

## MANITOBA AND THE NORTHWEST

The Provincial Grand Lodge of Odd-fellows met this morning, when Grand Master Raymer delivered his annual address. A gain of 204 in membership is reported during the year. Committees were appointed for various purposes.

Crop reports from all parts of the Province indicate that harvesting is well advanced, and probably 50 per cent. of the oat crops seems to be turning out better than had been anticipated. A second Government bulletin, which will be issued tomorrow, will estimate the average yield throughout the Province at 14 bushels to the acre; on this estimate the total crop will be between eight and nine million bushels.

John Joslyn, an old and respected citizen of Broadview, was struck by a passing engine to-day and instantly killed. James Cotter, a bachelor farmer, aged 65, living near Deloraine, hanged himself yesterday morning between 5 and 6 o'clock on a beef scaffold. He had been mentally deranged for some time.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Medical Association closed at Banff last night. There was a large attendance and the meetings were very satisfactory. Toronto was chosen as the next place of meeting. Over fifty of the party left to-day for the Pacific Coast.

Commissioner Herchmer, of the Northwest Mounted Police, is in the city on official business. He says the stock is looking exceptionally well, and in fact he never saw range cattle in such fine condition at this time of the year. The calf crop has been large.

It is reported that thirty-five miles of track will be added to the Manitoba & Northwestern railway this summer. Construction operations are to begin at once. The Government will not at present fill the vacant Provincial Secretaryship, and it is likely that the French representation will be ignored. It is not probable that a constituency will be made by which Mr. Martin will assume the new portfolio of Minister of Education, and some new man will be called in for one of the existing portfolios.

At a large meeting of citizens to-night it was decided to erect a public monument in memory of the late ex-Premier, John Norquay. William Clougher's grain elevator at Otterburne was destroyed by fire last night, with 3,000 bushels of wheat; partially insured. The loss on the building is \$3,000.

Mr. H. J. Clarke, Q. C., to-day withdrew the charge of criminal libel against Mr. Cyr, ex-M. P., for circulating libelous posters respecting complaints during the Provincial election. The charge against Mr. Aston Barrows for printing the posters in question was dismissed with costs. There is another case against one Robinson, who will be heard on Saturday.

Dr. Gilbert Carberry has been elected Grand Master of the Odd-fellows of Manitoba.

A second crop bulletin of the Manitoba Government, issued to-day, referring to the spring wheat crop, says: "Correspondents invariably gave what in their opinion was as correct an estimate as possible of the average over their respective townships, and a careful compilation of these shows that a yield of 10.8 bushels to the acre will be realized over the Province. The reports vary from 3 bushels in some townships to 35 and 40 in others. Taken by groups the eastern show an average of 14.5 bushels per acre, the southwestern 11.7, the central 15.2, and the northwestern 17.3. The counties of Souris River, Rock Lake, Turtle Mountain, and Dennis show how great has been the destruction by gophers. Shoal Lake has also suffered largely, but the loss has not been as general as in other places named. The average yield of oats is placed at 21.5 bushels, barley 19.3 and peas 12.5. The total number of farmers in the Province is placed at 13,320, and the average amount put under crop by each 59.2 acres."

Hon. Mr. Dewdney, Minister of the Interior, arrived to-day by the Pacific express, accompanied by Mrs. Dewdney, Senator McInnes and his secretary, Messrs. McGill and Chisholm. A deputa-tion representing the old settlers waited on the minister and presented him with a largely signed petition asserting their claims, which have been published several times, and urging the early settlement thereof. The petition was presented by Mr. LeRiviere, M. P. for Provenccher. In reply Mr. Dewdney said he could say nothing in reference to the general claims set forth in the petition until he had consulted his colleagues.

The Sun to-night says: Whatever may have been the intention of the Government three weeks ago in regard to remodelling the educational system, recent events, more especially the resignation of Mr. Prendergast, have sealed the fate of the Separate Schools, and the decision now is to make a clean sweep of them and settle the question once and for all. The French language will also be wiped out. The statement that Mr. Prendergast's resignation was accepted was an error, as he attended a meeting of the Council yesterday. It will be accepted, however, on Mr. Greenway's return, as it would be impossible for Mr. Prendergast to remain under the circumstances. It is stated upon good authority that Mr. Prendergast will continue to support the Government in its general policy.

