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ONE HUNDRED ACRE FARM for sale in the Township of York, being lot 11, con. west; title good. JAMES HUGHES, Downsview. 432-3

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FARM LANDS, COUNTY OF Oxford—Lot 3, in 9th concession, Blenheim, 200 acres; large clearing, excellent buildings, never failing water. Lot 1, in 10th concession, Blenheim, 200 acres; River Nith runs through this lot, which has extensive clearance and buildings; beautiful situation. The above are good farms. Convenient to the village of Ayr and C.V.R. Apply MOLERLY & GAMON, Collingwood. 433 4

SUPERIOR FARM FOR SALE—One of the best farms in the County of Wellington, containing 155 acres in the highest state of cultivation; within two miles of the city of Guelph; three miles from Rockwood station on G. T. R., convenient to churches, mills and schools; fronting on the Eramosa River; lot 2, township of Eramosa. The farm is stocked with present crops, stock and all kinds of farming implements. All will be sold on reasonable and advantageous terms of payment, and immediate possession given if required, as the proprietor does not live on the farm. For further particulars and description of crops, stock and implements, enquire at this office, or Mr JAS PATTERSON, 168 Suffolk street, city of Guelph, or the proprietor on lot 7, con. 3, township of Eramosa, within one mile of Rockwood station, G. T. R. (Address Rockwood P. O., township of Eramosa, Co. of Wellington.) There is at present 77 acres of grain on the ground besides turnips, rape and meadow, all good; no stock on the farm.

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50 Gold, Chromo, Marble, Snowflake, Wreath, Scroll, Motto, &c. Cards, with name on all, 10c. Agent's complete outfit, 60 samples, 10c. Gold-plated Ring for club of 10 names. QUEEN CARD CO., Northford, Conn. 422-26

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FOR SALE OR RENT—ONE first-class brick foundry; good machinery, in good running order, in the Village of Cayuga, county town of Haldimand. Apply to JOHN J. EVANS, Cayuga. 421-13

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FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS bakery and confectionery business in best town; baking fifteen barrels flour per week; and doing best retail trade in place. For particulars address Box 18, Windsor. 433-2

STRAYED OR STOLEN—ON July 6th, a low-sized black horse, wearing a piece of off leather's mark behind the ears; slight scar on the hind foot. Anyone giving information of his recovery will be rewarded. Address WILLIAM CURRY, Eglington P.O., Ont. 4 3 3 1

FOR SALE—ONE THOROUGHBRED Setter bitch, 12 months old; very fine, with pedigree. One thoroughbred Cocker Spaniel, 2 years old, land or water, very valuable. One Scotch Collie bitch, thoroughbred long hair, 5 months old. For particulars address Box 564, Montreal. 433-4

CANADIAN MINES—MINERALS, etc.; sales effected on commission; mineral territories prospected. SAM D MILLS, Mining Agency, 69 Clarence street, Kingston, Ont. 431-4

AS GOVERNESS—BY A LADY lately from England; one accustomed to teaching the branches, with piano, French, drawing and oil painting. Address L. E. L., Jarvis P.O., Ont. 4 2 9 5

MONEY TO LOAN — SEVEN per cent.; charges low; no commission. Apply ALEXANDER SAMPSON, Solicitor, corner Scott and Front streets, Toronto. 411-4

MONEY TO LOAN — ON first-class farm or city property; low rates; no commission and small expenses. Apply to HENRY W. WOOD, Queen City Fire Insurance Company, 36 Church street, Toronto. 432-3

ARTESIAN WELL BORING.—The "Star" Augur bores twenty feet per hour. Numerous testimonials of efficacy. Send for Circulars. Manufactory, 68 Mary street, Hamilton. 409-eow

APARATUS FOR SPINAL Diseases, club foot, and for all deformities of human frame, made on most scientific principles. CLUTHE'S Patent Spinal Truss for Rupture; Circulars. CHARLES CLUTHE, 38 Richmond street (Surgical Machinist).

$10 REWARD — INFORMATION wanted of two lads, aged 12 and 14, who left their home in July last. Description of complexion, blue eyes, light hair—the latter curly, full forehead, scar at end of left eyebrow, and one on side of big toe, right foot; the latter, straight hair, nose full at the eyes, small, round scar at the centre joint of the forefinger; supposed to have changed their name. The reward will be paid for such information as will lead to their discovery. Any person detaining them without the consent of the undersigned will be prosecuted, and if this should meet the eye of either, by writing to their sister they will hear of something to their advantage, and their expenses will be forgiven. Address, THOMAS MOSSOM, Oustic P.O. Cut this out for future reference. 433-1

Shot for a Bird

St. JOHN, N.B., July 13.—This morning Richard Jones, a lad named Potts, and two boys went out on the road seeking for bird's nests. Jones carried a pistol with him. Young Potts fired at a bird, the bullet struck a tree, glanced and entered Potts's left side.

