

## News of the Week.

### CANADA.

Dominion Colliery No. 1, Sydney C. B., is now being flooded. Dams are constructed with the view of holding this water in the section of the pit containing the burning area and backing it up on the fire. It will take several months before the pit is flooded and months before it will be pumped dry.

The Rev. Dr. Saunders, in a letter in the Halifax papers, proposes that a monument shall be erected to the memory of Hon. Judge Johnston for many years leader of the conservative party in Nova Scotia. As he was Howe's contemporary and rival, and in a certain sense his brilliant fellow-laborer, it would be fitting that his name should be similarly honored.

Owing to large quantities of lobsters exported from Halifax to Havre, and to accommodate the different shippers, Furness, Withy & Co., Ltd., have arranged four monthly sailings during the summer from Halifax to Havre direct.

Reports from Gloucester County indicate a serious condition of affairs with regard to the small pox. Fully two hundred cases now exist, and although efforts are being made to prevent its spread, it is spreading. New cases are brought by men who are working at Grand Mere, Quebec. Apparently no effort was made to grapple with the disease in Quebec.

At Halifax, Thursday, in the House of Assembly, the government brought down a bill to ratify the contract for the purchase of the Nova Scotia Central Railway. The contract is between the Halifax Banking Co., Mackenzie, Mann & Co. and the government. The agreement provides for the purchase for \$525,000. Of this sum the government advances \$425,000 in three per cent. bonds and first mortgage. The road is to become part of the system of the Halifax and Southwestern Railway Co.

A drowning accident occurred at Royal Road, parish of Douglas, Wednesday, the victim being Sam'l Maycott, an English boy, aged thirteen, who had his home with Caleb Evans. The boy started to cross the Nashwaaksis river on a log, and losing his balance, fell into the water and was drowned.

Sunday morning fire did much damage to the Chestnut building, Queen street, Fredericton. The fire started in Mack's drug store, which was practically destroyed; Kerner's clothing store was also destroyed, the stock being nearly a total loss. On the second floor were the law offices of J. W. McCready, H. F. McLeod and A. R. Slipp, the office of Dr. Irvine, dentist, and the book bindery of A. Wilson. These were all somewhat injured, the most damage being done to Mr. McLeod's office, and the book-bindery. The building is insured, as, also, were Mr. Mack, Mr. Wilson, Mr. McCready and Dr. Irvine.

The robbers of the bank at Granville, N. S., have been captured and the money recovered. The men call themselves Wilson and Clark.

Mrs. John Kaye, of South Maitland, N. S., committed suicide a few days ago, cutting her throat. She had been in bad health for some time.

Two cases of small pox have been discovered in Fredericton. The doctors have differed about the cases—some of them believing they are only chicken pox.

P. J. O'Keefe, chief preventive

officer of the customs department, St. John, died Monday of last week.

John B. Wilmot, inspector of weights and measures, St. John, died Monday.

The Nova Scotia Produce and Supply Co., headquarters at Canning, is in financial difficulties. The National Trust Co., from whom it borrowed some \$80,000, has taken steps to foreclose. The properties are advertised to be sold on the 18th April. There are fourteen blocks of land covered by the mortgage.

J. A. Johnson and Geo. Chiverton, who pleaded guilty to robbing the Dalhousie P. O., have been sentenced to three years each in the penitentiary.

There is a case of small pox at Sydney, C. B.

The insurance paid Ganong Bros. for losses by the fire in their factory, St. Stephen, was \$45,575.15.

The citizens of Berwick, N. S., at a recent meeting, voted to incorporate the town. The majority was small.

The proposed railway between Centreville and Aylesford, N. S., will be about seventeen miles long, and will run through some of the richest farming country of the valley. The municipal council has voted the company a free right of way, with an acre for each station.

It is stated that James Cooper, who was injured by the explosion of a dynamite cap in St. John a few days ago, will be totally blind. One eye had been destroyed in a previous accident, and the remaining one cannot be saved.

### THE EMPIRE.

General Sir Hector Macdonald shot himself to death in a Paris hotel on Wednesday. He was on his way to his command in Ceylon. He was under accusation of some immorality, and as great publicity has been given to the charge, probably preferred an ignoble death. Major General Macdonald was born in 1853, enlisted in the Gordon Highlanders, and served nine years in the ranks.

The British government is still endeavoring to trace the gold taken from the Transvaal in the early days of the war. When in South Africa, Mr. Chamberlain was hoping to trace two unknown sums: £250,000 or thereabouts commandeered from Pretoria the day before Mr. Kruger fled, and £750,000 brought to Europe in July, 1900, by Jonkheer Sandbergh, private secretary to Dr. Leyds. If there is any bullion in South Africa it is regarded as probably in the low country in the Transvaal.

It is announced officially that Mrs. Maybrick, to secure whose release from prison in England there has been much agitation by United States women, is to be released, in July, 1904. She was convicted of poisoning her husband.

Two distinct earthquake shocks were felt in various parts of Derbyshire, England, Wednesday. The shocks caused great alarm. In the town of Derby ceilings were cracked, cornices and fireplaces were dislodged and the walls of houses swayed.

### FOREIGN.

The Empress of Germany was thrown from her horse Friday, and had her arm broken.

By a collision of trains at Lacoste, Texas, Thursday, three men were killed and nine injured.

At Fiskdale, Mass., Mrs. Peter Burke, crazy, crushed the heads of

her four little children to-day, threw their bodies into a closet, scattering oil over them and herself and then, after setting all on fire, closed her awful work and her own life by cutting her throat.

It is stated that Russia is trying to negotiate a loan of \$100,000,000 with a Franco-Belgian syndicate.

