

THE WORLD OVER.

The Week's News in a Nutshell

Interesting Condensations by Wire and Mail.

The Maine House has refused to concur with the Senate, and has indefinitely postponed the resolution expressive of sympathy with Ireland.

A bill making the keeping of a gambling house a felony punishable by two, three, or five years' penitentiary, passed the Missouri House on Friday.

John Gordon, of the fifth concession, London Township, has a museum of eighteen hundred birds, among which are some very rare specimens.

Twenty-eight seizures have been made on the New Brunswick and Maine border by St. John detectives. They say that smuggling operations are very extensive.

Canon Farrar, of Westminster, says: "I claim the fullest right to speak with the authority of knowledge, that 'neither hell nor damnation ought to stand any longer in our English Bibles.'"

PASSED AWAY.—We regret to notice that a former Clintonin, and one who has property here now, Mr. Thomas Rich, died at his home in the town of Waterloo, on Thursday, 3rd inst., in the 78th year of his age.

A special meeting of the St. Catharines City Council was held yesterday morning for the purpose of taking joint action with the city of Kingston to oppose the proposed action of the Legislature of Ontario to abolish market fees.

Stephen Wesley, an old man of sixty, was nearly crushed to death in Chatham township Feb. 22nd, by a falling tree. Besides internal injuries, his thigh bone was broken, and his foot and leg, nearly to the calf, was crushed almost to a jelly.

A member of the Quebec Legislature has received a letter from a constituent requesting the assistance of the Government on his numerous family. The applicant states that he has twenty children, six couples of whom are twins.

Four art students at Munich were burnt to death at a masked ball on Friday, and eight seriously injured. One of the number accidentally set fire to his costume while lighting a cigar, and in his terror rushed into a crowd of his comrades, igniting their dresses.

Body-snatching seems to be carried on to some extent in Montreal. While the detectives were searching the dissecting room of one of the colleges for the remains of Mrs. Gandrea, of St. Timothee, they found remnants of the body of a woman named Louise Fournier, from the same village.

Nearly all the colored people in the neighborhood of Pleasant Gap, Va., are joining a newly-organized league, the constitution of which forbids its members from hiring themselves as laborers to white farmers. The object of the organization is to force all the land-owners to work their lands on shares with the colored people.

The wife of a late resident of London West, named Goldie, who with her family removed to Syracuse, N. Y., fell into a trance a few days ago and remained therein for forty-eight hours. Being supposed dead, all preparations were made for the funeral, when she gave signs of life.

Hanlan, writing from the steamer at Queenstown to the Sportsman, says: "In a moment of irritation I wrote hard things about my old friend David Ward, and I am very sorry I did so, and earnestly desire that Ward may be the first whom I shall shake by the hand on my arrival. I now see that I have been misled by false reports concerning him."

About three weeks ago a young man named Enoch Shantz, aged nineteen, suddenly disappeared while working at the saw and door mill of Trux & Co., Walkerton. It was supposed he had run away, but Monday afternoon his body was found in the yard of the mill under a pile of slabs. He was freeman at the mill, and seems to have gone to the slab pile for wood when it fell on him.

A New Jersey sportsman has been shooting and had killed several birds. He sent his dog to fetch them. As he approached with one of the birds his master took a few steps forward, and catching his foot in a grapevine, fell forward upon his gun, which was discharged, the entire contents lodged in the dog. The animal continued to advance, dropped the bird at his master's feet, licked his hand, and looking up into his face affectionately, dropped dead.

Mr. Hartmann sends to the Paris *Intertransigent* a deplorable account of the famine in Russia. In the villages, as he relates, people die of hunger every day, and men rob and pillage the sole object of being immured in prison, where at least they are fed at the expense of the State. In the extreme East a band of Kirghis and Kalmucks attack towns and villages with impunity, and massacre the inhabitants in order to obtain the provisions. The Bashkirs sell their children for small quantities of flour, and the Kalmucks dig up the bones of horses that died last year of plague and grind them into cakes. The villages are entirely deserted, and the men and women have fled to the cities or to Siberia, abandoning to their rightful fate the old men and the nurseries.

