

News of the Week.

CANADA.

A. B. Copp, M. P. P., Sackville, has been appointed I. C. R. solicitor in place of Mr. Sweeney.

Halifax is to have a new immigration shed to cost \$75,000.

In the month of November there were 2,654 homestead entries in the Canadian Northwest. This is an increase of 235 over last year.

George Elliott, of Anagance Ridge, K. Co., lost his house and furniture Wednesday night by fire. \$500 insurance. Loss about \$1,000.

The election for mayor and aldermen for the town of Sussex will take place January 3rd, 1905.

A post office is to be built in Winnipeg to cost \$529,000.

It is stated on good authority that ere long the British soldiers will be withdrawn from Halifax. The Canadian government will be asked to take full charge of the defences here as at Quebec. This is perfectly reasonable.

Toronto City Council has adopted a resolution petitioning the Ontario legislature to grant power to the city to appropriate the Toronto street railway system owing to the persistent violation of the agreement between the city and the railway company.

Wednesday, the store and bakery of W. J. McDonald & Co., Reserve Mines, Sydney, N. S., was destroyed by fire.

Dr. Inch, chief superintendent of education, is having sent to the teachers of the province a circular asking them to do all in their power to stop scholars from smoking cigarettes.

The thirteen months old daughter of Frank Cochrane, of Gibson, is dead, as the result of accidental poisoning. The child was given a tin box containing Ferrozone tablets, to use as a rattle. She opened the box and had eaten 16 of the 20 tablets that were in the box. Death followed three hours later.

The trade returns of Canada issued by the customs department for the five months ended with November shows a decrease of about \$8,000,000 in the total trade of the country, as compared with the same time last year.

The C. P. R. steamer Lake Michigan, from Antwerp, arrived in St. John Thursday. She brought 560 immigrants consisting of Jews, Russians, Italians, Assyrians, Germans, Galicians and Donkhorbs. Most of them were bound for points in Western Canada.

The Bank of Montreal has a capital of \$14,000,000. It paid in dividends in the past year \$1,400,000. The bank officials report a prosperous year, and good prospects for the future.

The residence of Alex. Wright, near Rexton, was burned Thursday evening. Only three children, the eldest eleven years, occupied the house at the time of the fire, the parents being absent. The children were rescued by neighbors.

Halifax proposes to make a big increase in the expenditure on its fire department this year. The committee has agreed to ask for \$55,000, of which \$23,000 will be capital expenditure.

In Winnipeg, Friday, fire destroyed the three-story building occupied by McDonald & Fleming, hardware merchants. Loss \$30,000.

The residence of Sheriff Smith, at the Racquette, Digby, N. S., was destroyed by fire last week. \$3,000 insurance.

The Fredericton City Council has decided to enforce market laws. Hucking will be stopped until after 11 o'clock in the forenoon, and wholesale buyers must keep out of the market until 10 o'clock.

According to the crop report issued by the Manitoba government, wheat produced in the province during the past season amounted to 39,289,379 bushels, grown from 2,412,235 acres, being an average yield of 16.52 bushels to the acre. The total quantity of oats was

36,289,979 bushels, from a total acreage of 943,574 acres, or an average of 38.8 bushels to the acre. Of barley there was 11,377,970 bushels, produced from 361,004 acres or an average of 30.54 bushels to the acre. The quantity of flax rye, and peas produced amounted to 673,329 bushels, or an average of 76.01 bushels to the acre.

The annual meeting of the Halifax School for the Blind, held last week, was interesting. The past year, the president announced, had been a remarkable one in many respects. A large addition had been made to the building, and better quarters provided for teachers and pupils. Dr. C. F. Fraser, superintendent of the school, submitted a report which showed that 154 blind persons had been receiving instruction during the year. Ninety-five males and fifty-nine females. Of these twenty-one had graduated or remained at home. Eighty-two were from Nova Scotia, thirty-one from New Brunswick, eight from P. E. Island, eleven from Newfoundland and one from Quebec.

THE EMPIRE.

For locomotive purposes last year England consumed 9,251,563 tons of coal, Scotland 1,790,758 tons, and Ireland 357,092 tons.

One of the most severe fights between Chinese and Kaffirs since the advent of the former occurred at the Witwaters Rand mine Sunday. The Chinese took the offensive, and when the disturbance was quelled it was found that three Kaffirs and one Chinaman had been killed, and that eight Kaffirs and twenty-five Chinese were wounded.

A severe gale, the worst in fifteen years, swept over Newfoundland on Saturday and Sunday, four schooners were totally wrecked near St. John's and a number of vessels have been damaged.