Several thousand dollars have been subscribed by Baptists for the purpose of erecting a Baptist College in Brandon. An effort will be made to raise money in the east.

One hundred and forty teams went west to-day to work on the Regina and Long Lake road.

## Pilgrims to Knock.

A Thursday's Dublin cable says: About 40,000 persons visited the celebrated Shrine of Knock to-day. The vast throng participated in the customary devotions. Several masses were celebrated, followed by a procession, the spectacle being most impressive. Archbishop Kavanagh, the central figure, was assisted by several clergymen, including two American priests. In the evening a benediction was given to a large number of pilgrims from England, Scotland and America.

"Love me little: love me long,  
Ran the words of an ancient song,  
Which sought to decrease sorrow,  
But that is not the modern way;  
It's 'Love me fiercely for a day,  
I'll be divorced to-morrow."

## A SOUTHERN DUEL.

Williamson Faced Four Bullets Without Weakening—No Blood.

Details concerning the bloodless duel between Calhoun and Williamson, of Atlanta, Saturday evening show that the affair, though terminating harmlessly, really had exciting and realistic features. When the contestants and seconds reached a battleground undisturbed by officers it was quite dark. All around stretched a dense forest, and while the men's figures were clearly defined, faces could not be recognized at 10 paces. The men were soon in position, apparently as cool as though the affair was merely a midnight picnic. Capt. Jackson, Calhoun's second, and Mr. King, Williamson's second, met just between the two men.

King took one pistol and Jackson the other. King placed his in Williamson's hand. Jackson walked over and handed his to Calhoun. The two seconds took their positions. The principals and seconds formed the four corners of a square. Col. John Seay rushed in and begged the seconds to settle the matter and not allow the fight. "It is a shame," he said, "to have two such fine men stand up here and shoot at one another." The seconds could not agree upon a settlement, and so announced. It had been arranged that each principal was to empty his pistol—shoot five times. Suddenly King's voice rang out:

"Are you ready, gentlemen?"

"Yes," answered both.

"Then fire."

The first shots were simultaneous. Williamson emptied his revolver, the five shots being fired very rapidly. Calhoun fired only once, and then slowly lowered his pistol as Williamson's bullets were whistling past his head.

"Are you hurt, Pat?" some one cried.

"No, sir," Calhoun coolly replied.

"Williamson, did he hit you?" asked King.

"I was not touched."

Both gentlemen, "with smoking pistols in their hands, stood as calm as statues. The silence was broken by the ringing voice of Calhoun.

"Mr. Williamson," he said, "I have four remaining balls which I have the right to fire at you. I now ask if you will withdraw the statement you made before the Legislative Committee?"

"I will," replied Williamson, in a clear voice, "provided you will say that you intended no personal reflection upon me."

The spectators drew a little nearer to hear and see better. Calhoun then said:

"When I made those statements I did it to impress upon the Legislature that your railroad had been offered the Central; will you withdraw your statement? I say this holding four balls in my pistol which I have the right to fire. I have no desire to take Williamson's life."

"I will withdraw it," replied Williamson, "when you say that you meant no personal reflection."

"What I say," Calhoun replied, "is that I wanted the Legislature to understand that your road was offered the Central in 1887. You came to the Kimball House to see me. Do you remember that? All I want before firing my remaining balls is for you to say that you came to my office in 1887."

"I will do so," replied Williamson, "provided you say you meant no personal reflection."

Capt. Jackson interrupted with:

"Mr. Williamson, have you any respect for me as a gentleman of honor?"

"I have," replied Williamson.

"Well," said Capt. Jackson, "I say as a gentleman that I would withdraw the statement."

Williamson's response was: "If Mr. Calhoun will say that he intended no personal reflection."

"Will you withdraw?" demanded Calhoun.

"If you say it."

"Will you withdraw?" again asked Calhoun.

"I hold four balls."

"I am ready for you to fire," was Williamson's firm reply. "Then we will load and fire again."

"Allow me to speak to Mr. Williamson," said King, his second.

King approached Williamson and, while talking, began to examine his revolver. Capt. Jackson approached quickly and asked what was that meant. "I am simply examining Mr. Williamson's revolver," replied Mr. King, "to see if it fired all five balls."

