

**AN IMPORTANT WOMAN'S TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT** is being made in the West, and is proposed to be made national. In Illinois Miss Frances E. Willard is devoting herself exclusively to gospel temperance work, creating a higher public sentiment especially for the protection of homes. Among other things she is pleading for the legislative enactment of a local option law, with the provision that on this question, whether the grog-shop shall be licensed in any town or city, women shall be allowed the privilege of voting. The saloon is a deadly foe to the home. Nobody else has quite so deep an interest in the home as the wife and mother. To her the question of home-protection is one of utmost concern. The "woman's crusade" of prayer and entreaty against liquor saloons, four years ago, was a surprise, and introduced a new epoch in the temperance movement; but the greater surprise is that it was not sooner started. Women, no more than men, can shift their responsibility in this matter. The women of several states are awaking to the necessities and the practicability of the work.

"We are sorry to hear that diphtheria has visited the family of Lieutenant Henry Hart, and taken away one of his children. May the grace of God comfort the parents in their affliction."

A London paper says the Duke of Connaught (Prince Arthur) is to be appointed Lord Lieutenant of Ireland before long.

It is said that Rev. George Müller and wife will re-visit America next year. They are now in Switzerland, and will soon go to Spain, Italy and Germany, in Christian work.

Mr. Spurgeon is about publishing a volume of public addresses delivered by him on various occasions.

## THE NEWS AND THE PRESS.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 27, 1878.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—Policeman John Cassidy's son, a lad of about fourteen years, was drowned while skating on the ice of Newcastle, Thursday.

At Moncton on Wednesday evening, Mr. E. Collins, while coupling cars in the station yard, got his hand caught between the draw bars, breaking a number of the bones in it. There is danger of his losing a portion of his hand.... There are about forty-five patients at the public hospital present.

Nearly all cases of fever have recovered. There are no cases of diphtheria under the treatment....

A sad drowning accident took place Saturday night on Bellicie Bay. Two brothers named Philip and Arthur Kenny, aged 22 and 19 respectively, son of James Kenny, of the Parish Kingsland, started early in the evening to attend singing school some distance up the shore from their homes. They returned on skates in company with a number of other young men in the neighbourhood, who one by one left them as they reached the shore opposite their respective homes, until the two brothers were left alone. A few minutes later they both skated into an open place in the ice not more than a quarter of a mile from their own houses. One of their sisters heard a cry from the ice and recognizing the voice of the elder of the two brothers, awakened her father and eldest brother, who had gone to bed. They made all haste to reach the water, but before they could render any assistance the cries had ceased and all was silent. The older of the two brothers was a powerful man and a good swimmer, and it is supposed that he could have saved himself, but that he lost his life in attempting to rescue his brother....

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In Scotland especially it was severe and all the railways in the North are blocked. Two London mail trains are snowed up 12 miles from Aberdeen; seven trains are snowed up and traffic suspended. Snow was still falling last night. In fact I am a new man in every respect, and those who saw me three months ago and see me now, can hardly believe that I am the same person.

A Paris dispatch says that wolves have penetrated as far as the gates of Metz. There is more snow on the Vosges than the oldest inhabitant remembers. Dispatches from Switzerland report a heavy snowfall.

FARS, Dec. 24.—A French company, under the chairmanship of the Duke of Bassano, is forming a mania for committing suicide, but outside of that he is harmless.... Mr. Fulton, principal of the Portland High School, while skating on the Kennebecasis, near the Ministers face, last Saturday, fell through and was diffusely rescued by Messrs. Trueman and Flawell, who had accompanied him.... A special a special to the *Sun* from St. Andrews says, the small-pox is spreading in Dumfries. A Mr. Murphy and his wife, and two others, are down with the disease.... There is great alarm in the vicinity.... The Provincial Government are acting nobly in their efforts to stamp the disease out.

A very sad case of suicide occurred at Barrington, N. S., on Thursday. A fisherman named William Morrissey—a man in a good

circumstances and about 53 years old—appears to have felt deeply the loss of his wife, which occurred a few months ago. So strong a hold had taken on him that he has cut his wrists and died in his own home. His sons found him there, cold and dead.

