sioned by the simultan anied by a terrific detona engnie and and a tree of smoke was raised. Immediately upon explosion there were several disges of rifle shots. The enginer. n and conductor, six soldiers and cal passengers were wounded. The

ed passengers were place on a train and taken back to Cannews of the emplosion caused rable excitement in Havana, as s known that Captain General ler was in that neighborhood and railroad line was being used for transportation of troops.

ENGLAND AND COLONIES.

Donald Smith's Remarks at the ffield Cutlers' Feast Last Night.

ffield, Eng., Nox. 19.—Arthur Balgovernment leader in the house mons, was the principal guest he Cutlers' feast tonight and he ed an oration on the trade and rman competition.

Donald Smith, the Canadian high issioner, in responding to a toast e colonies, said he thought d not be unbecoming for England proach the colonies on commerelations, and he was certain that da would respond accordingly.

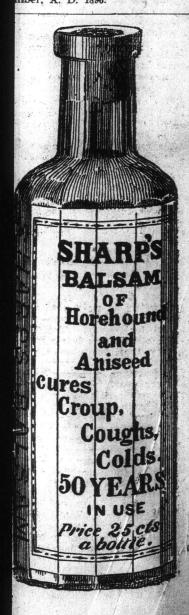
ATH OF WILLIAM VERNON.

liam Vernon, well known to esidence of this brother. Amos n, Esq., Minudie, this morning, a somewhat protracted Miness. deceased was about 35 years of and the son of the late Edward n of Minudie. Early in life he lobb Eng. Co. in their engine deent. Later he went to St. John studded machinery construction. he worked among the great shipbuilding yards on the Clyde. Japan, but ill health compelled o retire. For some time he again at Robbs', and a few d by a large circle of friends teral will take place tomorrow Minudie, the body being taken rvey, Albert Co., by rail for in-

NEW COMPANIES.

Mining and Milling Co., Ltd., e N. B. act: Herbert Hartley of Toronto, barrister; John of the Central prison; George Maurer of the same place, man-Agricultural Insurance Co. der Dixon of the same place, lacturer; William of Vancouver, British Colum assayist; Allbert William Atice of Quebec; and Reuben es Tasker, West Bay Ofty, Michireasurer of the said West Bay all of whom are to the first diof the company. They ask wers to acquire mineral lands, in New Brunswick and in Osoivision of Yale district. B. C..

following seek incorporation as longton Manufacturing Co.: Ed-C. Cole of Monicton, merchant; Clifford W. Robinson of Moncarrister; Henry A. Whitney of on, gentleman: James E. Riley Nebraska, contractor; pher, P. Harris of Monetor nan: Daniel I. Welch of Moncrrister: John Abrams of Ano-Kings Co., machinist; Robert oman of Moncton, fishery in-The first or provisional diof the company are to be: nd C. Cole, Moncton, N. B.; John arris, Moncton, N. B.; Clifford obinson, Moncton, N. B.; Henry hitmey, Monoton, N. B.; James ley, Omaha, Nebraska, U. S. A. at Monoton this 17th day of



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OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 17.-The premier informs me no official confirmation has been received of the report that their royal highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York are to visit Canada next year. It is possible, however, that when Lord Aberdeen returns to news on the polint. His excellency is very anxious to have their royal high-, and will use his utmost en-with this object in view.

Hon. Clifford Slifton, minister of the interior, is tonight on his way back to Winnipeg. He was sworn in a minister of the privy council and minister of the intenior at 10 o'clock deputy governor. The ceremony took place in the premier's office, being also present Hon. Messrs Laurier, Mr. Scott and Mr. Mullock. Mr. Sifton will also be head of the geological survey department and superintendent general of Indian af-

Col. Blair. ex-superintendent of Nappan, is in the city on his way home to Nova Scotia. He has just paid a visit to some of the western Ontario counties, including Lambton, Essex and Kent, and has carefully studied the work which is being done in those counties for reclamation of marsh lands. As a result of the information he has secured, Col. Blair

Mr. Kemp, oyster expert, of the fisheries department, has finished the inspection of the work which he was authorized to make in Nova Scotia, and is now at Shediac examining into the beds which were planted last year. seized by the sheriff for debt of \$6,000 owing to Molson's Bank.

