maritime Provinces to the Canadian Northwest next month and July. The dates of leaving are June 13th, 10th, 27th and 18th July, and the tickets are good to return in six months from the date of starting. There is to be an auction sale of C. P. R. lands at Edmonton, July 5th, and passengers starting June 28th can reach there in time. The Great Western Provincial Exhibition will also be held in Winnipeg from July 25th to 30th inclusive, for which the excursion of July 18th should be taken. Tickets will be issued from all points on the Intercolonial, P. E. Island, Windsor and Annapolis and C. P. R., and are not good to stop over east of Winnipeg, either going or returning. The rates are fixed at very low figures, the fare to Deloraine, Ox Bow, Nesbitt, Binscarth and Moosomin, and return, being $28—the same figure charged from Toronto and Montreal last year; to Regina, Moose Jaw and Yorkton $30; to Prince Albert and Calgary, $38; and to Edmonton, $40. The agents of the Company report a large number of enquiries already from those who wish to see our Western prairie lands.

C. C. GARDINER, Esq., and wife, who had been on a trip to the Pacific Coast, arrived home Saturday evening.

GRIPSACK for May is to hand, brimful of interesting reading and useful information for the knights of the road.

MESSRS. McLean and Yeo, M. P's., arrived home Saturday evening from Ottawa. They will return early next week.

SIR Alexander Campbell's term as governor of Ontario expires the last of this month, and a great deal of speculation is indulged in as to who will be his successor.

ATTENTION is directed to Norton & Fennell's great clearance sale as advertised in this issue. The partnership is to be dissolved, and great bargains in all their lines of goods can be obtained.

THE 18th inst., was the 250th anniversary of the foundation of Montreal by Maisonneuve and his followers, and on that date the corner stone of the monument to be erected to his memory, on Place d'Armes square, was laid under the auspices of the Numismatic Society.

AN officer of the Public Works department, Ottawa, has been sent to Tracadie, N. B., to prepare plans for a new building to be erected for the lepers. The Bathurst Courrier says it is reported the Chinese lepers in British Columbia are to be brought to the Tracadie institution.

J. & A. CARSON's steam saw and planing mill at Pictou, N. S., was destroyed by fire with all its contents, Saturday night. There was no insurance. The loss will be heavy, as new and improved machinery had but recently been put in, and a large quantity of manufactured stock was on hand.

THE attraction of Queen Square Gardens were further enhanced Monday by the addition of another seal to the fountain. Mr. Geo. Carter secured it at Tignish. Both animals are working together very amicably, and their disportings in the water and on the grass draw large numbers of wonder seers nightly.

AT the last biennial Convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians which began at New Orleans, La., on the 10th inst., and closed on the 14th, the old national officers, viz: National Delegate, Judge Maurice F. Wilhere, Philadelphia, P A; National Secretary, Michael J. Slattery, Albany, N. Y.; and National Treasurer, Thomas J. Dundon, Columbus, O., were re-elected. The National Directory is as follows: P. J. O'Connor, Savannah, Ga.; J. M. Clark, of Wisconsin; J. P. Murphy, of Connecticut; T J. O'Brien, Hamilton, Ont.; Ed. Sweeney, of Ohio. Bishop Foley, of Detroit, Mich., is National Chaplain of the Order, and Archbishop Corrigan, of New York, National Delegate. The next convention will be held at Omaha, Neb., in 1894.

SPORTING NOTES.

The Shamrocks defeated the Montrealers in an exhibition game of Lacrosse, Saturday.

At Herne Hill grounds, London, Thursday, Zimmerman lowered the quarter-mile cycling record to 32 3-5 s.

At Manchester, N. H., Harry A'mont, an Island stallion by Hernando, won the free-for-all trot in straight heats, in 2.40, 2.39, 2.38.

Ives defeated Slosson at 14-inch balk line billiards, at Chicago, Saturday night, in the 30th inning, 800 to 488.

Halifax has an amateur base ball league composed of four teams—the Crescents, Orients, Clippers and St. Mary's.

A free-for-all, three minute, 3 year old and a green race, for purses of $100, $40 $40, and $25 respectively will be held on the north Tryon Driving Park, on June 10th.

The management of the Summerside Driving Park intend holding a days racing on July 1st, Dominion Day. The events will be a three-minute, 2 40 and green race. The purse for each race amounts to $100

The 2nd Crescents and the Y. M. C. A's played foot ball at the Park Thursday evening, the match resulting in a draw, neither side securing a point. The Crescents were forced to touch down twice and their opponents once.

It is a somewhat singular coincidence that Rollo, 2 2-¾, the first yearling pacer to beat 2.30; Manager, 2 11½, the champion 2 and 3 year old, and Strong Boy, 2.12, the fastest four year old pacing stallion, are all grey in color.

