

MEN OF THE DAY



HON. JOHN CARLING.

OUR subject this week, the Hon. John Carling, was born in London, Ont., on January 23, 1828. He was a member of the firm of Carling & Co., and director of the Great Western Railway and of the London and Port Stanley Railway. He was returned as member for London in the Canadian Assembly, which seat he held until Confederation. He was Receiver-General of Canada in 1852. In August, '67 he was elected for the Commons and held the seat until the general elections in '74. He was also returned to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario in '67, holding the portfolio of Minister of Public Works and Agriculture, until '71 when the Government was defeated. He was sworn of the Privy Council and was Postmaster-General from May 1882 to September 1885 when he became Minister of Agriculture. He was re-elected to the Commons at the general elections in 1878, 1882, 1887, but was defeated at the last general election for London. He will probably be appointed Lieut.-Governor of Ontario.

WIDE WORLD WIDE WANDER

THE UPPER HOUSE in New Brunswick has been abolished.

NEWFOUNDLAND refuses to allow Canadian fishermen to buy bait, but sell to Americans.

BREMNER is at Ottawa, waiting for the House to meet. When are these claims to be finally settled?

AN EXPLOSION occurred in a nitro-glycerine factory in Petrolia and three men were blown to pieces.

RUSSIA AND AUSTRIA are making warlike preparations. Both nations are concentrating troops on the frontier.

THE HON. JOHN CARLING is soon to retire from the Cabinet and will be appointed Lieut.-Governor of Ontario.

THE LOYALTY of the Ameer of Afghanistan towards Great Britain is suspected. Great excitement exists in India.

EMILE ZOLA has written a new novel "Money," a story of a huge Parisian banking swindle. It is a most powerfully written work.

A MAN in Indiana fell in a swoon and was shockingly mutilated by rats. The detective's theory was, however, that he had been clubbed to death.

PARNELL'S cause is said to be waning; a convention of the National League is to be held shortly, which will virtually be solid against Parnell.

THE CATHOLICS in Eastern Canada prophesy annexation as the result of the Government not disallowing the Manitoba "School" and "French" bills.

A VALUABLE gold mine has been discovered in Marmora. Free gold as big as wheat kernels is sticking out of the rocks, and the vein is 20 feet wide.

THE DEATH of the great showman, Barnum, has been received with universal regret. The verdict of the press throughout the world is that he was a great public benefactor.

A WELL-KNOWN society woman in Connecticut obtained large sums of money by making piteous appeals through the press under a *nom de plume*, and she has been arrested.

JUSTICE STEPHEN, about whose increasing incapacity for the office so much has been written in the English papers, and who summed up so bitterly against Mrs. Maybrick, who was charged with poisoning her husband, has retired from the Bench. The occasion of his retiring was most affecting.