At the customs department it is ast spring for the convenience of the United States bicyclists visiting Canada with their wheels have worked admirably. Of the thousands of American wheelmen who visited the dominion less than a half a dozen cases have been reported in which the regulations respecting the outward entry of such bicycle was not obeyed. Visiting wheelmen had to deposit their

of the headquarters staff over the proposed dominion rifle range at

One of the first questions which Hon. Mr. Sifton will have to face on returning to Ottawa is the request of the Northwest iterritories for provincial autonomy. It is thought in official circles the government will grant the request, but it is hardby likely to concede separate autonomy

A local man has contracted to send sixty Canadian made buggies to the

Further oubreaks of hog cholera are reported from western Ontario.

Provisional Second Lieutenant A. W. Macrae is permitted to retire from

At Christ church today Hugh T. Hazen of St. John, N. B., was married to Eleamor Cecillia, eldest daughter of the late J. McGoey of Aylmer, P. Q. The ceremony was performed by Airchdeacon Lauder.

Manitoba school question were exchanged between himself and the dominion government, so that the mait-Hon. Mr. Fisher leaves for Wash-

ments for the Icelandic immigration. | sure to be declined.

Icellanders to Canada as possible. Ottawa, Nov. 19.—The ministers are considering the question of the hours of the civil servants. Each depart-

The customs department has re-

district up to January 1st lost. T 19 160 in all parts of the dominion.

cided upon, the cars may be ready for use in the spring. Capt. Douglas, R. N. R., left for the He has been appointed commissioner to investigate certain charges against

the officers of the marine and fishertisanship in the last election. Capt. Douglas will therefore hold a court at the various points, taking evidence in the charges against the officers

Ottawa, Nov. 20.-Rev. W. Sims, principal of University college, Jamaica, who has been commissioned by system of experimental farms these officers as instructors. It mus and agricultural colleges in Canada, ar- be borne in mind that all the officer officials of the department of agriculture. Mr. Sims will visit the experimental farm tomorrow and then go on to Toronto and Guelph. The Jamaican of the active militia who possesses icultural college and dairy schools and Mr. Sims secured some valuable that the government has decided to information from Prof. Robertson and Statistician Johnson.

Tomorrow's Canada Gazette will anan outport of customs.

departure until next Wednesday. The Ontario bee-keepers association sent the secretary today to urge that buy it will be operated as a branch of the inspection of honey be carried out on systematic lines.

Ottawa, Nov. 22.-Although Hon Mr. Davies has sent Capt. Bloomfield Douglass to investigate into the charges of partisanship in the June elecons on the part of certain officers of the marine and fisheries department, this does not imply the minister is only now taking action. About thirty-five fishery officers in different parts of the country have already been dismissed, while scores are undergoing

Rev. Mr. Horner, leader of the sect known in this section as the "Hornerites," and who applied to parliament last session for an act of incorporation of the Weslyan Methodist, a new connection body, which request was refused by parliament, now gives notice of application for the incorporation of religious body to be known as the

"Holiness Movement" (or church). ture which Captain Lee delivered in the different military camps this year The trade returns for four months Ottowa, Nov. 18.—Lt. Col. Domville of the current fiscal year show an in-000 and in imports of \$2,163,000. For

the past month the exports increased \$1,469,000. The imports, however, fell off \$1,095,000. There was a reduction in the amount of the duty last month to the amount of \$188,000, making a total revenue from customs for four months \$122,000 less than for the corresponding period last year. Ottawa, Nov. 23.-Hon. Dr. Borden

returned to the city today from Quebec. He leaves for Toronto Wednesday to attend the Thanksgiving day review. Gen. Gascoigne will inspect the 43rd battalion on Thanksgiving day.

According to advices which have reached the agricultural department the epidemic of hog cholera is abating in Essex county, Ont.