Erie, Pa., has offered a purse of $1,500 for Hanlan and O'Connor to row Hosmer and Teemer there on June 20th, and $500 for a single scull race on June 21st. The Canadians have accepted the offer, while Hosmer and Teemer are also willing, so that after all the great double will probably materialize.

The second of the series of races between Conneff and Morton, to have taken place at Dublin, was declared off, owing to the serious illness of the former. The distance was Conneff's favorite five miles. Morton was, however, sent to beat Tommy's Irish record for the distance, which stood at 25 min. 24 sec. He not only did this, but also wiped out the amateur record of 25 min. 7 4 5 sec, made by W. G George at Stamford Bridge in July 1884. His time was 25 min. and 3 seconds.

A team from the Crescent Football Club journeyed to Pictou, N. S., yesterday, and measured strength with a team representing that town. The game was a splendid one throughout, our boys excelling, if anything, in the play, although their forwards lacked the avoirdupois of foemen. Shortly after the opening of hostilities the Crescents forced the Bluenoses to touch down. The remainder of the half it was kick, run, tackle, scrummage, by both teams without any material advantage being gained by either. In the second half a fairly strong breeze struck up, which operated against the Crescents and they were forced to touch down. No further scoring was done on either side, the game thus ending in a draw. Following were the teams:

CRESCENTS.

Back—J. McQuillian; Half-backs—J. Rundle (captain), Ed. Trainor, G. I. Foster; Quarter-backs—A. Leigh, R. Johnstone. Forwards—F. Handrahan, W. Edmonds, L. Macdonald, S. McLeod, J. J. Macdonald, J. A. Macdonald, A Gaudet, A. Miller, Douglas Macdonald.

PICTOUS.

Back—J. C. McMillan; Half-backs—A. O McRae, Dal. Patterson (captain), Frank Carroll; Quarter backs—E. Davison, R. McKenzie; Forwards—M. Morrison, B. Munro, F. Dawson, E Hill, L. McLean, D Murray, A. T. Thompson, H. Smith, J Marchand.

THE recent tug of war tournament at San Francisco, in which 10 teams participated, resulted in a win for the representatives of Canada. The last two nights of the tournament, the contest narrowed down to the Canadian, Scotch, Irish and Danish teams. Canada pulled Scotland, and won in 30 odd minutes, while Denmark bested Ireland. Eight thousand people saw the former pull. The contest for supremacy was now between Canada and Denmark, and the Canucks won handily in 8 minutes. The first prize amounted to $1,000. The Canadian team will now represent the State of California at the World's Fair. The American team was accused of "selling out" to the Irish team for $1,000 and the referee decided the pull "no contest," and debarred the representatives of the stars and stripes from further participation in the tournament. The Canadian team was as follows:

	Age.	W'g't	Birth-place.
D R. Campb'l	28	215	Ontario.
R Smith	36	229	St. John
G. Ewing	33	215	Ontario.
Jas. Dunning	35	189	do.
A. J. Fish	24	210	N. Scotia
J. A. McKay	31	190	Montreal
J. J. Beaton	24	210	P. E I.
R J. McDonald	24	180	P. E. I.
N. Mosher	33	238	N. Scotia
J. A. McLennan	22	180	C. Breton
Captain G. Duplissea	47	195	N. B.
Average	30	204	

Lord Salisbury in his speech at Hastings said a danger to England's commercial welfare is growing up under the existing free trade system. "Foreign nations," he said, "are adopting protection; they are excluding us from their markets and trying to kill our trade. Free trade doctrine may be noble, but is not business like. We live in an age of war and tariffs. An important point is that while other nations are negotiating to obtain each other's commercial favor, there is none anxious about the favor of Great Britain. Why? Because Great Britain has stripped herself of the armor and weapons with which the battle is to be fought. Free trade doctrine may be noble, but is not businesslike."

The house of Benjamin Van Lader, at Iroquois settlement, Mich., took fire Friday while he was absent. The wife and six children were in the house and the work of rescuing them fell on the mother. She made three trips into the flames carrying out two children each time. On the last trip both she and the children were on fire when they reached the open air. She smothered the flames from the burning clothing of the children, but was herself fatally burned, dying a short time after her efforts to save the lives of the family had been rewarded with success.

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THE WEEK'S DIARY.

It is stated that the British Parliament will dissolve on June 20th.

The Venezuelan rebels are meeting with success, having captured the town of La Tablas.

Dunn & Russel report 23 Canadian failures last week against 40 for the corresponding week last year.

During the first five days of last week 5,065 head of cattle were shipped from Montreal to British Markets.

The Village of Hamley, Wiltshire, Eng., was destroyed by fire Friday. Three hundred persons are left destitute.

The election in North Perth resulted in the return of Mr Grieves, the unseated grit candidate, by about 150 majority.