"You may come up and see. That's all right," said Capt. Jackson. Calhoun had remained quiet during this talk, but as soon as it ended, and King was withdrawing, his voice rang out clearly:

"In my remarks before the Legislative Committee Mr. Williamson personally did not enter my mind." Then raising his pistol he said:

"With the understanding that you withdraw your remarks after my statement, I fire the remaining shots in the air. I expressly reserve my shots to do this."

With these remarks four shots rang out. The four balls went skyward. Then Calhoun approached and the two principals shook hands, and the party started quickly for the car. Entering the car, Calhoun said: "Mr. Williamson, we will let this matter end here."

"We will," replied Williamson, giving his late antagonist's hand a hearty shake.

The Big Tunnel Scheme.

A New York despatch says: On Monday last, after an interval of two years, actual work was resumed on the submarine tunnel to connect New York with Jersey City. For the first time the financial part of the undertaking has been placed on a firm basis, and it is claimed the tunnel will be completed before 1892. It will be walled in, so as to make two independent tunnels, each 5,900 feet long. There will be an approach of three-fourths of a mile on each side, making a total length of over two and a half miles for each tunnel. About 2,000 feet of the north section of the tunnel has already been completed.

Anarchy in Zanzibar.

A yesterday's cable from Zanzibar has the following: Last night a party of natives entered the Indian bazaar and commenced thrashing the Indian men and women without distinction until they were violently stopped by the soldiers. Eighteen arrests only have been made and these men are in the fort. To-day they were flogged. The police arrangements here are infamous.

## CURRENT TOPICS.

French physicians who are studying the matter are confident that hypnosis will in time succeed the use of chloroform in the practice of painful surgical operations. Many most remarkable experiments in this direction have proved successful. Patients have been hypnotized, and while in that condition undergone operations of the most painful and delicate nature without evincing sensibility in the slightest degree.

KING JAJA, of West Africa, who is imprisoned on one of the islands of the West Indies by the English Government, has become a prey to melancholia. He refuses to eat and has grown extremely thin. He would have died months ago if he had not kept up on wine and tobacco. One of his wives is with him, but he will not speak to her and spends his time roaming about puffing cigars and sunk in gloomy reverie.

DENMARK is rapidly developing into a sort of poultry yard annex to Great Britain—that is to say, a large portion of the eggs consumed in the latter country are the product of the Danish hens. This trade began some twenty years ago, at which time there were annually shipped from Denmark to England something like 900,000 eggs. The business has expanded steadily until the export now amounts to over 111,000,000 annually.

The amount of human blood spilled in bringing the Paris Exposition to completion is something enormous. The records show that during the erection of the buildings no less than 6,350 men were treated for injuries of one kind or another received while at work on them; 300 workmen were injured as to their legs, 200 were badly injured in their eyes, 114 were scalded or badly burned, 50 had fingers cut off. The death roll from falls footed up 24, though this is said to be far below the actuality.

The four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America by Mr. C. Columbus falls in the year 1892, and New York and Chicago are the two leading cities struggling for the site of the world's fair with which it is proposed to mark the event. Both cities are going ahead with the preliminaries, as if the matter had been finally settled in their favor, and playing what might be called a bluff game. Congress has the privilege of settling the matter of a site for the fair.

MR. RAIKES, the British Postmaster-General, has introduced a threepenny post-card, intended principally for the Australian service. The stamp which appears upon the card is an entirely new design. For the usual head of the Queen which has hitherto formed the main feature of the British stamp, Mr. Raikes has substituted a full-length figure of Her Majesty in her jubilee robes. The stamp and superscription are printed in red.

THE connection of the Red Sea with the Mediterranean by the Suez Canal has had one effect which is as disagreeable as it was unexpected. Before the canal was opened all the watering places on the Mediterranean enjoyed a complete immunity from the presence of sharks, these fish being practically unknown then. But the canal has been utilized by the objectionable creatures to such an extent that sharks which have come from the Red Sea are now so numerous in the Mediterranean that it has become necessary to warn bathers in many places to be on their guard continually.

