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News Summary.

DOMINION.

—Halifax proposes to establish an art school, to commemorate the jubilee year of our Queen's reign. St. John, so far, has done nothing.

—Two carloads of beet and mutton were shipped to St. John's, Nfld., last Friday, by a Portland, N. B., dealer.

—A Cape Breton teamster doesn't believe in retaliation. He was whipping up his horse while the animal was doing his level best with a heavily loaded team. The horse "struck back" with sufficient force to break the driver's leg below the knee.

—Another attempt is being made to secure stock subscriptions for an Academy of Music, to be erected in St. John.

—The mortality statistics for January show the number of deaths during the month to have been as follows in the under-mentioned places—Montreal, 405; Toronto, 186; Quebec, 156; Hamilton, 62; St. John, N. B., 54; Halifax, 52; Ottawa, 50; Kingston, 37; Sorol, 31; Winnipeg, 29; London, 29; Victoria, B. C., 27; Hull, 22; Belleville, 22; St. Hyacinthe, 19; Fredericton, 17; Charlottetown, 16; Fort-Rivers, 15; Brantford, 14; Sherbrooke, 12; Peterborough, 12; Woodstock, Ont., 12; Guelph, 11; St. Thomas, 11; Chatham, 10; Galt, 10.

—Two teams collided at New Glasgow, N. S., last week, and the poor horses were so badly injured that both died within ten minutes after the accident.

—A meeting of the St. John Agricultural Society is to be held soon, to consider which of the government stock horses they will select for this section.

—The stipendiary magistrate has given his decision that it is not necessary that Halifax barbers should work on Sunday, and has fined one of their number \$4 or two days in goal. The case was brought up by Lord's Day Observance Society, and was made a test case. The object of the society is to put a stop to all unnecessary labor on the Sabbath. A similar society would find abundant work in St. John, where most of the barber shops are open Sundays until one o'clock p. m., to say nothing of cigar stores and bar rooms. Some of the latter never close.

—The Patriot says that Judge Peters has awarded the liquidators of the Bank of P. E. Island the sum of \$14,000 for their services in winding up the affairs of that institution. The amount has not yet been proportioned to the individuals.

—Matthew Spoor, a miner, was instantly killed a Vale, N. S., last Thursday, by falling roof coal.

—The Dominion elections were held last week. As usual there were many great surprises in the results. In the Maritime Provinces the following have been elected:

NOVA SCOTIA—(Government) Annapolis, Mills, Antigonish, Tompison; Colchester, McLean; Carleton Place, Cape Breton, McDougall and McKen; Digby, Campbell; Halifax, Kenney; Hants, Putnam; Lunenburg, Cameron; Pictou, McDonald and Tu; per. Queens, Freeman; Victoria, McDonald; 14 (Opposition) Guysboro, Kirk; Halifax, Jones; Kings, Holden; Lunenburg, Eisenhauer; Richmond, Flynn; Shelburne, Robertson; Yarmouth, Lovitt.

NEW BRUNSWICK—(Government) Albert, Weldon; Gloucester, Burns; Kent, Laundry; Kings, Foster; Restigouche, Moffat; Sunbury, Wilson; Victoria, Costigan; Westmorland, Wood; York, Temple; 9 (Opposition) St. John (city), Ellis; Carleton Place, Northumberland, Mitchell; St. John (county), Weldon and Skinner; Charlotte, Gilmer; Queens, King.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND—(Opposition) Kings, McIntyre and Balerston; Prince, Yeo and Ferry; Queens, Davies and Welsh.

This leaves the Maritime representation in the next Parliament as follows: Government, 23; Opposition, 20. The elections are yet to be held in British Columbia and the Territories, and until those occur the general result cannot be accurately stated, though the government will probably have a working majority. The new members of the house of commons from New Brunswick are, Skinner and Ellis, of St. John; R. C. Weldon, of Albert; Hale, of Carleton; Wilson, of Sunbury. From Nova Scotia, McDonald, of Victoria; McKen, of Cape Breton; Kenny, of Halifax; Eisenhauer, of Lunenburg; Freeman, of Queens; Lovitt, of Yarmouth; Campbell, of Digby; Mills, of Annapolis; and Putnam, of Hants.