A child of Mr. Wm. Latz, of Lawrenceport, N. S., was burned to death Sunday night. She was asleep, and her clothes caught fire. The master and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Latz, of Springfield have immediately offered to give names of a reduction of wages in all branches of the building trade. In the cases of the masons and brick layers, plasterers and laborers, the reduction takes place January 1st, and joins on June 29th, 1879.

LOURDES, Ireland, Dec. 24.—The steamship *St. George*, bound for New York, can assure this morning at 7 a.m. that she has passed the Lorne Lough. The vessel will probably become a total wreck.

A London special says that a Dutch ship from Copenhagen to Liverpool, bound for New York, was arrested on a charge of smuggling.

PESS, Dec. 25.—Fetherstonhaugh's Peterborough dispatch says the Amer of Afghanistan and a portion of the Russian mission have already passed the frontier, on route to Tashkend.

UNITED STATES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Several prominent German Socialists who have been exiled from Germany on account of their peculiar doctrines, arrived here this week.

It is stated that young Braden, who passed the examination for midshipman on the British scholarship, but who will not be made a midshipman in the British navy because he refuses to renounce his allegiance to the United States, is to be provided for by the Society of Friends.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The Russian steamers the *Californian* and *Columbus* leave Philadelphia for sea, and when they arrive at three months distance from land they will hoist the Russian flag and be henceforth known as the *Europe* and the *Asia*.

They are fully manned by Russian officers and sailors, and are to be known to what part these vessels are destined.

ZANESVILLE, Dec. 21.—Judge Marsh sentenced Mr. Heyl, grave robber, to 2 years imprisonment when Dugald Yarmouth, and that a party of

enemies now on the way to Yarmouth to make a report of the present condition of the road.

The *Mail* believes Mr. Odell, C. E., is in charge of the party.... A man named Andrew Johnson fell through the iron bridge on the river at Glasgow, Monday evening. The ice being strong he was immediately killed. He is said to have been intoxicated.... A dispatch from Kentville says, the body of Samuel Bishop, aged 50, was found Sunday morning at Mill Brook. Deceased had been drinking the night before and is said to have fallen over the bank striking his head, and was run over by a horse, as a severe gash was found in his head. There was not enough water in the brook at the time to drown him.

SAD LOSS OF LIFE.

The press despatches Monday night brought news of the schooner *Charlie Bell* on "the Cape Island," and the loss of four lives. The vessel was bound from New York to Saint John with a load of flour, provisions, etc., for Moore's Hall & Fairweather, Turner, and Co., and others. The

disaster took place on Saturday night. According to the despatches four men were drowned—namely, James Wheaton, David Knox, Charles King, and a person unknown. Much anxiety is felt by the relatives of the men, especially as the news as far received is of an indefinite character.

Capt. David (not David) has a wife and eight chil-

ren living at Oromocto. James Wheaton was a single man, and belonged to Long Island. Charles Kimball belonged to Long Island. We are informed that the schooner *Charlie Bell* was bound for Saint John, who has a wife and two children, Benj. Kimball, who is a single young man named Fox whose people live at Gagetown. The despatches make no reference to anybody belonging to the vessel being saved, and it is possible that one of these men left her before starting for the latter port. The vessel was bound for Saint John, and was built in 1873 at Cambridge, Q. C. She was owned by Messrs. D. F. George, of Fredericton, John Pickard, M. P., Howard D. Troop, and Capt. Knox.

She was partially insured. A portion of the cargo was also insured. Capt. Knox says he never had a steamer to call upon, so that he should not be drowned, his late family will not be entirely unprovided for. Their case, however, is a hard one. Some two years ago, Capt. Knox lost his house by fire. —Globe.

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—The Marquis of Lorne gave \$400 to the city charities to-day, which Mayor Bangs divided equally between the Catholic and Protestant institutions.

OTTAWA, Dec. 25.—Mr. Tilley arrived here last night, and the evening temperature people will attest with an address, the Dominion Methodist Church.

TORONTO, Dec. 25.—The recent snowfall is very heavy, ranging from one to three feet. By causing trains to be delayed and connections uncertain, it has proved injurious to business.

## BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

GENEVA, Dec. 18.—The St. Gotthard tunnel is approaching completion; 11,650 metres of mountain have been pierced, and only 2260 metres remain.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The report that 150 lives were lost by the disaster to the steamer *Byzantium* is confirmed. Fourteen persons, only, were saved from the steamer.

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