FOLLOWING the example of St. Paul, who was all things to all men, the Brooklyn Young Men's Christian Association has adopted a rather novel plan to inveigle young men into its rooms. The free reading room, gymnasium, open meetings, social entertainments, etc., have been insufficient to draw the crowds it desired, and it has fallen back upon the dodge adopted by the saloons, cigar stores, billiard rooms, etc., to entice the unsuspecting youth within their doors, that of bulleting the baseball games. The association will thus be able to mingle good advice and Christian precepts with the stealing of bases, put outs and errors.

THE food consumed on one of the large steamships from New York to Liverpool was as follows: Nine thousand five hundred pounds of beef, 4,000 pounds of mutton, 300 pounds of lamb, 250 pounds of veal, 150 pounds of pork, 140 pounds of pickled legs of pork, 600 pounds of corned tongues, 700 pounds of corned beef, 2,000 pounds of fresh fish, 20 pounds of calves' feet, 18 pounds of calves' heads, 450 fowls, 240 spring chickens, 120 ducks, 50 turkeys, 50 geese, 600 squabs, 300 tin sardines, 300 plovers, 175 pounds sausage, 1,200 pounds of ham, 500 pounds of bacon, 10,000 eggs, 2,000 quarts of milk, 700 pounds of butter, 410 pounds of coffee, 87 pounds of rice, 300 pounds of sugar, 100 pounds of rice, 200 pounds of barley, 100 jars of jam and jelly, 50 bottles of pickles, 50 bottles of sauces, 20 barrels of apples, 14 boxes of lemons, 18 boxes of oranges, 6 tons of potatoes, 24 barrels of flour.

## Yankees Frying Us Back.

A Boston despatch of yesterday says: The Nova Scotia schooner Francis Arthenius and Aurora Borealis, arrived in port to-day and were held by the Customs officials in libel for \$1,000 fine on a charge made by Captain Fenar, of the revenue cutter Woodbury, of having been in American waters over 24 hours and not reporting at the nearest custom house. It seems the two vessels were on August 1st in Passamaquoddy Bay, near Quoddy rocks, during very thick weather, and both captains claim they were becalmed in the fog and could not tell whether they were in American or Canadian waters until after the prescribed time. They have both appealed to Washington to have the fines remitted, but will be held until the national authorities have been heard from.

THE late Dr. Dio Lewis said: "The truth is, the medical profession stands dazed and helpless in the presence of more than one kidney malady." He also said: "If I found myself the victim of a serious kidney trouble I would use Warner's Safe Cure."

—All things come to those who wait—including disappointment.

## THE MIRADO'S SON.

Japan's Future Sovereign Being Educated According to Western Notions.

His Imperial Highness Prince Haru, heir apparent to the throne of Japan, is now in his tenth year. A delicate child in his early days, he has happily acquired health and strength as years went by. No imperial prince in this empire has ever been similarly brought up. The prince's mode of life is modelled almost entirely upon western lines. He attends the nobles' school daily, and studies precisely as do his fellow-students. The Choga Shimbun says that in both literature and military science he has made extraordinary progress, but of what this *bugai* (military science) consists we cannot precisely say. In older times a noble Japanese began, at a very early age, to study the use of the bow, the sword and the lance, but even in the case of an imperial prince, skill in managing such weapons scarcely continues to be included among essential accomplishments. Doubtless Prince Haru takes lessons in fencing and equestrianism as a part of his school course, and in archery as a pastime. The Choga tells us that he has a cold bath every morning; that his diet is chiefly meat; that he has shaken himself entirely free from petticoat government; that his constant companions are officers and tutors; that he is fond of visiting beautiful scenery as at Enoshima and Atami; that he plays on the seashore and in the woods like any ordinary boy, and that in consequence he is lustrous and active. Our contemporary quotes Mr. Takasaki, Vice-Grand Master of the Board of Ceremonies, as saying that if such an education had always been given to the youthful Daimyo, the present representatives of that body would occupy a very different place in the national polity, and that the history of Japan during the past two thousand years contains no instance of the heir to the throne being brought up in such a manner. We learn on the same authority that Prince Haru treats everybody, even to the lowest of those about him, with the greatest courtesy; that he takes a keen interest in his fellow-students at the nobles' school, making minute inquiries whenever any one of them is prevented by sickness from attending, and that his conduct is in every respect exemplary.—San Francisco Examiner.