Or old or young, or grave or gay,
Those who now let their teeth decay,
With breath we can't endure;
The thought their after life will haunt,
That they neglected SOZODONT,
That would have kept all pure.

LATEST HOME NEWS.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

ONTARIO.

Almonte has voted for incorporation by 80 to 47.

A horse, valued at $1,500, belonging to Forepaugh's show, died in a car at Belleville on Sunday.

At present there are nearly one thousand men employed on the Canada Central railway extension.

Two constables from Russel county have been sent to New York State to look for Heney, the Bearbrook murderer.

Bush fires are raging in Gloucester, Ont. One started on Saturday, and on Sunday it assumed very formidable proportions.

It is stated that Mr. Walter Shanly has been requested to act as manager of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa railway temporarily.

The wife of Mr. J. B. Smith, baker, of London, Ont., has died from injuries received from a buggy accident a fortnight ago.

Dr. Purvis, the defeated Reform candidate in Pontiac, intends to erect a new grist mill at Grand Marlt, above Bryson, at a cost of $4,000.

The hematite iron mine at Madoc is at once to be reopened, the proprietors having contracted to get out 40,000 tons of ore for parties in Buffalo.

Mr. Thomas Holden, the newly appointed police magistrate for Belleville, was sworn in and entered upon his duties on Monday.

J. C. Kilborn, of Beamsville, exhibited on Saturday, ripe peaches grown in open orchard, measuring five and a half inches in circumference.

A young son of Mr. Wm. Hinton, of London, Ont., died very suddenly on Sunday. He fell over and expired without a struggle or any premonition whatever.

The only prisoner confined in the gaol at Napanee was discharged yesterday morning, an instance which has not occurred before during the last fifteen years.

The value of exports from Kingston to the United States during the last three months was $154,325, being the largest for any corresponding time during the past five years.

A resident of Ottawa who has just returned from a trip to Torbolton reports the discovery of copper on lot 12, 4th concession. The ore is good in quality, and seems to be plentiful.

The house of George Hare, near the village of Palmfield in Thurlow, was struck by lightning on Tuesday, and one end of the building fairly cut. Five of the family who were in the house were prostrated by the shock, but were not severely hurt.

The Supreme Court judges of British Columbia have unanimously decided that the trials of the McLeans and Hare were not legal, inasmuch as a legal court was not convened. A new trial will take place, the prisoners being again indicted for the murder of constable Usher.

Steeves Bros., of St. John, have received word that they have obtained a verdict against the Peruvian Government for extra demurrage for the ship Alexandrovia, for the sum of £2,400. The claim arose from extra detention at Pabellon de Pica in 1875, and the case has been in the French courts since 1876.

Mr. John T. Middlemore, the founder of the children's Immigration Charity, Westminster, left Liverpool on the 8th inst. in the steamship Polynesian with 13 girls and 32 boys, chiefly for adoption. They are expected to arrive at the Guthrie Home, London, on or about the 20th inst. This is Mr. Middlemore's eight annual visit to these shares with juvenile emigrants from Birmingham, Eng., since 1872.

At the meeting of the fruit convention held in Guelph last week, the following resolution was unanimously carried:—Moved by Mr. Arnold, of Paris, seconded by Mr. Saunders, of London, "that etymology and natural history should be taught in our schools as a basis of education." Mr. Jas. Anderson, of Puslinch, and several others spoke to the motion, all being in favour of petitioning the Minister of Education to introduce etymology and natural history in our schools.

QUEBEC.

There is some talk of a monument being erected to the memory of the late Hon. Jno. Young.

The Spanish vessel Saletta, which arrived at Montreal recently with a direct cargo of sugar from Havana, the first in many years, will take an outward cargo of grain to the United Kingdom. The captain expresses his satisfaction with the trip and freight obtained.

A Milkmen's Sanitary Association has been established at Montreal. The idea is for the members to bind themselves to keep their stables and dairies clean, and to have none but healthy cattle, so as to satisfy the public that they supply nothing but pure milk.

Mr. L. H. Frechette, the Canadian poet, was about to leave for France to receive the distinguished honour conferred on him by the French Academy when he was arrested on a *capias* for $125 at the instance of Joseph Garard. The latter painted the scenery used at the recent presentation of Mr. Frechette's drama "Papineau," in the Academy of Music. Mr. Frechette has already tendered $90, the amount he considered due, but this was refused. He promptly furnished bail.

