

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

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The Presbyterian Synod will meet in Halifax next year.

The Pictou County Exhibition was opened on Wednesday by Premier Fielding.

About two inches of snow fell at Newcastle, N.B., on Sunday. There was also a slight flurry at Moncton.

The sixth annual Sunday School Convention met at Bridgewater on Tuesday. There was a large attendance.

The last Canadian sealing schooner of the season has returned from Behring Sea to Victoria with \$18,000 worth of skins.

The contract for lighting the streets of Halifax with electricity has been awarded to the Halifax Illuminating and Motor Co.

The Dalhousie College sports, which were to take place to-morrow afternoon on the Wanderers' grounds, are postponed.

The gymnasium of the 63rd Rifles was opened on Monday evening. Sergt.-Inst. Kelly of the military gymnasium has been secured as instructor.

Two tramps who were arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the wrecking of the C. P. R. Train near Anagance, have been released, nothing having been proved against them.

The steamer *Ulanda*, which has been repaired and was ready to leave Westport for Halifax on Wednesday, did not do so on account of a strong wind.

Moose appear to be more plentiful this year than they have been for a long time. Moose hunting is the order of the day with sportsmen who like big game.

In the endeavor to open a trade in horses with the West Indies, the Montreal horse exchange is shipping a number of fine animals to the Island of Martinique.

At a meeting of the cattle shippers and others at Montreal on Friday last it was decided that immediate steps should be taken to facilitate the shipment of cattle to England.

His excellency the Governor General and suite are expected to arrive in Halifax to-day. A guard of honor from the West Riding and P. L. F. will receive the party on arrival.

The Canadian lumber trade with South American ports, which was so flourishing last summer, but fell off greatly in the early part of the present season, has considerably revived.

The Halifax branch of the Irish National League has passed resolutions of condolence on the death of John Boyle O'Reilly, and expressions of sympathy with his wife and family.

Amherst tendered the Governor-General, Lord Stanley, an enthusiastic welcome on Tuesday. The Mayor read an address of welcome, to which Lord Stanley made a suitable reply.

Three hundred cases of eggs were shipped from Montreal to England on Tuesday as an effort to secure a better market than the United States will be now that the McKinlay Tariff Bill is in force.

The Maritime Provinces Amateur Athletic annual games were held at Truro on Saturday last. The attendance was not very good. It was decided in future to hold the annual games in either Halifax or St. John.

Robert Stanford, fashionable tailor, 156 Hollis Street, Halifax, has just issued a neat little booklet containing descriptions of the correct thing in gentlemen's attire. Any man who needs posting on the subject had better consult Mr. Stanford's booklet.

Hon. Donald Ferguson has resigned his position as Commissioner of Public Works and Provincial Secretary of Prince Edward Island, and will be succeeded by Hon. G. W. Bentley. Hugh L. Macdonald has been appointed to the portfolio vacated by Mr. Bentley.

The dam keeping the lake out of the dry dock at Kingston, Ont., gave way on Tuesday, and in a short time the dock filled with water, causing a loss of \$10,000 to the contractor. The accident will necessitate the postponement of the work of construction until next spring.

The concert to be given in the Academy of Music next Friday in aid of that building promises to be very successful. One hundred performers will take part, and the concert will be under the distinguished patronage of His Royal Highness Prince George of Wales and the Governor-General and party.

A man named Frank Armstrong was run over by a train on the Windsor and Annapolis railway on Saturday night. He was literally torn to pieces. The jury's verdict is that Armstrong came to his death while in an intoxicated state, by being run over by a train on the W. and A. R., and freed the train men from all blame. Armstrong was a man of about 40 years of age and supposed to be married.

The *Quebec Chronicle* says:—"The Winnipeg people are hoping that the Grand Trunk will soon be at their doors. In Halifax there is the same desire. Sir Henry Tyler, when visiting the latter city, was interviewed by prominent men who expressed their anxiety that the great trunk line should soon find its eastern terminus at the Nova Scotia Capital. Sir Henry replied that he also looked for this consummation through the completion of the Temiscouata road to Moncton. When the Grand Trunk can run through to Halifax, Sir Henry says Halifax, instead of Portland, will be the winter port for the Allan steamers."

The schooner *Mary Jane* from Charlottetown was wrecked off the north coast of Jourmain Island, near Cape Tormentine on Monday. The crew of the ill-fated vessel clung to the rigging all night, but in the morning when men from the Cape succeeded in reaching the vessel, all had succumbed to the cold and storm, and found a watery grave. The *Mary Jane* was a schooner of 55 tons register, formerly owned by Capt. Thistle of Souris, but sold fifteen months ago to Capt. Button.

