

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

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The training squadron has returned to England.

The Truro felt hat factory is now in the market.

The city schools closed on Friday, last for the summer vacation.

Sir John Thompson expects to leave for England about the first of August.

Smallpox is epidemic in Victoria B. C. Over 40 cases were reported on Monday.

The *Canadian* says the influx of summer tourists to Digby is daily increasing.

The Steel Company at Trenton is busy rolling extra heavy fish plate for the C. P. R.

The trial of Private Smith on the charge of assaulting jeweller Lepine is fixed for to-day.

A "centre" of the St. John Ambulance Association will be established in Sydney, C. B.

Mr. E. H. Keating, our late city engineer, has accepted the position of city engineer of Toronto.

Mr. Hodge contributed the gross receipts of his Kandy Kitchen on Wednesday to the St. John's relief fund.

McAlpine's City Directory, an indispensable article in any business establishment, has been issued for 1892-93.

A new cigar factory is to be established in Halifax, and it is expected will commence operations about August first.

The loss of the insurance companies in the late fire in Newfoundland is estimated at about four and a quarter million dollars.

The painting of the interior of the Garrison Church will be commenced on Monday next, and services will not be held for six weeks.

At time of going to press the Halifax contribution to the St. John's Relief Fund amounted to about \$20,000 in cash and supplies.

The Nova Scotia Methodist Camp meeting will be held at Berwick Grove this season, commencing on August 4th and closing on the 10th.

Ex Mayor McPherson is to be presented with an embossed copy of the resolution of council adopted at the expiration of his term of office.

The annual tournament of the Maritime Provinces Lawn Tennis Association is to be held on the Wanderers grounds on August 9, 10th, and 11th.

A concert was held in the Gardens last evening to raise funds for the relief of St. John's sufferers. Music was furnished by the Leicestershire and city bands.

The fishermen of Bass River are reaping an enormous harvest of shad this year. The weirs are taking up to four thousand at a tide, and the boats are doing well.

The Irish literary and benevolent society of St. John N. B. raised \$270 for the nationalist cause, and on Monday wired the amount to the leaders of the McCarthy party.

Cardinal Gibbons is expected to arrive in N.S. Halifax this evening, and will spend some time in Nova Scotia. His eminence will be the guest of Archbishop O'Brien.

The Baptist ministerial and missionary conference for Annapolis County met on Tuesday. The county propose raising the sum of \$500 for the Carey memorial fund.

It is probable that the money raised in Ottawa for the victims of the Springhill mines disaster last year, but never forwarded, will be sent to St. John's, Newfoundland.

Argument on the question regarding the placing of telephone poles in front of St. Mary's Cathedral and glebe property will be heard in the Supreme Court to-day.

Sir John Thompson's new criminal code makes the buyer of a lottery ticket liable to a fine of \$20 for each offence, and limits the prizes at church fairs to the value of \$50.

Dr. Arthur G. Reid of this city has been unanimously elected Superintendent of Tottenham hospital and dispensary in England. There were ninety applicants for the position.

In the Arena for May, Miss Willard says that three million women in the United States earn their own living, 4,400 different occupations are open to them and 40,000 girls are studying in colleges.

A disastrous fire occurred at Amherst on Saturday evening. The wood-working factory of the Messrs. Curran Bros. was completely demolished with all its contents. Loss about \$50,000. Insurance \$1000.

Captain J. W. Lawlor, of Chelsea, Mass., sailed on Monday afternoon from Port Ellen in his little boat, which only weighs 75 pounds, bound for Queenstown, Ireland, where he expects to land about the last of next month.

Arrangements for the annual Temperance Camp to be held in Hamilton, Ontario, during the week beginning August 14th are rapidly being completed. The outline of the programme for the week given in the *Templar* of 8th inst. promises many attractions for those whose hearts are in the temperance work, and the meetings will doubtless be pleasant and profitable to the thousands who will pitch their tents in Woodland Park of Hamilton.

Hood's Pills cure Constipation by restoring the peristaltic action of the alimentary canal. They are the best family cathartic.

Papal honors have been bestowed upon Rev. Canon Carmody, who is raised to rank as among the private chamberlains of the Pope, which entitles him to wear the purple. Also upon Rev. E. F. Murphy, who has been created a doctor of sacred theology.