A member of the firm of Vipond & McBride has left for Sicily to make arrangements to import direct to Canada from the Mediterranean ports lemons, oranges, walnuts, raisins, figs, &c., which at present are transhipped to Montreal from Liverpool after making a journey of about 2,000 miles longer than is necessary. It is proposed to run a monthly line of steamers or sailing vessels between Sicily, Marseilles, Valencia and Montreal in the summer, and between the three former ports and Boston in winter.

The war in South America has seriously affected the shipments of lumber from Hochelaga to that part of the continent, and several millions of feet have thus accumulated at the lumber wharves. The Lumber Company had large stocks for export to the River de la Plate and its tributaries. The lumber will, however, be sent to the United States, and the loss will not be so great as might be anticipated. The Messrs. Ross & Co., of Quebec, took a portion of the Hochelaga wharf early this year and stocked it in anticipation of doing a large South American trade.

The Allan s.s. Buenos Ayrean landed at Montreal a valuable consignment of pure bred cattle and sheep for George Whitefields, stock farmer at Rougemout. By an order in council dated November 27th, 1879, all cattle coming from Europe are subject on entering the ports of Quebec, Halifax and St. John, to a probationary quarantine of ninety days, and no exception can be made in this or any other case. Among the lot are two excellent polled Angus black cattle, one a prize winner at the Paris exhibition, a Hereford bull, and a number of Hereford cows. Several West Highland calves, Ayrshires and Devons and Scotch black faced sheep of the mountain breed.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Pleuro-pneumonia is raging among cattle at Elizabeth, N. J.

The hay crop throughout the high land of Nova Scotia is considerably lighter than last year, owing to the continued drought.

C. W. Grier, John Farrel *et al.*, have filed a notice with the Secretary of State at Albany, N.Y., that they have discovered mines of gold and silver ore in Franklin and Saratoga and Hamilton counties.

It is reported from the Rio Grande that the Mexicans are making grand preparations for the reception of Gen. Trevino and his bride. Gen. Trevino is to marry the eldest daughter of Gen. Oud, U.S.A. Among the features of the reception will be a grand bull fight. $15,000 is to be spent.

PERSONAL.

Hon. Mr. Aikins will be acting Minister of the Interior during Sir John Macdonald's absence. Sir Alex. Campbell is acting Postmaster General, and the Hon. Mr. Bowell will be acting Minister of Agriculture, during the Hon. J. H. Pope's absence in England.

Rev. Henry Ward Beecher on Sunday made a formal statement of his religious belief. He said he should be glad to stand in fellowship with other Evangelical denominations, but was glad to be able to stand without them, if necessary. At this there was slight applause.

A FATAL MISSTEP.

A Young Lady Falls Off the Wharf at Kingston and is Drowned.

KINGSTON, July 13.—A very melancholy drowning accident occurred here last evening, by which Miss Potter, of Belleville, lost her life. She had arrived by train in the afternoon for the purpose of joining a party on the steamer Alexandra, who were bound for Quebec and Lake Champlain. As the steamer did not arrive until about 8 30 o'clock, she put up at the Anglo-American. About the time for the boat to come in, she, in company with the porter of the hotel, left for Gunn's dock. They had just reached the dock, when a cab drove down. The porter stepped to one side of the dock, and the lady to the other. The night was excessively dark, and Miss Potter, no doubt, could not see where she was, and, moving too far to one side, fell into the water. When the cab passed, the porter looked for the lady, but could not find her. He looked in the water, and saw something floating, which proved to be the unfortunate lady's hat. He gave an alarm, and in a few moments the noted rescuer, John O'Shea, succeeded in finding the body. Three doctors were called, who applied restoratives, but they were of no avail; she was beyond the aid of medical skill. Her body was taken to Belleville this morning by her friends.

THE BIDDULPH PRISONERS.

Suspension of the Gaoler—The Fall Assizes.

LONDON, Ont., July 13.—Inspector Langmuir arrived in the city last night and suspended gaoler Lamb from the exercise of his functions. The chief turnkey, Patrick Kelly, acting in the meantime. The cause of Lamb's suspension is that he allowed the wives of some of the prisoners charged with the Donnelly murder to remain in the cells all night with their husbands. The Sheriff yesterday received the precept for holding the Assizes here on the 28th September, and will at once proceed to give the necessary notices. No special reference was made to the Donnelly trial, so the special commission idea is disposed of.

