

News of the Week.

CANADA.

Malcolm Carmichael, Halifax, committed suicide Wednesday by drinking carbolic acid. He had been drinking heavily.

While bathing at Lingan beach, Cape Breton, Friday, Miss Ella Mills was drowned. Deceased belonged to Springhill, and was visiting her sister.

The Methodist church building at Dominion No. 1, Springhill, N. S., was destroyed by fire Thursday. The building was insured.

At Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Friday, Provincial Constable William Irving was shot and instantly killed by a man named Chartrand, as he was about arresting him for burglary.

Though the strike at Sydney Steel works is now three weeks old, there have been practically no changes in the situation. Many of the working people have left town.

Four young men were drowned at Collingwood, Ont., Sunday, while out sailing.

John Macrae, Glace Bay, N. S., has been committed for trial charged with the murder of his father in a drunken quarrel.

The widow of Jas. H. Harris, who was killed by an I. C. R. engine in Halifax, in 1902, has secured a verdict for \$5,500 against the government.

Tuesday night, at Magaguadavic, on the C.P.R., a young man named Fred. King, fell between two cars of a lumber train and both legs were crushed. He died soon after being taken to the Victoria Hospital, Fredericton.

The five-year-old son of Manassa Dumphy, of Lower French Village, York County, was drowned Sunday forenoon at Sheer boom, near his home. The father and mother of the boy went to Fredericton, leaving him at home with his uncle.

Joseph Achan, B. A., (Dalhousie), a Chinaman, is among the candidates undergoing examination at the Fredericton Normal School for a first-class school teacher's license.

Judge Graham gave judgment in the divorce court, Thursday, in the Amherst case, Beverley Laird against his wife, Emma Laird, granting the husband an absolute divorce.

On Monday, the Milk Condensing Factory of Truro, took in the largest quantity of milk for one day in its history, being something over twenty tons.

Halifax is thinking to have a ferryboat to carry foot passengers only—which will run from midnight until six o'clock in the morning.

Millidge Crossman, an employe of Rhodes, Curry & Co., Amherst, was severely injured Wednesday. He was oiling some of the machinery when his clothing became entangled in the shafting, and he was badly mangled and battered.

A case of smallpox is reported in the Armenian colony at St. Marys, opposite Fredericton. The woman is a newcomer, having arrived about two weeks ago via Montreal.

The first outbreak in connection with the strike at the Dominion Iron and Steel works occurred on Wednesday, when a gang of 50 Italians attacked a police officer. One refused to pay his poll tax, thereupon the officer placed him under arrest. At once his fellow countrymen swarmed about the officer and gave him a severe beating.

Two young men of Tidnish lost their lives by drowning, Saturday. Walter Brundage, aged 23, son of Howard Brundage, and Geo. Taylor, aged 22. They started in a yacht for Pugwash.

A company has been organized at Moncton under Dominion charter, with capital of \$500,000, to take over the woollen mill and clothing factory of John A. Humphrey & Son, at Humphreys Mills. The idea is to increase the

output and to establish branches in every province for the sale of cloths and clothing.

The steam yacht Waconta owned by J. J. Hill, the railway magnate, is at Montreal awaiting her owner, who has planned a trip to the Maritime Provinces. The St. John River will be included in the itinerary.

William B. Ross, a prominent young lawyer and a member of the Maritime Province Association, was found drowned at Vancouver, B. C., on Monday. Deceased was a native of Charlotte-town.

The St. John Business College does not find it convenient to give a summer vacation, as many of the students, especially those far from home, cannot afford to suffer interruption to their studies. Besides, there is no special need of a vacation, as Messrs. Kerr & Son possess in St. John's cool summer weather, their elevated position and perfectly ventilated rooms, assets which no similar institution enjoys in like degree.

Several Canadian cotton companies have agreed to close down their mills for the first two weeks in July, and there is probability that some of them will remain closed longer. Companies in the agreement are the Marysville, N. B., Merchants' and Dominion and Canadian Colored Cotton Companies of Montreal, and the Cotton Co. of Valleyfield. The shut down is due to the condition of the raw cotton market, and the lack of protection due to the British preference, which takes off one-third of the duty of thirty-five per cent.

THE EMPIRE.

At Johannesburg three foreigners, supposed to be anarchists, were arrested there Wednesday. One of the men had been heard to boast he would attempt to assassinate the British High Commissioner, Lord Milner.