—Who can estimate the good accomplished and yet to result from the \$55,000 already distributed to widows and orphan children in Canada by the Dominion Safety Fund Life Association, St. John, N. B.? It has preserved the enjoyment of home comforts and furnished the means of education in many places where desolation and unequal struggle would otherwise have been. Who has had the penetration to determine what they imply?

—For some time past a distemper has prevailed in some of the stables of the city, and several valuable horses have been lost from its effects.

—Mrs. John Fleiger, of Chatham, and her two daughters were poisoned, last week, by eating canned lobsters. The lobster in the can is described as having a dry, powdery appearance.

—E. L. Wetmore, Esq., of Fredericton, has been appointed a Judge of the Supreme Court of the North West Territories.

—The annual meeting of the Dominion Short Horn Breeders' association was held at Toronto on the 24th. Among the officers elected were Prof. George Lawson of Halifax, vice president for Nova Scotia; Hon. D. Ferguson of Charlottetown, for P. E. I.; and J. E. Fairweather for New Brunswick.

—A sensation was raised in Montreal last week by a statement published in the Star, to the effect that an organized system of plunder by a clique of aldermen, aided by outsiders, exists in the city council, and charging members of the civic committee with receiving bribes from persons having favors to ask from the city council. Among those alleged to have been victimized are the St. Lawrence Sugar Refinery, the Royal Electric Light Co., and those interested in abattoir schemes. The bribes ranged from \$1 to \$10,000. The appointment of a committee for immediate investigation is demanded.

—Rat Portage had a \$5,000 fire on the 27th.

—A San Francisco despatch says the Canadian Pacific railway has completed arrangements with the Gaird Steamship Co. for transfer of three of their fastest steamers to the Pacific ocean, in order to obtain a share of Shanghai tea shipments. The Indo-Chinese Steamship Co., a British concern, will cooperate with C. P. R.

vessels and meet the Cunarders at Yokohama and transfer cargoes. It is expected the Cunard steamers will leave England, via Suez Canal, on April first for Hong Kong, so as to reach China in time to load the new tea crop.

—M. H. P. P. P., U. S. consul at Halifax, is dangerously ill at his home, St. Louis, Mo.

—Mr. A. C. Ross, manager of the Carleton Gold Mining Company, brought to town on Monday last a brick of gold from that mine, weighing 60 ounces, and valued at about \$1,200—the result of the crushing of 32 tons of quartz. —*Far Herald*

—Forty horses, valued at about \$3,000, were entered at the U. S. consul's office on Saturday, for export to the United States. The animals, which were brought in the city and county, are consigned to L. M. Richards, Fort Fairfield, Me.

—It is announced that Sir Alexander Campbell has been offered and accepted the lieutenant-governorship of Ontario.

—The Nova Scotia legislature will meet for the despatch of business on the 10th of March. The N. B. legislature meets tomorrow.

—Within fifteen days 65,000 bushels of potatoes have been forwarded to the United States, over the N. B. R.

—The herring that are taken by our fishermen this season are said to be unusually large and fat.

—Two parties were convicted at Petite Riviere, Lun. Co., N. S., on the 8th ult., for violating the liquor law, and were fined \$50 and costs. Good!

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

—Two workmen employed on a branch of the Galician railway, Austria, have been arrested as Russian spies. It is said the task of one of the men was to distribute pamphlets while the other was to send reports to St. Petersburg concerning Austrian war preparations.

—After a light shower at Lowick, Eng., a few mornings ago, there appeared in the southern sky an exceedingly bright band of magnificent color about three times the size of an ordinary rainbow, and double the length of its own width, and resembling the colors of the rainbow, but far brighter. It appeared like two square ensign flags suspended in the air close together, and seemed as if the wind was blowing the ends gently upward. The phenomenon lasted about half an hour, gradually fading away.