LIGHTNING'S DOINGS.

BRIDGETOWN, July 10.—To night a fearful thunder and lightning storm passed over this place, causing much damage to the standing crops and town property. The house of Mr. Groat, of this village, was struck and greatly damaged. Other casualties of a lesser nature are reported. The new Presbyterian church which was struck by lightning a few days ago has been inspected and found to be damaged considerably in the roof, which, it is feared, will have to be taken off entirely and a new one put on. The cost will be about $2,000.

LONDON, July 11.—Further reports of the storm show that great damage was done in the townships around London. Everywhere the grain was beaten down and injured. In Lobo a farmer named Young was yesterday found sitting under a tree dead. He had evidently taken shelter from the storm and was struck by lightning. There were no marks on his body. He was an elderly man and unmarried.

MANITOBA.

WINNIPEG, Man., July 10.—The resignation of Stipendiary Magistrate Bent, of Keewatin, is announced. Thirty-two charges are said to have been made against him for malfeasance of office.

Hon. John O'Connor, Postmaster-General, along with Mayor Logan, Archbishop Tache, the Bishop of Rupert's land, and other provincial and civic dignitaries visited Cross Lake yesterday, at the invition of Mr. Superintendent Lynskey, to insect the progress of the work on the Canadian Pacific railway.

Rev. Joseph Wellwood, M.A., late of Cataraqui, has arrived here *en route* to the Little Saskatchewan to take charge of the mission recently assigned him by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church.

Suicide in the Bush.

WELLESLEY, July 12.—On Saturday, a man of about 60 years old named George Smiley, committed suicide about a quarter of a mile from this village in the bush by taking Paris green. The body was taken to the village, and the Hawksville coroner notified, but he did not consider it necessary to hold an inquest, as there was no sign of foul play. The remains were buried this afternoon.

Adulteration of Sugar.

BUFFALO, N.Y., July 13.—In the Alberger vs. Hamlin celebrated grape sugar case before the Superior Court to-day, some interesting developments were made, showing the different purposes for which grape sugar is used as an adulteration. It was testified that profits were netted of from 40 to 50 per cent. on thirty pounds sugar produced from a bushel of corn.

Drowned at Stoney Island.

COLCHESTER, Ont., July 12.—The body of Mrs. Pringle, drowned at Stoney Island a week ago, was found by F. B. Hackett on Saturday evening a short distance from here, floating in the lake. It was brought to Colchester and forwarded to Amherstburg, where the deceased's brother, Geo. Stratton, of Detroit, took charge of it.

Explosion at a Paper Mill

WINDSOR, Q., July 12.—The boiler of the Canada Paper Company exploded today, doing considerable damage to the building and scalding severely a man named A. Gally. A woman who was sitting on her doorstep at the time of the explosion was badly injured by falling bricks. All the employés were at dinner. The cause of the explosion is unknown.

MISSING.—An advertisement appears in another column offering a reward for such information as will lead to the discovery of the whereabouts of two lads, sons of Mr. Thomas Bruddell, of Eramosa, Wellington county, who have been missing since July last.

LATEST CABLEGRAMS.

The Week's News the World Over.

Some twenty officers have just left England for China to instruct the Orientals in military drill.

It is rumoured the Prince of Wales will make a tour of Australia, visiting the Melbourne exhibition.

A *fiat* has been applied for to carry the appeal in the Tichborne claimant's case to the House of Lords.

A Geneva despatch reports great alarm in Western Switzerland, owing to the appearance of phylloxera.

The cloth helmets recently issued to all English light infantry regiments are to be done away with, as well as the Glengarry foraging cap, both of which are condemned as useless.

News from the Azores represents that an earthquake at the island of St. George, one of the Azores group, resulted in the formation of another island 600 yards distant and about 1,800 square yards in extent.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Arthur Arneld, Liberal member for Salford, gave notice that a month hence he would call attention to the restrictions placed on the importation of cattle, and that he would move a resolution in relation thereto.

THE LITTLE WESTERN MET.

The steamer Bulgarian, from Boston, spoke on the 30th June the dory Little Western, which sailed from Gloucester, Mass., on June 12th for London, having on board Captain George Thomas and Frederick Norman. The captain of the Bulgarian offered to take the men aboard the steamer, but they refused.

HARVEST PROSPECTS.

A Berlin correspondent reports the balance of the budget of the German empire during the year 1879 80 shows a surplus income of 898,000 marks. During May the imports of wheat, corn, oats, and maize were much larger than the exports. The reports from the different provinces of the Prussian monarchy on the harvest prospects, prove the alarm which arose after the cold last, with in May was in a great measure justified. The corn harvest will be very small in all the northern districts, and it is reckoned only 50 per cent of the ordinary harvest will be got in. The reports from Russia and Hungary also announce that a great deficit is expected.

