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### NEWS OF THE WEEK.

General Sir Wm. O'Grady Haly, Administrator of the Government, accompanied by his son Capt. O'Grady Haly, A. D. C., Mr. H. Moody, private Secretary and Servant, arrived in Ottawa on Thursday evening by the 5 o'clock train from Prescott. He was received at the depot by a guard of honor and band of the Governor General's Foot Guards under the command of Capt. Patrick, who escorted him to the Russel House where rooms were provided for him and suite during their stay the city. Among the many distinguished persons present at the Depot to receive his Excellency were the members of the Cabinet the Hon. Messrs. Blake, Scott, Vail, Burpee and Smith. The Hon. Mr. McKenzie having gone to Prescott in the morning to meet his Excellency and accompany him into town. His Excellency before leaving the depot inspected the Guards and expressed himself pleased with their soldierly appearance and bearing.

On Friday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, his Excellency the Administrator of the Government administered the oath of office to the Hon. Chief Justice Richards, and Mr. Harrison, Q. C.; the former as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court (who will administer the oath of office to the other judges of the Court,) and the latter as Chief Justice of Ontario, in the place of Chief Justice Richards promoted.

His Excellency the Governor General and the Countess of Dufferin sailed from Liverpool on the 7th inst per s. s. *Prussian*.

Preliminary matters for the opening of the Military College at Kingston, are now engaging the attention of the Minister of Militia, who is in daily consultation with Mayor Hewett in preparing the necessary papers.

Thursday, 28th of October, has been named for thanksgiving in Ontario, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

On Friday night last the members of the bar gave a dinner in the Rideau Club to Mr. Justice Patterson, in honour of his first circuit in this section of the country since his elevation to the bench.

The steamship *Standard*, from Middleborough, went ashore at Anticosti during a dense fog. They had to throw overboard 100 tons of cargo, iron rails, before getting her off.

The *Francis* says that negotiations have been opened between England and France for reducing the telegraphic rate between the two countries. For the first time the receipts from the telegraph promise a surplus over the expenditure.

The epizootic is spreading with alarming rapidity in the United States; at Cincinnati alone there are no less than 2,000 members of the equine species affected by the disease.

The *Bien Public* of Ghent, the organ of the Belgian Bishops, praises the French Government for preventing the public sale of Mr. Gladstone's religious pamphlets. It declared them to be "a libel on the Catholic religion," and "a base and abject insult to Pius IX."

The Court-martial to investigate the sinking of the "Vanguard" concluded on the 29th Sept. The Court find that the sinking of the ship was owing to the great speed maintained by the squadron during a fog, and to the Vanguard's improperly reducing her speed and sheering from her course. Capt Dawkins is severely reprimanded and dismissed from command. Lieut. Thomas, Commander Landy, and Engineer Brown are also reprimanded.

The *Army and Navy Gazette* says the Admiralty has ordered a court martial to try the Captain of H. M. steamship *Iron Duke* on account of her collision with the *Vanguard*. It says further that it is rumored that the Admiralty has decided not to court martial Admiral Tartleton, notwithstanding the opinion, of the recent court martial that the primary cause of the *Vanguard* disaster was a high rate of speed maintained by the vessels of the squadron by order of Admiral Tartleton. The *Gazette* says: "This is a most extraordinary decision."

The Cape steamer brings a report that a diamond of 150 carats has been found at Kimberly in the South African diamond fields.

The British Admiralty have suspended the circular of July 30, ordering the surrender of fugitive slaves found on board British vessels.

Servea Pasha has officially proclaimed all the reforms recently promised by the Turkish Government, in regard to the administration of affairs in Bosnia.

Latest advices from Simla state that the King of Barmah has unconditionally agreed to allow the passage of British troops through his dominions, on their way to Yunnan, should another expedition to that country be necessary.

The Secretary of the Peabody Education Fund estimates the amount available for educational purposes at \$95,500.

The Bosnian Insurgents were badly beaten at Kinin on Saturday.

Owing to the ambiguous policy pursued by Serbia the Great Powers have decided to withdraw their guarantee, securing to that Principality certain privileges and immunities, enumerated in the treaty of 1838.

The Mayor of Liverpool gave a banquet in honor of the Earl of Derby, on the 6th inst., at which His Lordship, in replying to a toast, expressed himself quite freely on the Eastern Question. He said the Great Powers were not disposed to assist the insurgents. It would be impolite to concede self government to Herzegovina; judicious reforms might alleviate the discontent, although a radical cure could hardly be expected. Alluding to England's relations with China, he said no further intelligence had been received from Peking. Everyone must deprecate a war, while it could be honourably avoided. It was necessary, however, to insist upon just and moderate demands, and not to shirk our duty, because it was unpleasant. If trouble should arise the fault would not be ours.

A railway train was overhauled between Saragossa and Barcelona Spain by Spanish brigands, and the whole of the passengers robbed—among them seventy officers and men of a United States man of war, who were soon to sail from Barcelona.

The British residents of Guatemala are asking protection from their Government on account of ill treatment experienced by them at the hands of the Guatemalan authorities.

The Emperor of China has issued a decree, directing that negotiations may hereafter be carried on between the heads of Governmental Departments and Foreign Ministers.

Lord Napier, of Magdala, the conqueror of the late King Theodore of Abyssinia, has resigned his commission as Commander-in-Chief of the British Indian Army.

The Alabonians are said to have risen in rebellion against Turkish authority.

The Alfonsoist forts have succeeded in silencing the Carlists batteries which have been bombarding San Sebastian.

Prince Milan accepted the resignation of his Ministry for the purpose of assuring the Great Powers of his pacific intentions.

The semi official journal of St Petersburg advises the Bosnian insurgents to accept the reforms promised by the Turkish Government.

All of Her Majesty's ships in Japanese waters have been ordered to China.

The Ultramontane party has introduced a violent address in the Bavarian Chamber of Deputies, calling for the dismissal of the present Ministry.

Advices from Madrid state that King Alfonso has decided to assume command of the Spanish Army of the North in person.

Mr. Cushing United States Minister at Madrid, has addressed a note relative to the jurisdiction of courts martial over American citizens in Cuba.