

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

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The summer school of science opened its session at Parisboro' on Monday.

The sale of the late Lieut.-Governor's horses, carriages, etc., took place on Friday last.

Yesterday was election day in Monmorency, Quebec. We have not yet received the returns.

The West Riding regiment is ordered to leave Halifax on August 10th in the troopship *Tamar*.

Mr. F. H. Eaton, M.A., of Truro, has been nominated Alumni Professor of Physics for Acadia College.

There is a commotion among liquor dealers in St. John. Fifteen of them were fined \$20 each on Friday last.

Adam Brown, M.P., of Hamilton, has been appointed honorary commissioner for Canada to the Jamaica Exposition.

The motion to borrow \$40,000 more for the people's ferry in Dartmouth was carried on Tuesday evening by a vote of 86 to 6.

It is stated that Thomas Munro will likely be appointed to succeed the late John Page as chief engineer of government canals.

Peter Day, head blacksmith at the dockyard, was drowned in Bedford Basin on Saturday last. He leaves a widow and children.

The big piano and organ manufactory of W. Bell & Co., Guelph, Ont., has been sold to a company of English capitalists for \$750,000.

Mrs. E. Scott Siddons and her adopted son, Mr. Waller, the musician, are in Charlottetown, the guests of Lieut. Governor and Mrs. Carvell.

A fire occurred in St. James' billiard hall, Hollis St., Halifax, last Friday morning. About \$500 will cover the damage, which was chiefly by water.

A Gloucester fishing schooner was nearly captured by the cruiser *Stanley* in the vicinity of Bay Chaleur last week. She left her nets behind her.

This is the 302nd anniversary of the defeat of the Spanish Armada. To-morrow will be the 132nd anniversary of the taking of Louisbourg by the British.

The Right Rev. C. H. Kingdon, bishop co-adjutor of the diocese of New Brunswick, was married on Tuesday to Mrs. Marsh. The wedding was very quiet.

A girl named Beauchamp, who had been kept in the Longue Point Insane Asylum for eight years, has been released, it being proved that she never was insane.

Twenty protests in connection with the recent Ontario elections have now been filed. The last two are against the return of the members elect for Kingston and North Bruce.

A terrible fire occurred at St. Roch's, Quebec, one day last week, by which five persons lost their lives. The fire started in a saloon, and there are more than suspicions of incendiarism.

The Moncton water works and fire service were inspected and tested on Friday last by Engineer Keating, of Halifax, and the board of insurance underwriters of St. John. The test was very satisfactory.

A man of sixty years of age is walking from Halifax to British Columbia. He is now beyond Winnipeg, and it is probable he will know more about the country than if he had gone by train.

Ross Robertson, of Toronto, has been elected Grand Master of Freemasons for Canada, and Hon. J. M. Gibson, of Hamilton, deputy grand master. The grand lodge will meet in Toronto next year.

The *Windsor Tribune* says: "A Windsor syndicate has purchased a piece of land at Blue Beach, Kings, it is rumoured, with the intention of erecting a large summer hotel. We wish the movement success."

The Sisal hemp fibre industry of the Bahama Islands is arousing considerable interest in Halifax. Sir Ambrose Shea, governor of the islands, has been instrumental in starting and bringing this industry up to its present proportions.

Stavelly Hill, M.P., who was sent from England to look into the Behring sea trouble, and who is at present in Winnipeg, says the difficulties will be settled by arbitration, but that England will take a firm stand to see that Canadian rights are maintained.

The customs department at Ottawa are in receipt of information to the effect that the inhabitants of the French islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon are again engaged in the smuggling of whiskey to Canada. The officials of the department are on the alert.

A Montreal despatch of the 16th says: There was great jubilation in Canadian Pacific circles this morning, over the announcement that the supreme court of the United States had confirmed their right to terminal facilities in Chicago. This is regarded as a marked victory for the big road.

The Government steamer *Newfield* brought forty five ponies from Sable Island last Saturday. Capt. Guilford found the Island very much changed since his last visit. The western end is being rapidly washed away, and the bar is making to the north. There have been no wrecks during the past twelve months. Captain Guilford is of the opinion that the carrier pigeon service will solve the problem of how news of disasters occurring at the Island can be forwarded to the mainland.

