

A son of Judge Taylor, of Chillicothe, O., who has squandered an inheritance of \$40,000, died a tramp the other day in Cincinnati after drinking two pints of whisky.

Annual mineral product of the United States \$76,000,000, annual liquor bill 78,000,000. More money spent for tobacco than for flour in the United States.

There was not a protestant meeting in town last Sunday, although there are six churches here. We saw a number of saloons open, however. The devil keeps right on about his business, whether the churches do or not. One would think he would enjoy a vacation of a week or two at some fresh water lake resort, but there is no evidence that he has ever taken one since he was kicked over the battlements thousands of years ago.—*Dansville Advertiser*.

Dr. Reynolds, the eminent Temperance evangelist, says the hardest men he has to deal with are those under twenty-five, who drink beer and have no realization of the terrible appetite they are cultivating.

Mrs. Emma. Molloy, of Elgin Ill., an able platform speaker, taking an active part in the Ohio campaign, in a late speech stated that the saloons of the country, if thirty feet were allowed for each one, placed side by side in one long avenue, would form a street 265 miles in length, eighty-seven and a half miles of which would be made out of drinking places in Ohio. From this avenue issued every year a column of 5,000,000 moderate drinkers and 530,000 confirmed drunkards. She told of one man who at the death-bed of his little daughter swore never to touch another drop, an oath he meant to keep, but he was forced to pass by seventeen licensed places on his way to business and he gave in to the great temptation. It is not much wonder that Ohio is crying out for reform.

In an equal number of abstainers and of moderate drinkers between 15 and 20 years of age, 18 of the latter die for 10 of the former. Between 20 and 30 years 31 to 10, and between 30 and 40 years of age 40 to 10 is the proportion of moderate drinkers and abstainers who die. In this mathematical statement drunkards are not included. At 20 years of age and abstainer has an average life of 44 years longer, a moderate drinker 15½ years.

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## General News.

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### CANADIAN.

The Toronto Exhibition is fairly under way, and is proving all that its managers anticipated. Owing to the unfavorable weather the show of agricultural products is not up to the average, but other things are far ahead of any previous year's exhibit. The Governor-General formally opened the Exhibition on Tuesday. He is now paying his farewell visit to this city, and is accompanied by the Princess Louise and Prince George of Wales.

The details of the Methodist Union are being rapidly worked out by the Conference still in session at Belleville. Rev. Dr. Rice and Rev. Dr. Carman have been elected General Superintendents. The name of the new organization is "The Methodist Church."

A large factory for the production of mechanical rubber goods is about to be erected in Parkdale.

The London Junction Railway is vigorously at work completing plans for the working out of the enterprise it has undertaken. It is expected that the road will be built very soon.

The work-shops of the Canada Pacific Railway at Montreal are now in operation and employing a large number of operatives.

Both the Grand Trunk and C. P. R. railways are endeavoring to get hold of the Kingston and Pembroke line.

The Ontario and Quebec railway is now finished as far as Sharbot Lake.

The Arthabaska, the first steamer belonging to the Canadian Pacific directors, for Lake Superior traffic, is now on her passage from Glasgow. She is built of steel, and will carry 2,000 tons of wheat.

The new Governor-General is expected at Ottawa on the 22nd inst., the day of his departure from Liverpool being the 11th inst. Lord Lorne and the Princess Louise will leave for England by the first Allan steamer after the arrival of Lord Lansdowne.

A saline spring with most valuable curative properties has been discovered on the North Shore road, twenty-six miles from Montreal.

During the past week several disastrous fires occurred. At Meaford, Kerr & Cook's large steam grist mill was completely destroy-

ed, as were also Goodfellow's mills at Aylmer and the Riley House and stables with an adjoining screw-factory storehouse at Dundas.

Heavy frosts occurred all over Ontario on last Saturday and Sunday nights. Ice was formed half-an-inch thick in some places, and late crops severely injured.

A man named John Cahill, employed on the barge *Dashing Wave*, was drowned at Port Dalhousie last week. It is supposed he stepped off the pier, as the night was very dark. He was about thirty years of age, married, and had a family of three children.

Another drowning accident occurred at the Humber near Toronto, the victim being Thomas Johnston a hostler at Mr. Duck's hotel.

A colored man named Alexander Venables, was drowned off the steamer C. H. Merritt near Cnatham on Monday afternoon. He was engaged in loading the boat with wood, and he slipped off the deck of the vessel.

Private dispatches received from Winnipeg say that ex-Lieut.-Governor Cauchon is dangerously ill there and has received the last rites of the church.

Daniel Lyman was killed near Komoka on Sunday by being thrown from a wagon.

An insane school teacher, named Thomas Davis, who was staying at McDiarmid's hotel, Thamesford, made a desperate attempt at suicide on Sunday by cutting his throat.

The schooner-yacht *Explorer*, with all hands, was lost on Greenough Shoal during the gale of last week. She was loaded with salt, and bound from Goderich to Cove Island. She was owned by E. N. Lewis, of Goderich. No insurance. The names of those lost are, Capt. Chas. Woods, John McDonald, Mr. Heale, and Walter Crane (son of Albert Crane of Chicago), who was on a pleasure trip.

Sir Henry Maxse, Governor of Newfoundland, died at St. John's at one o'clock Saturday morning. He was one of the gallant 600 of the light brigade who made the memorable charge of Balaclava.

Reports from Newfoundland show that the loss of life, from the violent storms in August, was very great. Capt. Stephen's vessel with five men was swamped near Point Lance reefs. Morelli's schooner was wrecked and all hands perished near Cape St. Mary's. Captain Dunphi's craft sank with the crew near the Bull and Cow rocks. Two wrecked vessels passed off Cape St. Mary's. There are no tidings of either crews. Four men were lost from the schooner Hyperion; they were natives of Canada, and their names were Norman McLeod, Thos. King, Isaac Deroche, and Dominick Perry, all hailing from Cape Breton. The latest from Trepassey states that the *Canima* mails were all lost. Nothing was saved. The passengers were dragged ashore at Gull Island by ropes. The ship struck at three o'clock in the morning during a dense fog, a heavy rainfall, and high wind and sea. The forward part of the vessel was smashed, and the cargo floated around. At Seramney, Labrador, a fishing vessel capsized. Captain Whelan and crew were drowned.

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### UNITED STATES.

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President Arthur has returned to Washington.

The ceremony of driving the golden spike which completed the Northern Pacific Railway took place at Gold Spike, Montana, last Saturday afternoon.

Chief-Justice Coleridge is being greatly lionized and banquetted in the various places he is visiting.

A wealthy syndicate which has purchased a large tract of land surrounding the great Shoshone Falls of the Snake River, Idaho, surrounded by the grandest scenery in the world, will build a mammoth hotel, put a steamer on the river, and make it the Niagara of the West.

Near Belmont, on the Grand Rapids and Indiana Railway, is New Boston Lake, which covers seventy-five acres. The farmers whose places adjoin the lake were astonished to find dead fish floating in shorewards by thousands of bushels. On the shores and out in the water for two or three feet there is a deep border of dead fish averaging from a quarter of a pound to ten pounds in weight. It is thought that a poisonous spring has broken forth at the bottom of the lake.