ECHOES OF THE WEEK

Canadian.

Samuel Wilmont, superintendent of fish culture, says the new hatchery at Tadousac is one of the most complete of its kind in existence. It will be utilized principally for the purpose of salmon breeding, and at the present time about 500,000 salmon eggs are in the trays.

At the inquest held on the body of the unknows man found dead on the beach at Chateu Richer on Saturday afternoon it was identified as that of Paul Peloquin, aged 59 years, a patient of Beauport Lunatic asylum, who escaped from that institution on Easter Sunday evening. A verdict of "Found drowned" was returned.

The parish school at St. Jean Chrysostome, county of Levis, has been closed owing to the prevalence of diphtheria.

A habitant who arrived in Quebec from Lake St. John some days ago with six children has cleared out leaving five of them h the police.

Fred. Bennett, aged 26, committeed suicide by hanging himself from a beam in his slaughter house at Belleville, Ont., between 9 and 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning. No cause is known for the rash act.

Col. Amyot's Compulsory Voting bill has been considered by a special committee. Hon. C. H. Tupper, Mr. Flint and Mr. Lariviere refused to recognize the principle of the bill. Finally two clauses were agreed to, first, to make every man without reasonable excuse vote under a penalty of \$10, and, second, that proof of reasonable excuse shall rest with the defendant.

The contract for dredging the shoal in Hamilton harbor has been let to Mr. F. B. McNamee, of Montreal.

It is understood that the quarantine stations, which are now under control of the Department of Agriculture, will be transferred to the Department of Marine and Fisheries, which already has control of the Marine hospital.

Mr. A. W. Ross, M. P., states that as a result of the decision of Parliament not to place binder twine on the free list, a new cordage and twine factory to employ 200 hands will shortly be established at Winnipeg.

Miss Williams, of Guelph, Ont., has instituted legal proceedings against C. F. Whittey, of the staff of the Government Experimental Farm, Ottawa, for alleged breach of promise of marriage, claiming damages to the extent of \$10,000. The lady states that arrangements had been made for the marriage to take place in June next, but it transpired that meanwhile Mr. Whittey became enamored with one of the capital's fair daughters, and on the 24th of March last carried her captive to the shrine of

The Victoria, B. C., members had an interview with the Minister of Marine and Fisheries on Wednesday, and protested against the employment of Chinese cooks on the Government steamer Quadra, Hon. Mr. Tupper promised to enquire into the matter, but wanted to know what the cost of white cooks would be as compared with

Tuesday. Hon. Mr. Justice Rose presiding. and Andrew Young, of North Monaghan, an action for damages for assault. Both parties claimed possession of the Orange Hall-Brealey arrived with a repeating rifle and took possession of the hall last January 18. Defendants took the rifle from him and horsewhipped him substantially. Plaintiff claims that the illness from which he has since suffered was the consequence of the assault, hence the suit. His Lordship bound over all the parties in the case to keep the peace in sureties of \$1,000 each. After an absence of three hours the jury brought in a verdict of \$175 for the plaintiff.

American.

An old man named Truax, residing on a farm near Batavia, N. Y., killed his stepdaughter with an axe because she wanted to go housekeeping on her own account. He afterwards cut his own throat from ear to

A burning cinder cake set fire to the oil house of the Allentown rolling mills on Tuesday night. Workmen in their efforts to extinguish the flames upset a can of dynamite, which exploded, destroying the building. John McFadden was fatally and James McMullen and Jacob Biegely seriously injured.

William Astor died Tuesday night at the Hotel Liverpool, Paris. The cause was heart disease. Mr. Astor was the father of Mrs. J. Coleman Drayton and was greatly worried over the Borrows-Fox-Milbank dynamite. scandal, in which she was involved. Next to his nephew, William Waldorf Astor, and at Edenderry, near Portadown, about ten have their lace curtains taxed up to the richest citizen of America. His wealth was supposed to belong to an Orange lodge in they have got, under their law, the privirecently estimated at between fifty million that vicinity attacked the chapel and lege of charging on every dollar's worth of on a month's whaling trip on July 9th.

which is invested in New York real estate.

In Point Coupee parish, La., on Tuesday a robber entered the store of a wealthy planter named Cotter and demanded \$100 from Cotter. This being refused the robber shot Cotter dead. The robber was immediately overpowered and lynched.

The ferryboat Cincinnati, of the Pennsylvania railroad, while coming into the Cortland street slip went head on against the pier. Four persons were knocked insensible and there was a panic on board. The reaction drove the boat back into the stream, where it lay helpless for 15 minutes. The passengers ran helplessly from side to side ignorant of what was the matter. The captain rang the signals violently, but they were not obeyed. A deck hand ran below and sent back word that the engineer, John Gray, was dead. The captain blew his whistle for assistance. A tug responded and towed the ferryboat into her dock. The injured passengers were cared for. "Plunger" Walton was among the injured. The boat was going at full speed when she ran into the pier. The pier was smashed. The engineer was oiling the machinery when the accident occurred. The piston rod struck him. He was pinned fast and was ground to death in the cylinder head.