The ocean steamers arriving at this side of the pond report the meeting of numerous icebergs, especially near the coast of Newfoundland.

The factory of the Ætna Pyrotechnic Co., at Bertford, Conn., was blown up on Saturday afternoon, killing five employees and injuring four.

The Yarmouth Barkt. Venveen, from Portland, Me., for Buenos Ayres, has been burned at sea. Her crew escaped, and were landed at Pernambuco.

There was a blinding snow storm in the southern, central and Northwestern parts of Wisconsin, Thursday. Hanover, N. H., also had one on Friday.

By an explosion in a dynamite factory at Goldemes, Spain, Thursday, eight persons were killed. Dismissed workmen are supposed to have caused the explosion.

Robert Watson, M. P. for Marquette, Man., is to enter the Greenway government which is appealing to the people. He was the only grit member of the Commons from west of the great lakes.

Two men named Beaubien and Harrison have been arrested at Montreal for counterfeiting American silver dollar pieces. They have put a large quantity of their queer in circulation in the border counties.

A despatch from Montevidio says that the Brazilian turret ship Solimoes, was wrecked off Santa Maria, near the mouth of the Rio De La Plata, en route to Matto Grosso. Five of her crew were saved and 120 drowned.

Joe. Chavalier, of St. Jerome, who was under the influence of liquor and attempted to steal a ride to Montreal on a freight train fell under a car and was mangled and crushed to death. A companion named Joly had his leg broken and received other injuries. Two others escaped.

It is believed that Judge Chauveau will not render judgement in Mercier's case before the rising of the Quebec Legislature. The reason given for this is that whatever the judgement may be it would bring on a serious prolongation of the session and any amount of acrimonious discussion.

The contested will of the late Pat Purcell, M. P. for Glengarry, now being argued at Toronto is causing great interest. The will gave about four-fifths of the estate to Catholic charities. Mrs. Purcell and the brothers and sisters of the deceased are plaintiffs, and over a million is involved.

All hopes of crops in parts of Iowa, this year, has been abandoned owing to the disasterous floods. In several of the other States the floods have not yet abated. The loss of life has been very small; but thousands are homeless, and the destruction to property away up in the millions. In South St. Louis alone the damage to property exceeds two million dollars.

A passenger train on the Cotton Belt railroad collided with a freight, between the stations of Humphrey's and golden, in Arkansas, Saturday night. Four persons were killed outright and 18 seriously injured. The accident was caused by the crew of the passenger train disobeying orders. The scene of the wreck is 350 South of of St. Louis.

Deeming was launched into eternity at Melbourne, about one minute after ten, Monday morning. Arrangements had been made by the authorities to have his brain photographed after being removed from the skull, and then to be frozen and sent to England in the refrigerator chamber of one of the mail steamers for examination by London medical experts.

A terrible crime was committed at St. Casimer, P. Q., Wednesday evening. While on her way to the month of May services with two other young women Miss Godin was attacked and struck with an axe on the head by a man named Laguerre who was acting as an escort to the girls and who had been paying his addresses to Miss Godin but had been rejected. The girl, it is thought, will die.

Mr. Gladstone has written a reply to a clergyman who in a letter to the Liberal leader expressed fear that should home rule be established in Ireland, the Roman Catholics of that country would exercise tyranny over the Protestant minority of the population. Mr. Gladstone answered: "Set your mind at ease. The best legal security against the possibility of such oppression is Imperial prohibition of all ecclesiastical establishments or preference, and this the advocates of home rule promise."

In the British House of Commons, Wednesday, Hon Geo. Shaw Lefevre, Liberal, moved the second reading of the bill providing for the abolition of plural voting. Thomas Wallace Russell, Liberal, moved an amendment declaring it inexpedient to carry out the one man one vote principle until the number of representatives in Great Britain and Ireland were equally distributed. He said in proportion to population Ireland should have 83 representatives and not 101, as at present. The amendment was carried.

Advices from the Mauritius state that a hurricane unprecedented in violence passed over that island on April 29th, causing enormous damage to shipping, and an appalling loss of life. The western half of Port Louis, the capital, was devastated. Houses were blown down, gigantic trees uprooted and half of the crops of sugar rice coffee and pepper utterly ruined. The exact loss of life is not known, but in Port Louis alone 600 persons were killed.

The following London despatch is truly laughable, and shows what a vast amount of time and wind the blatant mongrel horde of fanatics are loosing for nothing: The Orangemen of Ulster are evidently stirred up by Salisbury's utterances regarding Irish home rule. There are signs of excitement in various parts of the province, and threats of violence are made against the Catholic population. The Orangemen in Belfast, Londonderry and other places are drilling nearly every night. Notwithstanding denials, it is said on well qualified authority, they are thoroughly organized and have an armed force of 40,000 men with which they will oppose the establishment of home rule in Ireland.

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