

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Subscribers remitting Money, either direct to the office, or through Agents, will find a receipt for the amount inclosed in their next paper. All remittances should be made payable to A. Milne Fraser.

The directors of the Bank of Montreal have declared a half yearly dividend of five per cent.

The foundation of a large factory for the manufacture of fruit fertilizers, is being laid at Middleton.

Mr. H. A. Munro, of Bridgewater, has in his possession a copy of the bible printed in the year 1600.

Mr. George Way of Halifax has invented a telephone tablet for which he has taken steps to secure a patent.

Would-be-thieves made an unsuccessful attempt to rob the Bank of Nova Scotia at Bridgetown on Friday night.

The fishing schooner *E. B. Phillips* with crew of fourteen men has been lost on the Grand Banks with all on board.

A woman named Sarah Burr, employed at the Russell House at Ottawa, was crushed to death in the elevator there on Monday.

Hon. Mr. Chapleau's health is reported to be very poor, and it is said he intends going to Paris to consult his physician there.

The publishers of the *Dominion Illustrated* are making elaborate preparations for the Christmas number of their magazine.

A very ancient book, the "Constitution of the Brotherhood of Carpenters," dated 1798, was found last week in the old City Building.

Eleven hundred barrels of apples have been shipped from Grand Pre to date. This is only one third less than the total shipment last year.

This season no permits for deer shooting in Ontario will be given to residents of the United States owing to the great number of applications received.

No suitable site for the new cemetery has yet been fixed upon by the committee, whose members seem to find the task of selecting such site a difficult one.

The Montreal correspondent of the *Herald* has learned that it is the intention of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company to build a large hotel in Halifax within two years.

The hospital, dwelling and outbuildings at Lawlor's Island have been thoroughly renovated. Jas. Harrison & Co. performed the necessary work in a most satisfactory manner.

Thirty-five cases of diphtheria, 25 cases of typhoid fever and 16 cases of scarlet fever were registered in Toronto during the past week. Our own city is wonderfully free from sickness.

CALIFORNIA FRUIT CROP this year sold for more than fifty million dollars. If you want to know how it is raised, and at what profit, address California Bureau of Information, Box 1238, Boston, Mass.

Murdock Haley, a laborer of Truro, found his wife dead in her bed on Sunday morning. The coroner's jury pronounced heart disease to be the cause of the death. The deceased was addicted to drink.

The County Court of St. John met on Tuesday. The Grand Jury returned true bills against Rev. Sydney Welton, C. B. Welton, Dr. Randall and Gideon Wells, in the graveyard insurance case, for conspiracy to defraud.

Manager Clarke of the Academy of Music kindly invited the pupils of the School for the Blind to attend the matinee on Saturday last, and has extended a similar invitation to the pupils of the Deaf and Dumb Institution for to-morrow afternoon.

A despatch was received from Barrington on Tuesday by the North Atlantic Steamship Co. stating that their steamer *Brittania* from Boston, October 24th for Halifax, struck on the Race Horse shoals off Cape Sable. The crew and passengers, eight in number, were safely landed.

At the Supreme Court on Tuesday the following were admitted to practice at the bar: H. J. Logan, J. E. Corbett, H. S. Blackadar, Willard H. Fulton, J. N. Armstrong, F. F. Mathers, G. O. M. Dockrill, J. Power, L. M. Johnstone, E. M. Bill, L. X. McDonald, M. N. Doyle, J. A. McKinnon, C. E. Casey.

The Chambers Electric Light and Power Co. of Truro is doing a big business in heating private houses, stores and offices of the town by steam. It has been affirmed that this Company possesses the only successful steam heating plant in the Dominion. Twenty-nine private houses, stores and offices in Truro are now heated by steam from this plant. The *News* says the company intend introducing electric heating and cooking apparatus also heating of tailor's and soldering irons by the electric current next season.

The issue of *Progress* last week was partly printed by a new improved press run by electricity. *Progress* tells the story of the removal of the old machinery and the placing of the new thusly. "Before the last issue was all printed the carpenters were at work tearing away partitions making a place for the new machine. The huge foundations had been looked after early in the week. * * Everything went like clock work under the direction of Mr. Foote, the representative of the Cranston Printing Press Co., who, within two hours after his arrival, had the press at this office." All was in order by Tuesday evening. The steam engine stands near by the new, ready in case of an emergency. *Progress* is now planning to put in operation many plans that have been in abeyance on account of limited facilities for printing as required;

According to a late blue book issued by the Dominion Government, Canada's shipments of horses to England are rapidly increasing. The value of this export, which in 1887 was \$38,230, reached \$214,785 in 1892. The increase is but an indication of what is possible. England spends annually \$2,103,704 in horse flesh, and no doubt Canada will yet get a larger share of the trade. The increase of nearly \$200,000 in the exports to England has in the same period been accompanied by a decrease of one million dollars in Canadian exports of horses to the United States, but still that country expends nearly five dollars on Canadian horses for every dollar England does.