An effort is being made in the far west to irrigate 600,000 acres of arid desert land.

Recent explorations show that the western Sahara is by no means an unbroken sandy desert. It contains many oases and is largely inhabited. France covets this region and will likely seize it by and by. Artesian wells are doing wonders in the Sudan and the Sahara.

The coal strike commissioners estimate that the strike cost the owners \$46,000,000, the men \$25,000,000 and the railways and steamers conveying coal \$2,800,000—in all \$99,000,000. And how much has it cost the public? Who can tell the cost in pain and sickness and death caused among the poor?

### THE MAGAZINES.

The April *Delineator* presents the usual display of fashions and literary features. The first of N. Hudson Moore's papers on flowers is given with illustrations; and a novel cookery series begins with An International Dinner. An Out-of-town House of moderate cost and attractive interior arrangements is described and illustrated, and of further interest to the home is an article on Heating and Ventilation.

In the *Methodist Magazine and Review* for April the Wesley bicentenary receives prominent treatment in an article by Dean Farrar, and a careful study by the Editor on "The Beginnings of Methodism." The Canadianism of this oldest Canadian magazine is shown in an illustrated article on "Montreal, Past and Present." "The Tragedy of Martinique" and "The Bermuda Islands" are also illustrated. Toronto: William Briggs. \$2 a year; \$1 for six months.

The *Missionary Review of the World* for April contains a very readable and comprehensive account of "The Christian Occupation of India." There is an account of the "native

## Young Plants

Every farmer knows that some plants grow better than others. Soil may be the same and seed may seem the same but some plants are weak and others strong.

And that's the way with children. They are like young plants. Same food, same home, same care but some grow big and strong while others stay small and weak.

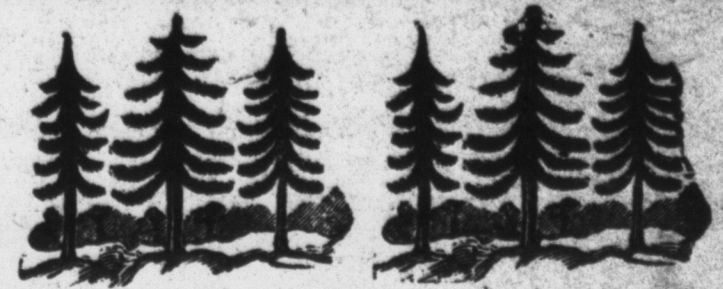
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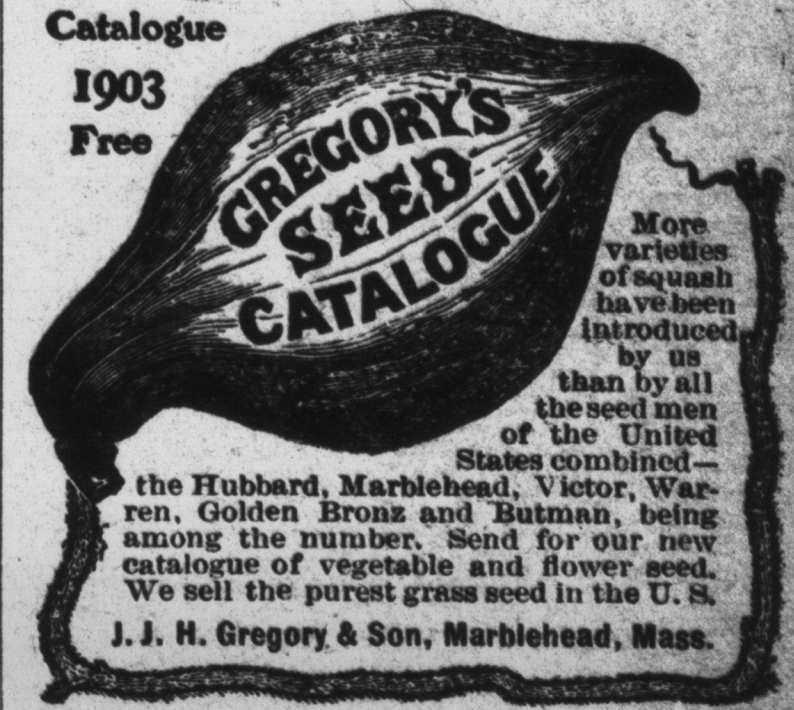


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Christians of Siam and Laos" and their movement toward self-support. Published monthly by Funk & Wagnalls Company, 30 Lafayette Place, New York. \$2.50 a year.

The April *St. Nicholas* tells the story of "Ben," relates the bravery of as lovable and intelligent a sheep-dog as ever gladdened a lonely shepherd's life. "The Little Brown Pitcher" is the story of a true and charming incident of the Austro-Prussian War. "Straight Lines and Circles" show by description and dozens of drawings how unskilled fingers can get astonishing results very simply and easily. Palmer Cox, of brownie fame, contributes five pages of verse and pictures recounting the manifold adventures of "Abd-el-ghoo the Tyrant."

Ray Stannard Baker follows up his general view of the Great Northwest in the *March Century* with detailed description in the April number of "Butte City, greatest of copper camps." Few American towns," he says, "arouse a keener interest in the stranger at first glimpse than Butte City;" and most readers are likely to be surprised by the figures proving Butte City's claim to its high rank among the country's great wealth producers. "The Evolution of American Census-Taking" is discussed by the director of the census. "Some More Humors of Congress" throws amusing sidelights on that body. Fiction varied to suit all tastes.

—There are 649 Young Men's Christian Associations in England, with a membership of 120,550. The American Associations number 1,500, with a membership of 300,000.

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