RUSSIA'S IMPOVERISHED CONDITION.

A St. Petersburg despatch says the *Golos* raises its voice in view of the Chinese difficulty to point out the sad condition of the country, and how much worse it will become in the event of another war, demanding a draw upon its already exhausted resources, and requiring the introduction of reforms. The press has, for several weeks, been full of complaints of ravages by locusts, flies, beetles, and worms, hunger and poverty among the peasantry, rapid increase in the prices of everything, increase of the cattle plague, large spread of disease, &c.

BY ELECTIONS.

An election was held at Plymouth for a member of Parliament to fill the vacancy caused by the unseating of Sir Edward Bates (Conservative) on petition, and resulted in the return of Edward Clarke (Conservative) by a vote of 2,449; Mr. Young (Liberal) receiving 2,305. A similar election was held at Evesham to replace Mr. Ratcliffe (Liberal), unseated on petition; resulted in Frederick Lehman (Whig) being returned by a vote of 378. Hartland (Conservative) received 376.

RESIGNATION OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR INDIA.

It was rumoured in the lobby of the House of Commons to-night that the Marquis of Lansdowne, Under Secretary for India, had resigned, in consequence of being unable conscientiously to support the Compensation for Disturbance bill in the House of Lords, and also on account of being himself a holder of land in Ireland. Lord Elcho (Liberal Conservative), in consequence of the rumour, asked in the House of Commons whether it was a fact that Lord Lansdowne was no longer a member of the Government. The enquiry was received by the Opposition with cheers. Mr. Gladstone replied yes, whereupon the Opposition cheers were renewed.

LORD LANSDOWNE'S RESIGNATION.

The *Daily Telegraph* says the Marquis of Lansdowne, Under-Secretary for India, is much pressed by his colleagues to remain in the Ministry. The *Post* says it is no secret that some most important members of the Cabinet share the views of the Marquis of Lansdowne, and there are others, though not holding high office, who have been striving and are still seeking to induce the Government to withdraw from the obnoxious position they have taken up.

EARTHQUAKE IN SWITZERLAND.

A Geneva telegram says the earthquake on Sunday was one of the most severe and widespread that has been known in Switzerland for several years. Two persons were killed. Several metres of summit of the Schenebelber, near Quarten, fell, overwhelming a large wood.

EARNIE FEVER IN MAYO.

The *Times* states the Irish Government has sent a physician to County Mayo to enquire into the nature and extent of famine fever there, and in the neighbouring counties, which is reported to be spreading alarmingly.

RUSSIA'S HARVEST.

A St. Petersburg despatch says official reports state that in upwards of forty districts of Russia, the harvest will be below the average. In many Provinces the prospects are very serious. In some districts in the south the crops have altogether failed, owing to the ravages of insects.

ENCOURAGING REPORTS FROM IRELAND.

At a meeting of the trustees of the Duchess of Marlborough's Irish relief fund, very encouraging reports of the improved condition in the West of Ireland were given. The Registrar-General read returns for the last ten years showing there is nothing remarkable in the prevalence of fever in the Swineford district, which is endemic. So much for the sensational report about a terrible outbreak of famine fever.

THE SITUATION AT CABUL.

A despatch from Cabul via Calcutta says Abdur Rahman has again expressed a strong desire for a friendly settlement. There is great distress in Cabul, owing to the great scarcity and consequent dearness of provisions of all kinds. The harvest, however, is expected to relieve the wants of the people at an early date.

DEMOLITION OF THE CABUL FORTS.

The Bombay Engineers have been ordered to begin preparations for the demolition of forts erected by the British around Cabul.

DEATH OF TOM TAYLOR.

Tom Taylor, the author of nearly a hundred dramatic pieces, died very suddenly yesterday, aged 63 years.

A WELSH PARTY.

It is stated the representatives of the Welsh constituencies in the House of Commons are about to combine for the formation of a distinctly Welsh Parliamentary party.

REDUCTION OF THE INCOME TAX.

Mr. Gladstone has a scheme under consideration to submit to Parliament whereby the income tax will be reduced by threepence in the pound.

AN ENGLISH STEAMER ATTACKED BY ARABS.

The English steamer Khalifas, of the Euphrates line, has been attacked by Arabs, who maintained a fusilade for an hour, but did not succeed in boarding the steamer. The quartermaster and one passenger were killed. The captain was wounded. The Turkish authorities at Bagdad promise to investigate the outrage, which was wholly unprovoked.

