

General News.

CANADIAN.

Canadian exports for the month of July amounted to \$10,297,052. The imports were \$1,785,900.

The Austin Government surveyor has reported that it is practicable to make the river Thames navigable as far up as London.

The Johnston Bank at Strathroy has closed. Depositors have been paid in full.

Mr. Fauquier, member elect for Muskoka, has been unseated on account of corrupt practices by his agents.

Arrangements have been made for the completion this fall, as far as Tamworth, of the Napanee and Tamworth Railway. The work has been undertaken by Messrs. Rathbun & Co., of Deseronto, and Mr. Geo. A. Cox, of Peterborough.

The St. George's Union of North America met in Toronto on Tuesday, and received a very cordial welcome from the local society.

The Toronto Exhibition gives promise of magnificent success. Every available inch of space will be occupied, although large additions to some of the buildings are being made. Arrangements have been made for balloon ascensions and other unusual attractions. On the children's day the G. T. R. will carry children from all points on their lines to Toronto and back for three-eighths of a regular single fare. The Directors now only need to exclude strong drink from the grounds, and the Exhibition will be one of which every Canadian may justly be proud.

A grand Firemen's Exhibition and Tournament was held at London on Tuesday.

The Subsidiary High Court of Canada A.O.F. held its annual meeting at Hamilton, commencing on Tuesday. The report of the state of the order is encouraging.

A great storm last week did much damage to Parry Sound.

Preparations for the Provincial Exhibition at Guelph are vigorously going on. The city is spending \$5000 in promoting the success of the show. The County Agricultural Association is also giving valuable assistance.

Work has been commenced on the new Masonic Hall at Parkdale. The Grand Master will lay the corner stone on the 6th of September. Great preparations are being made for the event.

Mr. Monteith, a Toronto merchant, who recently failed in business, has been found dead in the woods near his summer residence at Ben Lamond.

On Wednesday evening, James Kevoe was accidentally killed while at work on the aqueduct near Welland.

Cooper & McKenzie's planing mills, lumber yard, &c., at Clinton, were totally destroyed by fire on Wednesday.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association, has just been held at St. Catharines.

A number of employees at the Excelsior Glass Works, Montreal, have been locked out in consequence of a demand for higher wages, and men imported from Europe to take their place.

About a thousand immigrants have arrived at Montreal during the present week.

Several incendiary fires are reported in the neighborhood of St. John, Que., as well as an attempt to blow up a large brick building.

Mr. Girouard, M. P. for Kent County, N. B., has resigned his seat to accept a Government position.

Destructive forest fires have been raging along the coasts in Annapolis county, causing much damage to property.

Early on Monday a fire broke out at Aylmer, and destroyed half an acre of buildings before it was checked.

Last week James Early was killed by lightning near Weston. He was found under a tree with a bottle of whisky by his side.

Pierce Fleming, aged 35, was drowned in a pond at Yorkville brickyard on Saturday. Deceased had been drinking hard. He leaves a wife and children.

Three drunken men attached a hand car to a train at Tilbury on Sunday, and attempted to ride upon it. Two of the men were thrown on the track in front of the hand car, which passed over them, killing one and injuring the other.

On Monday morning the body of Mrs. Mary Clark, a farmer's wife, was found floating in the Catarqui river. It is thought that she committed suicide.

A boy named Lerratt was drowned in the Gatineau on Tuesday.

Fred Holley was thrown from a cart at Trenton, and killed by his head striking a post.

A little girl, daughter of James Thomas, who lives near the G.T.R. at Whitby, strayed out on the track to meet her father coming from his work, and was instantly killed by a passing train.

Mr. W. J. A. Johnston met with a fatal accident on Monday at Clark's planing factory in Midland. While putting a belt on a pulley he was caught in a shaft and almost instantly killed.

Miss Clara Holmes, of Toronto, was drowned while bathing near Port Carling last week.

Arthur Yeoman, an employee in Chantler's mill at Bracebridge, was caught by a belt in motion, and his right arm was torn from his body. He is expected to recover.

James McMonagh, aged eight, was drowned while bathing in the river at Brantford.

Daniel McLachlin, aged fourteen, was drowned on Sunday at Middlemus, while endeavoring to swim the river to win a bet of twenty-five cents.

An Indian woman was arrested in Middlesex county, on Saturday, charged with causing the death of her infant child.

Two children of Mr. Fraser, a farmer near Mount Brydges, were poisoned by strychnine, given to them in mistake for medicine, by a druggist. Both of them died.

Mrs. Gallagher was accidentally drowned in a cistern at Clinton, on Sunday.

Arrangements are being made in Montreal for a grand banquet to Sir Hector Langevin.

Mr. A. Fortier, a farmer, was killed by a passing locomotive, while crossing the C. P. R. track, near Ste. Scholastique.

An extensive fire, on Sunday, in St. Gregoire, destroyed Benegon's agricultural implement factory and twelve dwelling houses.

Montreal citizens are giving a grand reception to the American war vessel *Vandalia*, which has visited their port.

An insane man murdered his brother at Beauce.

A new line of steamers is running from Hamburg to Montreal and Brazil.

Victoria Medical College, in Montreal, is to be reopened.

An insane patient leaped from a window of the Marine hospital at Quebec, and was instantly killed.

The Baptist Convention of the maritime provinces has been in session at Halifax. It represents 344 churches, with 37,489 members.

The difficulties of the Dominion with British Columbia, have been satisfactorily settled. Dunsmuir & Co. are to construct the Island Railway, and run it. Government land is to be opened at once to actual settlers.

Work is being carried on vigorously in the Setheridge coal mines, on Belly river, in the North-West. It is said that two hundred men are now employed, and that sixty tons of coal are mined each day.

On Monday two freight trains collided on the Canada Pacific Railway, near Kalmar. A brakeman was killed.

A man named Joseph Cameron was drowned in the Red River. A companion, named Garvin, is charged with intentionally causing death. Garvin is under arrest.

UNITED STATES.

Chief Justice Coleridge has arrived at Albany. It is expected that his time will be too much occupied to permit him to visit Canada.

Oscar Wilde's play proved a failure and has been withdrawn from the stage. The management has lost \$1,200 on the enterprise.

Capt. Rhodes has announced that he will swim the Niagara rapids on Sept. 10th, at 9 o'clock, a.m.

A rich vein of lubricating oil has been discovered near Zanesville, O.

Some revenue officers in South Carolina have been charged with paying certain parties to put up illicit stills. These the officials seized, and obtained the Government reward of fifty dollars, for their success.

A jury has been selected at Gallatin, Mo., in the Frank James trial for robbery and murder. Eighty-nine witnesses were called and sworn for the State Thursday, and 39 for the defence.

The cyclone in Minnesota last week did awful damage. In the town of Rochester over seventy persons were killed or seriously injured, and 200 houses damaged. The destruction of property of all kinds was very great.

A terrible accident occurred on Tuesday on the Hudson River. The boiler of the ferry boat *Riverdale* exploded and the vessel sank. Many lives were lost.

The Supervising Inspector-General of steam vessels reports that during the year ended June 30th, the number of accidents resulting in