## MR. VANDERBILT'S NEW HOME.

It Will be Made of White Marble and Modelled After Ancient Grecian Buildings.

The colossal size of Mr. Frederick Vanderbilt's new house, and especially of its entrance hall, is still a topic of conversation at Newport, says the Boston Times. Sidney Smith once said of an abnormally stout woman: "One might take one's morning walk around her, always supposing that one is in rude health and good physical training." And the remark would apply equally well to Mr. Vanderbilt's house, the inmates of which must get all the exercise they want within its walls. The entrance hall, notwithstanding its great size, is admirably proportioned, and the marble porch which opens out of it gives a fine view of the ocean and rocks, and of the pretty stone archway at the foot of the lawn through which the water breaks and ripples and then rushes back again to the sea. The charm of the great houses of Newport is their individuality. Each one is the outcome of an enormous expenditure of money, but of money laid out under totally different conditions and directed by individual taste and preferences. Hence the elegance and monotony are unknown. The mansion only just begun by Mr. William K. Vanderbilt will, it is said, be absolutely unique in its style of architecture and decoration. It is to be of white marble and modelled after the buildings and temples of ancient Greece. Marble will also enter largely into the finish of its interior, and it is rumored that exquisite carvings and sculpture have been ordered for the ornamentation of its lower floors.

## JUMPED THE TRACK.

Smash-up on the W. P. R.—Three Killed, Many Injured.

A Pittsburg despatch of last Friday night says: The south bound passenger train on the Butler branch of the Western Pennsylvania Railroad, which left Butler, Pa., at 2:35 o'clock this afternoon, jumped the track at Saver's station, and the entire train, consisting of two passenger coaches and a combination smoking and baggage car, went over an embankment and was totally wrecked. Three persons were killed outright and 25 others injured, a number of whom will die. The accident was caused by the spreading of the rails on a small bridge. The rails were on stringers, which had rotted with time and long service. The engine passed over the bridge safely, but the first car was derailed and plunged down into the abyss some thirty feet below. The rails plunged through the second car, and the escapes were miraculous.

A bootless attempt—To get upstairs without being heard by your wife.

There's something attractive about her;  
It isn't her beauty of face,  
It isn't her ribbons or lace,  
But there's something attractive about her,  
And I swear that I can't live without her,  
And that is the state of the case.

There's something attractive about her;  
It isn't her glance or her smile,  
It isn't her elegant style,  
But I'm poor and I can't live without her,  
For that something attractive about her,  
You know, is the size of her pile.

—The following words were set to tune as an anthem by Mr. Joseph Barnby, Precentor at Eton, for the recent Royal wedding:  
O Perfect Love, all human thought transcending,  
Lowly we kneel in prayer before Thy Throne,  
That there's may be the love that knows no ending,  
Whom Thou for evermore dost join in one.

O Perfect Life, be Thou their full assurance  
Of tender charity and steadfast faith.  
Of patient hope, and quiet, brave endurance,  
With undimmed trust that fears no pain or death.

Grant them the joy which brightens earthly sorrow;  
Grant them the peace which calms all worldly strife,  
And to life's day the glorious unknown morrow  
That dawns upon eternal love and life.

RETIKAPH FOR A GOSHIP.

Here lies an ancient dame whose tongue  
Could never rest, so loose it hung.  
She talked so constant and so fast  
That when Israel came at last  
To quench in her the vital flame  
He hesitated, for the dame  
Was such a talker, the record saith,  
He feared she'd break the silence of death.

## The Reason.

HE.  
It isn't that she's young,  
It isn't that she's fair,  
It isn't that she has a charming grace,  
It isn't that her gown  
Is the wonder of the town,  
Or that every one admires her pretty face.  
It is simply that in life  
Every man must have a wife  
(Unless, forsooth, she's one that's not afraid);  
Else his dinner will be cold,  
And his cook a saucy scold,  
And his sorry tribulations without end.

SHE.  
It isn't that he's rich,  
It isn't that he's tall,  
It isn't that he drives a coach and four;  
It isn't that he's wise,  
Or has very handsome eyes,  
And virtues to be counted by the score.  
It is simply that in life  
Every girl must be a wife  
(Unless, forsooth, she's one that's not afraid);  
As for me, I'd die outright,  
With dread horror and afright,  
If I ever thought I'd be an old maid.