Plimner Larvor, a negro of Niagara Falls N. Y., annoyed at the crying of the three year-old child of Henrietta Marshall. colored woman, kicked the bare to death the print of his boot heel being found on the child's forehead. Larvor is in gaol.

Fire broke out shortly before 8 p.m. of Wednesday on the stage of the Grand Central theatre, Philadelphia, and before it was subdued nearly a million dollars' worth of property had been destroyed, including the massive eight storey annex building occupied by the Times newspaper. The panic in the theatre was great. Nearly fifty persons, mostly occupants of the galleries were hurt, none, however, seriously. The Central theatre is located on Walnut street, between Eighth and Ninth, in the most thickly populated portion of the city. Immediately in the rear of the theatre was the Times building, which faced Sanson street. At the theatre "The Devil's Auction" was being presented. The house fortunately was only partlyfilled.

European.

Ravachol and Simon, the Anarchists, were found guilty of the crimes with which they were charged in the indictment and were sentenced to penal servitude for life. The other prisoners were acquitted.

Sir James Joseph Allport, chairman of the Midland Railway company, is dead,

Premier Rudini will accompany King Humbert during the Italian King's coming visit to England.

It has been arranged for King Humbert, of Italy, and the Austrian Emperor to visit Berlin simultaneously.

Henry Irving is very ill. He has partially lost his voice, and since Thursday has not appeared on the stage of the Lyceum theatre. He has gone to Hastings for a

Creamer and White, the young men charged with robbing Dix & Phyfe, bankers, of New York, of \$57,000, and who arrived The Peterboro spring assizes opened on at Copenhagen on the steamer Oakdale, were searched shortly after their arrest. The first case concluded was that of J. J. The police found \$4,000 stitched in the Brealey vs. William Swinton, J. L. Walton lining of their clothes and concealed in the soles of their boots.

At a large meeting of Glasgow ship-owners on Tuesday it was resolved in view of the unprofitable state of trans-Atlantic carrying trade, to reduce the wages of seamen and firemen by ten shillings a month, and the pay of employees of other trades in propor-

A dynamite cartridge was exploded on Tuesday afternoon in the hall of the residence of the Swiss Consul at Debourne, a suburb of Bourdeaux city. No damage was done, but the affair has caused much

The police have arrested twenty-five Anarchists at Roubaix, a large manufactur ing town in the department du Nord.

A band of Socialists attempted to hold a parade in Riggio on Wednesday, They marched along singing the "Workingman's Hymn," and at last they acted so disorderly that the police dispersed them. A slight resistance was made, but the mob soon scattered. Five of the leaders were arrested.

Two girls, Socialists, were arrested at Rotterdam on Tuesday for distributing on the streets copies of a phamplet containing insulting references to the Queen Regent and the young Queen Wilhelmina.

The Government of Belgium is drafting measures to suppress Anarchism. Stringent laws will be adopted regulating the use of

A flagrant outrage was perpetrated lately

and sixty million dollars, the greater part of smashed the doors and windows. The priest | their goods sixty cents more than the goods at the time was officiating at evening ser- are worth at a fair and profitable price, they vice and a volley of stones was thrown are sure to attract attention when they through a window, one of them nearly strik- complain that "wages extorted on account ing a face. An attempt was made to catch the scoundrels, but they escaped, crying unjust to the manufacturer, since it tends to "Down with the Pope" and other ribald depress old and retard new industries."remarks evidently intended to lacerate the feelings of the worshippers. This is not the first time that outrages have been committed at this chapel. On several previous occasions within the past few months windows have been smashed and doors damaged. The trouble is said to have originated in an attack on an Orange procession on the last anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne, the Orangemen having been taken unawares and terribly thrashed by a crowd armed with shillelahs. One of them was captured, it is said, and compelled to drink the Pope's health. This is the one that is suspected of being the leader of the chapel outrages.

Protecting Wages.

Seventeen-twentieth (or more) of our workmen are taxed in order to protect threetwentieths (or less) from the pauper wages of Europe. Who pays the pauper wages, and who pays the wages of our protected workmen! In a profitably conducted business the consumer of an article pays the amount that has gone for wages in its proluction. In protecting our workmen in the woolen mill from the pauper wages of Eucope those who wear woolens pay the wages. re imported woolen goods of the foreign ferable to truck store bondage. value of \$52,681,472 and valued here at \$90,-000,000. Using his statement as a basis for calculating we find that the entire amount of woolens consumed in the United States in 1889 was valued here at \$150,000,000 reduce their employees practically to serf-\$150,000,000 in order that the workmen in woolen mills might receive \$50,000,000.-Brickett's Cobden Pellets.

Plucky Western Women.

Throughout the great west are scattered numbers of women who have grown wealthy as miners, ranchers and homesteaders. They owe success to the fact that they "got ahead of the men" by reason of superior pluck and shrewdness. One of the most conspicuous cases is that of two Los Angelos girls who recently visited Santa Fe and filed upon homesteads they had just located. The land lies on the eastern slope of the Zuni mountains, and in order to reach the place the women had to travel eighteen miles from the railroad station, walking much of the time because of the bad roads, and often wading through two feet of snow. A number of men were waiting at the railroad settlement for the snow to thaw so that they could locate claims, but the women said they had no time to wait, and they waded through the snow. A Michigan syndicate had bought 200,000 acres of railroad land in that region, planned improvements and projected lumber mills, and as the indications were that 300 or 400 people were to found a colony there, the women thought they saw a big future and they put in their homestead claim.