PROHIBITION OF WHEAT EXPORTS FROM RUSSIA.

A St. Petersburg despatch says:—In consequence of the defective harvest prospects, the question is discussed of forbidding the export of wheat. The Manchester *Guardian* says the prohibition of the export of grain from Russia will be a serious matter for Germany, where the rye crops are especially poor. It seems likely Germany will be an important buyer for American surplus grain.

ANOTHER WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* says South Africa is threatened with another native war, in consequence of the unjustifiable disarmement of the Basutos, which measure is attributable to Sir Bartle Frere's influence.

THE ST. GOTHARD TUNNEL.

The engineers report that the St. Gothard tunnel cannot be ready for traffic before the end of April next. The contractors forfeit five thousand francs for every day's delay after 1st October, but they dispute their liability on the ground that the company failed to keep faith with them. As the lines of approach cannot be finished before summer, 1881, the delay in the completion of the tunnel will not retard the opening of through traffic.

GAS EXPLOSION IN STAFFORDSHIRE.

A gasoline explosion occurred to-day in Bateson, Staffordshire, which wrecked the street for 300 yards and did great damage to the adjoining houses and other property. It was occasioned by the same blunder which caused the gas explosion in London a few days since.

JESUIT SETTLEMENT IN WALES.

It is stated the Jesuits expelled from France intend to settle in Wales and have leased a house at Aberiovey in Merionethshire for 21 years.

EGYPT AND ABYSSINIA.

A Cairo despatch says the report is incorrect that a treaty has been concluded between Egypt and Abyssinia. Naib Mahomet, the bearer of a letter from the Queen of England to King John, has returned here. He reports he was well received. The King informed him he was desirous of maintaining friendly relations with Egypt.

THREATENING STATE OF THINGS IN IRELAND.

The state of the peasantry and others in Ireland is assuming a very grave aspect. Secret meetings are being held throughout the country, and a thoroughly organized committee is exciting the people to tumult. With a view to accomplish their disloyal purposes the men are being drilled by proficient instructors.

PREPARING TO EVACUATE CABUL.

A despatch from Bombay says preparations are being made by the British to evacuate Cabul. All the forts around Sherpur have been mined and could be blown up at a day's notice. It is reported the troops will leave Cabul about the middle of August.

AFFAIRS IN THE EAST.

GREECE PROMISES TO COMPLY WITH THE ADVICE OF THE POWERS—ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN MONTENEGRINS AND ALBANIANS—REVOLT OF TURKISH SOLDIERS—PRESENTATION OF THE COLLECTIVE NOTE POSTPONED.

LONDON, July 13.

An Athens despatch says the Greek Premier has promised to comply with the request of England and France to postpone calling out the reserves, but could not undertake to suspend preparations for future mobilization.

THE BERLIN DECISION.

It is understood the German ambassador will communicate the decision of the Berlin Conference to the Porte to-day.

EASTERN ROUMELIA AND BULGARIA.

News has reached the Porte from Sofia that Prince Alexander has submitted confidentially to certain Powers a project for the incorporation of a portion of Eastern Roumelia with Bulgaria, the rest to be restored to the Sultan. Information shows the project was favoured by one of the two Powers to whom it was submitted. It is thought if the arrangement is effected the Unionist movement would be abandoned, and the Pan-Bulgaria agitation cease.

TURKISH SOLDIERS IN REVOLT.

A Pera despatch says in connection with the fall of Osman Pasha, late Minister of War, 20,000 soldiers at the Schatalja lines, whose time had expired, clamoured to be disbanded, and threw down their arms. Amid great uproar they started for Pera, intending to demand their arrears of pay, but were met by a strong force and conducted to the barracks, where they are now confined. This occurrence, with other disquieting matters, having reached the ear of the Sultan, it is believed induced him to dismiss Osman.

PRESENTATION OF THE NOTE POSTPONED.

News has been received from Constantinople that as several ambassadors have asked their respective Governments for more precise instructions, the presentation of the collective note to the Porte has been postponed.

ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN ALBANIANS AND MONTENEGRINS.

Intelligence comes from Tusi that the Albanians on learning that Abeddin Pasha had promised to execute the Montenegrin convention, attacked all the Montenegrin advanced posts, killing and wounding several men. A despatch from Scutari reports that on Sunday the Montenegrins after bombarding the Albanian strongholds attacked the Albanian left flank. Their attack was repulsed by the Albanians, who pursued the enemy and brought back the heads of 13 Montenegrins.