—Herr Von Schaffe, formerly the Austrian Cabinet minister, has gone in for war statistics. He says war between France and Germany would cost \$3,200,000,000. If four countries, Austria, Russia, France, and Germany fought, he says the bill would be \$6,000,000,000, and he also thinks European war would bring universal bankruptcy, which seems reasonable, considering his figures.

—A fire in Wellington, New Zealand, caused a loss of \$750,000, on the 26th.

—Cardinal Jacobini of the Holy Roman Catholic church, died at Rome on Saturday, in his 55th year. He was cardinal in 1877, and in 1881 was appointed secretary of state in succession to Cardinal Nina, which post he filled until the time of his death. Probably he has had more to do with shaping Papal policy than the Pope himself.

—Evictions in Ireland still continue, and regularly the authorities encounter determined resistance, many persons on both sides being injured in every instance. This condition of things must be stopped soon, in some way. Every collision tends to make reconciliation more difficult and impossible. In this jubilee year there should be no such strife in British dominions as exists at present in Ireland.

UNITED STATES.

—An Atlantic and Pacific railroad passenger train ran into bridge four miles west of Niles, Cal., on the 27th. The engine and baggage, mail and express cars caught fire and were destroyed, and four persons were burned to death.

—A man who threw a stone at a horse car in Cambridge, Mass., was sentenced to a year's imprisonment.

—The Tennessee Supreme Court has directed that all druggists in that State are liable for the retail price of licorice for the past five years with interest, and this decision is enforced, the druggists must pay about \$100,000. The Legislature will be appealed to for relief.

—The hot water heater in a car on the Wabash road exploded near Danville, Ill. The windows were blown out, both ends of the car shattered, and the entire structure was injured. The next car received some of the shock, several windows being broken. Some passengers were seriously injured by broken glass and pieces of iron and wood. Almost before the train could be stopped and the passengers rescued from their predicament, the car caught fire from the lamps which had been shattered, and from the fire under the heater, and was almost entirely destroyed.

—The railway authorities are testing new car heaters, with a view to abandon stoves in cars. Some recent tests have proved highly satisfactory.

—Last year was a bad one in Maine for fires. The insurance commissioner's annual statement shows that eighty-three companies doing business in Maine had \$77,376,807.41 in risks; received as premiums \$1,077,965.92, and incurred losses of \$1,182,000, thus losing over \$100,000 besides costs of commissions.

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—It is given out that Hon. P. T. Barnum, the celebrated showman, will be the standard-bearer of the Prohibition party for President in 1888.

—There is a disagreement between the Senate and the House of Representatives over the Retaility Bills. The Senate wish the non-intercourse confined to the water, the House of Representatives wish it extended to land communication also.

—The most tremendous railway grade in existence is that on the rack-railroad up Mount Pilatus, in Switzerland, which reaches a maximum of 2,534 feet to the mile, or 48 per cent.

—Valerian and tincture of opium are used in the manufacture of one of the most popular brands of cigarettes. A poison called melittos is also used, seven grains of which is sufficient to kill a dog. This will be a pleasing (?) reflection for smokers.

—Somebody who has been examining the records says that 1887 is the 50th anniversary of the following: President Van Buren takes office, March 4; Victoria becomes queen, June 20; Evans storms Iron; May 17; Espartero takes Hernani, May 15; Carlist defeat at Valencia, July 15; imperial parliament dissolved, July 17; cholera in Europe, July 20; August, Carlist victory at Herrera, August 24; Saldaña and Terrera defeated, September 18; French storm Constantinople, October 18; Persians besiege Herat, Nov. 22; winter palace at St. Petersburg burned, Dec. 29; Father Mathew's temperance mission begins; publication of Pickwick Papers and of Carlyle's French Revolution.

—In the event of a war in Europe Germany would require 400,000 horses; France, 375,000; Austria, 200,000, and Russia, 400,000. Should there be a war, therefore, the powers would require 1,305,000 horses to begin with, and more from time to time as the animals must be killed or used up in service. England has no more horses than she needs.

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