

THIRTY-SECOND YEAR. CANADIAN NEWS.

THE FRUIT GROWERS OF ONTARIO IN SESSION. The Stipendiary Magistrate at Algoma to be 'dished'.

DETERMINED TO DIE. WIFE OF A STONE-CUTTER, CUTTING TO-DAY BY TAKING A SNUFFER, SUICIDED HERSELF BY TAKING A SNUFFER. SHE HAD BEEN ILL A LONG TIME AT A VERY DEEPENING.

DEATH OF MRS. BOYCE. TORONTO, Dec. 11.—Mrs. Boyce, daughter of Rev. Dr. Williams, who came from Texas to nurse her father during what was supposed to be a fatal illness, died to-day from the effects of operations performed a few days ago for a malady which developed itself after her arrival here.

OUTRAGED FISH GROWERS. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ONTARIO FISH GROWERS ASSOCIATION IS IN SESSION. THERE IS A LARGE ATTENDANCE. THE PRESIDENT IN HIS ADDRESS URGED THAT EFFORTS BE MADE TO HAVE THE SCIENCE OF HORTICULTURE TAUGHT IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

IMMIGRATION TO ONTARIO. THE TOTAL IMMIGRATION TO ONTARIO WAS 16,000 AGAINST 20,000 LAST YEAR, AND 19,000 IN 1887. DURING LAST YEAR FIFTY PER CENT OF THE SETTLERS WERE FROM ENGLAND.

ATHLETIC CONTEST. KINGSTON, Dec. 12.—In the match between Prof. Reid, of Toronto, and Sergeant Major Morgan, of the Royal Military College, for the championship of Canada, the contestists: 1st foil, 2nd sword, 3rd bayonet, 4th Morgan with sword and Reid with bayonet, and 5th Reid with sword and Morgan with bayonet. Reid was declared the winner by a score of seven to twelve points.

A VACANT MAGISTRACY AT ALGOMA. TORONTO, Dec. 12.—The government has decided not to fill the vacancy in the stipendiary magistrate at Algoma, caused by the death of John Gillies, who held the office for nearly a half. The place was always worth \$1,000 annually.

"THE COLD, COLD GROUND." FUNERAL OF THE LATE JEFFERSON DAVIS AT NEW ORLEANS. THE CHIVALRY OF THE SOUTH FOLLOWS ITS HEAD ASHER TO THE MEMORIAL SERVICES.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 11.—The city is crowded with people, representing the provinces, wealth and civility of the South, and the masses of the poor. As soon as the doors of the city hall opened a stream of visitors began to pour through the death chamber to take a farewell view, the crowd of visitors being ever greater than yesterday.

CAPITAL NOTES. NEW LAND DISTRICT CREATED ON THE MAINLAND. CLAIMS IN CONNECTION WITH THE QUEBEC LAND SLIDE. DALTON MCCARTHY LECTURES AT OTTAWA UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE EQUAL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION.

OTTAWA, Dec. 12.—A new land district, to be known as Kamloops District, has been created out of New Westminster territory. E. M. Boville has been appointed agent, with headquarters at Kamloops. The extent of the district is from Salmon River to the summit of the Rockies.

"JACK THE RIPPER" BELIEVED TO HAVE RESUMED HIS FIENDISH WORK. THE BODY OF ANOTHER UNFORTUNATE WOMAN FOUND MUTILATED—THE REMAINS DISCOVERED IN A SHIP'S BOLLARD.

THE WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP CLAIMED BY O'CONNOR, WHO OFFER TO ROW ANY MAN IN THE WORLD FOR THE TITLE OF CHAMPION. DOM PEDRO'S PROPOSAL. LISBON, Dec. 13.—In response to enquiries made by the republican government of Brazil through the Brazilian legation here, Dom Pedro has agreed to accept any sum of money before that authorized by the laws of Brazil.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP. THE LONDON GAS MEN'S STRIKE A FAILURE. THE CALIFORNIA FLOODS. COLUSA, CAL., Dec. 13.—Another break is reported below Tolman's. This, it is said, will settle the fate of Grand Island.

TO BE SENT BACK TO CHINA. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—This morning the U. S. Customs collector at San Francisco ordered to be sent back to China the Chinese steamer "Wong Guay" to the custody of the United States Marshal to be sent back to China at San Francisco.

THE PACIFIC COAST NEWS. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—The steamship "California" left for the Pacific Coast line, both of which are under repair, which shortly replace the "California" and "Oregon" on the Oregon Railway. These vessels are to be laid off for repairs in the spring.

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LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL. That Plumper's Pass Assault. In the provincial court yesterday...

For the month. The following passengers will leave by the Queen of the Pacific for San Francisco today...

Heavy machinery. At noon yesterday the much-talked-of steamer Klaskan arrived at Turner...

At the West. All day yesterday the flag on the American consulate building floated at half mast...

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The Colonist

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20TH, 1889.

FREE AND UNFETTERED.

The Times has peculiar ideas respecting the relations that should exist between a member of Parliament and his constituents.

It believes that a representative will not do his duty unless he is honored by a number of cast-iron pledges. It never enters its head that an honest man will do what he knows to be right in his position in which he is placed as faithfully and as zealously when he is not pledged as when he is pledged.

Our contemporary in laudatory tones says that the citizens of Victoria have shown their disapproval of its advice and warnings by not only electing an assembly which will do what it pleases, but also by electing a member of Parliament who is not pledged as when he is pledged.

There is no freedom in this no sign of submissiveness. We have seen Mr. Prior, at a season of the year in which it is very inconvenient for him to leave home, posting off to Ottawa to prevent injustice being done to his constituents, and it is well known that he is backed up in every step he has taken by his junior colleagues. Could plodgers do more than this? We are quite content that Messrs. Prior and Keith will do everything that men in their position can do to prevent wrong being done to Victoria. They will do this because they know that the representatives of Victoria should do—because they know that the electors have placed their interests in their hands, confident that they would be faithful to the trust reposed in them.

The Times has yet to learn that honest men do not need to be pledged. It ought to know that pledges will not bind dishonest men. If it strikes many people in Victoria as very singular indeed that a member of Parliament should be so completely controlled by what they considered the wishes of the Board of Trade, although that body is composed of a number of very influential men, it is not the whole of Victoria. It might have been thought that there were others in this city and province who ought to have been consulted in a matter of such importance. The representatives of the city in the Commons might not unreasonably expect to be consulted before action was taken, or informed as to what the Government had intended to do and what reply it intended to make. Instead of trying to find out what the intentions of Victoria were, the Board of Trade were exceptionally—very exceptionally—pompous.

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U. S. FINANCE AND TRADE.

We see by the report of the secretary of the United States Treasury that the revenue for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, was \$387,000,000 and the expenditure was \$387,000,000, leaving a surplus of \$10,000,000. The revenue was \$10,000,000 in excess of the estimate, and the expenditure was \$10,000,000 in excess of the estimate.

Had the Government given notice of their intention to the representatives of the city, they and others would have instantly protested and the business of the city would not have been unnecessarily interrupted. But not only did the Ottawa authorities not consult the members of the Board of Trade, but they did not even consult the representatives of the city, they did not even consult the representatives of the city, they did not even consult the representatives of the city.

ENERGETIC MEASURES.

Mr. Windom, the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, notices the seal laws in his report in a way that shows that the Government of the United States has not the best ideas of what constitutes jurisdiction over the waters of Behring's Sea.

The act of March 2, 1889, confers all the needed authority upon the secretary of the United States to provide for the protection of the seal fisheries. The act is not a mere declaration of principle, it is a practical measure.

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RATHER COLORED.

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