The premier of New South Wales, Sir John Lee, has resigned. He is retiring from public life. Thomas Waddell, the colonial treasurer and minister of railroads, will form a new cabinet.

In 1898 the first whale was killed in Newfoundland waters by shooting with explosive bombs, and last year 762 were slaughtered by four steamers. The business has earned large dividends. The government is faced with applications for forty-five other whaling stations, each to have a steamer. If all these should be granted permits and go into the business and the catch should be proportionately greater, there would be nearly 9,000 whales slaughtered in a year, and the colonial treasury would be enriched by about \$67,000 a year, as a license fee of \$1,500 is charged for each station. But fishery on any such scale would speedily deplete the whale schools so the government has decided to reserve the coastline to twenty whaling stations each with areas of 100 miles to operate in.

FOREIGN.

The Governor General of Warsaw was stricken with paralysis when informed of the death of Governor General Bobrikoff.

In a panic among passengers in a Brooklyn trolley car, Friday, nine persons were seriously injured and twenty others slightly.

Mrs. Mack Morton, of Marshall, Ill., a bride of two months, shot and killed her husband on Sunday after a quarrel caused by her jealousy.

The cost of the various strikes in Colorado during the past sixteen months is estimated at \$23,036,000. Of this amount the state has had to pay \$636,000 for maintaining troops in the field, and the loss to strikers and others directly affected in wages, etc., and to the employers in loss of business, is placed at \$22,400,000.

General Bobrikoff, Governor General of Finland, was shot and mortally wounded Thursday morning at the entrance of the Finnish Senate at Helsingfors. His assassin, named Schumann, son of Senator Schumann, immediately committed suicide. Schumann is believed to be a member of what is known as the Finnish patriotic party.

The worst storm of a decade in Cuba began on Friday and culminated Monday night in which fourteen inches of rain fell in five hours, accompanied by a hurricane. The village of El Cobre has been destroyed. Forty-five persons are known to be dead, and scores are missing. A large amount of property has been destroyed.

An interesting migration now going on is the exodus of Turks from their own land to Egypt. The number who have left Syria in the past eight years is reckoned at 140,000. The eagerness to get to Egypt is due partly to the security and fairness of Egypt's new era of prosperity.

On Wednesday one of the most appalling disasters in the history of New York place in the East River, at the entrance to Long Island Sound, within a short distance of the New York shore and within sight of thousands of persons, the majority of whom were powerless to minimize the extent of the catastrophe. By the burning to the water's edge of the General Slocum, a three-decked excursion steamer, more than six hundred persons, the majority of whom were women and children, were burned to death or drowned by jumping overboard. It was an excursion of the Sunday school of St. Mark's German Lutheran church. It is estimated that there were 1,500 to 2,000 people on board the steamer. Later estimates of the number lost vary from 700 to 900. There were over 300 funerals on Saturday.

PARLIAMENT.

Monday.—The bill introduced by Mr. Lasse to amend the Canada Temperance Act read a third time. It gives power to a magistrate to pass sentence, with or without hard labor, for violation of the Scott Act.

The anti-cigarette bill was read a second time on a vote of fifty for to twenty-eight against.

R. L. Borden asked the government to bring down all correspondence bearing on the Dundonald incident.

Mr. Borden moved for correspondence in regard to pensions for Canadians disabled in South Africa. He urged the case of these men.

Tuesday.—The budget debate was resumed, Messrs. Holmes, Laurier and Borden speaking. Mr. Borden moved the following amendment:

"That all the words after 'that' in the proposed motion be left out and the following substituted therefor: 'No re-adjustment of the tariff can be regarded as satisfactory which does not provide such protection to our labor, agricultural products, manufactures and industries as will secure a Canadian market for the Canadian people; also, that at the present session there should be a

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Wednesday.—The budget debate was continued by Messrs. Armstrong, Brodeur, Bourassa and others. Mr. Borden's amendment, moved Tuesday, was lost, and the tariff resolutions were adopted.

The Premier announced that Lord Dundonald had been relieved of the command of the militia.

Thursday.—Estimates of the Agricultural department were considered. A bill respecting the inspection and sale of seeds was discussed.

Friday.—The Premier announced that the measures to be introduced by the government are a bill dealing with the voters list in Manitoba, one to make the Canada Eastern a part of the T. C. R. system, and one to provide for a system of pensions for government railway employees. The marine and fisheries estimates were considered.

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