POISON IN THE LETTUCE

Sufferings of a Family in London East.

LONDON, July 13.—The family of Mr. Toll, village Councillor of London East, received from a neighbour yesterday morning a quantity of lettuce grown in his garden. Mr. Toll and one of the children partook of a little of it at dinner, and felt slightly unwell during the afternoon. The girl said she had washed the vegetables carefully three times, and noticed the water was tinted green after each water. At supper again it was used, all the family partaking of the lettuce and the vinegar freely. Soon after painful symptoms began, cramps, etc., of an alarming nature setting in. At first the sufferers did not apprehend the real cause. At about one o'clock Dr. Street arrived on the scene, and at once perceived all the evidences of arsenical poisoning. Prompt remedies were applied, and at four o'clock in the morning nothing fatal was feared, except in the case of the youngest child. The doctor called again on the family at noon today, and pronounced all out of danger. The bad effects will be felt for some days. The donor of the lettuce admits he used Paris green on his potatoes in a patch near the bed where the other vegetables were grown.

ATTEMPTED MURDER.

Shooting Affray on Ship-Board at Goderich.

A man named John Burns, first mate of the schooner Midland Rover, arrived at the General Hospital in this city last night from Goderich, with one bullet in his neck and another in his right arm. The wounded man was sent to No. 5 ward, where he lies awaiting the extraction, if possible, of the bullets. He states that about seven o'clock yesterday morning a dispute arose between himself and Thomas Sheridan, second mate of the Rover, while she was lying in Goderich harbour, and that the latter getting into a great rage, ran into the [illegible] upon his life. He fired two shots at him in rapid succession, the first lodging in the back of his neck and the other entering the outer side of the right forearm. It is alleged, on the other hand, that the wounded man was the aggressor, inasmuch as he threatened Sheridan with a handspike before the shots were fired at him. An effort will be made to-day to extract the bullets, which the patient says give him little or no pain; and this is probable, because he was sleeping comfortably between eleven and twelve o'clock last night. Both men are from Chicago, but as the offence was committed in a Canadian port, Sheridan, who was taken into custody upon delivering himself to the police authorities, will have to stand his trial at Goderich, where he is at present in gaol.

THE CROPS IN ILLINOIS

Prospect of the Most Abundant Harvest Ever Known.

CHICAGO, July 13.—The State Board of Agriculture's tables of the July crop report are complete, and are based upon correspondence from each county in the state to the first July. They show the total value of the state farm products will be larger by millions of dollars than ever before. The total wheat acreage is 20 per cent. greater than last year, and the condition on July 1st, with very few exceptional counties was equal to that of last year. Corn is about the same as last year. Oats are 15 per cent more. The hay crop is nearly double. The Irish potato crop is immense, and the sweet potato crop larger than ever before. All sorts of fruit are in fine condition.

BURNED TO DEATH.

An Aged Idiot Sets His Clothes Ablaze and is Fatally Injured.

LONDON, July 13.—Yesterday morning Edward Black, who for many years has resided on the second concession of London, during the momentary absence of his sister, set his clothes on fire, and before the flames could be quenched was fatally burned. The deceased, though always semi-idiotic, and addicted to all kinds of mischievous actions, at times endangering his life and the property of others, had reached an age of over sixty years. His sister was attending to her morning duties about the farmhouse, having left the deceased by the stove. When she returned he was enveloped in flames, from which he appeared to make no particular effort to escape. She exerted herself to the utmost to subdue the fire as quickly as possible, and accomplished the feat in so short a time that only a few burns were observed. These were carefully dressed and the injured man put to bed. About noon he breathed his last.

GRATEFUL IRELAND.

The Bishop of Ossory to the Bishop of Ottawa.

OTTAWA, July 13.—His Lordship Bishop Duhamel has received a letter of thanks from the Bishop of Ossory (Gilloody) which says:—

Your charity is indeed inexhaustible. You are proving your love for Ireland, and proving it to the end, and what can I say to your lordship for myself and my clergy and my poor suffering flock, except to assure you again that your lordship and those whose alms you have ministered to are all for ever gratefully remembered by us before God. Your present help comes most opportunely when the distress of many of our poor people is turning to destitution. We shall have a hard struggle during the next six weeks with hunger and sickness, but I have great hope that the generous help that is still coming in to us from abroad will carry us through our difficulties. The weather is, thank God, most favourable for the crops, and so far they give promise of an early and abundant harvest. This prospect cheers our poor hopeful people, and keeps up the courage of the relief committee as well.

THE STARVING MAN.