## THE FORCE OF HABIT.

Firemen Whose Sleep Cannot be Broken Except by the Sound of the Gong.

A great many people wonder how it is that firemen are so easily aroused from their slumbers at night by the sound of the gong, and not being able to see through it clearly conclude that their sleep must be a very nervous one, says Fireman John Callahan in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. This is a wrong impression. When a man first joins the department he is wakeful and nervous, but a few weeks' acquaintance with the method of being awakened banishes all this, and no matter how tired or weary a fireman may be when he retires, or how soundly he sleeps, he is wide awake at the first tap of the bell. Long service in the department makes this method of being awakened so habitual that the sound of even the bell of an alarm clock will awaken the fire laddie when he could not be aroused by calling or tugging at him. I have become so accustomed to the habit of being awakened by the sound of a bell that when I go home on my day off and lay down to sleep I have to set the alarm clock at one hour. I intend to leave. I was on the department nearly a month before I got my first recreation day, and I remember that when I went home and fell asleep my folks tried to awaken me at midnight to go to work. They tugged and pulled at me, but I did not awaken. They became alarmed and called in a neighbor, who was also a member of the department. He saw at once what was the matter, and brought in a dishpan to my bedside and hammered on it with a stick. I was up at the first stroke and threw my arms around him, thinking it was the pole. It caused a great laugh, of course, but fully illustrated the force of habit.

## OUR YOUNGEST SISTER.

A New British Colony Formed at Old Calabar.

The question of the future government of the West African oil rivers from Benin to Old Calabar is being investigated by Her Majesty's Commissioner (Major Claude Maxwell MacDonald), who is now on the coast, and has held a "palaver" with the kings and chiefs at Old Calabar. From a recent report it would seem that two proposals were placed before the natives for their consideration. The first was that the oil rivers should be governed by a royal chartered trading company, and the second was that the rivers should be made into a Crown colony. The candid opinion of the natives was asked by the Commissioner, who gave the natives time to consider the matter before replying. They were also requested to ask any question they wished, but they were not to ask the probable amount of taxation, as that question could not then be answered, though for their information they could get particulars of the duties which are now levied at Lagos and in the Royal Niger Company's territories. The natives retired, and next day they one and all decided to accept a Crown colony, preferring to be under the direct rule of Her Majesty's Government. It is further stated that the missionaries were also in favor of a Crown colony.

## Scottish News Notes.

The Free Presbytery of Edinburgh on the 29th ult. inducted Dr. Marcus Dods as Professor of New Testament Exegesis in the New College.

Private Paterson, of G. Company, 1st L. R. V. (Glasgow), shot his mother with his rifle on the 27th ult. in her house after an altercation. The family belong to Ayrshire.

Mr. John Melrose, for many years one of the leading citizens of Hawick, has died at Trinity, near Edinburgh. For a long period he was the principal partner in the firm of James Melrose & Sons, engineers, Hawick.

The Dundee Town Council have resolved to present the Marquis of Lorne with the freedom of the city, on the occasion of his visit in October to open the Victoria Art Galleries.

The Shah told Sir Algernon Borthwick—so a London paper assures us—that he liked Scotland immensely. He had never seen such beauty among the women anywhere else.

At the welcome meeting to Principal Rainy, of Edinburgh, in Melbourne, the usually sedate Presbyterians went the length of calling for three cheers for the Principal when he rose to speak. It is understood that Dr. Rainy will return home by way of the United States.

The death is announced of Admiral the Hon. Thomas Baillie, of Dryburgh Abbey. The Admiral died rather suddenly at the Cross Keys Hotel, Kelso, on the 31st ult. Deceased, who was an uncle of the present Earl of Haddington, saw a good deal of service in the British navy, having been present at the battle of Navarino, and held command of the British fleet in the White Sea during the Crimean war.

## His Youthful Guard.

When the Shah arrived at Berlin a small boy, dressed in gorgeous garments of gold and purple, was noticed as one of the windows of the train. Nobody knew who he was, and many stories were current, but it is now stated that the little lad, who is only 5 or 6 years old, and who accompanies the Shah everywhere, is a scrover from Teheran, whose presence is supposed to guard Naeir-ed-Deen from all illa and all misfortunes during his journey.—Once a Week.