A report from Newfoundland states that a tribe of Eskimo perished last year at Nottingham Islet, Hudson's Bay. The tribe is supposed to have numbered 200. They died of some epidemic. The marvel is that the poor Eskimo contrive to exist in any considerable numbers.

A few years ago Newfoundland was generally supposed by outsiders to be a barren island, famed only for cod, fog and dogs. Happily its waters are still—as they have been for three centuries—the most famous and prolific fishing-grounds of North America, if not of the world. But the island comprises not only considerable stretches of arable land, but is the centre of large and profitable mining industries, while its forest wealth is also, very great. Quite recently the great newspaper firm of London, England, the Harmsworths, have purchased timber sites for two millions of dollars, with the intention of erecting a huge pulp mill.

FOREIGN.

In Skowhegan, Me., the largest business block, and other buildings, in the centre of the town, were burned Friday. Loss \$155,000.

Four men are entombed in the Eldorado, Ill., coal and coke company's mine, with no hope for their rescue. Four others are cut and burned from an explosion which wrecked the shaft and demolished the upper works.

There are now 298 miles of railway in operation in the Congo Free State, and 1,000 miles under construction, and 280 additional miles under consideration. The Free State's exports last year came to about \$11,100,000, and its imports to a little over \$4,000,000.

Three persons were killed and four others seriously injured Thursday by the collapse of the suspension bridge across the Elk river, at West Charles- ton, W. Va.

The Mexican Senate has ratified the postal convention providing for a two cent letter rate between Canada and Mexico. The convention goes into effect on Jan. 1.

Caught in a trap and helpless to save themselves, three men lost their lives and four others were terribly scalded, Thursday, by a rush of steam and boiling water in the fire room of the battleship Massachusetts, lying at Philadelphia.

Fire did \$3,000,000 damage in Minneapolis on Tuesday night.

A bill has been introduced to raise the salary of the President of the United States to \$200,000 a year; the Vice-President and Speaker to \$20,000 each, and each Senator Representative and Delegate to \$10,000—all effective March 4, 1909.

The westward movement of Russian emigrants through Germany, a large proportion of whom are escaping from military service, is so great that the North German Lloyd Steamship Company will despatch two steamers carrying over 4,000 steerage passengers, within fourteen days, in addition to the regular steamer service.

William Barry, druggist, of Waterville, Me., was accidentally killed Wednesday. Mr. Barry fell down stairs and was precipitated through the plate glass in a door at the foot of the stairway. The glass cut a gash across the unfortunate man's throat, and before aid could be secured he bled to death.

All Run Down

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is just such a food in its best form. It will build up the weakened and wasted body when all other foods fail to nourish. If you are run down or emaciated, give it a trial: it cannot hurt you. It is essentially the best possible nourishment for delicate children and pale, anaemic girls. We will send you a sample free.



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In New York, Friday, perched on a snow heap at Fourth Avenue and 22nd street, a nude man armed with a crowbar kept half a dozen policemen and a crowd of men at bay for half an hour after he had smashed nearly a score of big plate glass windows valued at \$200 each. The man was insane.

THE SABBATH IN MANCHURIA.

A Presbyterian missionary writing from Liao Yang, Manchuria, gives the following respecting Sabbath observance: "I find the people more susceptible to spiritual impression just now, probably on account of the crisis through which their country is passing. For example, a very interesting incident occurred at the close of the usual Bible class, at which 350 would be present in the city here last Sabbath. The subject happened to be Sabbath observance. We have experienced great difficulty all over Manchuria in impressing the native Christians with the duty of keeping the Sabbath by not trading or pursuing their ordinary occupations. After studying the subject, with special reference to the passage in the last chapter of Nehemiah, I invited those who had been making a first stand in a year just closed to state their experiences; whereupon two merchants, a joiner, a teacher, a farmer, and a petty officer rose and warmly affirmed that apart from spiritual gain altogether, they had never known a year so materially prosperous to them. They had not only no hesitation in continuing the practice of strict Sabbath observance, but strongly advised all hearers to cast in their lot with them in this matter." Very remarkable testimony from such a service.

THE PREACHER'S HELPER.—*The Christian Standard* says: "There is nothing which contributes so much to the success of a preacher's work as to have his people become regular readers of a good church paper.

"The paper contributes to the general intelligence of his congregation. It reinforces the message which he brings to them. It helps to continue through the week the interest and devotion that were enkindled on Sunday.

"The best churches and the best preachers will invariably be found where the best papers are read."

Coming on the market when it did, at a time when so many other Teas had, what might be called the "Head Start;" "VIM TEA" must have had some peculiar qualities, or it would never have attained the superior position it now holds among the packet Teas of Canada.