The convention of the Dominion Educational Association closed on Friday last. Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education for Ontario, was elected President, and Dr. McKay, Superintendent of Education for Nova Scotia, was chosen one of the vice-presidents.

Four empty freight cars left the rails in Dartmouth near Mount Hope on Wednesday and, coming in contact with a cow on the track, one of them took a tumble over a embankment twenty feet high and rolled into the harbor. No one seriously injured except the cow.

Mr. R. G. Haliburton, Q. C., son of Judge Haliburton, of Nova Scotia, the celebrated author of Sam Slick, and brother of Sir Arthur Haliburton, under-secretary of state for war, was in Ottawa last week. He has been in Egypt and the east during the last few years.

The police committee have arrived at an important conclusion, viz:— In future, when an officer of the force shall be found guilty of intoxication, whether it is the first offence or not, the penalty shall be immediate dismissal. No option will be open to the committee.

The board of fire commissioners met on Wednesday afternoon. Considerable discussion took place as to which of the tenders for the new engine should be accepted. As one of the commissioners wanted more information and more time to consider the matter a decision was not reached. The council will probably decide the question at its next meeting.

The Orangemen of Nova Scotia celebrated the twelfth of July at Springhill royally. Fully fifteen hundred Orangemen, representing lodges of Springhill, Thompson, Westville, Apple River, Maccan, Parrsboro, Wentworth, Truro and Shubenacadie, participated in the festivities. The corner stone of a new four thousand dollar hall was laid with imposing ceremonies. Everything was quiet and orderly and good feeling prevailed. Moncton also held an immense demonstration on Tuesday. The N. B. lodges were well represented and it is said the railway town had a larger number of visitors than ever.

In order to stimulate American composition, *The Ladies' Home Journal* has just made public an attractive series of liberal prizes for the best original musical composition by composers resident in the United States and Canada. The prizes call for a waltz, a piano composition, a pleasing ballad and a popular song, an anthem and the four best hymn tunes. The competition is open until November 1st, next. The opportunity has an additional attractiveness since the prize compositions will form part of a series for which Strauss is writing an original waltz, and Charles Gounod and Sir Arthur Sullivan each an original song.

A most disastrous fire broke out in the City of St. John's, Newfoundland, on Friday morning. Its origin was in a small wooden barn on Long's Hill, where a man after lighting a pipe carelessly threw the match still burning into some straw lying near by. Long's Hill runs through the heart of the city to water side. The water supply was inefficient at the heights where the fire originated, and there was nothing effectual to stay the furious progress of the roaring elements. The high wind carried live embers in all directions, and soon a score of conflagrations were spreading destruction. Threatening flames swept toward the harbor licking up everything in their path, including the Methodist College, the Masonic Temple, Gower Street Methodist Church, the majestic cathedral of the English Church—one of the finest places of worship on the Continent—the Orange hall, the palace of Bishop Jones, the St. Patrick's hall and Christian Brothers' schools, the convent, the Supreme Court house and police headquarters, Government offices, Government Savings Bank, the Atheneum, the Commercial Bank and the Presbyterian Church. The whole centre of the city is one smoldering mass of ruins. Not a building is left standing in the path of the devouring element down to Water Street, where the great stores, factories, fish warehouses and wharves, soon yielded ready victims to the roaring elements. The loss is something appalling, and some 15,000 people are homeless and about 5,000 are destitute. It is thought that not less than \$20,000,000 will cover the financial losses. It is said that several people have become insane in consequence of the terrible shock from the fire. A heavy rain ended all danger from forest fires. Halifax with commendable promptness responded to the cry for help, and within twenty-four hours after the news of the disaster reached the city the *Ulunda* was on her way to the stricken colony carrying \$4,000 worth of provisions. Since then the towns of the Province have come to the fore with handsome contributions. Our citizens have started a substantial subscription list, and in addition to liberal contributions of clothing and food materials large sums of money have been handed in. H. M. S. *Blake* sailed on Saturday for St. John's carrying a goodly portion of stores. All Canada is full of sympathy for the afflicted ones, and will show their sincerity in a practical manner.

Between 35,000 and 40,000 Christian Endeavorers attended the convention in New York last week. The membership of this great organization, established in 1831, now numbers about one million and a half. There being no building in New York large enough to accommodate all the delegates at once, meetings were held in a number of places at the same time.

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