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Please don't delay your subscriptions for 1907. We shall esteem it a great favor if you remit now.

The Liberal papers are busy denying the report that Sir Wilfrid Laurier wanted to dissolve Parliament and bring on the elections immediately; but that the Governor General refused to grant a dissolution because of an understanding between the Premier and the Leader of the Opposition.

In a shooting competition at Petawawa Ont. last week between Canadian and British teams of heavy artillery, the Canadians won. The British team was made up of picked men sent over specially to compete in this match.

Government Printing.

The hot wave of last week appears to have had a bad effect on the Transcript. Because of an extract from one of Sir Richard Cartwright's old speeches, that journal of the usually equable temper makes a rather vicious onslaught upon The Times, raking up an alleged charge for government advertising made fifteen or twenty years ago, of which there is no record in the published accounts.

account. There is nothing in existing conditions to warrant this enormous increase. — Moncton Times.

The Pardoning Power (Ottawa Citizen.)

The use of the pardoning power has in the judgment of many including not a few friends of the present minister of justice, degenerated into an abuse. The practice that clemency is only exercised on petition signed by those familiar with the facts, and after a report by the sentencing judge or magistrate has been received and considered, does not satisfy the public.

There has been a great abuse of the pardoning power, especially in the past couple of years. Prisoners who have been tried, found guilty and sentenced have been released from prison after serving only a portion of their sentences, not because they did not get a fair trial or that there had been any miscarriage of justice, but friends of the convicted prisoners get up petitions on their behalf which are signed by "influential" citizens, politicians and people of all classes.

It would be interesting to know just how many prisoners have been pardoned in the past few years. And in how many were there just grounds for a commutation of the sentence? We do not argue that the pardoning power should be abolished, because there may be cases where prisoners have been unjustly convicted and where there has been a miscarriage of justice.

Good Thing for Canada

The presence of British newspaper men in Canada, making a personal inspection of the country and study of its resources, is an event big with possible blessings for this land and scarcely less for the thousands in the home land who will be influenced by the reports which these men may publish in their respective journals, either to remain where they are or leave the old roof tree and make their homes and those of their descendants on this continent.

strength nor dignity in Canadian life.

To ask these questions is to suggest their answers, and they have not been put a moment too soon. Society must be protected against the undermining process which has been going on so surely in recent years. If sentences are to be revoked after heavy expense has been incurred in running to earth the guilty parties and bringing out such evidence as constrains a jury, sworn to give the benefit of any doubt which his counsel may be able to create in his favor, to render a verdict of guilty then, we say, there will be a disposition to avoid the expenditure of effort and money to bring the guilty to justice.

The Globe is apprehensive of such a result. It concludes: "The applause in a court room over the light sentencing of a confessed criminal, the readiness with which all classes of citizens join in petitioning the minister of justice for the early release of all sorts of convicts, and the elevation of a certain type of villain into the place of the hero and martyr, are significant of a very serious lack of sound moral fibre in important areas of public opinion."

A ton of dead flies was the strange cargo a vessel from Brazil recently unloaded at the London docks.

Dead flies are admirable food for chickens, birds in captivity and captive fish. But there being no flies to speak of in England, those in search of this delicacy for such use have to send to Brazil, where there are flies on everything. The river Amazon swarms with them and Brazilians float down the stream in boats and scoop in millions of the flies, which circle in dense clouds just above the water's edge.

Men Jump Overboard

With their ship five miles from the nearest land, two Norwegian sailors on Thursday jumped from the bark Anguine off the Straits of Northumberland. A little later they were rescued by a passing boat and taken to Slediac, where they have been given employment. The escape of the two men was a dramatic one.

When matters affecting Canada come up for public discussion these men will be in a position to deal with them intelligently, or at any rate with the great advantage of having seen the country.

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Fined Nearly Thirty Millions

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The court held that the railroads have no more right to make a rebate for a shipper than a board of assessors would have to make a special assessment for any party.

A Model Employer

The decision in the libel suit brought against the London Daily Mail by Mr. Lever, a soap magnate, condemning the former, to pay damages and costs, roundly estimated at \$1,000,000, has served to direct attention to the benevolent work of the plaintiff at Garden City, near Fort Snelling, the home of his employees.

Fell from Bridge

A Quebec despatch of Saturday says:—To fall a distance of 180 feet and still live was the thrilling and remarkable experience of Joseph Gran, an old country Frenchman who directed the resident in Quebec for three months past.

Forty-one Persons Drowned

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Onions Peeled By Lightning

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worth \$200,000, "the possibility of that form of fire, as has been suggested in a leading lightning in his own case. Then we may expect to find each well appointed home equipped with its own lightning apparatus, which would not only furnish light and heat, but would feed the onions and potatoes, sweep the floors, wash the dishes, dress the shirts, sew the buffalo bags, kill the flies, do all the drudgery of housework including the semi-annual house-cleaning. And the servant girl problem would be at last solved."

Crops in the West

In presenting to its readers the regular month's crop report for August, the Free Press of Winnipeg, says it does so with regret that it is not more favorable. This means that the conditions as it is possible to come. The conditions have not improved during July as much as there was reason to hope they would, although there has been a decided improvement in the southern sections of Manitoba, where the indications were that the should not frost interfere, there will be a crop of ten to twelve bushels per acre reaped.

New York Policeman is Publicly Degraded

New York, July 21.—A scene closely paralleling when Deputy Sheriff was publicly degraded before the French jury was enacted in the trial room of police headquarters today. For the first time in more than thirty years, a patrolman had been adjudged guilty of cowardice.

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DIED

At New Zealand on the 22nd ult, after a year's illness, Thomas Manning, aged 78 years, leaving to mourn one son and one daughter and a large circle of friends. May his soul rest in peace.

In this city on the 3rd ult, Frank McKenna, Queen street, aged 77 years. May his soul rest in peace.

Farmers who send their sons and daughters to the Union Commercial College can rest assured they will not waste their time. No nonsense. Write for new illustrated prospectus. Wm. Moran, Prin. Ch. Town.

The Prices

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Butter (fresh), Eggs, Potatoes, etc.

Gathering OF THE CLANS!

The Annual Scottish Gathering under the auspices of the Caledonian Club of P. E. Island will be held on the

DRIVING PARK GROUNDS Georgetown, On Wednesday, August 21st.

Table with 4 columns: Station, Train, Train, Fare. Lists various stations and train times.

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