

company to run a line of steamships between Rouen, France, and Montreal.—Captain Flett makes public the opinion that the summer frosts of the North-West will not be hurtful if the crops are put in early.—Before the Court of Claims at Buffalo, General J. C. Strong was present to argue the claim of a portion of the Cayuga nation of Indians living in Canada for a share of the \$2,300 annuity promised the Cayugas by the State in 1810. The amount claimed, with interest, makes quite a formidable sum. The Canada Cayugas hold that as the Chief of the nation, Ajageghti (Fish Carrier), lives with them, and they are a majority of the nation, a large part of the annuity should have been paid to them, and is now due from the State. The matter was held over for decision.—A well-known resident of Ottawa recently paid a visit to his friends in the old country, and returned to Canada as an assisted emigrant.—A shocking event occurred in Montreal on Thursday. Maise Morin, a butcher, was leading a large bull, and shortly after leaving the market the furious animal broke the rope which bound his head to the fore-leg and rushed madly through the streets, scattering the pedestrians in all directions. A medical student standing on the platform of a street-car was prostrated to the ground, but escaped with a few bruises. The bull next rushed at an old man named Jean Louis Duval, who was walking close by the wall of the Canadian Pacific station, and who could not hear the shouts of warning. Turning to face the bull, the latter caught him in the pit of the stomach, and hoisted him some fifty feet in the air, and when found on the other side of the wall life was extinct. After much difficulty the bull was captured and shot.—M. Senecal, it is said, has failed to float his emigration scheme in Paris.—Much prominence is now being given in Winnipeg to the Hudson Bay Railway scheme.—A meeting of farmers was held at Rapid City on Thursday, to protest against railway monopoly and the high tariff. Rev. Mr. Crawford speaking the sentiments of the meeting, said, "If we are to be trodden down by the other provinces I would advocate secession." A convention with the same note of protest will be held at Winnipeg on the 19th.—An inspector of fisheries for the great lakes and inland waters of Ontario is to be appointed.—A family, comprising five persons, were drowned on the north shore of Newfoundland by being capsized from a small boat by a sudden squall.—The Marquis of Lorne expresses the opinion that Toronto is destined for a great future.—On Friday last nominations for candidates for the Ontario Legislature were made in West Middlesex, West Simcoe, and Cardwell. Nominations on the same day were made for West Middlesex of candidates for the Dominion Parliament.—The Canada Pacific Railway will resume the construction operations of the North American Contracting Company, which has dissolved.—The Brantford factories are running on short time.

FOREIGN.—The Forty-Eighth Congress opened on Tuesday, the 4th inst.—Cardinal McCabe has issued a pastoral wherein he condemns secret societies.—It is said that Lord Ripon is not greatly beloved by Europeans in India.—Khaf Seyd, a Mussulman fanatic, who claims to have performed divers miracles at Merv, has entered Persia at the head of 2,000 men.—The Australian delegates have decided to annex the New Hebrides.—Twelve thousand men are to be shipped from Algerian ports to Tonquin.—American citizens henceforth are permitted to purchase foreign-built ships to engage in foreign trade under the American flag.—The President of the United States suggests that a portion of the surplus revenue should be applied towards rehabilitating the navy, and establishing coast defences.—Cetewayo is to be reinstated in power.—Lady Charlotte Rose, wife of Sir John Rose, is dead.—Hicks Pasha is recruiting his army with much energy.—Two men abducted the wife of a respectable tradesman recently in New York.—The Chinese admiral, Ping Yu Ling, on arriving in Canton, notified all foreigners that war was imminent.—As a means of getting rid of the Morman difficulty, it is proposed to abolish the territorial government of Utah and establish a commission.—The French commander in Madagascar will march inland early in January.—Another Apache rising has been reported from Arizona.—Butler has a longing still for the Presidency.—The Maryland cotton business has been overdone, and stagnation has set in.—The Prince of Wales is making land investments through an agent in Missouri.—Advocates of Woman's Suffrage are besieging Congress with petitions.—Cuba has another attack of political dissatisfaction.—Mobs have taken charge of Canton.—The people of Cairo seem favourable to an annexation of Egypt by England.—A Butler movement in Massachusetts is not unlikely.—Levy Bros., clothiers, New York, have failed; liabilities \$2,470,000.—The Porte has notified Great Britain that she will station men-of-war in the Red Sea.—It is said that Germany and Italy have accepted England's invitation to send men-of-war to Chinese waters for the protection of neutrals.

PROSPECTUS OF THE WEEK.

There appears to be in Canadian journalism a field still unoccupied, which can be filled only by a periodical enabled to furnish at the requisite outlay literary matter of the best quality. This field it is the aim of the proprietors of THE WEEK to fill. They will appeal particularly to the Canadian public; but they crave no indulgence on this score at the hands of Canadian readers. They are willing that THE WEEK shall be judged by comparison with other periodicals, English and American, of similar scope and price, hoping to gain the favour of a body of readers not limited by the bounds of Canada.

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Fiction, in the form both of serials and short stories, will occupy a prominent place, and will be regularly and liberally supplied. For this purpose the assistance of acknowledged talent has been secured. Verse will be welcomed as often as it is found possible to procure it of the right quality. Sketches of travel and papers descriptive of places interesting from their scenery or their associations will from time to time appear. Critical essays and short biographical papers will also form features of THE WEEK. Current events, both at home and abroad, will be closely watched, brought carefully into focus, and impartially discussed. It will be the Editor's constant aim to keep his readers well abreast of the intellectual progress of the age.

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

The following are among the attractions which will be offered the readers of THE WEEK in the earlier issues:

"A BYSTANDER"

will contribute, at intervals, reviews of current events, especially of events in Great Britain and on the Continent of Europe.

MR. EDWARD FAWCETT,

the well-known author of "A Gentleman of Leisure," "Tinkling Cymbals," "An Ambitious Woman" (just completed in the *New York Tribune*, and attracting wide attention), "A Hopeless Case," etc., is writing for THE WEEK a new novel, entitled "The Adventures of a Widow." This novel deals with New York Society, a field which Mr. Fawcett has made peculiarly his own. The columns of THE WEEK will also, from time to time, be enriched with some of Mr. Fawcett's exquisite verse.

PRINCIPAL GRANT,

in a series of papers, will describe a tour taken by him, in company with Mr. Sandford Fleming, during the past summer, over the route of the Canada Pacific Railway. Dr. Grant and his party traversed entirely new ground, by crossing the Selkirks, which have hitherto been considered impassable. These interesting papers will be entitled "Down the Kicking Horse and across the Selkirks." Dr. Grant will also contribute articles on various important subjects, such as Indian Affairs, Progress in British Columbia, etc.

Contributions in prose and verse may be looked for from J. E. Collins, Joaquin Miller, Louis Honoré Fréchette, Dr. C. P. Mulvany, George Stewart, jr., John Reade, Mrs. Kate Seymour McLean, Miss Machar (*Fidelis*), Dr. Daniel Wilson, John Charles Dent, Wm. Houston, F. Blake Crofton, G. Mercer Adam, J. Hunter-Duvar, R. W. Phipps, Wm. F. Clarke, Professor Murray, Sir Francis Hincks, R. W. Boodle, O. C. Auringer, Mrs. J. F. Harrison (*Seranus*), J. M. LeMoine, Frederick A. Dixon, J. G. Bourinot, W. D. LeSueur, and many other writers of note. Art, Music and the Drama will receive abundant and careful attention. There will also be a series of critical essays on "The Younger American Poets," by the Editor.