The steamer *Eagle* of St. John's has been in luck this year in her trip to Greenland. On the 20th of August when last reported she had two large black whales, which ought to mean 1½ tons of bone besides the oil, and two smaller whales. Whalebone is at present worth \$13 200 per ton. By the way, it has been said the man who can invent or discover a satisfactory substitute for whalebone will be pretty sure to reap a fortune. The article has become so scarce that it brings enormous prices. Two vessels that went to the Arctic regions last year were offered \$12,500 per ton for every scrap of whalebone they brought home, but they captured only two whales. It is not the ordinary sperm whale that is sought, but the right whale, an enormous creature fifty feet in length, with a head one-third the size of the whole body, and a bony structure weighing from three-quarters of a ton to a ton and a half, every pound of which is valuable. The American fleet which hunted for whales in the Arctic the past season had good success, but the English whalers have become discouraged and will try their luck in the Antarctic seas.

Capt. J. W. Lawlor, who sailed from Boston in a 12-foot boat on a trans-Atlantic voyage, has been given up by his friends as lost.

Mrs. Harrison, wife of President Harrison, died at Washington at 1.40 o'clock Tuesday morning. The remains were taken to Indianapolis, where interment will be made to-day.

Columbus Day was appropriately celebrated with parades and public exercises at Washington, Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore, Providence and various other cities throughout New England and Atlantic States.

The inventive genius of our cousins over the border has been strikingly brought out in their latest creation, an air ship. The inventor, Edward J. Pennington, has devoted nine years to the work of constructing the air ship which will appear shortly. His plan of action when the work of wonder is taken from the factory near Chicago, is to sail up to Chicago the first day and land at the Lake front. Then set out for New York city; thence to New Orleans and over to the Pacific coast, and from San Francisco back to Chicago. The hydrogen gas in the great bloated pickle is not intended to raise the ship, but simply to render its weight nil. The little fans on the side do the elevating, and the great wheel in front draws the ship forward. The present buoyancy chamber will lift two tons and a half. The car attached immediately beneath will carry ten passengers. The air ship theoretically is perfect. Every possible mechanism to lighten it and overcome gravity and to lessen the atmospheric current has been secured. The results of the test are eagerly awaited.

The World's Columbian Exposition at Chicago was formally dedicated on October 21st in the presence of over one hundred thousand people. The scene presented was in many respects without precedent. Everything was on the order of the superlative. The dedication hall, the manufacturers' and liberal arts' building is the largest structure ever erected, and in it was gathered the largest crowd ever assembled beneath a single roof. The Auditorium had been fixed as the rendezvous at which most of the dignitaries should take carriages. At 9 o'clock the guests and their local civic escorts entered their carriages and the start was made, the cavalry troops, the artillerymen and the mounted escorts taking up their march of attendance. The procession was a grand spectacle. Seventy five carriages were required to carry the Columbian officials. Efforts had been made to have present a woman representative from each of the original 13 States of the Federal Union. Seven States responded, and their representatives were in the procession. Among the first to enter the Dedication building were the members of the grand dedicatory chorus. A few minutes after 10 o'clock the band struck up, and 5,500 voices joined in preliminary practice of the Dedication Ode. The effect of this multitude of voices in the vast manufacturers' building of forty acres floor space was not so overwhelming as might have been supposed.

Six hundred troops will be sent from Dakar, to reinforce the French column under Col. Dodds, which is now operating against the Dahomeyans.

Sir Charles Tupper has been appointed British plenipotentiary with Lord Dufferin, British minister at Paris, to negotiate a commercial treaty between France and Canada.

The men belonging to the 13th Company of the Army Service Corps, at Portsmouth, who were arrested for participation in the mutiny that took place there October 1st, have been sentenced each to one year's imprisonment, and to be ignominiously cashiered.

It is rumored that a serious difference has arisen in the cabinet over the question of the release of the prisoners who were convicted of having taken part in the dynamite outrages that occurred several years ago. A prominent conservative organ even declares that the situation is so acute that Mr. Asquith, the home secretary, has threatened to resign.

"I often prescribe Johnson's Anodyne Liniment for Erysipelas," said a physician to us.