

News Summary.

The report that Hon. Mr. Mulock is going to represent Canada at the opening of the Commonwealth parliament in Australia is not correct.

Duncan McDonald, superintendent of the Montreal street railway, has been appointed superintendent of the General Traction Co., of Paris, France.

Geo. Kendall, who celebrated his one hundredth birthday on the 25th of last April, was found dead in his bed at Fairfield, Me., on Friday.

The big shoe firm of J. D. King & Co., Toronto, who have fought unionism for several years, have capitulated. The factory hereafter will be a strictly union.

Lieut. Col. Hudson, of C. battery, cables from South Africa that his force would sail for home direct on December 1. The battery was expected to have returned via England.

Hon. Mr. Dobell, who is on his way to Europe, will be asked to represent Canada at the inauguration ceremonies of the Australian commonwealth on New Year's day.

The new steamer Fife, one of Mr. Reid's fleet of eight mail boats running in coastal service, was lost in the Straits of Belleisle Sunday during a dense fog. The vessel was worth \$100,000. No lives were lost.

The agreement under which the Canada Cycle Company has acquired the controlling interest in the National Cycle Company was ratified at a meeting of the former company's share-holders in Toronto on Thursday.

Alfred Harmsworth, the owner of several English papers, and his wife are to visit America before Christmas. It is said that Mr. Harmsworth contemplates the starting of a duplicate of the London Daily Mail in New York.

At the Old Bailey, London, on Thursday F. F. Hodgkinson, a former British vice-consul at Bremer Haven, was sentenced to eighteen months' penal servitude for trying to sell a foreign office code book to an agent of a foreign power.

Bishop Charles H. Fowler, of Buffalo, speaking recently before the general missionary committee of the Methodist church said: "The three greatest events in Christian history are the labors of St. Paul, the firing on Fort Sumter and the blowing up of the Maine."

The first volume of a series of supplementary reading books has been issued by A. & W. MacKinlay of Halifax, N. S. They will be in cheap form and, will it is believed supply a real want in many homes when reading suitable to children's needs is scanty. The publishers have thought it best to begin with a set of very simple selections suitable for young children. Fables and fairy tales, which have long fascinated children of every class and nation have been largely drawn upon. Future volumes will contain legends and stories from Canadian and British history, stories of plants and animals and of many other things that appeal to children's minds. The series is entitled Classics for Canadian Children, and judging by the initial volume, these little books should be very popular with the little people.

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