

DOMINION NEWS.

A Record of the Week's Events in Canada.

ONTARIO.

Another Bill of the National Policy. The Minister of Finance has recently turned out his first bill of cotton cloth.

The bonus by law giving a manufacturing company of Essex County \$10,000, was voted on Monday and carried by a large majority.

The Dominion House has received 64 applications for licenses in Elgin county, about thirty of which are from St. Thomas.

The Salvation Army, who commenced operations in St. Catharines a few weeks ago, claim to have 120 converts, and have crowded houses every night.

An order was granted on the 6th for the withdrawal, without costs, of the petition against Mr. O'Brien, a member of the House for Muskoka in the Dominion House.

The Sheriff of Peel on Monday presented Mr. Justice Cameron with the customary pair of white gloves on opening the session, there being no criminal cases on the docket.

Miss Ida Joy, of Tilsonburg, who is prosecuting her art studies in Paris, has been awarded a gold medal for the superiority of her work over every other competing artist.

A petition is being circulated on Pelee Island asking the Postmaster-General to establish a post office on the island, to be called North Pelee Post-office, the other South Pelee Post-office.

All the hotel-keepers of South Wellington have applied for a license to sell wine and beer under the Crooks Act. It is understood that all but five of them have applied to the Dominion commissioners also.

Mr. Douglas has been elected Mayor of Combermere by a majority of twenty over Mr. Hunter, his opponent. The former defeated two other gentlemen who were declared void, hence Mr. Hunter was elected.

Friday night J. Foster had between forty and fifty sheep killed by dogs. The sheep were in an enclosure just outside the corporation of Windsor. In the morning dead and dying sheep were found strewn over the field.

An exodus of families living in London West took place on Tuesday, in apprehension of a fire. The morning fog was so dense that the water in the river has fallen considerably during the past week, and the ice still remains firm.

Belleville City Council on Monday night voted \$500 for the opening of another ferry route between that city and Prince Edward.

A by-law has been passed by the Council separating laws and parks from dwellings for assessment purposes.

It is estimated that about five million feet of cottonwood, sycamore, basswood, and elm have been cut in the county of Essex county into logs and heading. It was rafted next summer to Detroit and Trenton mills.

On Tuesday week it was stated that Mayor Bissell had been elected Mayor of Windsor. It is understood that such vote was ever passed by the Ottawa Council.

They died at the residence of her son, Mr. Robert Turnbull, Beverley, on Friday last, of a lady who had attained the advanced age of 94 years and 9 months. The deceased was one of the early settlers of Beverley, and the wife of the late Andrew Turnbull, of Aberfoyle.

The alleged shortage in the accounts of the Collector of Customs at Port Erie is now believed to be more apparent than real, and to be simply the result of irregularities in the accounts.

In any case neither the Government nor the agents will lose anything should a decision be given which would be favourable to the Government.

Mr. Mowat's nomination as a member of the last week in South Oxford, the election to fill the vacancy caused by Hon. Mr. Crooks' resignation.

Mr. Cook, the Independent candidate, was returned by a majority of about seven hundred in a constituency which at the last election returned Mr. Crooks by a majority of about 1,000.

The captain of the Limestone city has presented a remarkable petition to the City Council, asking that the city repair their rights, about houses, and grant exemption from taxes for ten years on the property.

Lyons and Marks, of Beaverton, who were arrested at Windsor for horse stealing the other day, only of them appeared in Windsor on Saturday morning, Saturday morning.

Over thirty deserters from the American army are in Windsor. A reward of \$300 induces number of persons to act as detectives, who get the deserter introduced, induce them to cross the river, and then hand him over to the authorities.

The deserter is now up to the design of the deserter, who is at both the Windsor and Walkerville ferry landings and stop brother deserters from falling victim to these detectives.

A nomination for a candidate for East Grey to fill the vacancy in the Local Legislative Council caused by the death of Mr. Lander, took place at Peterborough on Tuesday.

The Conservatives nominated Mr. Cameron, the choice of their convention, and the Reformers Mr. Myles, who poses as an Independent, his nominee of their convention, Mr. Cameron having discovered that he was disqualified.

A writ of habeas corpus was granted last week by Chancellor Boyd for the purpose of obtaining the custody of the child, Elizabeth Beauty McCue. The applicant is Mrs. Lockwood, of the township of Bastard, County of Leeds, who claims she was appointed guardian of the child by her father, Mr. John Horton, of the village of Delta, as aunt of Elizabeth's, has now got possession of the child, and wishes to return to the custody of her mother.

Mr. Hason Murray, of one Peterson, moved last week at Quebec Hall before Mr. Dalton to set aside the election of Mr. C. Odette as a councillor for the township of Anderson, in the county of Essex, on the ground that he has not the necessary property qualification.

Mr. Solomon White, of the township of Windsor, opposed the motion. The learned Master held that the qualification was insufficient, and made an order setting Mr. Odette, and directing a new election without costs.

A case has come before the Police Magistrate in London in which the decision will be legal or not. A hotel keeper was charged with keeping his bar open after twelve midnight. The case was argued by Mr. Odette, who was successful.

The Police ordered the place was 12.20 standard time, and that, therefore, according to his old time there was no offence. As there has been no legislation on the subject, it is probable that this plea will be held good.