The total net debt of Canada on 30th September was \$234,689,000, a decrease during the month of \$1,870,000. The revenue for September was \$1,697,000 in excess of the expenditure. For the first three months of the present fiscal year ended September 30th the total revenue was \$9,828,193 and expenditure on account of consolidated fund \$5,973,096, giving a surplus for the quarter of \$3,836,007, being over half a million dollars in excess of the surplus for the first quarter of the last fiscal year. The expenditure on capital account for the three months ended September 30th was \$1,061,536.

In the trial at Sherbrooke of Remi Lamontagne, charged with the murder of his brother-in-law, Napoleon Michel, an important point has been raised by the refusal of the accused's sister Leda, who was the wife of the murdered man, to testify against her brother. The woman, it will be remembered, was extradited from the United States to be tried for arson, and the understanding was that she was not to be called upon to testify in her brother's case. The defence claim the court is bound to have her tried on the indictment for arson, and that if she is acquitted she will be at liberty to return to the United States.

The jury on the inquest to inquire into the cause of the death of James Bedford returned the following verdict:—"That James Bedford came to his death on Water street, in the city of Halifax, by tripping on a certain plank laid on the sidewalk to cover a hatchway, and in tripping fell through an opening in a fence into a pit or excavation for a cellar, and striking with violence upon a large stone, lying in the said excavation, the said being about eight feet deep, the said James Bedford received a blow on his neck whereby his spine was broken, and from which injury he died on the 5th of October." It is said a suit will be instituted against the city.

The Comte de Paris and suite arrived at New York on Friday last. The McKinley tariff bill was signed by the President on the 1st inst. and went into force on the 6th inst.

It is said that a great tin plate factory is to be established at Baltimore to compete with English manufacturers.

Mrs. Edith Sissions Tupper, who was a short time ago arrested in Montreal on an order from Superintendent of Police Moim of Buffalo, N. Y., has had that officer arrested for illegally arresting her. Mrs. Tupper intends to sue for her detention in Montreal.

An electric railway is to be constructed between Seattle and Tacoma, Wash., a distance of 42 miles. This will be the longest electric road in existence, and its successful and economical operation will go far to demonstrate the feasibility of applying electric motive power to railways of very much greater length.

The general conference of the church of the Latter Day Saints has unanimously adopted a manifesto forbidding in future marriages in violation of the laws of the land. They adopted the original articles of the faith, among which is this: "We believe in being subject to kings, presidents, rulers, magistrates, in obeying, honoring and sustaining the law."

The Dupont Powder Works, about three miles from Wilmington, Delaware, blew up on Tuesday afternoon. Ten men and one woman were killed and seventeen men and three women injured by the explosion. Of the thirty or forty houses comprising the village but little except the stone walls escaped. Three or four hundred people are homeless.

Two Cape Breton men, named William Buckley and John Oakes, registered at the Hampton House, Haymarket Square, Boston, on October 1st. They retired about 11 P. M. The smell of gas was noticed in the corridor about noon the next day, and on breaking in the door Buckley was found dead and Oakes unconscious. They had blown out the gas. Both were laboring men.

Dr. Sherman Follansbee, a druggist, but for the past year practising as a physician, was arrested in Boston on Friday, charged with performing a criminal operation upon Ida Stewart, of Nova Scotia, aged 21. Another physician who was called in found the girl in a very critical condition. She was removed to the city hospital. Maud Stewart, her sister, was arrested as an accessory.

The *Cosmopolitan* for October is a very fine number. A glimpse of Guatemala, by Francis J. A. Darr, is interesting and instructive. Miss Bissland's Flying Trip Around the World is beautifully illustrated and holds the attention of the reader. A Successful Man, by Miss Julien Gordon, is intensely interesting and Miss Dinlet, by Macdougall Buel, is a touching and pathetic little story. The whole number is full of interest. Subscription \$2.40 a year.

Vice-President Webb, of the New York Central, has issued a circular to the heads of the various departments to the effect that no more Knights of Labor shall be employed on that road. The management is satisfied that a membership with the Knights of Labor is inconsistent with a faithful and efficient service to the company, and liable at any time to prevent its proper discharge of duty to the public. The Knights must either give up their membership in the order or leave the road.

The authorities at the largo office, New York, on Wednesday of last week used an immense amount of persuasion on the 202 young Mormons who arrived on the steamer Wyoming, to induce them to forego their intention