## **Hews** of the Week.



#### CANADA.

The inquest upon the body of the suicide, Dambois, of Chatham, showed that the unfortunate man was on the verge of delirium tremens when he committed the rash act.

In the Sussex, N. B., election, Saturday, the mayor and alderman-at-large were unopposed, and the sheriff declared W. B. McKay elected mayor and J. A. Murray elected alderman-at-large; J. A. McArthur and Abner Cripps for Ward 1; Dr. McAllister and Andrew Miller for Ward 2; and W. J. Mills and Dr. Langstroth for Ward 3.

As Mr. Kleczkowski, the French consul general, Baron d' Halewyn, his secretary, and Mayor Baxter, of Portland, Me., were boarding the six o'clock train Friday evening on their way from St. John to Calais, they were brushed against by several men and robbed, the consul general of tickets and seventy dollars, Baron d' Halewyn of sixty dollars, leaving him entirely without funds, and Mayor Baxter of one hundred dollars. When the train reached McAdam three men were arrested who gave their names as James Grant, John Williams and James Howard, all of Boston. They were taken to Fredericton where they will be tried by Police Magistrate Marsh. Fire at Chatham, N. B., Friday, destroyed the pumping station.

Lumbermen estimate that fifteen to seventeen millions on the St. John will be hung up.

The crop prospects in western Canada were reported excellent.

Sargeant-at-arms Haliburton, of the Nova Scotia legislature, died Tuesday, aged 85.

Tuesday Fred. Cuthbert, merchant, of Fernie, C. B., was instantly killed at Lethbridge. His team took fright, throwing him out, and dislocating his neck.

The Champlain tercentenary celebration was the event of last week in St. John. There were many visitors in the city.

J. H. Plummer, president of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co., says that men now on strike will be taken back providing they ask no questions, but under present conditions it was absolutely impossible to give more wages than-formerly paid.

Fifty per cent of the employes of the machine shops of the Dominion Coal Co. received notice Wednesday that their services will be no longer required. The shops employed about 300 men.

Mr. Kleczkowlski, consul general for France, who represented the government of France at the De Monts tercentenary celebration at Annapolis, has sent the mayor of Annapolis a check for two hundred dollars on behalf of the president of France, to be expended by the mayor for benevolent purposes.

A stranger suicided by jumping off the ferry boat at Chatham Wednesday. Drink.

#### THE EMPIRE,

A force of three hundred Thibetans attempted to intercept a British convoy on Thursday. Four Thibetans were killed. The convoy has arrived at Gyantse safely. Thibetans around Gyantse, according to the latest information, number about 8,000 men, and there are 7,000 between Kangma and Karola. Thibetans' forts are receiving more brass cannon and its fire is increasing in intensity.

Sir Robert Bond declares that Newfoundland would be better satisfied if

she obtained an exclusive three-mile limit for her fisheries, and possession of St. Pierre and Miquellon.

The British government has decided to retrench in the matter of army expenditure by a reduction in numbers. In announcing this decision in the House of Lords, the Parliamentary Secretary of the War Office said it was hoped to balance the reduction by increased efficiency. It is unofficially estimated that the reduction will save £500,000 yearly.

The first through train for Victoria Falls over the Cape-to-Cario railway left Cape Town Wednesday amidst enthusiastic demonstrations.

The British steamer Laporte recently foundered near Port Nolloth, She had a cargo of Cardiff coal which was destined for Port Arthur and intended to run the blocade.

#### FOREIGN.

Ion Pericardis and Cromwell Varley, who were captured by the bandit Ralsula, have been released, and arrived at Tangier on Friday.

One death and eleven cases of prostration have been reported as the result of the excessive heat in New York Sunday. The temperature averaged eleven degrees higher than the average temperature for the corresponding date during the last twenty-five years. At noon the thermometer registered 90 degrees.