Capt. Douglas of the marine departpolitical partizanship made against

oath of office the documents on the thing for publication on the Manitoba Parole. school settlement.

secure from the American authorities proceedings at Toronto, it is pointed or get out of the cabinet." the removal of the ninety days quar- out that it is contrary to the constitution of he United States for a presi-Mr. Greenway comes east shortly dent to leave the country during his

There is a large colony in Manitoba An order in council has been passed already, and they are about as pros- awarding a handsome binocular glass perous and contented a class as can to the master of the Italian vessel be found in the whole province. The Teresina for humane services rendered financial conditions on the island of to the crew of the Yarmouth schooner the dominion authorities will co-op- ing condition in the Atlantic last Au- to British Columbia." erate in the matter to bring as many gust. The crew were taken off the Archbishop Fabre arrived today Goudey and treated with great kind-

ness and landed at Bangor, Maine. From the present appearances there is little prospect of the postmaster question, ment seems to have a different rule. general acceding to the request of the Montreal and other boards of trade compulsory, and clerks will be re- for a reduction of the internal postage quired to work from 9.30 to 5 p. m. rate to two cents. The officers of the department have been looking into the matter, and have come to the conceived two bags of gold dust, valued clusion that if penny postage were inters of a million, or a million and a complished by systematic effort, it States government adopted the two may be stated that five years ago the cent rate there was an annual surplus winter butter factory was estab- as a result of the workings of the lished by the dairy commissioner, Only postal department. As soon as the two were in operation that winter, rate was reduced this surplus was During this winter there will be about converted into a deficit amounting last year to over nine million dollars. The department of agriculture pur. The United States government offiposes arranging for an extension and dials thought the reduction in the cost mprovement of refrigerator car ser- of postage would be met by a corress adopted this year for the car- ponding increase in the correspondriage of builter and other perisable ence, but it seems that they were misproducts for export, and it is also proposed to provide refrigerator accom- the country had about reached the maximum amount of letter writing, way. It is with a view of ascertain-, because people could send three letters

postage, which as things now stand would simply mean putting the money into one pocket and taking it out of

another.

General Gascoigne had a talk with the minister of militia today regarding the brevet promotions of officers of the permanent corps. In the course of a conversation with your corres-pondent the general said he could not understand the reason for the outer; against the recent promotions. Personally he held the view that it was only fair and just to give the perman ent comps a position equal to that of the active force. The chief duties of the officers of the permanent force was as instructors, and for this reason it was only right to place those officers in a position equal to those they would be called upon to instruct. It must be borne in mind, moreover that the chances of promotion in permanent corps were much smaller than was the case with the active force. When the matter was better understood he thought the active force would see the justice of the recent action of the department. As far as he was aware the promotions had been made simply on the ground that he had stated, viz., to raise the status of

certificates and personally he, the general, would not be sorry if the minister gave the brevet rank to all officers such qualification. No official confirmation of the repor purchase the Bate Chaleur railway

promoted possessed first class grade

can be obtained, but it looks very much as if that step was in conounce that St. Andrews is reduced to templation. Mr. Rideout, one of the engineers of the railways department, Hon. Mr. Davies has postponed his and Mr. Beauchimin, a Quebee engineer, are at present examining the road. If the government decides

TELEGRAPHIC.

QUEBEC.

Montreal, Nov. 17.-James Ross, of street radiway fame, arrived to-day. He says his company that is building the electric tramway in Birmingham has a capital of one million pounds and bonded for half a million. The road will be opened in the spring Quebec, Nov. 17.—The Quebec legislature opened today and the ses promises to be a long one. It is stated that the debt will be consolidated. came a member of Mr. Laurier's cabmet. The items of settlement will be made known about the end of the

on good authority that the Laurier. government has decided to ask authority from parliament to purchas the Balle des Chaleums railway and extend the line to Gaspe Basin, and road along the south shore from Point the commercial metropolis. Others believe the new government will gularramitee a sufficient bond issue to enable the Atlantic and Lake Superfor Railway Co. to build it them-

selves. Montreal, P. Q., Nov. 18.—Captain Delisle of the steamer Tiber, which sunk the schooner Maggie in St. Johns, Nfld., harbor, on the 6th inst., drowning thirteen persons, was arraigned here today on the charge of manslaughter. The trial was postponed till tomorrow pending the arrival in this city of Chief McGowan of the Newfoundland constabulary.

