

WAR NOTES.

The British Government has decided to send the "Thunderer" to British Columbia for the protection of that coast.

A large number of non-commissioned officers, required immediately for employment as pioneer sergeants to regiments of infantry, have arrived at Chatham Garrison, and joined at the School of Military Engineering...

RUSSIAN PRESSURE UPON TURKEY.

With characteristic shrewdness the Russians are trying to persuade the Turks that, in case of war between England and Russia, it would be wise for the Porte to take sides.

A large body of workmen at Chatham Dockyard are energetically pushing forward the remainder of the work required to be carried out in the armor-plated turret ship Belleisle, as she is to be one of the first to be got ready for sea.

TERRITORIAL ALTERATIONS.

The Treaty of San Stefano would introduce the following alterations of territory and inhabitants—Serbia would gain 3,280 English square miles and 216,000 inhabitants, of whom 92,000 are Mussulmans.

RUSSIAN WAR PREPARATIONS.

From Cronstadt a correspondent writes that strenuous endeavors are being made to complete the war preparations in the forts outside Cronstadt before the opening of the navigation.

RUSSIA'S REPLY TO ENGLISH MOBILIZATION.

The correspondent of the Manchester Guardian announces that there are signs that Russia is preparing a counter-move to the "decided step" which the Chancellor of the Exchequer informed us the Cabinet had decided to take.

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS FOR WOMEN.

We understand that at a late meeting of the Senate of the University of New Brunswick the question of providing examinations for women was taken up and discussed.

PORK PACKING IN CANADA.

The Cincinnati Price Current reports the pork packing of the Dominion of Canada for the winter season of 1877-78 at 151,781 hogs, against 186,138 during the previous season—a decrease of 34,417.

The Agriculturist.

FREDERICTON, N. B., APRIL 27, 1878.

REPRESENTATIVE MEN.

What strikes an impartial observer of our public affairs at the present time is the sad lack of able Representative men sent by these Lower Provinces to the Dominion Parliament.

The first freight of portable stabling, for fitting on board troopships, left Woodville for Portsmouth yesterday, in the steam transport "Demis."

The world has never seen or dreamed of such a naval power as England will shortly have. Her accumulation of stores is on a fabulous scale.

THAT LONG SESSION FIASCO.

The condition and conduct of certain Members of Parliament during the memorable twenty-seven hours session have been the fruitful theme of comment.

There are two very substantial reasons why we should send an able set of men from New Brunswick. The first is that we absolutely require them to guard the interests of these smaller Provinces amid the preponderating influence of the larger Provinces.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Concerning the Governorship a brilliant thought flashes into our editorial brain. Why not give it to that estimable Clerk-of-Parliament, who does so much gratuitous puffing for the Government and supporters.

A BULL FIGHT IN SPAIN.

The following is an account of a bull-fight which lately took place at Madrid, and witnessed by all the Royal family, the Ambassadors, and the grandees, and by 16,000 other spectators.

THE MINISTERS TROUPE IN CONNECTION WITH YORK DIVISION WILL GIVE A PERFORMANCE ON OR ABOUT 10TH MAY.

The schooner "Loulberg" from Boston, arrived yesterday with a full cargo of spring goods for our merchants.

Rev. Mr. McCrea, of St. John, will preach in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church to-morrow morning and evening.

At a meeting of the Boot and Shoe Trade, held in Montreal, on the 18th inst., it was moved and carried that all trade discounts on boots and shoes be abolished.

On Wednesday next, 1st day of May, "Morrison's" Mill will commence sawing. This will give employment to a large number of men.

Mr. Covell has commenced the training of some seven or eight colts on the York Drive Park, and expects in a few days to have many more. The track is in good condition for about half a mile.

The Juvenile Dramatic Club in connection with the St. Dunstan's T. A. Society will put upon the boards in St. Dunstan Hall on Monday evening, the three act temperance drama, "The Fruits of the Wine Cup."

The Associate Editors of the Reporter has gone West on a very interesting amusexion mission. We hope the terms will be agreeably arranged and the union consummated in all respects as becomes the representatives of two great countries.

The Canadian Monthly and Belknap's Magazine are to be amalgamated and Mr. Geo. Stewart Jr. will be editor. Mr. Stewart was well known as editor of Stewart's Monthly in St. John, and seems to possess a decided literary taste. Able writers have been secured and we wish the fullest success to the new monthly.

WHO IS TO BE GOVERNOR?

That is the question. Mr. Tilley who has proved himself so great a favorite will likely leave the Governorial Chair early in June, and rumor is already busy with probable successors.

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