Dr. Tanner Evidently Failing and Growing Weaker.

NEW YORK, July 13.—At one o'clock Tanner's pulse and temperature were each 108. The dynamometer under pressure of his hand registered 90.40, showing increasing weakness. His condition, the doctors say, is restless and feverish.

At midnight Dr. Tanner had fasted fifteen and a half days. In the afternoon he was driven in Central Park. He was gone two hours. Before retiring he had six drachams of water, and during the day frequently munched broken ice. He appeared to be weaker, and is evidently failing. When he retired for the night, at 9 30, his pulse was 98, temperature 98 and respiration 18.

KILLED BY A BEAR.

HUNTSVILLE, Ont., July 13.—Last Sunday morning a bear passed through the clearance of E. Johnston, lot 23 in 13th concession, Stephenson, when a son of Mr. Johnston shot and wounded him. The boy called the dog, and without any charge in his gun followed the bear. The animal turned on the lad, whose brother coming up found the infuriated animal tearing him to pieces. The brother shot and the bear lay beside his victim dead. The circumstances were reported to Coroner Reece and he ordered the body to be buried.

CATTLE DISEASE IN NOVA SCOTIA.

TRURO, N. S., July 13.—An unknown disease has been sweeping off horned cattle to an alarming extent within a radius of twenty miles of Pictou, N.S. The disease is by many considered contagious. The farmers are much alarmed. Some have been ruined. Hundreds of animals have died. The disease is spreading.

Cobourg Garrison Artillery.

COBOURG, July 13.—The inspection of the Cobourg garrison artillery took place here to-day by Lieut. Col. Sarange, of Kingston, who complimented the men upon their neat and military appearance, and said that as raw recruits it could not be expected that they would be very proficient in the target exercises, still considering the short time they had drilled he had much pleasure in congratulating them upon the success which they had achieved.

A Child's Last Sleep.

OWEN SOUND, July 13.—Yesterday afternoon a little boy aged four years, son of Mr. John Shackleton, was drowned at Colpoy's Bay. It is supposed that he laid down on an old boat that was lying on the shore, and went asleep and rolled into the water. The body was found in the evening about forty feet from the shore and close to where the boat was lying.

IRISH COMPENSATION BILL.

Lively Discussion in the House of Commons.

MR. GLADSTONE'S LAST AMENDMENT.

The Measure Passed Through Committee.

SPLIT IN THE IRISH RANKS.

The Home Rule Party Determined to Oppose the Act at All Hazards.

LONDON, July 13.

Mr. Parnell and his immediate followers came into collision with the majority of the Irish members, who are supported by the Government and the English members, over the clause of the Irish Distress bill on Monday night. The struggle was protracted until daybreak on Tuesday morning, when the Government surrendered at discretion, in view of the determined hostility of Mr. Parnell and his sixteen supporters. Thirty-one Irish members voted with the Government. Mr. Parnell's attitude is strongly dezounced by Home Rule members of Liberal proclivities. No further opposition was offered to the progress of the bill, which passed through the Committee stage.

LONDON, July 13.—The *Times* understands that Lady Burdett-Coutts, who has been negotiating for an estate in Ireland, relinquished her intention in consequence of the unsatisfactory relations between landlord and tenant likely to arise from Mr. Forster's bill. After Mr. Gladstone's statement in the House last night the Irish members almost unanimously expressed opposition to the amendments to the compensation bill. He then gave notice of an amendment which removes to a great extent the objections to the Attorney-General's clause, which will be withdrawn.

MR. GLADSTONE'S AMENDMENT.

The *Times*, commenting on Mr. Gladstone's amendment to Mr. Forster's Compensation for Disturbance bill, says:—

It is apparent these strange sudden modifications of the bill recommended to Parliament on the ground of urgency will not tend to impress either House with the conviction that the measure is one which must be passed instantly, and at any cost and risk. The public and Parliament, and more especially the House of Lords, will conclude that Ministers cannot be very sure of their footing when they offer three different proposals. The Attorney-General's proposal has been thrown overboard as unexpectedly as it was produced. Mr. Gladstone's amendment, which will be substituted for it, takes away the means provided for the landlords to protect themselves from penal consequences. The bill leaves everything to be determined by the County Court Judge. The element of uncertainty thus becomes as formidable as it was in the original bill.

LIVELY DEBATE IN THE HOUSE.

In the House of Commons this evening, there was a very lively discussion in Committee on the Irish Compensation for Disturbance bill, Lord Randolph Churchill, Sir Stafford Northcote, and Mr. Gibson leading the Opposition.