A terrible experience, almost unique in military annals, is recorded by a correspondent at the Cape of Good Hope in connection with the march of the Diamond Field Hgrs to the scene of operations in Basutoland. The men had outspanned for breakfast, when a heavy thunder storm suddenly burst over them so severe in its effects that they were forced to abandon their attempt to procure a meal, and remounted in the hope of riding out of the storm. Towards three in the afternoon, however, it broke upon them with increased violence, the rain falling apparently in sheets and the flashes of lightning appearing continuous. At last a flash struck the troop, felling 17 horses with their riders to the ground, and killing 10 men and 5 horses on the spot. Those who were not killed were all seriously injured, and it was long before animation could be restored in the case of seven of the men. The bits and stirrups of the whole number were blackened, and many of the men, though personally unharmed, and had their clothing rent by force of the electric discharge.

The personal property of George Eliot amounts to \$240,000. It has been left for the most part to members of the Lewes family. Her husband, Mr. Cross, is hard at work preparing a biography of the gifted author.

Book Notices.

THE LONDON QUARTERLY REVIEW, reprinted by the Leonard Scott Publishing Co., 41 Barclay St., New York.

The January number of the "Quarterly" contains two biographical notices. That of "Lord Campbell," which is very entertaining and filled with quotations, tells of a life not remarkably brilliant but illustrative of what can be accomplished by energy, industry, and shrewdness. "Lord Brougham in Exile" begins with his career after the death of Queen Anne, the portion proceeding that time having been discussed in a previous number. The object of "California Society" is to "bring together a few facts and considerations for the student of Sociology," which is done very interestingly. Whether there is any sufficient basis on which religious belief can rest, and "the legal position of the question between the Ritualists and the Church of England" are ably discussed and explained under the headings "Belief and Unbelief" and "The Ritualists and the Law." "Endymion" and "A History of our Own Times" are already familiar to us. The article on the former is, however, not so much a review of the work as a tribute to the author. Other articles are on "The Protection of Women in Public Service" in various European countries, and "The Truth about Ireland."

Meteorological Report.

Report of the weather for the week ending Saturday, 19th Feb.

Feb. 13th.—Wind at 10 p.m. North-west, brisk gale, partly clear. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 975. Snow flurries during the day, ceased at 3 p.m., 14 inches fell.

Feb. 14th.—Wind at 10 p.m. South, light, clear. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 319.

Feb. 15th.—Wind at 10 p.m. South-east, light, cloudy. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 236.

Feb. 16th.—Wind at 10 p.m. West, light, cloudy. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 235. Ceased snowing at 5.30 p.m., 1 inch of snow fell.

Feb. 17th.—Wind at 10 p.m. South-east, fresh, cloudy. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 591.

Feb. 18th.—Wind at 10 p.m. North, light, cloudy. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 351. Ceased snowing at 4 p.m., 34 inches fell.

Feb. 19th.—Wind at 10 p.m. South, light, air clear. Number of miles wind travelled in 24 hours 273.

G. N. MACDONALD, Observer. Goderich, Feb. 21, 1881.

The McGillivray Suicide.

LONDON, Feb. 21st.—Frank Neil, a thriving farmer on the 10th concession of McGillivray, about five months ago married a daughter of Mr. Moses Maxwell. They lived on the same farm as Mr. Neil, Sr., but in a separate house. The young couple got on very well, and apparently lived happily together, going to church regularly every Sunday, and likewise to Sabbath school, of which young Mr. Neil, only twenty-three years of age, was librarian. They were both members in good standing of the Methodist Church at Salem. A short time ago it was noticed by some of the neighbors that young Neil looked depressed and dejected, and was apparently brooding over something of a disagreeable nature. It has since turned out that he had some slight misunderstanding with his father about money matters, yet there was nothing open or violent in their relations, only the young man fell into a fit of melancholy. A week ago last Friday his wife said she would go across to his father's, a few rods away, for some yeast. He told her then to bring his father back with her. After the woman left the house Frank sat down at the table and wrote the following in a pass-book which he had been using as a diary:—"I now take my pen in hand to let you know I have killed myself, and I leave you all that is in the house." There was no signature to the document, and after the word "you" there was a blank, which it is supposed the misguided young man intended to fill up with his wife's name, but through nervousness or emotion he failed to accomplish it. In another part of the pass-book he refers to the unpleasant relations between himself and his father, who, he seems to think, had been harsh with him. After writing he rose up and took a razor from the top of the bureau, and deliberately cut a fearful gash across his throat. He evidently did not succeed in cutting either the windpipe or jugular vein at the first stroke, and gashed himself again and again till he had cut his head nearly half off. Just as he fell down in a pool of his own blood his father and wife entered the door and gazed on the horrible scene, from which the shrieking wife fled, holding her apron over her eyes in order to shut out the terrible vision of her dying husband, who with distorted and blood-dabbled features lay on the floor gasping his last breath. It is now rumoured among the neighbors that there is some mystery about the affair. The deceased kept it, it appears, another pass-book in which he usually kept his accounts. This book is reported missing. The financial difficulty between Frank and his father is said to have amounted to an item of only \$40. There are many in the neighborhood who are of opinion there should have been an inquest held. Deceased was a tall, slender youth of fully six feet two in height, was very temperate in his habits, and bore a good character.