The government of Uruguay has received information that a victory over the insurgents has been won by Colonel Galarza, in command of the government troops at Cerro Largo (205 miles from Montevideo). The fighting continued for a day and a half. Six hundred of the insurgents were killed or wounded, and the government calvary pursued the defeated army.

At Rumford Falls., Me., John Luro murdered Miss Bunnell because she refused to receive his attentions, and then shot himself.

A large portion of the business section of Mars Hill, Maine, was destroyed by fire Sunday night. Twenty-eight buildings were destroyed, entailing a loss estimated at \$40,000.

At Ludington, Mich., Wednesday, Remier Smith shot and killed his wife and child, and then shot himself.

President Roosevelt was nominated by the Republican convention Thursday as the party's Presidential candidate in the non-election. Senator Fairbanks is the candidate for Vice-president.

The list of those who perished by the burning of the steamer General Slocum has steadily increased. Bodies have been recovered, and some are still missing. The investigation into the causes of the disaster is showing that there was no adequate protection against such a disaster, in fire appliances, life preservers, etc.

#### PARLIAMENT.

Monday.—Private bills occupied the day. A resolution by Mr. Logan that the preferential tariff should apply only to importations through Canadian ports was passed. The bill to prohibit the importation, manufacture and sale of cigarettes passed the committee stage.

Tuesday.— Marine department estimates were considered, and some items passed.

Wednesday.—The same

Thursday.— The Dundonald matter was again discussed.

# What Others Say.

IN UNION STRENGTH.

Verily, the principle that in union there is strength, is finding many champions in this season's denominational conventions.—Morning Star.

JUST UNGOVERNED.

Whoever speaks of an "ungovernable temper" speaks wrongly. There are ungoverned tempers, but no ungovernable ones. Whoever does not govern his temper fails not because it can't be done, but because he will not do it. Christ came to govern tempers and to help men to do so. Failure is the fault of our own weakness or of our want of faith in Christ,—Echo.

A STATUE OF CHRIST.

Chile and Argentina have advanced to a stage where they have demolished their fortresses and sold their battle-ships in order to build more schools; and they have erected on the highest point of the Andes—the boundary between the two countries—a great statue of Jesus Christ, thus indicating that thereafter in obedience to the teachings of the Prince of Peace, peace will be their motto.—Rel. Telescope.

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT.

The total abolition of corporal punishment in prisons we consider the most unmitigated humbug which maudlin sentimentalism reinforced by doctrinaire sentiment in the treatment of criminals, has first foisted and then forced upon the age. Corporal punishment is like a surgical operation, never to be resorted to except in cases of absolute necessity. To announce or to imply to prisoners that it will never be used is the prolific source of crime.—

Chris, Advocate.

THIBET.

In judging the situation in Thibet, it is necessary to distinguish the attitude of the common people from that of the hieratic ring at Lhassa. Under pressure from the Lamas the Thibetans still take to the field in large numbers against the British, but the mission has had abundant evidence as it has passed along (according to the correspondent of the Times) that the common people were by no means sorry to see its authority current in the country side instead of that of Lhassa.—Mont. Witness.

ASCEPTIC CHRISTIANS.

It is a very serious thing to be a member of a church, to be called by the holy name of Christ. It behooves men and women, who are looked up to as examples by other men and women; to be "spiritually aseptic." What care the surgeon takes that no poison shall come



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to his patient from his touch or from his instruments! Should not every one of us, who sensibly and insensibly are touching and influencing other men and women every day we live, be equally careful to be aseptic? Surely to keep one's self "unspotted from the world" is no small part of a genuinely religious life. "Come ye out from among them, and be ye separate, and touch not the unclean thing," is thoroughly scientific in its stringent demand for aseptic conditions in Christian life. For our own sakes, for others' sakes, for Christ's the small self-denials involved in being "spiritually aseptic" ought to be gladly and spontaneously and scrupulously accepted.—Christian Guardian.

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