Following close upon the Crowar case comes the accusation of Robert G. Saunders, teller of the Bank of Nova Scotia, at Woodstock, N. B., for larceny of \$4,000 of the bank's funds. The case has been remanded until Saturday. It is stated that the bank has got back the money, and do not desire to prosecute.

Many of our country exchanges are laboring under a mistake in thinking that the Halifax Street Railway is about to be abandoned, and a return made to the old-fashioned busses. On the contrary the Street Railway is prospering well, and the service is to be extended before long. Halifax could not possibly do without the street railway.

We have received the regulations and premium list of Canada's International Fair, to be held at St. John, N. B., from September 24th to October 4th. Persons in want of information on the subject should apply to Ira Cornwall, Sec. Exhibition Association. We beg to demur to the statement made in the pamphlet, that St. John "is the only port on the North American continent's eastern coast line between Hatteras and Labrador that is free from ice during the winter months." Halifax harbor has not been troubled with ice for many years.

The latest issue of the *Dominion Illustrated* is in variety of subject and in quality of artistic treatment one of the best yet published. The number is rich in portraits. Old Nor'westers will prize the fine likeness of Sir George Simpson, now thirty years in his grave, but once the ruler of a sovereignty almost as large as Europe. With regret his many friends will recognize the portrait of the late Mr. John Page, C. E., whose sudden death gave a shock to the whole community. The number is largely devoted to yachting on Lake St. Louis, to lumbering, and to the "Monument National" Celebration in Schuer Park, Montreal—a gay scene, made charming by clusters of beauty. One of Hom's pictures serves as frontispiece. Address: *Dominion Illustrated*, 73 St. James St., Montreal.

The *St. John Educational Review* announces that Principal Cameron, of Yarmouth, astronomical editor of the *Review*, was elected a member of the "Astronomical Society of the Pacific" at the meeting of its directors held at the Lick Observatory on May 31st last. At the same meeting other members widely known to the astronomical world were elected, such as Dr. Gill, Astronomer Royal at the Cape of Good Hope; Prof. Prichett, of Washington University, St. Louis; and Dr. Khol, of Denmark. The Astronomical Society of the Pacific was founded in February, 1888, stimulated into existence by the great Lick Observatory, perhaps the most remarkable in the world. Those who have assisted in supporting the *Review* must have no small satisfaction in seeing that in their department of science at least it is winning not only a high character for itself, but no mean credit for our country.

North Dakota experienced another destructive cyclone on Tuesday.

The Western Union Telegraph building, New York, was burned down on Friday last. The offices of the Associated Press were wiped out and all telegraph work had to be suspended.

Some places in the United States are suffering from a plague of moth flies, or as they are called, electric light bugs. So dense were they that they covered the pavements and people slipped down on them.

Dr. Peters has left Zanzibar for Europe.

Gottfried Keller, the Swiss poet, is dead.

Canadian riflemen have been doing well at Bisley.

The Queen dowager of Kona died on July 4th. She was 83 years of age.

Wilson (Liberal) has been returned to parliament for Middle Durham by 2,000 majority.

The Bulgarian Government has adopted quarantine measures against arrivals from Spain.

A plot to overthrow the government of the Argentine Republic has been discovered. Buenos Ayres is much agitated in consequence.

The Grand Duchess Xenia, eldest daughter of the Czar, will marry the Grand Duke Alexander Michailovitch, her second cousin. It is a love match.

The Japanese elections took place on July 1st. Returns are not complete, but it is understood that 39 Government, 33 Opposition, 18 Independent and 2 doubtful candidates have been elected. This is the first election under the new constitution.

July 18th, the anniversary of the death of Juarez, was celebrated throughout Mexico. General Diaz and all the ministers visited the grave, reviewed a military procession and listened to speeches. The State of Chiapas has a sufficient number of men who can be marshalled to attack Guatemala in case of necessity without appealing for help but the authorities believe there is no necessity for forces there.

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