

## NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Subscribers remitting Money, either direct to the office or through Agents, will find a receipt for the amount inclosed in their next paper. All remittances should be made payable to A. Milne Fraser.

Recently we sent our accounts to subscribers, many of whom are considerably in arrears, and who must understand that we have reached the end of our tether, and now demand immediate payment. Failure to respond will oblige us to take proceedings unpleasant alike to ourselves and to those in arrears.

Ottawa talks of getting up a winter carnival.

Fourteen houses have been put up in Wolfville since last spring.

The Laval Victoria University embroglio is as far from being settled as ever.

Several handsome subscriptions, it is said, have been promised towards the Carnival Fund.

The deaf and dumb school at Winnipeg has an attendance of fourteen, of whom eight are boarders.

The Union Bank has opened an Agency in New Glasgow under the management of C. N. Strickland.

The record of the building operations of Brandon this season shows new buildings to the value of \$238,000.

The remains of the late Col. A. K. Mackinlay will be brought to Halifax from London by the steamer *Damara*.

Certain members of the North-West Legislature are making a strong movement for responsible government.

Mr. Nicholas Davis, of Walton, Hants Co., who is six feet eight and a half inches in height, was in Windsor the other day.

Lunenburg is one of the most thriving towns of the Province. During the past season twenty-five new houses have been erected.

A farewell dinner was given Mr. Thos. Beach, proprietor of the Bellvue Hotel, Bedford, on Saturday. A very pleasant evening was spent.

Acadia Seminary has at present 50 pupils, 36 of whom are boarders. Miss Graves will not resume her duties as principal till after Christmas.

Mackerel were plentiful in Halifax on Tuesday, a large stop of fine fat fish having been made off Monday. They were selling three for a quarter.

Lord Stanley has returned to Ottawa from British Columbia and expresses himself as delighted with his visit. He received sixty addresses of welcome.

Sir John Lister Kays has left Winnipeg for England, where he will spend the winter in pointing out the advantages of the North-West for emigrants.

Mrs. Hugh Hartshorne died very suddenly at her residence in Morris street on Thursday night of last week. Mr. Hartshorne has been an invalid for some time.

The *New Glasgow Enterprise* now uses a water motor to run its presses. The *Bridgetown Monitor* has used one for nearly two years with entire success and great satisfaction.

The election for town officers in Amherst will not be held until February next, as that is the time fixed by law for the annual election of officers under the Towns Incorporation Act.

Charles Mackenzie, Liberal, was elected to the Ontario Assembly in West Lambton on Monday, by a large majority over Fleck, Conservative, and McCrae, Equal Rights man.

A communication has been received at Ottawa from Victoria, B. C., protesting against the waters of Constance Cove being set apart for exclusive anchorage of Her Majesty's ships.

Startling reports of a suit to be brought against the City of Halifax for possession of the public gardens and the grand parade, by some Hartford, Conn., people, are again going the rounds of the press.

Burglars entered Christ's Church Cathedral at Ottawa on Monday night and stole the communion plate. They also made an unsuccessful attempt to rob a safe in the Dominion Express Company's office.

McDonald, charged with sending poisoned candy through the mails, resulting in the death of Mrs. Macrae of St. John, has pleaded not guilty. He has been committed for trial in the Circuit Court which opened on Tuesday.

Eighty thousand head of cattle were shipped from Montreal to England this season, which is twenty thousand more than was shipped last season. The profits are reported to have been satisfactory, except on the last few shipments.

A desperate effort to escape from Rockhead was made by two prisoners named Ward and Tapp last Friday. They had overpowered the warder, and were smashing a hole in the rear of the stone shed, when a soldier (also a prisoner), named Bell, overpowered the man who was attacking the warder, and order was restored.

The furniture manufactory, together with the warerooms and all lumber and furniture, as well as J. H. Treen's house and barn, at Oxford, Cumberland County, were entirely destroyed by fire on the 16th inst. The loss will be sixty thousand dollars and the insurance, if any, is very small. Fifty men and boys have thus been thrown out of employment, and the conflagration is the greatest calamity that Oxford has ever experienced.

Jas. D. Leary, of New York, the builder of the famous *Joggins* raft, intends building another one to be launched next spring. The total length of the raft is to be 750 feet, width 65 feet, and the depth 45 feet. It will draw about 25 feet of water.

