CANADIAN.

Lord Lansdowne, the new Governor-General, arrived at Quebec on Tuesday, and was sworn in with the usual ceremonies.

The Hon. William Miller, Q. C., of Halifax, has been appointed Speaker of the Senate vice the Hon. D. L. Macpherson resigned.

The directors of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax and of the Maritime Bank of St. John have agreed to amalgamate these institutions, and as soon as the necessary legislation can be obtained will do business under the name of the Merchants' Bank.

The 17th of January is now said to have been fixed as the day for the assembling of Parliament.

A serious fire occurred at Montreal on Monday in the grain and flour warehouses of J. McDougall, on Mill street. The total loss was about \$26,000. It is covered by insurance.

A new warrant has been issued at Halifax, under the Customs Smuggling Act, against Holmesand Bracken, the arrested dynamiters, in which they are charged with bringing explosives across the border without paying duty upon them. They will probably be examined on this charge to-morrow.

Some unknown person or persons recently made a dastardly attempt to sink the *Bangalore*, a Kingston vessel, by boring holes through the planks of her hull.

Bishop Sullivan declined the nomination of the Huron Synod, and Dean Baldwin, of Montreal, has been elected.

Mr. G. W. Ross, member for West Middlesex, has been unseated, because of corrupt practices by a man who acted as his agent.

Mr. Alex. Fraser, Assistant Receiver General for many years at Toronto, died at Cobourg, on Tuesday, of paralysis.

An agitation is on foot for the separating of North York from the other part of the county, and giving it an independent organization.

Mr. J. W. Dill, of Bracebridge, has been nominated as the Reform Candidate for Muskoka

On Tuesday a convict named Hugh Scott attempted to escape from the Toronto Central Prison, and was shot dead by one of the guards.

John Thomas, of Bismarck, while out shooting Saturday, met with a serious accident by the bursting of his gun; it is feared he will lose his eye-sight.

Ayoungmannamed O'Connor, from Guelph, brakeman on the Western Division of the Grand Trunk, was killed at Drayton. While attempting to board the train he missed his footing and became entangled in the step and was dragged some distance before the train was stopped. He only lived a few minutes after being picked up.

Herman Putnam was accidentally killed while boarding a moving train on the St. Clair branch of the Canada Southern Railway, on Saturday evening at Wadesville. He fell between the cars and was frightfully mutilated; his head was nearly severed from his body. He was 45 years of age, and leaves a wife and five children.

The body of an unknown colored man was found on the Reeder farm, near Windsor, by two boys on Saturday afternoon, dressed in dark clothes, red stockings and low shoes. In the pockets were found two knives, a toy watch and chain, a Windsor ferry ticket, and an excursion ticket of Dresden, Ont. Band to the Michigan State Fair. The body could not be identified.

John McCann, who resided near St. Catharines, shot himself on Wednesday. He was well off, and no reason can be given for his strange action.

John Riddell, of Stony Creek, near Hamilton, committed suicide on Sunday night by cutting his throat with a razor.

On Saturday evening Herman Putnam a well-known and much respected citizen of Inwood, was killed by a train running over him a short distance from that place.

UNITED STATES.

The Board of Commissioners of the Niagara Park Reservation has made an additional appropriation to continue the survey, and has also decided to employ counsel to support its work before the courts should any efforts be made to interfere with the policy which the Legislature evidently intended should be carried out.

The leading colored men of Georgia have signed a call for a convention at Atlanta, December 12th. It says the condition of the colored race of this State is growing worse.

Intense excitement prevails in Dakota over the discovery of gold by a Chicago man on his place near Luban. Samples assay twenty to two hundred and fifty dollars per ton. The discoverer quickly secured all the land in the vicinity.

The Iowa, Sioux Falls and Northern railroad has been incorporated with a capital of \$5,000,000. The road will extend through Dakota.

A bill granting woman's suffrage was passed at Olympia, Washington Territory, Wednesday night by 14 to 7.

Tuesday morning on the Louisville and Nashville Air Line a passenger train struck a broken rail. The engineer put on brakes. The last two coaches, both crowded, tipped over and were dragged a shortdistance, when the couplings broke. The scene was terrible. It is reported that the number injured exceeds forty, many fatally.

The White River, in Arkansas, has risen, and inundated 12,000 acres of corn and cotton. The damage to small farms is almost irreparable. Many farmers will not be able to survive the winter without assistance. The rise is unprecedented for the season.

Michael Portrikus was killed by the bursting of a grindstone at the Michigan Stone Works, Detroit.

On Monday, near Glenns Falls, N. Y., a train ran off a bridge. Three persons were killed, one fatally injured, and seven dangerously.

A body found in the river at Black Rock, Buffalo, has been identified as that of Katie Royback, a German girl aged 24 years, who lately worked for Mrs. Krouskoph, No. 462 Washington street. From the circumstances it is though most probable that the case is one of suicide.

The body of a woman found drowned at Bayhead, N. J., has been identified as Miss Milly Lewis, aged 25, a beautiful young woman, who became despondent because her relatives, who supported her, ordered her to make her own living.

Spencer Updyke, a well-known citizen of Mount Rouse, N. J., hanged himself on Sunday. Cause, financial troubles.

The Gas Squib factory at Kingston, Pa., was torn to pieces by an explosion on Monday afternoon. Bight children employed there were seriously injured. Several were killed.

Andrew D. Bennett, a prominent farmer of Crawford county, Pa., while gunning near his home at Espyville, shot himself. It is supposed that he died instantly.

At Fleetwood, Pa., on Sunday last, Jas. Madeira, aged 52, worth \$25,000, shot himself dead last night. He was troubled because a chapel he was building would cost more than was subscribed. Madeira superintended the work, and wore the skin off his hands handling bricks. He left \$500 to help pay the debt on the chapel.

A horrible accident has occurred near Richmond, Va. An aged lady living near New Garden, went to McRae's mill, a short distance from her home, to have a bushel of corn ground. Finding the mill not at work and the miller at his dinner near by, she commenced to put the corn in the hopper, and put the mill in motion, so as to get the grist as quickly as possible, but by some means she was caught in the machinery, and killed.

Charles D. McCortney, editor of a newspaper in Fleminsburg, Ky., shot and killed two drunken men who attacked him on the street.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Delegates representing 41,000 colliers in Yorkshire have resolved to insist upon an advance of wages.

The Earl of Chesterfield and George Hamilton Chichester, Marquis of Donegal, are dead.

The certificate of organization of the New American, British and Continential Cable Company, with a capital of \$150,000 has been registered.

On Thursday last Sir Moses Montefiore received numerous congratulations from all parts of the world on entering the hundredth year of his life.

Capt. Drever left Dover on Monday in a miniature paddle boat to cross the Channel. He has not since been heard from, and it is feared that he has been drowned.

An explosion occurred last week in Wharncliffe Charlton colliery, near Barnsley. Twenty-three men in the pit are reported to have all perished. Three bodies have been recovered. It is supposed that the explosion was caused by a blast shot.

A circular containing a black list of the jurors in the Phonix Park murder trials, and in the case in which the men were tried for an attempt to murder Juror Field, was mailed to thousands of inhabitants of this city yesterday.