"The Greed of Labor."

The American Carpet and Upholstery Trade is the organ of the Philadelphia carpet trust and of the curtain manufacturers who succeeded in getting Mr. McKinley and his friends to tax lace curtains sixty cents on the dollar for their benefit. These latter gentlemen now have a grievance which is very candidly stated in the current number of their trade organ under the heading, "The Greed of Labor." It appears that they have been importing workmen from England, and that these as well as the Americans employed are beginning to demand wages on the scare of the McKinley prices for their product.

This is considered an outrage. The organ of the corporations says that lacemakers are demanding much more than is paid to the "bright and accomplished young women" who "work in stores like Wannamaker's for five to eight dollars a week," and that "the imported labor has demanded rapid increases." One of the corporation managers, Mr. Joseph Bromley, gives his opinion that "the demands of his helpers are as tounding. Some of his young girls who were getting good wages informed him one day that their work was worth four times what they were getting, and he was compelled to let them go rather than use them at a losing rate. From all of which it is concluded that "when a weaver is drawing more money per week on some special fabric than his or her services could possibly command in any other sphere of life, things are running on an artificial basis."

"Artificial basis" is particularly good from men who have got a law passed to probably Jay Gould, William Astor was the miles from Armagh. Several miscreants price of goods of superior quality. When tions on May Day will be prohibited in Spain.

of the scarcity of certain classes of help is New York World.

Labor Must Fight Its Own Battles.

The failure of what has been known as the 'anti-truck law" to run the gauntlet of the supreme court revives the old issues between employer and employee in regard to the abuses which exist chiefly in mining communities. The law was designed to protect mining and manufacturing operatives from extortion, and to provide that their wages should be paid in lawful money. The supreme court declares the act of the legislature to be unconstitutional because it impairs the right of every citizen to contract and be contracted with.

From the decision there is no further appeal to the courts, and indeed the decision is correct according to established law and precedent, just as the Dred Scott decision was correct, although it virtually announced that the negro had no rights which a white man was bound to respect. But though the "antitruck" enactment was wrong in this sense, it does not follow that the odious practices followed particularly by mining companies toward their employes are right. They are evils against which the miners In 1889 these wages amounted to less than justly complain, and for which an adequate \$50.000,000. Mr. McKinley, in the report remedy must be discovered. Strikes are to hat accompanied his bill, said that in 1889 be deprecated, of course, but they are pre-

It is amazing that among all employers of labor the owners and operators of mines should be the most insolent and brutal in prescribing and enforcing conditions which more than the same goods would be valued hood. Public sentiment might do a great abroad. In other words, we have paid deal to mitigate the outrages which these conditions impose if it could reach the proper channels.

In the absence of any power ou the part of the legislature to interfere, the miners must apparently depend on compact organization among themselves, supported by a vigorous and unmistakable public sentiment wherever it can be aroused to their benefit. -Chicago Herald.

When the Salvation Army Started. 44

The Salvation Army has been in existence thirteen years. It had its origin in a sensational way in the English town of Whitby, in the rough coal mining district of Yorkshire, where General Booth, at that time Rev. Wm. Booth, was doing humble missionary work. England was then in arms, expecting to jump into the Russo-Turkish war. It occurred to Booth that he might attract a crowd by issuing a declaration of war himself, so he prepared one forthwith, sprinkled it plentifully with hallelujahs, and posted 2,000 copies of it about town. The device tickled the British sense of humor, there was a "red-hot," rousing meeting, to quote General Booth, "the penitent fell down in heaps," and the Salvation Army sprang into life full grown.-Exchange.

A Definition.

The difficulty of defining certain very simple words is known to no one better than to he makers of dictionaries. The word Life has bothered definers a great deal; and one lexicographer was unable to do any better, in making his dictionary, than to adopt a schoolboy's definition. What is life? asked the schoolmaster. Being alive, answered the boy; and the lexicographer put it in his dictionary as his formal definition of the word-the state of being alive.

The most elaborate scientific definition of the word does not define it better, bec use men of science do not really know what life is. In a certain text book of science, used in a great college, the definition of the word was the following:

Life is that property residing in an organism by means of which it is enabled to appropriate materials from other organisms and assimilate them to its own structure.

There was in the class which was going over this subject a youth to whom an understanding of this formidable definition was utterly impossible. He was called upon, one day, by the professor, to tell what life

The student struggled hard to recall the definition, which he had laboriously committed to memory. But it had now atterly gone from him. He was not the youth, however, to sit down without making any answer at all, so he boldly said :

Life, professor, is all a fleeting show, He said it so sincerely, and the answer seemed to reflect so faithfully his feelings at the time, that the professor smiled. and

I don't know but that is as good a definition of it as any .- Youth's Companion.

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