Mr. Mowat stated in the House the other day that the Government were making enquiries with a view to such legislation. It should have been introduced ere this.

Mr. McMillan, of Orangeville, on behalf of James Murray, moved recently before Mr. Justice Cameron for an order nisi calling on the municipality of the town of Orangeville to show cause why by-law 10 should not be quashed.

The by-law prohibits the sale of goods in a grocery store, and restricts the number of shop licenses from four to two, increasing the license fee from \$10 to \$200. The grounds of complaint are that the by-law is in terms obsolete, and that it has been passed irregularly, not having been read three times before the Council, and that, causing a monopoly, it is prejudicial to the public interest.

was granted, which will be argued next week. The learned judge said that the people of Toronto by vote had expressed their approval of the by-law, and that the learned judge marked that the liquor was good in Orangeville, and two stores were not allowed to supply it.

Civil Service Examination. The next Civil Service entrance examination will commence on Tuesday, and applications will be received until the first of April, when the necessary forms will be forwarded, which must be returned properly filled by the 15th. Notices of the date of examination will be published in due course.

The promotion examination will commence on Monday, the 19th, and eligible candidates will have to give their names to the deputy clerk of the respective departments, who will report them to the examination board.

Harbour of Refuge for Fishermen. The Harbour of Refuge for Fishermen, an influential meeting was held in Capt. Pollock's hotel this evening to discuss the matter of a harbour of refuge for fishermen. The meeting was attended by merchant, vessel owners, master mariners, farmers, and others in and around the port. St. Thomas, Detroit, and the surrounding district. The desirability of this place being made a good harbour for fishermen was the unanimous verdict of the meeting.

Mr. Thomas Arbell, ex-M.P. of St. John's, and Mr. J. G. Collier, of the latter place, were elected to Ottawa at once and lay the matter before the Government.

Conservative Candidates for East Grey. Mr. Neil McCollman was unanimously selected last week as the Conservative candidate in East Grey for the vacancy in the Local Legislative Council.

The gentleman selected has been engaged in farming for a great many years in Grey and has had considerable experience, having been for many years a member of the Local Board of Counciling Wood, and in the County Council, and has also been a member of the Board of Agriculture.

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Justice Cameron and a jury, when a verdict for the full amount was awarded to the plaintiff. It being clearly proven that the defendant had received the money from John's polling booth, and claiming the right to vote, he had refused to administer the oath, and rejected their tendered votes on the presence of the court, allow to vote, who had not a house upon his property. The defendant appeared to the Q. B. Divisional Court, moving against the verdict on his right to different grounds. Judgment was delivered on Saturday by that court sustaining the verdict in full, and dismissing the appeal. The court held that a ministerial officer is a ministerial and not a judicial officer, and that he has no right to require a voter's right to vote, but must if he is the elector's status admits to him the oath, and, if he takes it, receive his vote. These are the first legal process corrupt election cases there more to follow. Messrs. Oler, Q. C., and E. Mack appeared for the plaintiff, and Messrs. Maclean, Q. C., and Proctor for the defendant.

QUEBEC. The debt of the City of Montreal reaches to within a fraction of the enormous amount of twelve million dollars.

Customs officers at Montreal have seized and destroyed a great quantity of jewellery which had been smuggled into the city without paying duty.

An amicable arrangement of the difficult question of the Board of Dominion Insurance Company, of Montreal, has been effected, whereby the threatened resignation of the managing director is averted.

Mayor Bergeron, of Montreal, appears to have a life-long office. His resignation, ever realising that one can have too much of a good thing, has signified to his constituents that he will not be re-elected at the end of this year's term.

During the past week seventy-eight horses and twenty-four brood mares were exported from Montreal to the Eastern States. Their cost aggregated \$13,000, and the greater number came from Ontario. There is a lively demand by American buyers on the spot for good stock.

The Recorder of Montreal rejected the evidence of a certain named Charrette in an affidavit on the ground that several witnesses had sworn that he was notoriously profane. The court in giving judgment directed that Charrette on the enormity of the sin of blasphemy, and said that neither he nor any other person should be allowed to swear in court. A result is that Charrette will be imprisoned for a year, for five years for robbing the mail bags.

Jennie Giles stabbed her uncle, Wm. Giles, at the Hamlet on Friday night. The girl was aged about 17, and her uncle was 60. It is reported that she was in a state of insanity, and will be further investigated, as the wound inflicted was a serious one.

A Hamiltonian, named F. Booth, while passing down St. Paul street, St. Catharines, was attacked by two men who gave him a beating, breaking his jaw-bone in addition to other injuries. The police arrested the men, and the man named Booth for a whiskey detective.

Robert McKinnis, of Campbellford, Ont., was killed by a Grand Junction railway train last week. He leaves a young wife.

Mr. McLaughlin, of Kingston, while going to work on the Canadian Pacific railway, broke his wrist and sustained other injuries.

A seven-year old son of Almon Reynolds, of Hollowell, Ont., was killed some days ago by the Government at the north end of the railway.

William Featherstone, a busman of the Central Prison, Toronto, fell down the shaft in the prison building, and broke several ribs. As he was badly hurt, he will be further investigated, as the wound inflicted was a serious one.

A man named Smith has been arrested and returned to the Dominion House of British Columbia in London township. Smith is a neighbour of Telfer's, and the latter claims to have been the man who was killed.

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