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THE DURHAM CHRONICLE says:—James Ashdown, said to be the richest man in Winnipeg—worth at least \$500,000—was in the spring of 1868, about thirteen years since, in the employ of A. & J. Cochrane, of Durham, as a journeyman tinsmith, at one dollar a day wages.

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Dead Cattle in the West.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—A correspondent sent out to investigate the effects of the hard winter on the cattle in the great grazing regions, telegraphs from Kansas City that owing to the vast expanse of the beef empire in which the herds roam it is impossible to gain reliable news. Intelligence from the ranches of the North Platte River between the towns on that river and Sydney, Neb., and northward for 150 miles from the Niobrara ranges extending 200 miles along the valley of the Niobrara and running over into Dakota from the great grazing ground in north-eastern and central Colorado, from north-eastern New Mexico and south-western Kansas, indicates great probable losses, while the gravest fears are entertained that the thickly populated pasture lands of Montana, Idaho, and Oregon may be strewn with carcasses by the time the spring opens. William Parton, a member of the Nebraska Legislature from Omaha, reports that he will lose from five to seven thousand of his fifteen thousand head on the North Platte, entailing a loss of \$100,000 to \$125,000. J. N. McShane, another member, anticipates a loss of 30 per cent. in the Creighton herds of 30,000 head. Cattle men no longer try to conceal the fact that at best the season of 1881 will be disastrous. Cows will be so weakened by exposure and starvation that they will be barren for a year, if not longer. The estimated loss on the various ranges runs all the way from ten to seventy-five per cent.

Courtship and Marriage.

This is a year before marriage. He is making her a call. He is at the front door ringing for her. There are his boots, newly blacked, collar spotless, his form ditto outside, his gloves drawn on for the first time, his hair newly parted and oiled, his face newly shaved; his heart palpitates for her; he fears she may be out, or that some other fellow may be there with her. The door opens. She is there and alone. He is happy. This is a year before marriage. He is ringing at the door. His face is unshaved, his collar is much worn, his boots unblackened, hair unbrushed. He rings again in exactly ten seconds. He gives the bell a sharp petulant pull. He is thinking of her. He is grumbling that she doesn't answer sooner. He has not all day been thinking of her. He has gone further, maybe, and fared worse. Now she opens it. He rushes past and remarks, "Takes you forever to answer that bell." His unbrushed shoes sound sullen as he ascends the stairs. She follows meekly after. He thrashes into the room and around the house, and sings out, "Isn't dinner ready yet?" She bids him be patient for a moment. But he won't. Because dinner isn't ready within one minute after he gets home. Because this is one year after marriage. Because the bloom is off the rye, the down rubbed from the peach, and various other considerations. Because it's the way of the world, of men, of matrimony. O, Tempora! O, Mores! O, Matrimony!—[New York Graphic.

Newspaper Laws.

We call the special attention of postmasters and subscribers to the following synopsis of the newspaper laws: 1. A postmaster is required to give notice by letter (returning a paper does not answer the law) when a subscriber does not take his paper out of the office, and state the reason for its not being taken. Any neglect to do so makes the postmaster responsible to the publishers for payment. 2. If any person orders his paper discontinued, he must pay all arrearages, or the publisher may continue to send it until payment is made, and collect the whole amount, whether it be taken from the office or not. There can be no legal discontinuance until the payment is made. 3. Any person who takes a paper from the post-office, whether directed to his name or another, or whether he has subscribed or not, is responsible for the pay. 4. If a subscriber orders his paper to be stopped at a certain time, and the publisher continues to send, the subscriber is bound to pay for it if he takes it out of the post-office. This proceeds upon the ground that a man must pay for what he uses. 5. The courts have decided that refusing to take a newspaper and periodicals from the post-office, or removing and leaving them uncalled for, is *prima facie* evidence of intentional fraud.

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