The Court-martial at Victoria reprimanded Captain Hulton, commander of the warship *Amphion*, and deducted one year's seniority from Lieut. Barrett, her navigating officer, for running the vessel on a rock while conveying the Vice-regal party to Vancouver.

The festival of St. Andrew will be celebrated, first, by holding a divine service in St. Andrew's Church on Friday evening the 29th inst., when a patriotic sermon will be preached by the Rev. Principal Forrest, and second, by a dinner at the Halifax hotel on Monday evening, December 2nd.

The steamer *Halifax* took 1737 barrels and 26 cases of fresh mackerel, 200 drums and 25 casks of dry fish, and 100 barrels of pickled fish to Boston on Wednesday. About three hundred barrels were left on the wharf as the steamer had all she could take. She also took a large quantity of sugar.

Henry Rogers, of Toronto, has taken an action for fifteen thousand dollars against the Canadian Express Co. for the death of his son, an express messenger, caused by the explosion of fireworks in one of the company's cars last summer. The fireworks were intended for the Halifax carnival, and were shipped from Montreal.

A delegation of ladies of the north-end W. C. T. U. waited upon the City Council on Monday evening, and presented a memorial setting forth that the liquor law is not enforced in Halifax. The Council have instructed John A. Mackasey, chief inspector of licenses, to furnish the Council at its next meeting with information respecting the matter.

The tides in the river St. Lawrence have been astonishingly low, and steamers have been coming to grief in consequence. The Allan Liner *Carthaginian* and the *Vancouver* of the Dominion Line touched bottom, and the former came off leaking badly. Other steamers have also been bumping on the bottom of the channel with various degrees of damage.

The Cornwallis Valley Railway Company intend next spring to build a dyke from Kingsport to Long Island, shutting out the west end of the Basin of Minas, and reclaiming about 10,000 acres of land worth \$200 per acre. The cost of the dyke is estimated at three quarters of a million dollars. Some years ago this scheme was thought of seriously and a charter granted by Government, but it was given up on account of the expense, as it was then thought necessary to construct the dyke of masonry, but timber is now found to be sufficiently durable, the salt water acting as a preservative.

Charles E. Craigen, Deputy Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, committed suicide last Saturday afternoon by shooting himself with a revolver. Mr. Craigen was well known and much liked among his acquaintances, but for some time past he had been drinking. He was 36 years of age, and lived with his parents, for whom much sympathy is felt in their affliction. The coroner's jury brought in a verdict that the deceased came to his death from a pistol shot delivered by himself while laboring under a fit of temporary insanity. The funeral took place from his father's residence on Monday.

Says the *Annapolis Spectator*:—"A number of parties have already fitted their premises with pipes for conveying water from the water system. Some are putting in lead, but we believe the majority, looking more to their health, will put in iron, even if it does not last as long. The fact remains, no matter what the advocates of lead pipe may say, that you can put in iron pipes twice for the cost of lead *once*, and no one surely can dispute that iron is the healthier. Our Commissioners—men who have taken the trouble to find out, not from dealers in the article nor from individual users, but from corporations generally—will use as little lead as possible. Mr. Sutherland commenced the work of tapping and connecting with the main pipes on Wednesday.

President Harrison has signed the proclamation declaring Washington Territory a State.

The University of Pennsylvania is about to provide for the education of women on the same terms as men.

The eldest daughter of Col. Ingersoll was married on Wednesday in New York to Watson Hill Brown, a Wall street broker. Judge Barrett performed the ceremony.

Archbishop Ireland declares there is no probability whatever that the papal ban against masonry will ever be removed so long as the Masonic fraternity is constituted as at present.

The network of evidence seems to be steadily closing round the Cronin murderers. The result of the trial will probably inflict a fatal blow on the prestige in America of Irish secret political associations.

There are between 500 and 600 Chinamen in Sunday schools and missions in New York. They are there chiefly to learn to talk English, for there are only fifty three of the number who are out and out Christians; that is, members of the churches. A religious worker among the Mongolians says the church people have got to realize that the Chinaman is a pretty hard subject to christianize.

A man in Aristook county, Me., claims to have spent three days in the top of a pine tree without food or water. He climbed up ninety feet to get to an eagle's nest. It was a Norway pine, with very smooth bark, and he used climbers similar to those used by telegraph linemen. When he got to the nest he was taken sick, and dared not descend for fear of falling. He made a resting place for himself and managed to hang on until his giddiness left him, when he descended.