The St. Lawrence coal trade has now closed and the figures show that Montreal, Sorel, Quebec and Three Rivers took 706,457 tons of Nova Scotia coal, against 636,519 in 1895. The foreign coal, which amounted to 88,000 ment will investigate the charges of tons in 1895, decreased by 2,000 tons. Montreal, Nov. 28.—Friends of Hon. officers of the railway and customs de- Mr. Tarte have been asked why the partment as well as the marine and minister of public works was ever in-Before Hon. Mr. Sifton took the Hon. Mr. Foster declines to say any against W. A. Grender of La Libre discreet enough to take an action

"I will tell you how it happened," with reference to the intended in- said a personal friend of J. Israel. vitation of the Toronto committee You must admit that Tarte is no ter was finally closed before he be- charged with the arrangements of the fool, and would never have gone into International Epworth league to Pre- this law suit had he not been forced ington in a few days to endeavor to sident McKinley to take part in the to do so. It was either crush Grenier

"Well that is easy enough. Sir Oliver Mowat came into the council room in connection with the new induce- term of office, hence the invitation is with a copy of the alleged libel in his hand, and there and then told his Quebec colleague that an explanation would have to be given the public, and if Mr. Tarte was libelled the libeller must be brought to time. Mr. Tarte consulted the premier, with the result Icelland are at present very hard on Zebina Goudey, which was discovered that the minister of public works had the inhabitants. The Manitoba and by the Italian vessel to be in a sink-Grenier arrested and then ran away. Grenier arrested and then ran away

> from Europe, and although not so ill as reported, his grace is pretty feeble. He has not yet spoken on the school

Father Geo. W. Murphy of gold cure fame was arrested yesterday afternoon on a warrant issued on a deposition made by John T. Franklin of 22 Yorkville avenue, Toronto, as already told in the Sun. The complainant alleges that on that date Father Murat ten thousand dollars, customs col- stituted it would swell the deficits of phy came and told him that he had lections at Fort Cudahy and Yukon the department by about three-quar- been instructed by Archbishop Corrigan of New York to erect a gold cure As an evidence of what can be cc- half all told a year. When the United insitute in his diocese. The complainant has since been led to believe that this was false.

> ONTARIO. Amprior, Ont., Nov. 22.-Last night Mrs. Lascoske left her house for a time, and on returning found two of her children, aged one and four years, burned to death. A third child ran from the house and escaped injury. It is not known how the fire originated,

MANITOBA Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 17.—There is yery little doubit that Hon. Clifford Sifton will be returned for Brandon ing what is being done in the states at the former cost of two. It has not by acclamation. Conservatives, as in the way of providing the best style followed that three letters have been well as all other classes, are anxious of construction that Prof. Robertson written. There has been no correstiant Manifolds should be represented in the cabinet and most of them think desire is that whatever may be de- ter writing, thus accounting for the Sufton should be given a fair trial,

annual deficits. The Canadian government, profiting by the experience of the United States, does not propose to make any change in the rates of

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Sifton's resignation as attorney general of Manitoba has been received by Premier Greenway and will be acted upon at a cabinent council meeting

Chiese If immigration next year doon, not work them.

The minimum of the common of the

shape of highwaymen. Monday night seven people were held up on Gran-ville street bridge by a masked man with a revolver and relieved of considerable money. To one person the address and promised to refund the money later. Last night four people were held up in the east end of the town. One man, an Italian, resteted, wrersupon the highwayman fired three times. The first shot missed,

the second just grazed his breast, while the third passed through his arm. The highwayman then ran day on suspiction. It is not thought the two men are the same, as last nights other is reported as being a ball, slim man, while the man on Mon-day night was short and wiry.

cane on Oct. 12, during which she lost her decidious.

Ship J. V. Broop, Capt. Macdonald, from Nawcastle, N. S. W., arrived at Manila Thursdey. This is good news for all interested in her, as several vessels on the same voyage are long overdue.

Sch. Harry, from Hillsboro, N. B., for New York, after making temporary repairs to foremast at Vinevard Haven, proceeded. The brigantine Arbutus arrived at Buence Ayres, Nov. 19th. She was about 30 days out from St. John, and some fears had been entertained as to her safety.

Schagner Waters'de Defore reported ashore at Caneo, floated without damage or discharging oargo.

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